LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

The MSA lobbyist firm of Karoub Associates has informed us that the Statute of Limitations was unanimously upheld on December 23, 1980 by the Supreme Court. The statute is the law exempting architects and engineers from actions filed six years after construction or improvements to property.

Ruling on four separate cases, Justice Levin wrote the law does not deny due process, because the right to sue an architect or an engineer does not exist six years after a project is completed. The Legislature struck the right to sue at any time, he said, but failed to set a balance that protects both the professionals and "allow(s) sufficient time for most meritorious claims to accrue and would permit suit against those guilty of the most serious lapses in their professional endeavors."

Neither is the law unconstitutional because it does not give contractors the same protections as architects and engineers. However, Mr. Levin did say, the cases were the first to reach the Supreme Court since the law was enacted, and time may yet show that contractors are being forced to take the burden of adverse judgments.

Other Bills:

HB 4114 — Recodification. Representative Gary Owen did not introduce the bill carrying technical amendments to this Act, so we will have a separate bill introduced in 1981 to reduce from $50,000 to $10,000 the public work requiring seal of licensee.

HB 4053 — The construction lien bill was passed by both houses, but its effective date was set for January 1, 1981. Further work needs to be done on this bill, and we will be in touch with you to make sure your are properly protected in any changes.

HB 5541 — The retainage bill passed both houses in substitute form which included our amendments. This law will not become effective until January 1, 1982, so we know further amendments will be proposed next year.

HB 6042 — would have required competitive bids for renovation of existing school building. We opposed this bill on your behalf and it died in the House Education Committee.

CSI PRODUCT FAIR

The Detroit Chapter of the Specifications Institute will hold its Annual Trade Fair on Tuesday, February 10, 1981, in the Roma Hall of Livonia, 27777 Schoolcraft. Three technical seminars are scheduled to run concurrently from 1:30 p.m. until 4:30 p.m. These meetings will be followed by a products exhibition from 4:30 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. The MSA will be one of the exhibitors.

Seminar topics are "Total Life Cycle Costing," "The Open Office Concept," and "Moisture Penetration." A registration fee of $10/person, which includes dinner, will be charged for seminar attendance.

Pre-registration forms and further information are available from James Mason, (313) 341-7661, and George Sigler (313) 541-0344, General Chairman.

HEALTH FACILITIES PLANNING SEMINAR

This is the month the Michigan Department of Public Health and the Michigan Society of Architects hold their annual Health Facilities Seminar on February 26 and 27, 1981 at the Park Place Motor Inn, Traverse City.

Topics include: "Health Care Trends and Regulations"; "Barrier Free Design"; "Legislative Impact"; "Ambulatory Care Facilities"; Energy Conservation Methods for Hospitals; "Infection Control"; and "Productivity."

MA members serving on this committee are: Bill Graheck, Northern Michigan Chapter; Samuel Popkin, Detroit Chapter; and Robert Tower, Western Michigan Chapter.

PRESERVATION

The Michigan History Division is currently updating their consultant files. If you have had experience in preservation work and are interested in being included in these files, please submit resumes, portfolios, or other information outlining your experience in preservation.

The History Division does not make hiring recommendations, but does provide a list of professionals with experience in preservation projects. Send your information to: Brian D. Conway, Architectural Coordinator, Michigan History Division, 208 N. Capitol, Lansing, MI 48918.

CONTINUING ED PROGRAMS—FLINT AREA CHAPTER

The Flint Area Chapter is sponsoring three continuing education programs this March and April. The topics are — Preservation: Dick Frank, FAIA and Edward Francis, FAIA; Financing: Mike Warso; and Energy: Joe O'Leary, PE. The seminars will be held at the University of M, Flint downtown facilities and all members are invited to attend.

Admission fee for the three seminars is $25.00 or $10.00 for each seminar. The dates are March 24, March 31 and April 7. For additional information contact Don Lee at 313-767-5600.

WAL NEWS

The Women's Architectural League of Detroit voted to support Cranbrook House and Garden Auxiliary with a donation to help with the restoration of the garden sculpture.

WAL Couples' Night just happens to fall on Valentine's Day, February 14, 1981. Couples' Night will feature a Gourmet Pot Luck hosted by Sue and Fred Veresh. Reservations are limited so call Eve Gardner at 626-9620 or Liz Johnson at 445-0441 today.

A special visit and luncheon will be held at the Edsel and Eleanor Ford House on February 17. Chairperson is Donna Rossetti.

TO: THOSE WHO USE LIBRARIES

The State Library Service is trying to establish a Michigan Citizens for Libraries Forum. The reason for this is that support is needed to improve library and information services for all people in the state and to publicize the services already offered. How can you...
Chairman: Bill Hamill.

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March 19
Government Day/MSA/Lansing.

April 14

May 12
Joint Meeting with the Society of Professional Engineers. Program Chairman: Jim Drebels, Carl Walker & Associates.

May 17-21
AIA National Convention

June 9
WMC/AIA Meeting & Award of Registration Certificates. Program Chairman: Pete Rohrer, of O'Boyle, Cowell, Rohrer & Associates.

July/August
Summer Party. Program Chairman: Bill Hamill.

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the country, according to National AIA. We are 5th out of 126 outlets. Contact Robert B. Smith, AIA, at Architectural Consortium in Lansing. Bob was formerly with MJK . . . Associate member Mike Minoff, one of our hard-working volunteers, has recovered from an emergency appendectomy . . . Volunteer Slave in the lighting department, Ray Williams, is responsible for the new yard light in the courtyard of the Beaubien House . . . Jack Yops of Wyandotte was appointed architect for a term of four years to the newly formed building and mechanical board of appeals by Mayor William Brainard of Wyandotte . . . Thomas M. Anglewicz has been appointed General Manager for the recently opened Dallas office of Rossetti Associates . . . Anglewicz was also named an associate of R/A . . . Samborn, Steketee, Otis & Evans, Inc. announces George I. Liljeblad, ASLA, has joined their firm as landscape architect and land planner . . . NBD of Detroit has announced the appointment of Paul Engle of the Detroit Chapter as Vice President in its Property Management and Purchasing Dept. . . . Anthony A. Fousli, AIA, was promoted to Head of the Design Department at Rossetti Associates . . . New associates at R/A are Algimantas Bublys, Director of Design; Robert Davis, Director of Project Development; and Craig Hall, Head of the Medical Planning Group . . . Bill Wharton, Grand Valley Secretary and former member of WBDC, Inc., has moved to Pittsburgh. His wife, Carolyn, was ordained on Dec. 7th in Grand Rapids as a Presbyterian Minister and will assume the duties of Assistant Minister of Education at Memorial Park Community United Presbyterian Church in Pittsburgh . . . Jim Gallagher at SH&G Associates was at his usual corner selling newspapers for Goodfellow Day on Dec. 8th . . . Mid-Michigan Chapter design awards go to Stein, Hinkley, Dawe Associates for their work on the Dart Oil and Gas Co. office in Mason and to Warren-Holmes-Kenneth Black Co. for their design of the Auto Owners Insurance Co. headquarters in Lansing . . . Hoyem-Basso Associates promoted Dave Bourgeois Marketing; Ed Meier and Harry Diamond, architectural; David Marks, electrical engineering; Lynn Krajewski, data processing, and from the energy management department Ed Bisson, Ronald Burt, Roland Pless and Jason Wang . . . F. Richard Duwel, former chief architect for Ford Motor Company's worldwide operations, has been named President of DeMattia & Associates, a Livonia based architectural firm . . . Tom Strat attended the AIA Energy Committee Conference in Toronto.

**FIRM CHANGES**


- David L. Miller, Architect, announces the relocation of his office to 25611 Lyndon, Redford, MI 48239, telephone (313) 537-0222.

- Seymour Remen, AIA, formerly with Albert Kahn has opened his own office at 3373 N. Maple Rd., Ann Arbor, MI 48103, telephone (313) 994-6414. Remen specializes in Hospital Architecture and in Consulting.

- Five Holland architects announce the formation of a new architectural firm, Architects Collective, with offices at 29 W. Ninth St., Holland, MI and 218½ Washington St., Grand Haven, MI. The partnership consists of Steven Bassett, Earl Hemmke and Robert Brown, AIA, of Holland and Donald Holstege and Dennis Sryer of Grand Haven.

- Robert B. Alpern Associates, Inc., have purchased and moved to the Birmingham Courtyard Building, 870 Bowers, Birmingham, Michigan. The structure is a multitenant office and retail building.

**POSITION WANTED**

A recent graduate of Penn State University with a Bachelor of Arts in General Arts is seeking employment in Michigan as a draftsman with an architectural and/or engineering firm. Contact Lou Ann Fornataro at 1246-H Rustic Park Rd., Ellwood City, PA 16117, Telephone: (412) 758-9655.

Architectural student seeking employment for summer of '81 beginning May 21st. Major in Architecture with a minor in Computer Technology — two years at UM and one at LIT. Contact James Brown, II, at 7533 Holmes, Detroit, MI 48210. Telephone (313) 361-3578 after 5:00 p.m.

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1981 CALENDAR

FEBRUARY

10 CSI Product Fair; Roma Hall of Livonia.
14 WAL Couples' Night, Gourmet Pot Luck. See MB article for details.
17 Michigan Plumbing & Mechanical Contractors Association Annual Convention. Theme “Communication: Heartbeat of Success.” Location: Park Place Motor Inn, Traverse City. Architects are especially invited to attend this convention. Contact Mike West at 517-594-8171 for details.
19 Third Thursday/Beaubien House.
26-27 MSA & State of Michigan Dept. of Public Health, Health Facilities Conference, Park Place Hotel, Traverse City. Call MSA for details.

MARCH

6-8 AIA Design in Workshop/Hyatt Regency, Atlanta.
10 MSA Board of Directors Meeting/Ann Arbor.
19 Government Day/Lansing.
24 Flint Chapter CEP/Preservation
31 Flint Chapter CEP/Finance

APRIL

7 Flint Chapter CEP/Energy
14 MSA Executive Committee/Beaubien House.
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23 CPMC/CEP, “Insulation Products & Systems,” Part II.

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