



AROUND THE STATE: INMATE-ON-STAFF ASSAULTS AT MBP, MCF

A Marquette inmate punched an officer in the face at least half a dozen times, and another CO sprained his knee and foot when he intervened.

The assault happened Feb. 29 in G-unit, which is Level V. Officers said inmates were returning to the unit after yard time when a prisoner approached the officers' desk. He told a CO he wanted to talk, then sucker-punched him in the face. Another CO and a sergeant responded. They put the prisoner in a hold and brought him to the ground to stop the attack.

Officers said this inmate had a rapport with them, and they think other prisoners may have spread rumors and manipulated

him to provoke him to lash out. The prisoner was sent to segregation.

Please wish these officers a quick recovery.

An MCF prisoner threw hot water on an officer and punched him in the neck in an attack March 5. The CO suffered first and second-degree burns on his face and chest, an officer said.

The Level II inmate attacked the CO when he entered the day room while making rounds. The inmate has a history of acting violent before he sees the parole board, an officer said.

MCO ASKING MDOC FOR ANSWERS ON COVID-19

MCO leaders are monitoring the unfolding COVID – 19 pandemic.

As you've heard, MDOC announced today that no visitors or volunteers will be allowed inside prisons.

The latest information we were told is that non-custody staff will perform health screenings on staff before they are allowed inside. Questions asked will include whether you have had a cough, fever, chills, or shortness of breath and whether you have had contact with anyone known to be infected. Temperatures will be taken with an infrared thermometer held to the forehead, and temperature will be the deciding factor in whether someone will be allowed inside. 100.4 or higher is the threshold for a fever. Shift command will make the final decision on who will enter.

Any staff denied entry will be required to use sick days. MCO is advocating for the state to offer relief or exception in this case since it's being deemed an emergency protocol. We will explore pursuing an et al grievance if officers are ultimately forced to use leave based on a temp reading. If someone is sent home, they will not be required to get medically cleared by a doctor to return to work the next day.

We have heard from several of-ficers on the protocols and we are sharing your views with the MDOC administration. **Please bring any concerns to your chapter officials.**

This situation is evolving rapidly. More information is in our members-only [Facebook group](#). We will post the latest info there. Stay healthy and safe.

MCO-sponsored wrestling team celebrates outstanding season

Congratulations to the Carson City-Crystal High School wrestling team, sponsored by MCO! Two MCO members – RMI Chapter President Kacy Datema and CTO Trent Ward – coached the team to success this year.

The team finished the season with a 32-5 record and advanced to the quarterfinal round of the state championship tournament before coming up short

against eventual state champion Clinton in Division 4. The Carson City-Crystal team has domi-

nated their local competition for nearly a decade with an impressive 8 straight conference titles, 8 straight district titles and 4 straight regional titles.

In addition to the overall team accomplishments this season, Carson City-Crystal also had great success in the Individual state championship tournament. There were 8 wrestlers from the team that qualified for the tournament in their respective weight classes and 4

of those wrestlers placed.

Senior Jamison Ward- 135 lb. State Champion. Undefeated senior season, 2-time state champ, 3-time finalist, 4-time place.

Junior Jaron Johnson- 125 lb. State Champion. Undefeated junior season.

Senior Brian Yeakey- 4th place heavy-weight, 3-time place at state tournament.

Sophomore Cole Stone- 6th place in 140 lb. class.

Sponsorships like these are one way MCO gives back to members' families and their communities.

"A lot of people in the Carson City-Crystal area are

tied to corrections. To have MCO support us is an awesome help," Datema said. "When you have to fund stuff yourself, like uniforms and hotels while you're on trips for tournaments, it gets expensive fast. I speak for the team and the coaches when I say we really appreciate the help from MCO."

Congratulations to Coach Datema, Coach Ward, and the Carson City-Crystal wrestling team.

