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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Jeanne Stuart, Bodman, Longley & Dahling LLP

Time flies. It seems that we all just met in Lansing for the Annual Meeting, and yet here it is, September already. Fall has always seemed to me to be more a time for beginnings than endings; school begins, new associates start, old acquaintances are renewed after the summer break. And so it is with MichALL. I would like to welcome the new board members Michael Samson (returning now as Vice President/President Elect), Christopher Bloodworth (Secretary), and Pat Parker (Member-at-Large). I would also like to say good-bye and thank you to Mary Karpinski (departing Past President) and Hildur Hanna (departing Secretary) for all their work and support.

As you can see the newsletter is alive and well, and we hope to bring it to you on a regular basis. Please help us make it useful and interesting by submitting anything you think would be of interest to other members: job openings, new people, moves to new positions, upcoming programs or meetings, reviews of programs or books read, anything. The goal is to make the newsletter yet another way to keep in touch with what is going on.

Elsewhere in this newsletter (and coming to you soon via listserv) is a note from Brian Devlin, Director of the Michigan Office of Regulatory Reform. The office is considering whether or not to produce print versions of the Administrative Code. Please take the time to give Brian your thoughts on this matter.

Last, but not least membership packets have been mailed. Feel free to make copies and share them with any librarians (new or old) who you think would be interested in joining.

Have a great Fall everyone! We are trying to pull together a fall meeting. Stay tuned for details.



PAST-PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Duane Stronjy, Cooley Law Library

JOIN MichALL!

Membership Forms:

<http://www.aallnet.org/chapter/michall/organization/join-michall.doc>

<http://www.aallnet.org/chapter/michall/organization/join-michall.pdf>

MichALL listserv

<http://share.aallnet.org/read/?forum=michall>

www.michigan.gov

**The Official
Web Site for the
State of Michigan**

The Michigan Association of Law Libraries (MichALL) has had another successful year. Although our membership level has remained relatively constant, we have been able to attract a number of student members by offering free membership during the time they are enrolled in library school. Four executive board meetings provided us with the opportunity to conduct our day-to-day business and address some of the long-standing issues an organization of our small size and scattered membership faces. Discussions on attracting a wider variety of members, reaching out to subsets of our current membership and dealing with the impact of technology on our organization were regular topics. However, the most dramatic accomplishments may have been the revitalization of our newsletter in an electronic format and the shift of our statewide listserv to the AALL mainframe.

Our annual meeting took place May 16, 2003 at the newly opened Michigan Hall of Justice which is the new home to our state supreme court, court of appeals, and the state court of appeals library. Our day-long program, entitled *Minimize Today, Envision Tomorrow*, centered on what libraries are doing to prepare for legal researchers of tomorrow. Speakers from a firm library, an undergraduate library and a specialty library presented us with an array of possibilities about what libraries of the future may look like and participants had the opportunity to share their current experiences and ask questions. The day ended with a behind the scenes tour of the dramatic facility that has pulled all the appellate courts in the state for the first time in its history.

Once again, at the annual AALL meeting, MichALL members gathered together with ORALL members to network and create new connections. A \$1000 travel grant allowed one of our new members to attend AALL for the first time and experience the value of what the association can do for its members. As MichALL continues to evolve, our outreach to our fellow colleagues as well as new membership groups will play a vital role in the success of the organization.

MichALL OFFICERS 2003-2005

- President: [Jeanne Stuart](#)
- Past-President: [Duane Strojny](#)
- Vice-President: [Michael Samson](#)
- Secretary: [Christopher Bloodworth](#) (2003-05)
- Treasurer: [Barbara McDowell Bonge](#) (2002-04)
- Member at Large: [Pat Parker](#) (2003-05)
- Member at Large: [Larissa Sullivant](#) (2002-04)

MichALL committees are composed of a liaison from the Executive Board, the chairperson, and individuals who have designated their interest in committee activity on the annual membership renewal form. If you are interested in getting involved in one of the committees, please contact the chairperson designated. Our thanks to those who have indicated their willingness to work!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dues are Due for 2003-04 Membership Year

Just a reminder to send in your dues for 2003/2004 (still only \$15). If you can't find the form you were sent or didn't receive one, there's a copy at <http://www.aallnet.org/chapter/michall/> (click on either .doc or .pdf following Join MichALL). Please check a box for one of the committees. Your volunteering will help make this a great year for all MichALL members. If you have already sent your dues, thanks.

The Michigan Office of Regulatory Reform Seeks Law Librarians' Input

With the enactment of 53 PA 2003, the Office of Regulatory Reform has been granted discretion to determine whether or not to produce, at cost, print versions of the state's three administrative law publications; the *Michigan Administrative Code*, the *Administrative Code Supplement (AACS)*, and the *Michigan Register*. While the statutes require that the publications must remain available on the internet at no charge, we are interested in assessing public interest in other formats or means of delivery, such as CD-ROM subscriptions or a full re-publication in hardbound volumes, and the acceptable price range for such products. We would welcome the comments of the members of the Michigan Chapter of the American Association of Law Libraries as we try to determine the types of administrative law publications that would be best suited to today's market. Please send your comments to Brian D. Devlin, Director, Office of Regulatory Reform at: devlinb1@michigan.gov .

ICLE Needs Michigan Reports & Michigan Appeals Reports for Digitization

ICLE is looking for a donated set of Michigan Reports and Michigan Appeal Reports for use in a project to digitize this material. They would like a full set, but at this point could only obtain Michigan Reports from 1942-1995. Any leads would be greatly appreciated. Please contact Mary Hiniker, ICLE's Publications Director, at mhiniker@umich.edu.

MEMBER NEWS

MichALL acknowledges new members – Welcome to MichALL!

- Mariya Barash - Head of Technical Services, Ave Maria School of Law
- Megan Butman - West Librarian Relations Manager
- Samantha Jordan - MLIS student at WSU;
- Korrinna Kasara - Reference Librarian, Thomas M. Cooley Law School (Grand Rapids)
- Patricia Orr - Manager of Library Services, Dykema Gossett PLLC
- Alene Soloway - Technical Services Librarian, Dykema Gossett PLLC

Two former student members:

- Catherine R. Mulla - Technical Services Librarian, Miller, Canfield, Paddock and Stone, PLC
- Margaret Vitale - Librarian, Cooley Law Library (Oakland University)

MichALL & ORALL law librarians gather once again at AALL

MichALL and ORALL law librarians held their annual joint luncheon, July 15, during the AALL Annual Meeting in Seattle, Washington. Approximately 45 MichALL members were on hand at the Sheraton-East Ballroom in downtown Seattle to dine and share information with ORALL members.

New Members in New Places

Two former MichALL student members recently entered their first professional, full-time librarian positions. Anne Cottongim is a Reference and Electronic Services Librarian at the Ave Maria School of Law Library in Ann Arbor. Catherine Mulla is a Technical Services Librarian at the law firm of Miller, Canfield, Paddock & Stone, P.L.C. in downtown Detroit. Anne and Catherine both graduated from Wayne State University's Library and Information Science Program (LISP). Both librarians also worked at the Wayne State University Law Library prior to graduating from the program: Anne as an LISP practicum student and Catherine as a graduate student assistant.

Anne has been at Ave Maria since August 4. As Reference and Electronic Services Librarian, she provides research and reference services, updates electronic resources, implements new databases and contacts

vendors. Anne says she likes “being in a position I’m suited for and (having an opportunity) to contact people with research needs.” Anne belongs to a full-time staff of 5 librarians, including the Director and Assistant Director, that serves the faculty and students of the law school. Commenting on working in an academic law library, Anne says, “It (Ave Maria) is a wonderful place (to work); I’d like to stay here a while.”

Catherine has been at Miller, Canfield, Paddock & Stone since March 10. She previously worked as a legal assistant at various Detroit law firms for 12 years. As Technical Services Librarian, Catherine catalogs both print and electronic resources, updates the library’s Intranet, maintains and updates the library’s databases, troubleshoots scheduling conflicts of serials, provides research and reference services, and assists with inventory, collection development and acquisitions. Catherine credits the library staff for helping make her job manageable, “Getting a program to work, fixing somebody’s problem and seeing someone’s satisfaction in discovering a database or source that will facilitate their research and/or provide information to meet their needs. All (of) this would not have been possible without having a great support network. I have learned a magnitude of information from Nancy Higgerson (Director of Information Services) and Penny Damore (Reference Librarian), in addition to having a lot of contacts from my previous occupation as a legal assistant.” Catherine belongs to a staff of 3 librarians and one clerk that serves attorneys, judges, legal assistants and administrative staff. She says her current position is demanding and challenging, but fun, “Having started with the notion that I might like to be a reference librarian in a legal setting, I have found that being a technical services librarian in the same environment provides challenges that make work fun.”

MichALL Timeline

1976

MichALL was formed in Southfield, Michigan at a meeting held in conjunction with the Michigan State Bar Association

1977

The first edition of the MichALL Newsletter was published

1981

MichALL became a chapter of the American Association of Law Libraries.

Read more timeline @ <http://www.aallnet.org/chapter/michall/organization/25yearsofMichALL.html>

AALL NEWS

VOLUNTEER to serve on an [AALL committee!](#)

WHY?

Because volunteering helps you...

- Make important networking contacts
- Learn or develop leadership skills
- Gain work experience
- Build self-esteem and self-confidence
- Improve your health
- Meet new people
- Think creatively

Perhaps most importantly, volunteering to serve AALL strengthens the profession for those who will follow in your footsteps.

Boston to Mumbai: The World of Legal Information

**97th AALL Annual Meeting & Conference
July 10 - 14, 2004
Boston, Massachusetts**

AALL Seeks Your Input on Annual Meeting Site Selection Policy

The AALL Executive Board continues to monitor all income and expenses to maximize resources. One area the Board is currently reviewing is the Annual Meeting Site Selection Policy. The current site selection model is a rotation among five regions: Northeast, Southeast, Midwest, Southeast, and West with specific states identified in each region. There are some states that, realistically, do not have convention or hotel space or transportation facilities that can accommodate the Annual Meeting. The AALL Annual Meeting is the only opportunity during the year for all members of the Association to come together as a group. The educational programming, committee and SIS meetings, and the social events are times to learn, network, and work together. The Association derives approximately 40% of its revenues from the Annual Meeting. Some recent meetings have not met attendance goals, resulting in lower than anticipated revenues for the Association. To avoid that situation in the future, it's important that the Board select sites that are generally popular, with the hope that attendance and revenue goals will be met. Rather than using a regional rotation, the Board is considering adopting a rotation among 5 or 6 cities with a wildcard city periodically. (NOTE: the actual cities would be determined later.) Because there is now a team of professional conference organizers on staff and on retainer, the responsibilities of local or regional chapter members are reduced. Therefore, a rotation among cities should not pose an undue burden on chapter members to be involved in local arrangements on a more routine basis.

The AALL Executive Board is soliciting your input on this change in the Annual Meeting Site Selection policy. Please send any comment to Catherine Lemann, AALL Secretary, at clemann@lasc.org by October 24th.

Great News from the Legal Information Services to the Public (LISP) Special Interest Section (SIS)!

Amy Hale Janeke received notification from AALL that two of her proposed programs had been accepted for inclusion in the 2004 AALL Program Schedule. Her first presentation will be "Negotiating with the Bizarre: Real Life Experiences at the Reference Desk". It is sponsored by the LISP-SIS. Amy will be partnered with Sharon Blackburn, from Texas Tech School of Law Library. This program will discuss how to deal with weird questions, what has worked, what hasn't worked, and why. Her second program is called "E-Newsletters: What You Need to Know." This program will show how to use an e-newsletter program, text, and clip art to create e-newsletters without knowing any HTML. Different vendors, options, and formats will be discussed along with ideas, solutions, and mistakes to avoid. Congratulations Amy for two innovative proposals.

FEATURES

Sleepless in Seattle: Anne Cottongim Receives the 2003 MichALL Travel Grant to Attend AALL in Seattle

First, to MichAll members, I want to say thank you for awarding me the 2003 travel grant to attend AALL in Seattle. As a library student, and now a new reference librarian, the timing could not have been better for me to attend my first professional conference.

I used the money provided by the grant to fly out to Seattle on the first flight Sunday morning. I had a great flight on United and was fortunate to be on a 777 that has a GPS tracker on every seatback so I could watch us flying west over states I have never seen before.

Upon landing, I checked in to my hotel, the Sixth Avenue Inn. I took a brief tour of the area to acquaint myself with the surroundings. Seattle is a beautiful city that overlooks water and mountains. The weather was perfect, sunny and 75 degrees every day I was there. After my tour I went to the convention center and received my registration materials before entering the exhibit hall.

I have to say how much I enjoyed the exhibit hall because all of the legal resource vendors were there and they were all very willing to demonstrate their databases or to hand out printed materials. The major vendors were very generous with their gifts and giveaways. The exhibit hall also housed tables for each of the SIS groups and that was a great way for me to figure out which ones I wanted to join.

The conference of course was mainly focused on continuing education and as such, they offered many courses and meetings tailored to whatever area of the law library you work in. I attended several general reference meetings and a few electronic resource meetings. I was very surprised by how detailed some of the lectures were. I thought being in library school would give me an advantage in the meetings because it is all so new to me but many of the meetings were directly related to specific products, policies, and procedures, so I ended up learning a great deal.

One of the most interesting benefits of conference attendance was the SIS meetings. I was not sure that I could go to the meetings since I had not joined any SIS' prior to the conference but luckily I ran in to Aletha Honsowitz of the Thomas Cooley Law Library and she informed me that I could attend any meeting that interested me. I attended two meetings and really enjoyed the opportunity to meet and speak with fellow law librarians about topics of interest to us.

"I have to say how much I enjoyed the exhibit hall because all of the legal resource vendors were there and they were all (very) willing to demonstrate their databases or to hand out printed materials."

There were several social functions that were included in the conference to assist new members and returning members in networking and establishing good contacts for future questions. Lexis, Westlaw, and MichAll all hosted fun and interesting events that I attended.

I returned home on Wednesday evening, exhausted and overwhelmed but also excited to start my new career.

Thanks again for all of your assistance. I look forward to working with all of you in the future as MichAll's newest professional member.

Anne Cottongim
Reference and Electronic Services Librarian
Ave Maria Law School

PDA Pages (Beta) NOW Available at Michigan Legislature!

[MichiganLegislature.org](http://www.michiganlegislature.org) now offers web pages specially designed for viewing on your Personal Digital Assistant (PDA), including Session Schedules, Most Recent Calendar, Committee Bill Records, and Committee Meetings. [AvantGo \(http://www.avantgo.com\)](http://www.avantgo.com) is recommended to synchronize these pages with your PDA, though any other software that allows you to download web pages to your PDA should suffice. For more information, go to www.michiganlegislature.org

TECHNOLOGY CORNER

LLMC-Digital has arrived!

Some of you may have seen information about the Law Library Microform Consortium's exciting new product launched on September 1. LLMC has partnered with the University of Michigan's Scholarly Publishing Office (MI-SPO) to deliver digital images of everything LLMC has produced on microfiche over the last 27 years. The first group will consist of U.S. government documents such as:

U.S. Statutes at Large
IRS Cumulative Bulletins
National Labor Relations Board Decisions
U.S. Supreme Court Reports

I'm thrilled that LLMC is thriving and continuing its commitment to library staff as we work together to collect, preserve and deliver legal information.

Please contact me if you have questions or want information about titles and cost:

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Legal Resources on the Internet

Carol Parker, Wayne State University Law Library

The Arthur Neef Law Library at Wayne State University now offers a free collection of Legal Research Bookmarks. Just click on "Internet Resources" at the law library web page, <http://www.lib.wayne.edu/lawlibrary/>, to find the bookmarks and directions for downloading and importing them into your computer.

The bookmarks cover both Michigan and federal legal materials and include sites for searching and updating legislation and legislative history materials, as well as judicial and regulatory materials, and other legal research information on the Internet. The bookmarks are updated 4-6 times per year so you can return to the site periodically and download the latest version. Carol Parker, Assistant Director at the Arthur Neef Law Library, have developed the bookmarks over the years. She uses the collection to teach a day-long workshop on *Legal Resources on the Internet* for the Michigan Library Consortium.

Carol's workshop is next offered on December 5, 2003. For registration and other information, please go to: <http://www.mlcnet.org/workshop/030613.html>.

Arthur Neef Law Library's New Web Interface **Michael Samson, Wayne State University Law Library**

Since the beginning of 2003 the law library has a redesigned web interface that offers new and improved tools for access and description of its tangible and electronic collections. Access to a multitude of Michigan and federal legal resources is also offered. For a closer look at these resources and the new design, please go to the library's web page posted at <http://www.lib.wayne.edu/lawlibrary/>.

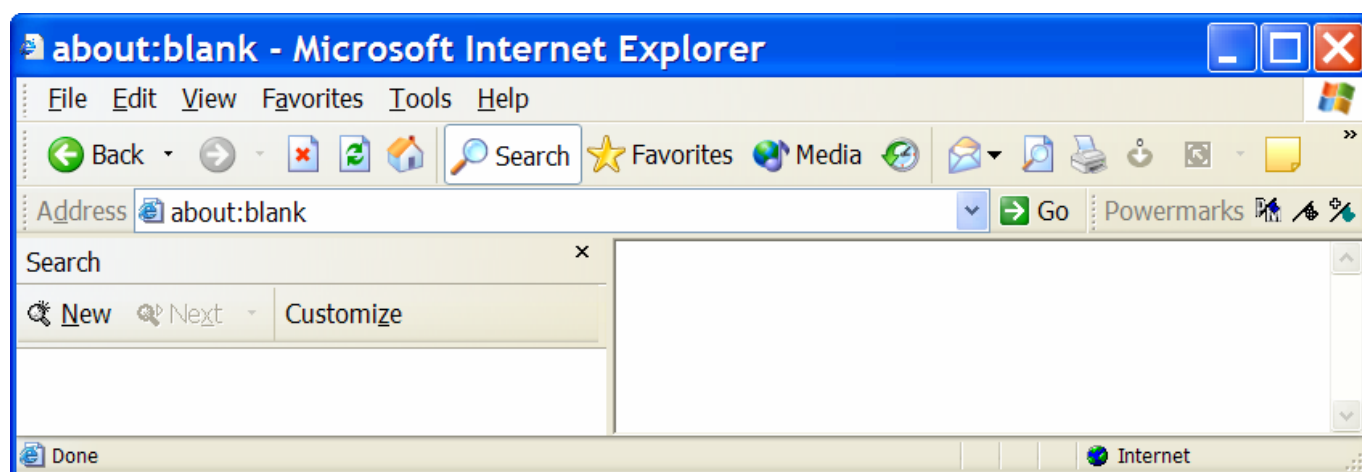
Also, the WSU Arthur Neef Law Library just finished deselecting a very large number of tangible GPO items. This is in line with the FDLP considerations in selecting online publications: "The true measure of a library's collection development success is no longer the actual number of item selections and relationship to the average selection rate for similar size and type of library, but whether the depository library is meeting the Federal government information needs of its community." From now on, the library will emphasize reliance on government documents in electronic format. All the law library's government documents are cataloged and access to collection items with an Internet presence is made via URL-s from bibliographic records in our web based catalog at <http://webpac.wayne.edu/webpac-bin/wgbroker?new+-access+top.wsu>.

Natural language search for legal material on the web **Michael Samson, Wayne State University Law Library**

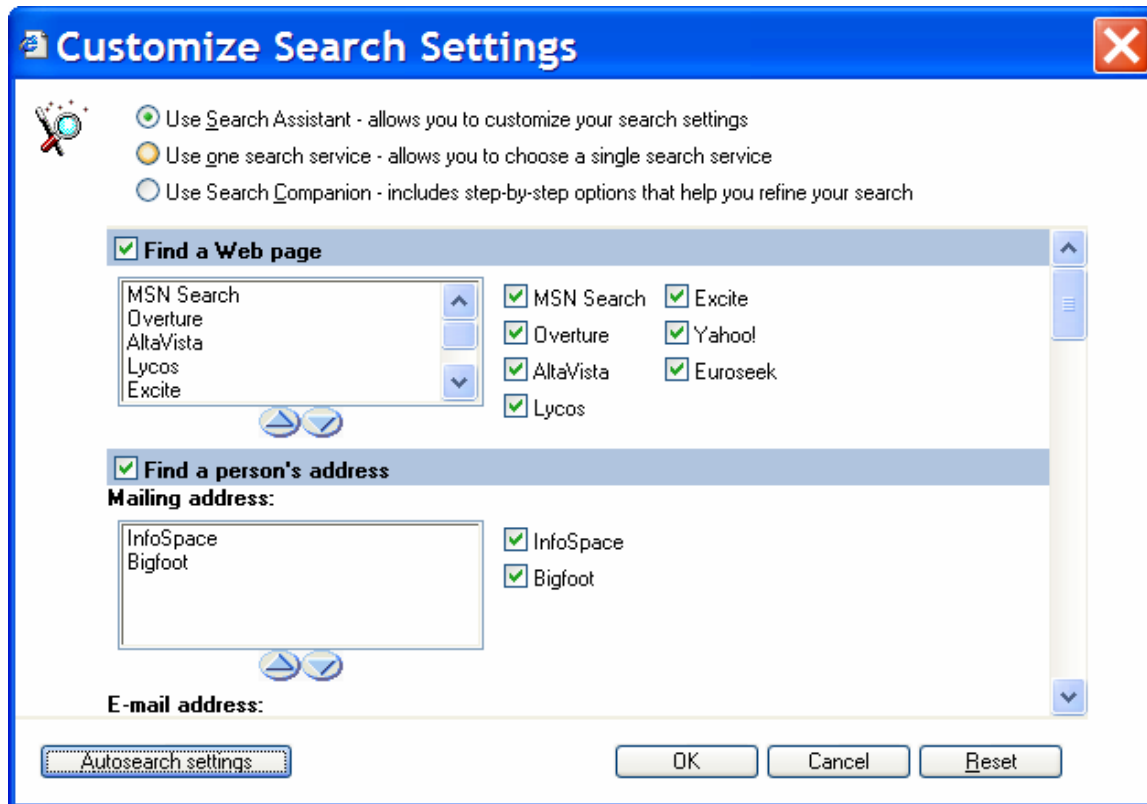
Did you know that you can configure your browser to perform natural language searches from the address bar? All you need is Internet Explorer (IE) 5 or above and configuration of its search engine.

Follow these steps to configure IE:

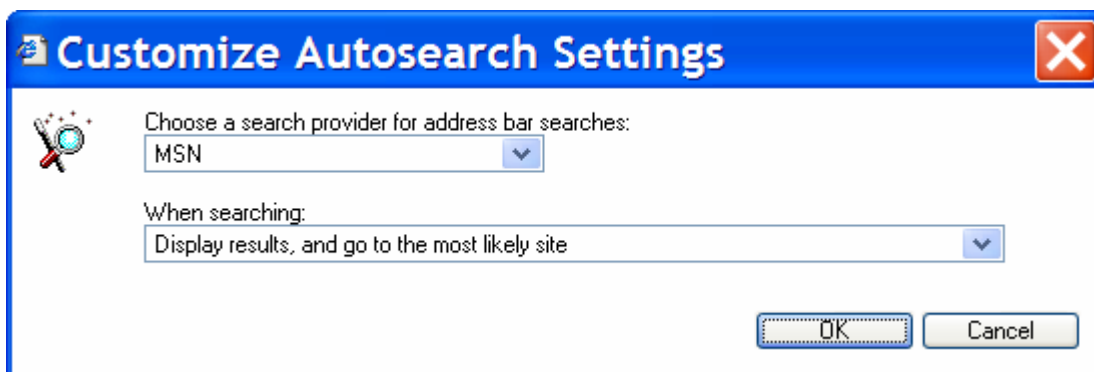
1. Click on the 'Search' icon on the IE tool bar.
2. Click on 'Customize' (see left window frame in picture below).



3. In the 'Customize Search Settings' window click on the 'Autosearch settings' button (see bottom left in picture below).

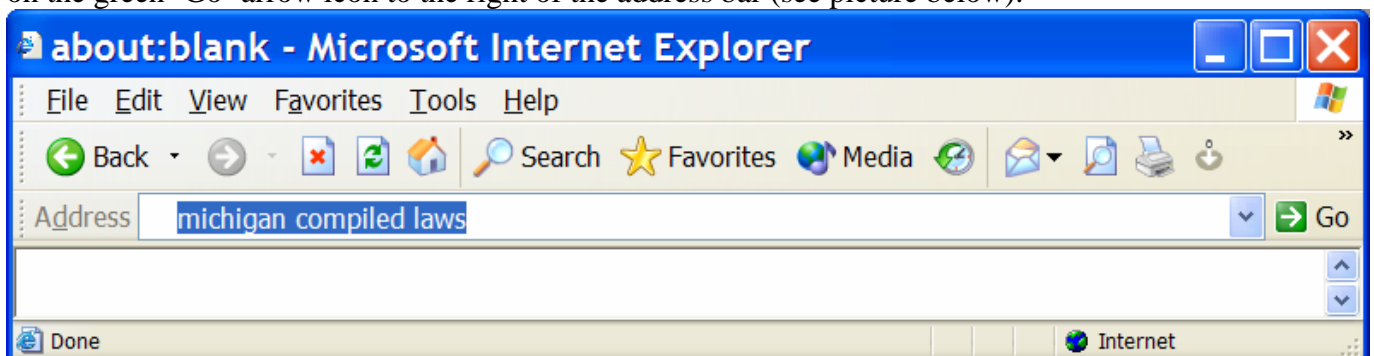


4. Select 'MSN' and 'Display results, and go to the most likely site' (see picture below).

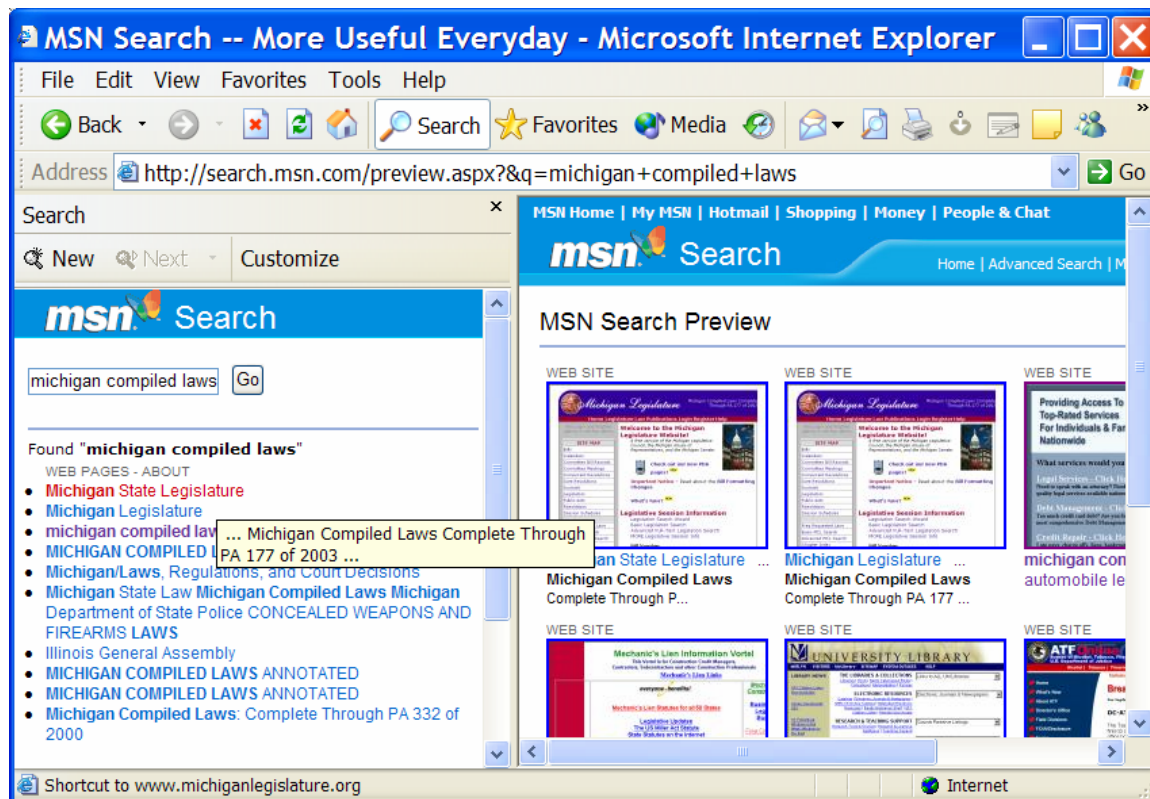


5. Click 'OK' button and start searching from the address bar.

EXAMPLE: Inside the IE address bar type 'michigan compiled laws' and hit the Enter/Return key (or click on the green 'Go' arrow icon to the right of the address bar (see picture below).



In the left window frame, mouse over the search results and look for familiar, authoritative URL-s, i.e.: .gov, .edu, and .org (see IE bottom tool bar in picture below).



NOTE:

This type of search is recommended for broad topics and well known, mostly Michigan and United States government entities like:

Michigan

- michigan administrative code
- michigan attorney general opinions
- michigan compiled laws
- michigan constitution
- michigan court rules
- michigan ethics opinions
- michigan government
- **michigan law libraries association**
- michigan legislative history
- michigan legislature
- michigan public acts
- michigan senate
- michigan state court administrative office
- michigan supreme court decisions/opinions
- state bar of Michigan

Federal

- congressional record
- code of federal regulations
- federal bulletin board
- federal court locator
- federal register
- federal web locator
- gpo access
- internal revenue code
- occupational outlook handbook
- presidential proclamations
- social security bulletin
- statistical abstracts
- united states code
- united states government manual

You can also try natural language searches from the tool bar by selecting some of the other search engines offered under 'Choose a search provider for address bar searches' (Google, Yahoo, Alta Vista, etc.). My best experiences have been with MSN.

The Call for Papers Has Begun



Legal Research bookmarks

<http://www.lib.wayne.edu/lawlibrary/>

The bookmarks cover both Michigan and federal legal materials and include sites for searching and updating legislation and legislative history materials, as well as judicial and regulatory materials, and other legal research.

Have you been thinking of writing an article of interest to law librarians? Maybe you just need a push to get started? Whether for fame or for fortune, this is your chance to enter the AALL/LexisNexis™ Call for Papers Competition.

The AALL/LexisNexis Call for Papers Committee is soliciting articles in three categories:

- Open Division for AALL members and law librarians with five or more years of professional experience
- New Members Division for recent graduates and AALL members who have been in the profession for less than five years.
- Student Division for budding law librarians still in school. (Students need not be members of AALL)

The winner in each division receives \$750 generously donated by LexisNexis, plus the opportunity to present his or her paper at a special program during the AALL Annual Meeting in Boston. Winner's papers will also be considered for publication in the Association's prestigious *Law Library Journal*.

For more information, a list of previous winners and an application, visit the AALL website at http://www.aallnet.org/about/award_call_for_papers.asp. **Submissions must be postmarked by March 1.**

If you have any questions, please contact any member of the AALL/LexisNexis Call for Papers Committee, Kathryn Hensiak, k-hensiak@law.northwestern.edu or Virginia Davis, Davis@UH.edu

MichALL MINUTES

Michigan Association of Law Libraries
Board Meeting
Monday September 15, 2003
Lansing, MI

Held at Cooley Law School Library, 12 Noon. In attendance on-site: Chris Bloodworth, Barb Bonge, Hilder Hanna, Mary Karpinski, Pat Parker, Michael Samson, Duane Stronjy and Jeanne Stuart. Attending via teleconference: Larissa Sullivant

I. Call to Order

II. Approval of Minutes

Minutes from 16 April 2003 approved.

III. Treasurer's Report – Barb Bonge

Our current balance is \$3304.28. We have had bank service charges totaling up to \$68.94 and deposits for Annual Meeting registrations and membership renewals totaling \$540.00.

IV. Committees

1. Education

Board members discussed the possibility of scheduling the next MichALL Annual Meeting in southeast Michigan (either Detroit area or Ann Arbor). Michael said he will seek recommendations from members on the MichALL listserv, and in the Newsletter, regarding future meeting locations. Board members also exchanged ideas for topics and programs for next year's Annual Meeting and agreed that they should focus on professional development. Duane confirmed that Lexis and Westlaw can provide monetary support for guest speaker(s).

2. Listserv and Website

Michael has relocated the MichALL listserv to the AALL server on Memorial Day, 2003. Since then, there have been 96 subscribers and 11 postings. New features such as an archive link to the Treasurer's Report and new membership file have also been added to the listserv. Next, Michael plans to move the listserv archives onto the AALL server.

3. Newsletter

Chris proposed changing the frequency of publication from 4 to 3 times per year. The Board conferred that they are willing to go along with this change and will observe how this works out within the following year. Due to low publication, the Board agreed that it is necessary to print a survey in the next Newsletter issue to gauge members' needs and preferences for content and

format. Chris also reminded Board members that the deadline for submissions for the September issue is Friday, September 26. Michael will post a reminder on the listserv.

4. Membership

Membership renewals totaled \$150.00 for 2003. During the 2003 AALL Annual Meeting, there were 45 paid members on hand for the joint MichALL/ORALL Luncheon and 5 no-shows.

V. Old Business

MichALL/ORALL Joint Luncheon – Duane proposed ending the annual joint luncheon with ORALL at the AALL Annual Meeting due to high cost, preparation time, and low attendance among MichALL members. Jeanne will contact the president and board of ORALL to discuss ending the joint luncheon.

VI. New Business

1. Transition

Duane and Chris reviewed board membership;

Outgoing: Mary Karpinski and Hilder Hanna; Duane formally acknowledged and thanked them for their participation and effort

Incoming: Chris Bloodworth, Barb Bonge, Pat Parker and Larissa Sullivant

Remaining: Michael Samson and Duane Stronjy

2. Fall Meeting

The Board discussed various possible locations for the upcoming Fall meeting. Date, time, and speaker have yet to be finalized.

VII. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned 1:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Christopher T. Bloodworth

Michigan Association of Law Libraries
Annual Business Meeting
Held at 1:00 pm
Michigan Hall of Justice, Lansing, MI
Friday May 16 2003

I. Call to Order

Outgoing President – Duane Strojny

II. Minutes

Minutes from the Board Meeting of May 31, 2002 were approved.

III. Treasurer's Report – Barb Bonge

Copies of the Treasurer's Report were distributed; current assets are \$4,734.23.

IV. Committees

1. Education – Jeanne Stuart: There was a suggestion from the floor that next year's annual meeting be held in Dearborn.
2. Listserv and Website – Michael Samson: AALL is very slow in responding to Michael's request to move MichALL to AALL. Hopefully they will approve. There was a query regarding AALL's past policy of requiring all members of the chapter organizations to belong to the parent club, and whether this was a factor in the delay. Both Michael and Duane indicated this was not the issue.
3. Membership – We currently have 90 members
4. Newsletter – Christopher Bloodworth: The Newsletter has been published in electronic format and it is the first issue in almost 2 years. It is also available in PDF. Michael asked if the membership wanted to have hotlinks and there was a consensus that hotlinks are not necessary.

5. Nominations: In Mary Karpinski's absence, Duane Strojny announced the new board:

VP/President-Elect – Michael Samson (New Appointment) Treasurer – Barb Bonge

Secretary – Christopher Bloodworth (New Appointment)

Members at Large – Larrisa Sullivant & Pat Parker (New Appointment)

V. Old Business – None

VI. New Business

The date of the MichALL/ORALL joint luncheon is 15 July, 12 noon at the Seattle Convention Center. The Executive Board will subsidize \$10 of the cost. The Board will re-evaluate the joint lunch next year. Last year, only two or three people attended in Orlando.

Duane authorized \$1,000 for the Travel Grant, which has been awarded to new member Anne Cottongim.

Janice Selberg asked the membership if MichALL would like to create a memorial for Donna Lloyd, who passed away last month. Kathleen Gamache will give additional information to Duane, and the board will discuss memorials at the next meeting.

There were no other announcements and a motion to adjourn was passed at 1:25 PM.

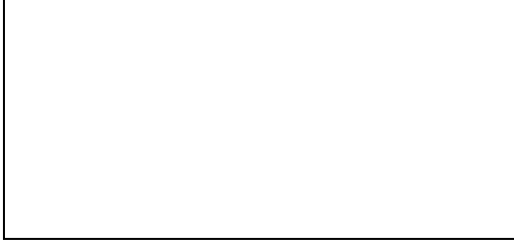
Respectfully submitted,

Hildur Hanna

EDITOR'S NOTE

Christopher T. Bloodworth, Wayne State University Law Library

YES!!!! The MichALL Newsletter is back, and hopefully, for good. This is the second issue of the year. I hope you find it to be colorful and attractive as well as useful and informative. Serving as Editor of the MichALL Newsletter is indeed an honor and privilege. It is an opportunity to produce a resource that not only provides information about MichALL, but also encourages pro-activity in law librarianship by highlighting people, events, trends and accomplishments that impact our profession. The next issue will be available in December. Please keep in mind that the MichALL Newsletter belongs to you - fellow MichALL members. It depends on what you want or expect to make of it. So I strongly encourage you to submit to me any suggestions or recommendations for improving the look, quality, and content of our newsletter. By working together, we can keep our newsletter published on a regular basis and make it a resource that all of us can be proud of. Thanks for your support.



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