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Bob Hastings came to Michigan architecture and engineering in 1937; he left us on December 21, 1973. During those 36 years, there were few men who had such an influence on a company, upon his professions, and upon his community. But his greatest influence was on an even wider host of friends.

At his funeral, the Reverend Nicholas Hood, minister and City Councilman, said: "The mark of this man is in this congregation, this cross-section of age and youth, of race and religion, of profession and income. Your presence is testimony of what Bob Hastings meant to us all."

We architects have special reason to be thankful of Bob Hastings' efforts. In spite of the terrible demands of running one of the largest firms in the nation, he made time for his profession, serving as Chapter President, Regional Director, as a national officer, and finally, President of the Institute. On the way to the presidency, and since, he served on more committees than can be named. He was a perfect example of that truism, "if you want something done, ask a busy man to do it."

In addition to his own efforts, he was more than generous with the time and ability of his staff for special needs of the Chapter or MSA. Local and state officers instinctively turned to him when they needed something, and had neither time nor budget to get it done. Never did he refuse.

Somewhere along the way he became aware of the desperate plight of our cities, and of the forces that were contributing to the worsening of that plight. To the end of his life, he sought ways and means of encouraging the growth and the re-growth of cities. He knew the economic, social, and political barriers to that re-growth, but never wavered in his insistence that determination, intelligence, and goodwill from all of us would overcome those barriers.

How excited he was at the plans for Renaissance Center, and the evidence that it was going forward! How much of his time and energy went into appeals to the business and industrial community to join in the re-building effort! How strongly he demonstrated his convictions with the relocation of the SH&G Headquarters in the heart of downtown Detroit!

It was typical of Bob Hastings that the last day of his life began with a 7:30 a.m. breakfast meeting of the executive board of the Chamber of Commerce, outlining plans for 1974 actions that would contribute to the health and well-being of Detroit. The work-day or work-week were never long enough for him, because all he could see was how much remained to be done, and how many remained to be convinced.

Eulogies are always hollow-sounding; they rarely convey the measure of a man. Bob Hastings was a builder: of his firm, of his profession, of his community. Their successes are his monument.
1973 President's Report
William R. Jarratt, AIA

The year 1973 as viewed from this side of the gavel was simply a small point in time in a much broader span of Society activity. Your Board of Directors and elected officers for 1973 are your representatives charged with moving the profession in Michigan through this slice of time unscathed with some measure of accomplishment and advancement. Seldom is a task begun and completed in the same year. Indeed, without some carry-over from year to year, each new Board would tend to re-invent the wheel. Continuity is important for continuation of long range projects.

The tasks span several years. Happily, the officers and directors of the 1973 Board could count on considerable years of experience in MSA and Chapter activity, and apply it to moving the profession through 1973. The "Starting — Continuing — Completing" process goes on and this year was no exception.

In 1971, a task force began a review of the Society's staff organization particularly in the area of Legislative Advocacy. At the MSA convention in Detroit in March 1972, the Society approved the Task Force recommendation to create the new staff position of Executive Vice President and to increase dues to fund this increase in staff accordingly. The Executive Vice President would handle all Professional and Legislative matters of the Society. The Executive Director would continue as editor of the Monthly Bulletin and Society publications and manage all business matters of the Society. 1973 became the year to begin the implementation phase of the decision made in 1972. Clarence Rose, FAIA, as our Executive Vice President has spent the year establishing his representation of the professional and legislative matters of the Society with Legislative and Administrative Branches of Government as well as the many regulatory agencies and bureaus with which Architects are involved. Soon, the monthly News Letter will carry a column reporting important Legislative matters as they are happening.

Fast response to legislative matters is often necessary. A Government Affairs Committee composed of 1974 President Leslie Tincknell, 1974 Vice President Robert Tower, Member at Large Jay Pettitt and Executive Vice President Rosa is established to act on emergency matters subject to ratification of the Board. The arrangement, through in its infancy, seems to perform well.

Clarence Rosa, FAIA as Executive Vice President of the Society has made and will continue to make a significant contribution.

As the 1971 Task Force report emerged it became apparent that a second review in another direction may lead to a definite improvement in the headquarters operation. Funds for operating come from MSA, Monthly Bulletin and the Detroit Chapter. The review began with MSA, a concurrent review began in the Detroit Chapter. The study was partly completed in 1972 and carried into 1973. The Task Force composed of Richard Albyn AIA, Chairman, Frank Straub AIA, MSA Treasurer and Phil Nicholas AIA, Detroit Chapter Treasurer, completed its recommendation and implementation has begun. Accounting methods are being initiated to identify all items of cost in the operations and require the staff to keep close records of their time at least for one year. Hopefully by the end of 1974, the study will reveal the true cost allocation of headquarters operation.

Emerging from the membership meeting of March 1972, at the MSA Convention in Detroit, it became apparent that the MSA By-Laws needed updating to better serve the needs of the Society and its members. William Werner AIA, chaired a Task Force through 1972 and throughout 1973 charged with revising and updating the by-laws. The recommended revised by-laws will be brought before the membership for adoption at the annual business meeting in Saginaw, March 1974. The revised version incorporating many recommendations of the Institute will receive wide distribution for member review prior to the annual business meeting.

The convention in Lansing, March 1973, complete with a new format, was a new and exciting experience for most of us. The highlights of the convention were Dr. Earl Pellerin, Dean of Architecture, Lawrence Institute of Technology, receiving the Gold Medal, the Society's highest honor, and Ann Stacy receiving Honorary Membership in the Society for her devotion to the Profession in her role as the Society's Executive Director. Continuing Education Seminars in several subjects and the Legislative Breakfast which brought Architects out of the woodwork that have not been seen in years.

Revisions to the Registration Act are under way by a Joint Committee of Land Surveyors, Professional Engineers and Architects. Bruce Smith, FAIA, and William Lyman AIA represent the Architects in this endeavor. So as to not lose sight of the fact that a much broader profession will undoubtedly emerge sometime in the future, this committee has attempted to make minimum revisions to the present act to enable the profession to move to a future act that will be compatible with the coming trends in environmental design. Revision of the current act should come before the Legislature sometime in 1974.

Early in the year it was announced the Dean of College of Architecture and Design, University of Michigan, would retire in 1974. A committee of the University of Michigan was appointed to conduct a complete review of the College and recommend revisions to the structure as well as make recommendations for the leadership. A special MSA Task Force of distinguished Architects was asked to visit with the U of
M Committee and presented the concept of a College of Environmental Arts and Sciences, as a goal for the future structure of the College at the U of M. The Task Force composed of R. F. Hastings FAIA, Bruce Smith FAIA, Linn Smith FAIA, Tom Sedgewick AIA and your President conducted the presentation and stands ready for any follow through required in this all important matter.

The proposed new State Fee Schedule and Professional Service Contract for State Projects was reviewed in detail by a special Task Force composed of Philip Meathe FAIA, Chairman, Louis Menk FAIA, Charles MacMahon FAIA, and Morris Stein AIA. Executive Vice President Clarence Rosa has carried the Task Force finding to the State Building Division and is continuing a dialogue with them into 1974 on the matter. The new fee schedule brings fees up to date and in keeping with the time.

A membership drive is underway chaired by Secretary Robert Tower AIA. Representatives from each chapter from the membership of the committee. The campaign will attempt to bring Architects who are not currently affiliated with the AIA into chapter membership.

Following the success of the spring convention a local form of Continuing Education became the task of a committee chaired by Dale Soumela, AIA. A list of subjects together with a list of instructors was made available from which programs in Continuing Education could be selected by chapter.

Executive Vice President Clarence Rosa, has taken the lead in drawing together several Architects in the state to review Michigan State Housing Authority policies, fees and procedures. The review has created a growing bond between architects for housing projects and the Society.

The Society must reach all that participate in creating the built environment. It can no longer restrict its involvement to only the Principal Practicing Architect. There are others, many others, who are equally involved and have dedicated themselves to the same goal. Planners, Landscape Architects, Land Surveyors, Engineers Construction Craftsmen, Construction Labor, Interior Designers, Artists, Manufacturers, Suppliers, Architectural Technicians, Engineering Technicians, Draftsmen, Scientists, and others are involved in our industry in their own way.

Within AIA ranks there is the Architect in Industry, the Architect in Education, the Architect in Government, the Architect employer by another Architect, as well as the Principal Practicing Architect. The Institute is currently reviewing the relative equality of service to all Architects. In this regard, the MSA Board recently forwarded its position to the National Board supporting the Institutes review.

Your Board of Directors diligently pursued the goals it established at the beginning of the year. We reached some of the goals. We had hoped for more. I learned long ago that in Society work, it takes a yard of effort for every inch of accomplishment. If the effort is not expended nothing gets done. This Board accomplished its inch.

Leslie Tinckwell AIA, is your President for 1974. Give him and the Board your support for another inch of accomplishment. The whole yard is not for off.

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Executive Vice-President's Report
Clarence H. Rosa, FAIA

As is usual in the retrospect of a newly created position, the Executive Vice-President ("MSA in Lansing") has not achieved all of the first year's goals, has been involved in some activities that were not anticipated and has learned quite a bit.

Six objectives were identified in the report of a year ago. There follows a resume of the objectives and the progress toward them:

1. The State Construction Code Commission was established in the spring in accordance with Act 230, P.A. 1972. We were interested in having a knowledgeable, capable architect appointed as a member of that Commission and in providing input through the public hearings and otherwise during the formulation of the Construction Code". Our first concern was met with the appointment of Howard Sims as a member and Chairman of the Commission. Hearings were scheduled by the Commission during the summer in various parts of the State to examine the merits of and choose between the two principal major building codes, BOCA and UBC. A survey of the various Chapters indicated that the preferences by architects in different parts of the State vary between these two codes and that it was not feasible for the Michigan Society to testify a preference for either code. Each Chapter was, therefore, advised of the hearing in behalf of the architects in the area. The BOCA Code has been tentatively adopted in most of the States. The UBC however is the major building code in the State.

2. The joint committee with the engineers and land surveyors has been in its third year of study of the Registration Act to develop amendments that are necessary to clarify and strengthen the Act and revise it to our current concepts. It was expected that the work of the committee would be completed and that we would be able to "Work toward the adoption of the necessary legislation". Additional work by the committee has been scheduled with the expectation that the proposed amendments will meet the approval of the governing boards of the affected professions. Legislative activity will be initiated at that time.

3. By memorandum dated March 7, 1973, you were advised of the substance of twenty-nine acts that were enacted by the 1972 Session of the Legislature which were of particular interest to architects because they involve the development of our urban areas or because they helped to preserve or improve the environment that we are concerned with or because they directly affected our professional work.

4. There were no legislative votes on "matters having a direct concern for the Profession" and therefore it was not possible to advise the membership of the voting records of individual legislators.

5. The establishment of appropriate relationships has been started with state administrative offices and legislative agencies and committees. There is, of course, a good relationship with the Bureau of Facilities Management and its Design and Construction Divisions. The improvement of our relationships is underway with the Department of Labor, the State Housing Development Authority, the Correction Department, the Department of Education and some of the legislative committees. Continuous effort is, of course, required in this field.

6. Work is continued with an Ad Hoc Committee made up of representatives from the seven design professional organizations to "determine the feasibility of introducing legislation similar to the Brooks Bill". The type of legislation has been determined; approval for it has been obtained from the Chapters and the groundwork leading up to its introduction is under way consisting of determining the attitudes of the various governmental units (municipalities, counties, school boards, townships, etc.) and key legislators.

Additional activities have been conducted during the year which were not specifically included in the six objectives enumerated above.

1. A legislative breakfast was held in connection with the MSA Convention in Lansing on March 29. Fifty-seven legislators attended the breakfast as specific guests of sixty-one architects. This was basically a get-acquainted session because the Legislature was not considering specific legislation at that time that we strongly favored or opposed or wanted revised. It did offer an opportunity for the architects to become acquainted with the legislators who represented their Districts and to establish rapport that will be valuable at a later date when we will be working for specific legislation having a direct bearing on our profession.

2. After several years of development, the State Department of Management and Budget released a proposed State Con-
A committee of architects appointed by President Jarratt reviewed the contract in detail and recommended thirty-two items of change in order to make the contract more acceptable to the Profession. Negotiations were conducted with representatives of the State with the result that fourteen change items were incorporated, eleven items were compromised but considerably improved to the Profession's benefit and seven of the requested changes were denied. All in all, the contract as it now stands represents a tremendous forward step in establishing good contractual relationships with the State or any other client. It is the result of probably the most comprehensive and concerted analysis that has been made of the professional services procedure. It may not contain quite all that we would like but it is an excellent document. There remains the action of having the State Administrative Board approve the document for use by the State. It is hoped that this can be accomplished so that it will go into effect January 1, 1974.

3. The Department of Corrections issued a draft of a jail code that would be effective after approval by the Joint Legislative Committee on Administrative Rules. This code will have an extensive effect on the future construction and remodeling of jails and will be a substantial change from the existing code. The code was reviewed with two Michigan architects having extensive experience in jail design with the result that several revisions were recommended to the Corrections Department which will clarify the code and make portions of it more realistic. The Corrections Department is revising the code to incorporate our recommendations prior to its consideration by the Legislative committee.

4. Work is underway to see if the professional services contract conditions and procedures which are currently being used by the Michigan State Housing Development Authority can be revised to facilitate the architect's services.

5. As the member representing the MSA on the recently created School Management Services Advisory Council to the Department of Education, an attempt will be made to obtain improvement in the areas of school plant design and construction.

6. One of the major responsibilities is to monitor and react to legislation that is introduced. Approximately 6500 bills have been introduced since January 1. 104 of these bills are of interest to architects either because they directly affect the profession or the construction industry or because they affect the physical environment which an architect is concerned with. Several bills have been enacted that remove some of the restrictions on bonding for various purposes by local units of government. These will permit many projects to proceed which had heretofore been deferred because of the restrictions on interest rate ceilings, borrowing power, etc. Only two bills adverse to the profession have been introduced; (both require standard plans for school construction) both bills are resting quietly in committee. A special committee has been appointed by President Jarratt to work with this office in determining the extent and strategy of our reaction to legislation. In accordance with the conclusions of the committee, we will be opposing the standard plan bills noted above and are providing support for half a dozen other bills. These concern land use, the housing law, urban redevelopment programs, the access and utilization by the physically handicapped of buildings and suits for alleged malpractice.

You are always welcome to call (517) 487-5228, or write, (652 Michigan National Tower, Lansing, 48933), for additional information on any of the above matters or other items or questions concerning legislation or the work of the various State agencies. I may not always have the answer or be able to fill your requests, but I will try!
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Like nearly every past chairman and many yet to come, I face the closing weeks of my year as Chapter President confronted by the frustrations of unfinished plans and commitments. Every president should, in Burnham’s words “make no little plans” — and certainly very few of us do. But the pressures of our personal and professional lives and their imposition on the commitments to our professional society relentlessly intrude, causing us to do less than hoped for.

In assessing the past twelve months, I have gained respect and at times, an awe for the performance of the national officers and staff. Certainly the great strength of this profession and our hope for its future accomplishments rests in the hands of those architects making such an effective commitment at the national level. Regrettably, our actions and performance on a local level seem not to match the levels of achievement that are seen at the national scale.

During the past year the hard work of the program chairman — Ted Kurz, was frustrated five times, by the cancellation of meetings and luncheons through the apathy of our membership. In addition, two marvelous trips to Toronto similarly ended in cancellation because not enough people were interested. Without the active participation of the majority of the members in our chapter, one must seriously wonder what purpose we serve, and to those who claim irrelevancy as the basis for disinterest the variety of programs offered this year were certainly broad-based and inviting.

Despite this frustrated note, there were highlights to share with you, including the joint A.I.A./A.G.C./C.S.I. meeting early this year which attracted nearly two hundred. Likewise it was a pleasure seeing nearly one hundred fifty people at Cranbrook for an interactive evening with the Architectural students. For this we thank Mark Steele and Ted Kurz. Furthermore, few of us will forget the exceptional allied arts festival which brought Vincent Price to the Kresge Headquarters before more than four hundred people. Bob Greager and Fred Bertram were the hardworking forces behind that worthwhile evening.

In the area of collaborative effort, the construction industry council has been quietly and diligently moving ahead on work of great significance as it relates the Architect’s interest to that of the local contractors. The benefit of this effort will be seen during the coming years with thanks owed by us all to Jim Kinville and Leo Shea.

Another effort of singular distinction is that of Bob Williams who has represented our chapter in Lansing and at un-numbered local meetings where he has served the cause of design for the handicapped. Without his diligent efforts, two important bills would not have been passed and our profession might have been accused of indifference to the interest of this important public minority.

A final word must also be said for the efforts of the men who have been quietly assisting the professional skills alliance and thereby implementing our chapter’s social responsibilities. Just a few of the names connected with this effort include Bob Hastings, Joe Savin, Bill Lyman, Bill Kessler, Jim Gallagher, and the students from L.I.T.

Special thanks to my fellow officers and board members for their splendid cooperation, and to Ann Stacy and her staff, who have helped to make this a year of singular remembrance.
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**Flint Chapter President’s Report**

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This year the Flint Area Chapter committee organization was modified to attempt to more effectively serve the profession and the Community. Some of the traditional standing committees were eliminated and the “Task Force” approach of appointing committees for specific duties was implemented.

Although the flexibility of the Task Force approach had its merit, the efforts of the individual members and their dedication to their profession was far more important than the organizational structure under which they were asked to perform.

The most significant contribution of the Flint Area Chapter this year was the sponsoring of the first Flint Area Conference of Architects and Building Officials. This conference, held as a one day seminar, was organized by the Chapter and co-hosted by Mott Community College. The purpose of the conference was to provide Architects and the Design Professionals, with the latest information to assist in planning, designing and construction of buildings in accordance with the codal regulations governing them. The conference was well attended by area Building Officials and administrators, and the general consensus was that such a conference should be held annually.

In addition to the Architects and Building Officials conference, Vice President Lee Jensen organized and conducted a series of seminars for inspectors of the Flint-Genesee County Health Department. Local architects, engineers and suppliers served as speakers covering topics of plan review, lighting, ventilation, and food service equipment.

Chapter programs of various types were held in conjunction with Executive Committee meetings and included topics such as: Partnerships and Tax Considerations Relative to Building Projects, Building Materials, Urban and Campus Architecture, and Historic Preservation.

Task Forces served to advise the Genesee County Model Cities Program, Mott Community College Architectural Program, Flint Flood Control Program, and a Citizen’s Committee on Barrier Free Architecture.

A special Task Force was active in giving proper consideration to individuals of our Chapter and community for nomination for the MSA Gold Medal, MSA Honorary Membership and Membership in the College of Fellows.

As in the past, the Golf Committee hosted golf outings and contributed $1,000 to the Chapter’s Scholarship Fund. Miss Jacqueline Scott, a student at the University of Michigan, became the first woman recipient of the FAC Scholarship.

An unofficial Task Force was headed by Associate Larry Botti to determine the reasons for lack of participation of young professionals and associate members in the Chapter. As a result of ad hoc meetings and an excellent report, the Chapter has formed a special committee to encourage membership and participation of these individuals in Chapter affairs.

This year should not pass without recognition of some Chapter members who made significant contributions to the Profession on an individual basis. Locally, Gerald Yurk, as Flint City Councilman, had significant influence in promoting the goals and ideals of the profession. James Tomblinson served as Chairman of the State Board of Registration for Architects, and Thomas Sedgewick served as President of the National Council of Architectural Registration Board.

The activities of the Chapter for the year were concluded by hosting the MSA Board and included a special daytime program for the wives of Board Members and FAC member’s wives. The day was concluded by an evening dinner program at which Membership Emeritus presentations were made to T. Neel Eubank and Wes McKinley.
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Graphics — Our newsletter was redesigned from a plain white ditto sheet to an attractive gray fold out with a red ink AIA logogram. The logogram was repeated in a yellow pages block ad for the American Institute of Architects. All member firms were invited to participate in the ad on a shared cost basis. The ad also dedicates the listed firms to advance the art and science of building and to maintaining high standard of professional firms.

Public Education — Grand Rapids Junior College course “Introduction to Architecture”, seven members contributed sixteen hours of class time, Western Michigan University Extension Course, “Designing Your First Home” was taught by Vern Ohlman. Three classes totaling 48 hours of class time. Michigan Architectural Technological Schools, three members led a noon seminar on opportunities in the field of architecture and the instructors were toured through Daverman Associates and Steenwyk, Thrall Architects. Our members counseled at several career days and proctored at the State Board Exams. Our joint design award program with the Western Michigan Chapter was displayed in downtown Grand Rapids.

Service to Community and Profession — Our Board made recommendations for a new parking lot ordinance for Grand Rapids. Jim Daverman was appointed to the B.O.C.A. code appeal board and Joe Daverman represented the chapter on the Builders Exchange Board.

Our goal of securing a chapter office in downtown Grand Rapids is still unfulfilled. I hope the new board will continue to work in that direction.

I wish to thank the officers and members for their support during the last year.
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My desultory report on chapter activities summarizes highlights of programs, activities and membership participation on issues concerning people. Being deeply involved with A.I.A. functions and understanding their concerns for members was a gratifying experience during the past year. Anticipated chapter tasks were achieved, others are in state of action and continued implementation of tasks are being developed for the oncoming year.

My association with all the HVC members brought a feeling of pride, particularly with the executive committee. The committee was very active in attendance, duties and interest, attested by their efforts in improving the chapter's and profession's principles. I thank them for the patience rendered during long business meetings.

Diversity of programs were ably scheduled by Vice President Dave Byrd. The first program, shared with local engineers, began with an interesting and informative talk on safety responsibilities in compliance with OSHA. In May, the highlight of the year was A.I.A. President Scott Ferebee’s two day visit as an HVC honored guest. He participated in a dedication ceremony for a new community Multi-Media Center, a CDC project. Also, as the program speaker at our monthly chapter meeting, he gave a synopsis report of the A.I.A. Convention and related institute business procedures. His exemplification and dedication to the profession was evident and his presence will be remembered for a long time.

In other programs, the SEMCOC panel discussion session gave us an awareness of the conflicts and unique situations that exist between county governments. Mr. Symes of New York and Mr. Dozier, past A.I.A. staff member from Philadelphia, spoke of their experiences as developers and coordinators of CDC programs. They expressed the direction and role HVC should undertake — deciding to be involved with total commitment and individually assist with professional help to CDC projects, for the whole community. A demonstration on reproduction and printing methods at a local printing firm, for the purpose of improving documents and preparation techniques, was very informative. Steve Osborn, a chapter member and City Planner, gave an educational commentary on the insights to Ann Arbor’s planning process, organizational structure and future direction. In October, HVC had the honor of having Bruce Smith, FAIA explain and review the latest development on a study conducted by a State Committee regarding the antiquated registration law and amendments to it’s adoption by legislation.

HVC’s social orientated programs comprised the annual April dinner with awards bestowed on students from the University of Michigan and Washtenaw Community College, and followed with a colorful slide presentation on San Francisco, appropriate to the departure to the National Convention. A building contractor at the July picnic expounded on the community high school’s “Student House Building Program” with the intent of generating chapter interest and involvement. The first nine hole golf outing in August, ably organized by Al Balta, was enjoyed by eight members. Hopefully a challenge to other chapters will be extended in the future. A narration and slide presentation on “Architectural Heritage” of buildings was enjoyed by guests and members at the annual December dinner.

Additional activities undertaken were the involvement in a city ordinance to form a “Design Review Board”. Bill Werner presented to City Council the chapter’s constructive reasons for opposition to the ordinance. In support of the CDC program, meaningful projects are being explored. One such program has been completed by renovating a downtown park.

Several HVC standing and Ad-Hoc committees continued their tasks from the previous year, while others developed new programs for implementation. The Public Affairs Committee worked on the chapter’s major task of involvement in revitalization of downtown Ann Arbor. They assisted in the architectural survey of buildings, participated in the street art fair with a slide and commentary presentation on “what the town is and might be in the future”. Education and Research concentrated on establishing and improving a communication link between students and practitioners. To provide a means of sharing insights into each others concerns and experiences, students in small groups met in the homes of HVC members for informal discussions or “rap-sessions”. The Professional Society group completed their assignment of updating the chapter by-laws. A possible location for a chapter library is being researched. A membership program has been started with contacts made with 21 potential members. Completion of AIA Chapter V review and comments were forwarded to the Boston Chapter by the Professional Practice Committee. This group reviewed the state code changes and fee schedule memo from AIA plus other MSA issues as directed. Copies of the AIA report on National Policy Task Force is being distributed by the Environmental Quality Committee to a selected list of people and groups. This same committee, combining efforts with the Public Affairs and Historical Resources committees, surveyed the possibility of an architectural heritage evaluation and research of downtown buildings. The many buildings surveyed will provide the city and other interested groups with a systematic evaluation of architectural merit of buildings and will be used as a factor in decisions having to do with retention, renovations or destruction of buildings in the city.

Many members served on various committees, or commissions at all levels of government and AIA, and several received honors:

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At the local Grass Root Seminar in Lansing our Chapter set certain goals: Abandon standing committees in favor of the Task Force idea, establish the programs for the Chapter meetings by having each firm responsible for a meeting, called the Host Firm, after a history of the firm the program should be a workshop or shirt sleeves session, and a newsletter of activities and national information to keep members informed.

The following Task Force of activities during the past year indicates the success of that format:

Day With the Arts: A display of painting and sculpture by local Architects.

Public Relations: Speakers Bureau headed by Charles Opdyke, averaged at least one speaker a month at local service clubs, this was rotated among three or four members of the Chapter.

The MSA Convention: Task Force under the direction of Richard Stuckman, in our estimation, made the 1973 convention in Lansing an outstanding event equal to 1967.

Task Force on Facilities for the Physically Handicapped: Presented a short program at our executive committee meeting and we assigned a member of the Chapter to the Mayor's Committee.

A Task Force was set up to handle a 1974 activity under the direction of J. Wesley Olds. The Mid-Michigan Chapter will display local Architect's work during the month of March at the Lansing Community Art Gallery. This was coupled with a Chapter awards Task Force headed by Ric Anselmo, winning entries will also be displayed at the gallery. Our first meeting in January will be the awards dinner.

A President's newsletter was started and would have been helpful but trying to have it monthly was too ambitious, perhaps next year we can try it on a quarterly basis.

The programs as presented by the Host Firm were very successful and our monthly attendance at the luncheon meetings was excellent and we will probably continue with this format for the coming year.

As in 1972, we continued sponsorship of the Community Design Center. The Steering Committee was changed to members of the Board of Directors because the Design Center became incorporated as a non-profit corporation during the last six months the emphasis has been on exploring possible sources of funding when the Model Cities monies expire. John Crouse has served as President of the Community Design Center.
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The Northern Michigan Chapter is smaller in membership and, at the same time, larger by many times in area, than any chapter in the state. Further aggravating the situation is the fact that fully three-quarters of our members are located in one rather small area, with the balance widely spaced. Lamentably, this results in chapter activities centering largely in the Grand Traverse region. It also results in an intensity and diversity of involvement on the part of our members. Hardly a stone turns in this locale, without including, formally or informally, an architect. We find ourselves represented on both the advocate and the advisory side of most undertaking. Whether it be civil, social, governmental, service or developmental, few matters escape having an architect included. The chapter presently has members serving on boards, agencies, or commissions at state, regional, county, township and city levels, either elected or appointed. This degree of community involvement is often at the expense of chapter programs — so be it.

Lacking sufficient numbers to maintain a viable committee structure, this past year's program has continued the practice of organizing events to appeal to a broad spectrum of interests. We've had meetings devoted to: OSHA policies; county ordinances, codes and zoning questions; chapter public relations; the Governor's Commission on Architecture; governmental commissioning of architectural services; and the legalities of professional fee schedules.

The chapter has attempted to fulfill an obligation to the school system by making available speakers, office tours, job site field trips, and, hopefully, a drafting competition. We have supplied the public library with subscriptions to all the leading architectural periodicals and organized the television showing of several of the institute's films. Maintaining the "Mother-of-the-Arts" syndrome, the chapter donated the $100.00 Best-of-Show prize at a locally sponsored art festival.

For some of us it's been a busy year. As is inevitable, the members have been able to receive from the chapter in direct proportion to what they contributed.
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1973 Saginaw Valley Chapter President’s Report at first glance it seems like another year shot to pieces with nothing accomplished. In some respects this is true — no honor awards and several very sparsely attended meetings. However, the following items highlighted our year.

Two scholarships of $150 each were awarded by the Education Committee to students of the Delta College Architectural Technician Course on behalf of the chapter. Our chapter has also agreed to sponsor the Student Chapter at Delta College and assist them in their activities and include them in ours.

In conjunction with MSA and under the guidance of Clarence Rosa, we have initiated a legislative minuteman program on the State level. Most of our area legislators have been paired with an interested architect.

1974 MSA Convention will be held in Saginaw with our chapter hosting the many activities. Program will be great — Come to the Gateway to the North in March.

As usual, we still have members who feel that the payment of dues exempt them from all chapter activities. Fortunately our “hard core” members carry the load. The best attended meetings this year were those where our own members were the speakers. Having inherited a sizable balance, we were able to reduce local dues to nearly offset the MSA dues increase, and still not short any project for lack of funds.

As our year ends, we pass the torch to the new officers in hopes they will use it to fire our total membership to active participation in all our chapter’s activities. It has been a pleasure and honor to serve as president of the Saginaw Valley Chapter and I must thank the members for their support and especially my Board who made my job easy by being so efficient and well organized.
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Western Michigan Chapter President's Report

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A year end report has to be as difficult a proposition as its going to be dull since this is when an accurate estimate must be made of the 1973 accomplishments.

The year began with great profundity’s as to what our professional problems are and what we’re going to do to correct them. At year’s end; time ran out, the budget gave way, and probably some good beginnings for professional general public recognition, never quite got off the ground. As I’m sure the incoming members of our executive committee, namely Eve Askin and Brooks Godfrey, will quickly learn, the burden of professional responsibility as carried out by the chapter, will fall largely on the shoulders of the chapter officers and the ability of the executive committee to function as a team. Even then it will be with some difficulty. Difficult, because even though this chapter, centered as it is between Chicago and Detroit, cradles an oft recognized area of great potential, some of the practitioners continue to overlook the necessity of their professional involvement in the emerging importance of the region. The presence of a solid professional image with clearly defined goals has yet to be realized or formulated.

In the course of the year, we held luncheons with planning and other city officials within population centered areas. Although we still owe the Jackson area, we did have them with good reception in the St. Joseph-Benton Harbor area, the Kalamazoo area, and the Battle Creek area. The officials welcomed what appeared to them to be a renewed interest which the architects have indicated in establishing a rapport with their community officials. A similar thing was found to be true by the chapter members that participated in Clarence Rosa’s considerable effort in organizing the
highly successful Legislative Breakfast at last year's state convention.

We also had the first Design Awards Program that the chapter has had in many years. It was worked out and held jointly with the Grand Valley Chapter. Of the four honor awards, selected from 27 entries, Kalamazoo's Gordon Rogers was honored for the excellence of the residence he designed for his family. It was published in the July issue of the MSA Monthly Bulletin, along with the three other Honor Awards, in the section entitled "Grand Valley Chapter Honor Awards". Unfortunately, local news media recognition was not to be found. This was our fault.

The joint chapter effort with the Grand Valley architects is a innovation which began about two years ago and has continued with considerable success at meetings held intermittantly. Incoming chapter presid­ent, Dick Slocum, has already made arrangements for the January meeting to be another joint effort, and a feeler has been sent out for a possible joint meeting with the Northern Indiana Chapter in the coming year. We also continued to have our traditional meetings with the MSPE in March and Producers Council in April.

A popular myth which was exploded as a result of these joint meetings, was the myth of poor meeting attendance being due to distances encountered. In spite of the energy crisis apparently it still takes only a good program to get the membership out.

Speaking of "getting the membership out". This was and still is an everpresent problem which is as complicated as architects are themselves. Our chapter director to MSA, Bob Tower, is currently confronting the problem while serving concurrently as chairman of the MSA Membership Committee, (which I'm sure we'll hear more about in the coming year), and an MSA officer.

Attempts were made to have more professional socializing at strictly the fun level. A party planned for last January was cancelled due to weather. A party which did come off in March, was very good. The golf outing with Producers Council, had an excellent turnout of architects, and that too was great fun. In fact the two fun times in a row must have parted everyone out, since a planned party for December had to be cancelled for lack of interest.

So all in all, we've had our good times and not so good times. In news coverage we fell way short of the sort of attention received three years ago when the chapter sued the city of Kalamazoo for failing to act in the best interest of the general public. But on the other hand, litigation can bring notoriety, and after the sort of notoriety which architects as well as engineers received in the past year, perhaps it was just as well we didn't chance it. Like architecture, the great accomplishments will publicize themselves. The less obvious ones even though initially unsung, very often require the test of time, before their recognition surfaces. Perhaps this holds the key to the future of the architectural profession. It appears that in the coming year of years, architects everywhere will be confronted with problems which have not been seen in 25 or 30 years, and indeed haven't been seen at all by many of today's young and still formulating enthusiasts. They will freely argue that we no longer need the individual jewel like structures, but what is needed is new methods leading to greater social responsibility. If this is their argument we should be at their side. We can't be totally sure of what the future will bring, but we must be absolutely sure that architects and their profession will be a part of it. Good luck in '74.

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William Werner worked diligently with the MSA Board on the By-Law Revision Program.

Tiv Balogh was the recipient of the 1973 Sol King award for excellence in the teaching of archi­tecture.

Dave Byrd was nominated for the Whitney M. Young Jr. citation.

Gerry Crane was appointed the 1973 Chairman of the Urban Design Development of the American Institute of Planners.

Along with the good, the unexpected and sad happens. The Architectural Secretaries Association (ASA) disbanded for a lack of secretarial interest. The short existence of the association was fruitful and hopefully another group will be active in the future. Although not a HVC member, in tribute to his dedication to architecture, we pay respect to Richard Little, University of Michigan Planning Department, who died unexpectedly.

I am confident that thrust and energy will spark the HVC membership into a new era of rejuvenation in a forward movement surpassing other years in attend­ance, program activities and increase in membership.
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More than 350,000 Americans today are incarcerated in some form of correctional institution, whether federal, state, county or military. They are tended by more than 115,000 employees. The size of these figures and the tax burden that they represent for the American taxpayer strongly suggest the need for a re-evaluation of priorities.

This evaluation was carried out by the Institute of Corrections of the American Foundation, Incorporated and the answers that were reached will be debated by penologists and, if effected, dramatically alter the concept of corrections in the country.

The author states that a moratorium should be called on all correctional construction. Merely to replace and modernize existing prison facilities, billions of dollars would be needed. But a more urgent reason for the halt of prison construction is a basic disagreement with the traditional attitude that incarceration is the best response to anti-social behavior. The innovations proposed by The Institute of Corrections are based on the principle that the re-integration of the prisoner into the community should be the goal of contemporary corrections.

This study was undertaken at the request of the Law Enforcement Assistance Administration of the United States Department of Justice. To insure objectivity, The American Foundation itself financed the project.
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