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The photo on the cover of Empire Bluff in Empire, Mich. was taken by **Ray Closson**, a corrections officer at Parnall Correctional Facility. For the chance to have your photo featured on the cover of the newsletter, email a high-resolution version of the image and a description of where it was taken to Holly Kramer at KramerH@michigan.gov.

Great Expectations



Gov. Rick Snyder tours new Vocational Village at Parnall Correctional Facility, commends program

When Gov. Rick Snyder had the chance to step inside the newly-opened Vocational Village at Parnall Correctional Facility in Jackson, it was clear his enthusiasm for the program was high. He was impressed by how quickly prisoners learned and developed their skills through the trades training program and encouraged them to take pride in their work and accomplishments. “This is a tremendously exciting program,” Snyder

said. “The biggest question I have is why didn’t we think of this 20 or 30 years ago?”

Snyder visited the Vocational Village at Parnall Correctional Facility on October 16, along with state Reps. Dave Pagel and Julie Alexander, and spent time speaking to prisoners and instructors in each trade. He said he was pleased to see such a high level of energy and determination from program participants.

“The main thing was just how excited the people were about the work they were doing,” Snyder said. “They were engaged. They enjoy doing this and they see value in it.”

The Vocational Village at Parnall held its grand opening in August and has the capacity to accommodate up to 240 prisoners and 32 trade tutors. Its trades include carpentry, concrete and masonry, computer numerical control machining, robotics, automotive technology, commercial truck driving and forklift operation.

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acts as a supportive learning community where they can study and attend programs together, and support each other's success.

"We're like-minded individuals," Counts said. "We're all just trying to go home."

The department opened its first Vocational Village at Richard A. Handlon Correctional Facility in 2016, offering training in trades that include welding, computer numerical control machining, automotive

technology, carpentry, plumbing and electrical work.

About 70 percent of prisoners who have paroled from the program at Handlon are employed.

"To have a career opportunity that is good, well-paying and established the day you leave is a fabulous head start," Snyder said. "I think we will see a dramatic difference in terms of how many of these folks come back."

Prisoners in both Vocational Villages must meet measurable goals, and receive state- and nationally-recognized certifications on their trade through successful participation in the program.

Prisoners from across the state can apply to

Prisoners have full days of training and classroom instruction intended to mirror a typical work day outside the confines of a correctional facility.

Kyle Counts, a prisoner in the computer numerical control machining program, said many offenders turn to crime when they cannot find work, but the training offered through the Vocational Village helps solve that problem.

"There's no reason why anyone needs to resort back to crime," Counts said. "Now we have the education and the tools we need to get jobs when we go home."

Counts said the program also benefits prisoners by housing Vocational Village participants together.

Prisoners live together in one housing unit that

Check out these stories about Gov. Rick Snyder's visit to the Vocational Village at Parnall Correctional Facility:

[Michigan inmates paroled with new job skills](#) — The Detroit News

[Gov. Rick Snyder greets Jackson prisoners, tours new Vocational Village](#) — MLive

[Governor tours job training program in Jackson prison](#) — WILX TV

[New Vocational Village program in Jackson expected to stop recidivism](#) — WLNS TV





different future for prisoners and would like to see all paroled from it land employment. He said he fully supports the program, and is happy to help recruit employers to hire its graduates. When former offenders land jobs, they have the opportunity to focus on the careers ahead of them and leave their life of crime behind – making communities safer.

“It’s a great outcome for the people coming out of the program, but it’s also a great outcome for our citizens in society,” Snyder said. “What better answer could we get?”

Click the photo below to hear more from Gov. Rick Snyder on the Field Days Podcast.



become a student at one of the department’s Vocational Villages, and must be within two years of release, have a GED and stay misconduct free to be accepted. They also must demonstrate that they are committed to completing the training. The department hopes to launch a third Vocational Village at the Women’s Huron Valley Correctional Facility – a plan Snyder supports. Snyder said the program is creating a dramatically

[To see more photos from the governor’s visit, click here.](#)

Department of State Mobile Unit helps prisoners obtain state ID prior to release

Last year, the Michigan Department of Corrections and Department of State partnered to help prisoners obtain a state ID or driver’s license necessary for landing work in the community after release.

The Department of State’s mobile unit has visited five facilities so far to help process identification, including Richard A. Handlon, G. Robert Cotton, Women’s Huron Valley, Parnall and West Shoreline correctional facilities.

It will make a joint stop at Richard A. Handlon and Bellamy Creek correctional facilities in December,

servicing 50 prisoners at each location. By the end of the year, the mobile unit will have helped about 500 prisoners obtain identification. “We’re putting together a plan to hopefully double our efforts next year,” said Nicole Reinsch, a departmental specialist. “We’re trying to help as many people as we can before they parole.”

The mobile unit typically serves about 100 prisoners during each visit.

Prisoners within two years of their earliest release date who are paroling to a Michigan community are eligible to participate in the mobile unit events to secure a state ID or a driver’s license - if theirs has not expired in the last four years.

Before the mobile unit arrives at the facility, staff members assemble a packet that includes a birth certificate, prisoner ID, application for ID and a basic information summary, which is sent to the Department of State for screening in preparation for the mobile unit visit.

Reinsch said the partnership with the Department of State has been very positive.

“The Secretary of State has been really good in getting us off the ground,” Reinsch said. “They are always willing to help us.”



Tenacious Teacher

Probation agent strives to educate youths and parents

Probation Agent Damita DuBose had seen too many young people on the other side of her desk at her metro Detroit office struggling with their education, and lacking other skills, like how to create a resume. She wanted to do more to



Damita DuBose

help tackle the issue early on for others, so they didn't find themselves in a similar position. "I always tell my children education is important," DuBose said. "I realized there are so many kids that need help." DuBose, who works at the Lahser District Probation Office, began tutoring children in her community and created a youth outreach program that focuses on helping teens learn skills like interviewing techniques, financial management and social media safety. When she meets with children for tutoring sessions for the first time, she tries to determine the ways they learn and communicate best. Sometimes that means going outside, or sitting on the floor instead of at the table, she said. "When I am able to connect with

a child, it is so much better," she said.

Her passion for teaching and education also comes from her own experiences. She struggled with writing in high school, and continued to encounter challenges in college. One day, an instructor pulled her aside and told her college wasn't for everyone. She got discouraged and stopped taking classes. Five years later, "something clicked" and she returned to complete a bachelor's and master's degree. She said she wanted to help others find the motivation they needed to succeed academically.

"You have to stick to it, but if you don't have positive role models and the positive feedback you need, it's hard," DuBose said. "You need someone to believe in you. (Students) see I care, and then I see that they care and their grades continue to grow." DuBose also leads a parent-education class called Kautious Kids that provides techniques for keeping children safe at home and in the community. That includes teaching them how to lock doors or lean on a car horn during some emergency situations. "I thought I needed to do something to help parents in these small situations that kids may think are safe that aren't safe," DuBose said. "You need to be aware. At any given time, kids could think something is safe when it isn't."

Remembering Kristin Keydel

Kristin Keydel, secretary at the Eaton County Parole and Probation Office, passed away on Oct. 3 after battling cancer. Her colleagues at the Eaton County office held a [T-shirt fundraiser in March](#) to help her family cover the cost of medical



expenses. She was remembered for her caring nature and fighting spirit. She showed dogs and enjoyed singing and playing

piano.

Services were held on Oct. 9 at Borek Jennings Funeral Home. Memorial contributions can be made out to the Kristin Keydel Memorial Fund, which will support research at the [University of Michigan Cancer Center](#) and [Metavivor](#), a breast cancer awareness organization.

A message of comfort can be left for her family by calling 1-877-231-7900 or by writing in her [guestbook online](#).

Do you have generations of family members working in corrections?

We'd like to hear from you for a story in an upcoming edition about what drew you and your family to corrections work. Contact Holly Kramer at KramerH@michigan.gov.

On Target

Ordnance Unit Specialist makes competitive shooting a hobby

James Loxton has participated in hundreds of shooting matches, and while he likes to compete, it's the camaraderie among competitors that keeps him coming back.

"The people in the shooting sports



James Loxton (pictured right)

are very friendly," said Loxton, an ordnance unit specialist for the MDOC. "It's probably the friendliest crowd you'll be a part of and one of the main reasons I've been involved as long as I have." Loxton, who has participated in eight sanctioned major matches, has been a member of the International Defensive Pistol Association (IDPA) since 2004. IDPA is a defensive, shooting-orientated sport and since Loxton was conducting training in self-defense shooting for the department, he thought it would

be helpful to his job to be involved with the organization.

In August, he won the 2017 Michigan State IDPA Championship match for Concealed Carry Pistols. The match, which was held at the Livingston Conservation & Sports Association Club in Brighton, included more than 200 shooters. Loxton competes in local matches every weekend in the summer and will shoot in one or two major matches a year.

He also competed at the Michigan Police Pistol Match in September with a team of MDOC staff from Jackson.

Competing takes a lot of discipline and practice, Loxton said.

Competitions can differ between scenario-based shooting matches, to those that require hitting a bull's-eye.

"You have to be precise, and it takes a lot of concentration," he said.

Those interested in getting involved in shooting sports should determine what kind of shooting they are interested in and set goals for themselves, he said.

The sport requires putting time into practice and staying disciplined to develop the skill needed to succeed, he said.

"It's been a fun and great learning experience," Loxton said.

Around the MDOC

Michigan State Industries staff attend regional conference

MSI staff attended the National Correctional Industries Association (NCIA) Regional Training Conference in Wisconsin Dells in September.

The conference encouraged NCIA members in the region to connect with other correctional industries programs. Training opportunities were designed to maximize professional development, exchange best practices, and allow for networking with other professionals, as well as with providers of products and services to correctional industries.

Attendees included MSI Business Manager Christopher Kamrada, Promotional Agent Chad Guthrie, MSI Order Entry Supervisor Margret Leisinger, Carson City Garment Manager Deann Gallagher, Ionia Garment Production Leader Jennifer Bailey, Chippewa Correctional Facility Garment Production Leader Michele Fiering, Gus Harrison Correctional Facility License Plate Production Leader Larry Burns, Bellamy Creek Sign Shop Manager Chuck Beltz, and Bellamy Creek Sign Shop Production Leader Michael Mollitor.

Corrections Officers honored by Ionia Rotary Club

Four corrections officers with the MDOC were honored by the Ionia Rotary Club during its annual Corrections Officers of the Year recognition event.

Officers honored included Scott Wymer of Richard A. Handlon Correctional Facility, Terry Grant of Michigan Reformatory, Joseph Hammer of Bellamy Creek Correctional Facility and Mark Gregory of Ionia Correctional Facility

Kamrada named vice chair of central region



Christopher Kamrada, a Michigan State Industries Business Manager was named Vice Chair of the National Correctional Industries Association Central Region. Kamrada began his career with the MDOC in 1989 and has been with Michigan State Industries since 2011.

Pulling for a Good Cause

Staff members represent MDOC at Plane Pull Fundraiser



Special Olympics Michigan helps athletes achieve their dreams with the support of caring volunteers, coaches, family and others in the community.

When staff members got a chance to represent the MDOC in an event to benefit more than 23,000 athletes who participate in Special Olympics, they were eager to sign-up.

On October 8, six teams from across the department joined the 2017 Plane Pull fundraiser to support the organization, which works with children and adults with special needs.

The event was the ultimate test of strength and challenged teams of up to 10 people to see how fast they can pull a plane.

The fundraiser, which brought in \$16,579, was hosted by Active Aero Group and took place at Willow Run Airport. It required each team to raise a minimum of \$400.00 to participate. All members

of the MDOC and their loved ones were welcome to watch and cheer for their colleagues.

During the event, each team received a practice pull to warm up, and one official pull for time. Awards given in each category were Men's, Co-Ed, Women's and Top fundraisers.

Out of 19 teams, the MDOC's Flight 300 team, which included Maurice Smith-Davis, Dionne Byers, Vanessa Butler, Chance Dalzell, Jaylene Nostrandt, Gary Malone, Lance Smith, David Katz and Shantell Strange, earned first place.

As Michigan's Special Olympics program continues to grow, more funding is needed to support the athletes and their families.

Though the event has ended, you can still donate at firstgiving.com/miletr/planepull17.

Story by Alexandra Torres, MDOC communications intern

Want to get involved?

Register for the 2018 Law Enforcement Torch Run Kick Off Conference to hear more about how you can help change the lives of Special Olympics athletes.

The conference will be held January 11 and 12 at Grand Traverse Resort near Traverse City.

[Click here to register.](#)

Team MDOC completes 705-mile run to benefit Special Olympics athletes

The Michigan Department of Corrections Law Enforcement Torch Run team has done it again. Together, through a variety of fundraising efforts, Team MDOC raised more than \$17,000 for Special Olympics Michigan. The team helped run 705 miles during Special Olympics Law Enforcement Torch Run week, along with 14 other runners from the Michigan State Police

and the Fraternal Order of Police. Central Route began in Copper Harbor on September 11 and concluded in Detroit on September 15. The 2017 team included Bellamy Creek Correctional Facility Sgt. Mark Bunting, Macomb Correctional Facility Psychologist Karen Solgot, Richard A. Handlon Correctional Facility Psychologist Kari Nader, Parnall Correctional Facility Corrections Program Coordinator Brad Budzynski, Thumb Correctional Facility Officers Geoff Roberts and Dean Morris and Woodland Center Correctional Facility Officer Justin Zanotti. The run raises money and creates awareness for the athletes who participate in Special Olympics. Funds raised cover the cost of uniforms, training, and sporting equipment for Special Olympians throughout the state. Thank you to all who supported and donated.

Submitted by Macomb Correctional Facility Psychologist Karen Solgot



Employee Store: The one-stop shop for MDOC gear

The Michigan Department of Corrections Employee Store offers a wide selection of MDOC logo merchandise to department staff, retirees and their families. Customized orders for other items are also available. Proceeds from the store will also be used to support events for MDOC staff. For a link to view and order store items and for instructions on logging in, click the CVSD logo on the department's [SharePoint Intranet page here](#).

For questions about the store, contact the EPIC Office at MDOC-EPIC@michigan.gov.

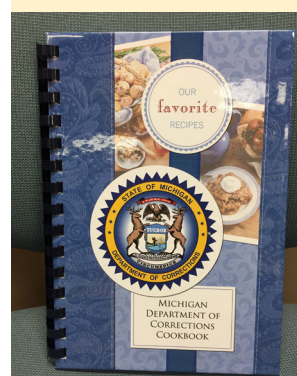


Try a new recipe

MDOC Cookbooks available for order
A compilation of favorite recipes from department staff is now available to employees statewide.

The Michigan Department of Corrections Cookbook is complete and ready to order. We hope you will enjoy making these recipes and are able to find a new favorite to share with your family and friends.

You can fill out an order form for the cookbook [here](#) and send it to mdoc-wellness@michigan.gov.



A portion of the proceeds will help support the EPIC Employee Engagement Team, State Employees Charitable Campaign and Harvest Gathering. Each cookbook will be sold for \$10.00 and recipe submitters may receive a 10% discount on their total order.

Parolee displays drawing at ArtPrize

For parolee, Larnell Johnson, the images of Michael Jordan, Magic Johnson and Detroit represent the starting point of dreams for many young people growing up in the city. While at Pugsley Correctional Facility in 2015, Johnson created a colored pencil drawing that was featured at this year’s ArtPrize, an open art competition that grants \$500,000 in awards. With the assistance of the Prison Creative Arts Project, Johnson was able to take his artwork to the contest that took place in Grand Rapids from

September 20 to October 8 and featured 1,453 artists representing 40 states and 44 countries. Artists displayed their work at 170 venues throughout the city, one of which was the Kent County Parole Office, where Johnson exhibited his work.

The piece depicts 1992 Olympic Basketball Team members Michael Jordan and Magic Johnson and is titled “Where Dreams Began.”

The piece took approximately one month to create and was inspired by a photograph from

Sports Illustrated and a neighborhood picture from another prisoner.

The Prison Creative Arts Project helped make arrangements for Johnson to travel from Detroit to Grand Rapids to visit ArtPrize and see his artwork. Although the piece did not place in the ArtPrize public or juried vote, Johnson was thankful for the opportunity to show his work.

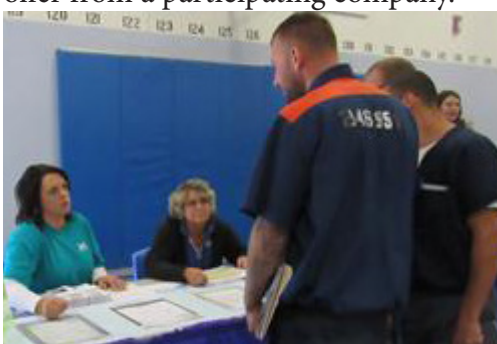


Cooper Street Correctional Facility hosts employment fair for prisoners

About 100 prisoners participated in an employment fair at Cooper Street Correctional Facility on October 18.

The fair included 14 booths and tables and featured information on community resources and opportunities to meet with Michigan employers. One prisoner who attended the fair received a job offer from a participating company.

Companies and organizations participating in the fair included Stan Ouding Greenhouses, Team Wellness, Recovery Park, Dakotta Integrated Systems, Michigan Works!, Kellogg Community College, Lyons Industries, Michigan Talent Investment Agency, Kinexus, and the Michigan Department of State.



Winners announced for raffle supporting 2018 Employee Recreation Day

The Michigan Department of Corrections held a raffle to support the 2018 Employee Recreation Day.

The drawing was held October 2 and winners were announced on October 3.

- The first prize winner of the vacation rental at Silver Lake was Andrea Watters, a department technician in Education.

- The second prize winner of \$500.00 was Susan Mittelstadt, acting business manager at Lakeland Correctional Facility.
- The third prize winner of \$250.00 was Antonio James, a department technician with the Tether Unit.

More than \$3,600 in proceeds were raised during the raffle for recreation day.



Pictured (left to right): Employee Engagement Team member Robin Gilbert and first place winner Andrea Watters, second place winner Susan Mittelstadt and Lakeland Correctional Facility Warden Bonita Hoffner, third place winner Antonio James and Employee Engagement Team member Quenton Pannell.

Southwest District Probation Office helps clean up community

The Southwest District Probation Office worked to give back to the community by cleaning up an area road. The office held its first Adopt-A-Road clean-up event in September and picked up trash along a section of Outer Drive in Lincoln Park.

Agents Chris Johnson, Fred Smith, Susan Schaffer and Supervisor Matt Salmen, along with 10 probationers participated in the clean-up effort.



Probationers were eager to assist with the clean-up and several volunteered to participate in future events. Almost 10 full bags of trash were collected.

MDOC Honor Guard sends detail to North Carolina

Members of the Michigan Department of Corrections' Honor Guard attended funeral services for two North Carolina correctional employees killed at Pasquotank Correctional Institution on October 12. Lakeland Correctional Facility Lt. Christianna Borst and Richard A. Handlon Correctional Facility Resident Unit Manager Charles Traylor were present for the services.



The Extra Mile

MDOC staff go beyond the call of duty to help others



In September 2017, Corrections Officer Natasha Allen witnessed a four-car accident and immediately stopped to assist the victims. Allen flagged down other drivers and ran from car to car to assist victims, which included a fellow coworker. Allen used her training and skills to apply direct pressure and stop her colleague's bleeding. After calling an ambulance, Allen stayed at the hospital for approximately four hours until the family of the victim arrived. Allen's unselfish and caring acts earned her the Lifesaving Award.

In March 2017, Corrections Officer Nathaniel Knapp responded to a fire alarm and radio call regarding smoke coming from the laundry room of a unit at the Women's Huron Valley Correctional Facility. Knapp assisted in evacuating juvenile prisoners and extinguished the fire in the area. After making sure others were safe, Knapp noticed that the flames had re-ignited and he used an extinguisher to put out the fire again. Knapp's diligence and skill earned him the Meritorious Service Award.



In January 2017, Corrections Transportation Officer Kevin Briston saw several police cars pull into a Walgreens parking lot in Jackson after three local pharmacies had reported an armed man entering their stores demanding prescription drugs. Briston strategically pulled into an adjacent parking lot facing the back of the building where he observed the suspect run out while being chased by an officer. He immediately exited his vehicle to assist in the chase and helped restrain the offender who was in possession of a handgun and a significant amount of cash. Briston's courage and diligence earned him the department's Citizenship Award.

The Extra Mile continued...

In January 2017, Corrections Officer Andrew Swisher and Lieutenant Thomas Goodin noticed that a prisoner at the Charles E. Egeler Reception and Guidance Center was chewing on something and had flooded his room. Swisher asked what the prisoner had in his mouth, and the prisoner then began choking on the item. Swisher responded immediately and performed three abdominal thrusts to dislodge an orange cap that had blocked the prisoner's airway. Swisher's dedication and initiative to help the prisoner earned him the department's Lifesaving Award.



In May 2016, Officer Adam Yott found a co-worker unconscious floating on his back in the lake in front of his house. Yott saw blood coming from the mouth of his colleague and it seemed that he was not breathing. Yott entered the water and called Licensed Practical Nurse Andrea Riley for assistance. While in the water Yott held his coworker hoping to get him to respond while Riley retrieved a first aid kit. He soon started to breathe again and was successfully removed from the water. Yott and Riley then attempted to stop the bleeding and assisted their colleague by taking him to the hospital. Yott's actions earned him the department's Lifesaving Award.



Food Service Director Aaron Crawford received the Symbol of Teamwork Coin from Saginaw Correctional Facility Warden Tom Winn for doing an excellent job working to meet the everyday needs of the facility.



Corrections Officer Claude Priebe received the Symbol of Excellence Coin from Woodland Center Correctional Facility Warden Jodi DeAngelo for his work on the Pod 1 Team. Priebe leads by example, has exceptional work ethic and has helped create a favorable environment for treating prisoners with mental illness.

Partnership with Michigan Braille Transcribing Fund helps bring books to the blind

Since 1962, prisoners in Jackson have helped individuals with visual impairments enjoy literature and read their class textbooks. Through a partnership with the Michigan Braille Transcribing Fund, prisoners at G. Robert Cotton Correctional Facility help produce millions of pages of braille text that are distributed worldwide. In the last 55 years, the program has grown into one of the largest producers of braille in the country. When the partnership began at the former State

Prison of Southern Michigan, there were two prisoners producing braille materials. Production moved to G. Robert Cotton Correctional Facility in 1998 and today there are about 50 prisoners who help transcribe printed text to braille. One book can take a year to transcribe, depending on its length, and prisoners also learn to reproduce graphics, maps, charts, line drawings and other images in braille format. In addition to books, transcribers have produced braille versions of bus schedules, corporate manuals,

menus, tests, ballots and brochures.

Transcribing text into braille is a skill that can take up to two years to learn and trainees go through a certification process prescribed by the U.S. Library of Congress.

The skill is valuable in the community.

Prisoners who have paroled from the program have started their own transcription businesses or have served as consultants in braille production.



Corrections Quiz

Which former MDOC administrator and superintendent of Kinross Correctional Facility was an All-American basketball forward?

Send your answer to Holly Kramer at KramerH@michigan.gov. The first person to answer correctly will receive a congratulatory shout out on MDOC social media, and the answer and winner will be published in the next edition of the newsletter.

September Quiz Recap

What year did prisoners at the State Prison of Southern Michigan begin producing braille materials?

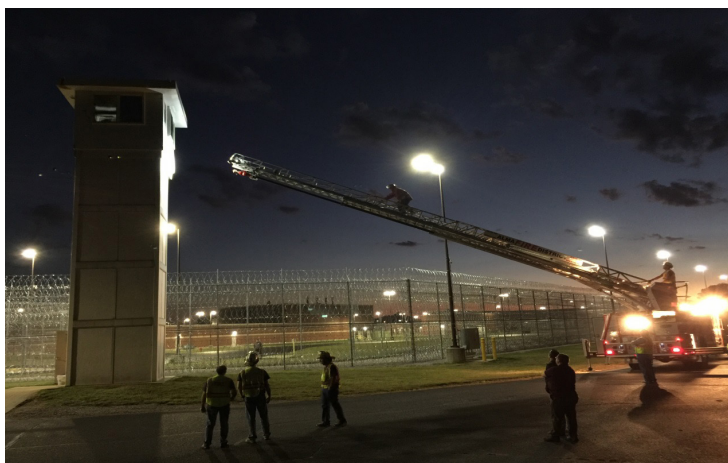
Answer: 1962

Congratulations to **Paul Kope**, a corrections officer at G. Robert Cotton Correctional Facility, for being the first to answer the September Corrections Quiz. Great job!

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Snapshots

A look at life around the MDOC



St. Louis Correctional Facility conducted a mobilization that involved the St. Louis and Alma fire departments responding to a simulated call for assistance for an unresponsive officer in a facility tower. The fire departments practiced extracting the officer from the tower using a variety of methods including a backboard, soft cot and ladder truck.



West Shoreline Correctional Facility Sgt. Kip Smith has his mustache shaved off as part of a fundraiser to support the family of Corrections Officer Michael Lee. Lee passed away in September, and staff raised \$1,400 through the fundraiser. Donations were collected by Corrections Officers Lyle Daniels and Pat Kampf, and managed by Karen Wichter.



Michigan Department of Corrections employees participated in the Relentless Positive Traction 5K fun run and walk in September. Proceeds from the event benefitted the Special Olympics of Michigan and the Michigan Law Enforcement Memorial Fund.

Corrections in the News

[Harrison inmates grow, donate produce](#) — Adrian Daily Telegram

[Metro Detroit based program changing lives of many people serving time](#) — WXYZ TV

[Judges say drug treatment courts are making a difference](#) — Herald Palladium

[C.J.'s Paws with a Cause training prison](#) — WZZM TV

[Inside Cell Block 7](#) — WKHM Radio

Spread the word about some of the great things happening at the MDOC and share these stories with friends, family and coworkers.

Seen on Facebook...

 Michigan Department of Corrections
October 11 at 12:40pm

Thanks to some talented gardeners at the Gus Harrison Correctional Facility, many families who stop by the Madison Township farm can have a photo-op with a 538-pound pumpkin!

Prisoners who volunteer in the garden program will donate up to 10,000 pounds of produce to local food shelters.



Harrison inmates grow, donate produce
Prisoners provide pumpkins
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August New Hires

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| Arvizu, Kristine | Accounting Assistant, Jackson Central Region |
| Beaudoin, Michael | Clinical Social Worker, Baraga Correctional Facility |
| Branch, Janet | Registered Nurse, Women's Huron Valley Correctional Facility |
| Butts, Cheryl | Licensed Practical Nurse, Gus Harrison Correctional Facility |
| Carlson, Brandon | Storekeeper, Gus Harrison Correctional Facility |
| Carr, Jennifer | Accounting Assistant, Jackson Central Region |
| Colby, Brandon | Procurement Technician, Corrections Central Office |
| Drumm, Sara | Accounting Assistant, Corrections Central Office |
| Ensing, Matthew | Corrections Qualified Mental Health Professional, Oaks Correctional Facility |
| Harmon, Silke | Departmental Analyst, Corrections Central Office |
| Jacobs, Steven | Registered Nurse, Women's Huron Valley Correctional Facility |
| Kapitch, Joel | Registered Nurse, Women's Huron Valley Correctional Facility |
| Laksonen, Anna | Registered Nurse, Marquette Branch Prison |
| Logan, Kathrine | Procurement Technician, Corrections Central Office |
| Marsh, Michelle | Licensed Practical Nurse, Charles E. Egeler Reception and Guidance Center |
| Masuga, Cory | Corrections Qualified Mental Health Professional, Chippewa Correctional Facility |
| McMillian, John | Licensed Practical Nurse, Central Michigan Correctional Facility |
| Medendorp, Kurt | Corrections Field Service Assistant, Muskegon County Parole Office |
| Randall, Michael | Storekeeper, Gus Harrison Correctional Facility |
| Redman, Miyon | Phlebotomist, Women's Huron Valley Correctional Facility |
| Royer-Thompson, Staci | Registered Nurse, Charles E. Egeler Reception and Guidance Center |
| Sharpe, Christine | General Office Assistant, Carson City Correctional Facility |
| Smith, Tristina | Registered Nurse, Chippewa Correctional Facility |
| Webster, Larry | Corrections Officer, Bellamy Creek Correctional Facility |
| White, James | Licensed Practical Nurse, Detroit Reentry Center |
| Wilcox, Randi | Word Processing Assistant, Tuscola County Parole and Probation Office |
| Zott, Paul | Corrections Qualified Mental Health Provider, Macomb Correctional Facility |

August Retirements

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| Ashe, Albert | Corrections Resident Representative, Carson City Correctional Facility |
| Avery, Lawrence | Corrections Officer, Thumb Correctional Facility |
| Blundy, Terry | Corrections Officer, Richard A. Handlon Correctional Facility |
| Chesney, John | Corrections Officer, Central Michigan Correctional Facility |
| Cowger, William | Corrections Officer, Macomb Correctional Facility |
| Darmody, Dennis | Corrections Officer, St. Louis Correctional Facility |
| Dirschell, Phillip | Corrections Officer, Lakeland Correctional Facility |
| Duma, Louis | Corrections Officer, St. Louis Correctional Facility |
| Enterline, Lyle | Corrections Officer, Alger Correctional Facility |
| Fish, Mary | Secretary, Marquette Branch Prison |
| Franks, Steven | Corrections Officer, Carson City Correctional Facility |
| Freed, Scotty | Corrections Officer, Saginaw Correctional Facility |
| Freeman, Michael | Corrections Officer, Central Michigan Correctional Facility |
| Garver, Gerald | Corrections Medical Officer, Woodland Center Correctional Facility |
| Giesen, Kristine | Assistant Resident Unit Supervisor, Marquette Branch Prison |
| Heckman, Daniel | Corrections Officer, Bellamy Creek Correctional Facility |
| Jerome, Newton | Corrections Officer, Central Michigan Correctional Facility |
| Jones, Alfred | Departmental Specialist, Jackson Central Region |
| Kalminski, Donald | Field Agent, Macomb County Parole Office |
| Kartes, Donald | Corrections Officer, Oaks Correctional Facility |
| Martinez, Arturo | Corrections Officer, G. Robert Cotton Correctional Facility |
| Minard, Scott | Corrections Officer, Michigan Reformatory |
| Monday, Darrell | Assistant Resident Unit Supervisor, Women's Huron Valley Correctional Facility |
| Newsome, Richard | Corrections Shift Supervisor, Gus Harrison Correctional Facility |
| Patrikus, Sylvester | Corrections Officer, Baraga Correctional Facility |
| Perrine, Carl | Trades Instructor, Parnall Correctional Facility |
| Pulido, Raul | Storekeeper, Jackson Central Region |
| Salisbury, Kenneth | Corrections Security Inspector, Gus Harrison Correctional Facility |
| Sattler, Joseph | State Administrative Manager, Corrections Central Office |
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