



## AROUND THE STATE: MTU OFFICER ASSAULTED; COs AT NCF AND ARF FIND CONTRABAND

**An MTU prisoner punched an officer several times Tuesday, and another CO was injured while responding.** Both were treated at a hospital and released, officers said.

The assault happened in A-unit, an RTP unit that includes Level II and segregation cells. A Level II prisoner followed an officer into the med room and hit him in the head about 15 times. The officer had bruising and a cut near his eye but no serious injuries. A responding CO suffered a wrist injury.

Both have returned to work. The inmate was transferred to another facility.

Stay safe.

### **Newberry officers stopped a visitor from bringing in Suboxone June 25.**

The visitor was shaken down in the gates before entering the visiting room.

Great job, officers!

**On June 30, a Gus Harrison officer was making rounds in a Level II unit when he saw an inmate holding a syringe full of a brown liquid.** The prisoner appeared to be preparing to inject another inmate.

Other recent events at ARF:

6/28: Fight between three Level II inmates on walkway. In an unrelated incident, a CO found bleach hidden inside a shampoo bottle in a Level IV prisoner's locker.

6/27: Two-inmate fight outside of B-unit (Level I).

6/26: Inmate-on-inmate assault between Level IV prisoners in north food service area.

**Great job to all the officers who responded to these situations at MTU, NCF, ARF and other prisons over the last few weeks.**

## RUO UPDATE: COA RULES AGAINST MCO

MCO has been notified that we were unsuccessful in the Court of Appeals regarding the RUO Lawsuit.

The decision is still being analyzed by MCO's outside legal counsel. More details will be released in the future as we determine how to proceed.

For a timeline of all the actions MCO has taken over the last five years in the RUO case, [go to mco-seiu.org](http://go.to/mco-seiu.org).

## IN MEMORIAM: CO ZIMMERMAN



Newberry Officer Brian Zimmerman passed away June 27.

Zimmerman had been an officer for 21 years. He had worked at different facilities during his career. He was also a trustee on the Village Council of Newberry. He is survived by his daughter and other family and friends. Services were held Thursday.

Rest in peace, Officer Zimmerman.

## MEMBERS, WEIGH IN ON MCO DISCOUNTS AND PERKS PROGRAM

Over the past year, MCO's Member Benefits Department has made great improvements to our Discounts and Perks Program.

We added ticket contests for the Detroit Pistons, Red Wings, Tigers, and other teams around Michigan. We now have nation-wide travel discounts

to popular destinations such as Orlando, Florida. We locked down deals at casinos and ski resorts in the U.P. so members around the state don't have to travel far to take advantage of MCO's discounts.

Now we are asking for members' input to make the Discounts and Perks

Program even better. Please take a few minutes to answer a short survey about what discounts and perks you want to see in our program. [Click here to go to the survey now.](#) This brief survey will only take 5 minutes to complete. Thanks in advance for your input, members!



The MCO Executive Board at COPS Day 2016.

### Join us for COPS Day at the Ionia Free Fair July 19

COPS Day at the Ionia Free Fair is Wednesday, July 19. Corrections officers and other law enforcement officers are welcome to come out and get free snacks, MCO gear, and discounted ride

wristbands. The fun starts at noon at the hospitality center in the Administration Building. The fairgrounds are located at 317 South Dexter Street in Ionia.

See you there!