



AROUND THE STATE: FIGHTS, FIRE KEEP LMF, ICF BUSY

An LMF inmate tried to hold back an officer to prevent him from responding to a fight Sunday.

The altercation broke out in the Level IV Pine unit and involved eight prisoners. Ten other prisoners were ticketed for failure to disperse. No staff injuries were reported. Officers report the brawl was gang related.

There was a total of three prisoner fights Sunday. The Level IV units at Alger remained on lock down today.

Officers fired a warning shot to disperse another serious fight Nov. 1. An inmate was stabbed in the head when he was attacked by two other inmates in the commons area.

Other recent events at LMF: 11/5 – three-inmate fight. One inmate was hit with a lock-in-a-sock.

11/4 – inmate found in possession of weapon made from sharpened toothbrush.

A wing in a Level V housing unit at ICF was evacuated Saturday after an inmate lit his mattress on fire. SCBA equipment was utilized, and the Ionia Department of Public Safety responded to the fire in Unit 1, A wing.

To the officers and staff who led the evacuation of these dangerous prisoners – good work!

Also at ICF, four weapons were recovered after a seven-prisoner fight Oct. 29. COs report one inmate who had a weapon charged at an officer. He received a threatening behavior ticket. One prisoner's face was cut in the fight. The brawl was gang-related, officers say.

VETERANS INVITED TO SPECIAL MEAL NOV. 12

All veterans, current military members, and their families are invited to a special dinner Nov. 12 at VFW Post 701 in Lansing.

What: A special veteran's day dinner, hosted by VFW Post 701's auxiliary.

When: 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 12.


Where: VFW Post 701, 123 N. Rosemary St., Lansing, MI 48917

Cost: \$8 per plate for

adults, \$3 per plate for kids. Veterans eat free.

This is another great event being shared by the MCO Military Members' Committee. All MCO members who are

veterans or currently serving in the military are encouraged to sign up for the military members' committee. Sign up at mco-seiu.org. Thanks, members!



There are many veterans and active service men and women in the MCO family. MCO leaders and staff thank you for service. Have a safe Veterans Day.

Members, exercise your right to vote Tuesday!



Election Day is Tuesday, Nov. 8. It's likely that lines will be long for many precincts, so give yourself plenty of time to cast your vote.

MCO encourages all members

to vote. Voting is both a right and a responsibility, and we hope you have taken the time to educate yourself on the candidates and their stances.

There are many important down-ticket races on the ballot. Before you vote, check out MCO's endorsement list at mco-seiu.org.

MEMBERS SHOW STRONG SUPPORT FOR CONTRACT

MCO issued a bulletin Friday announcing that members approved the proposed contract by about 94% in a vote of 2,222 to 145.

The approved contract includes a 3% wage increase in 2017 and a 2% increase in 2018. The TA also enhanced health care language concerning hearing aids.

Next, the Civil Service Commission must approve the contract. The commission's next meeting is Dec. 14.

Read the entire bulletin, which includes vote totals from all facilities, at mco-seiu.org.



MEMBERS, CALL IN TO WIN PISTONS TICKETS!

Call the MCO office now for your chance to win two Detroit Pistons tickets!

The tickets are for great lower bowl seats at the Monday, Nov. 14 game against the Oklahoma City Thunder. You'll also get a card good for 20 percent off the Pistons Locker Room store.

Call the MCO central office at (517)485-3310 during normal business hours (Monday-Friday 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. EST) before Wednesday, Nov. 9 and ask for Jim (ext. 155), Tara (ext. 150), or Olivia (ext. 152) to be entered to win these great tickets!

The drawing will be held Wednesday, Nov. 9 at 4:00 p.m. The winner will be notified by email with instructions on how to get their tickets.

The contest is open to members only.

Good luck!