It’s often said that if it weren’t for bad luck, there’d be no luck at all. Well, the MAMC Board experienced a lot of that in the past month. For starters, the membership mailing was delayed. Then, the day after they went out (not the day before, of course) we realized the membership rates were incorrect. The copy had been proofed, but actual dollar figures were overlooked; we won’t make that mistake again!

Then, came the scheduling confusion at the MTA. In planning this event, which did not include lunch, the Board opted for a 12:30 start time to allow participants time to eat on their own. However, the MTA mistakenly listed a 12:00 start, in both the program and at the door. When the Board arrived “on time” for a “12:30” meeting, we were met by a room full of anxious clerks most of whom had forsaken lunch to be there by noon.

And then, speaker Chris Thomas was delayed in an earlier meeting. Though he was actually only slightly late for the scheduled “12:30” meeting, it probably seemed like forever to the hungry clerks who had been waiting patiently since before noon. To top it all off, using previous attendance figures, the Board planned for the usual 40 to 50 township clerks and the few city/county clerks that often attend. Well, the hot topic of election consolidation drew so many Clerks that seats and cookies were soon in short supply.

Thankfully, things are now running more smoothly. Many of the situations that delayed the Board early on have resolved themselves. The November election took a huge bite out of everyone’s life, then, before we could catch our breath, election consolidation meetings and deadlines were upon us. Knowing that Board members, like all clerks, were consumed with these issues, asking more of them hardly seemed fair.

And, as we all know, the job comes first!

On behalf of the Michigan Association of Municipal Clerks, the Board of Directors cordially invites you to join this outstanding organization. Established to “promote, enhance, and encourage the professional development and standing of municipal clerks,” the MAMC works diligently toward this end.

Dedicated to outreach, the winter newsletter is mailed to all Michigan municipalities in hopes of reaching all clerks, especially those newly elected or appointed.

So, look us over, talk to your fellow clerks or contact any of the board members listed in the back page of this publication and join the nearly 900 Michigan clerks already benefiting from membership in MAMC. Please accept our invitation by submitting the enclosed Membership Application or download the application on our website at www.michiganclerks.org

Membership applications were mailed in late January, so all members should have received theirs by now. As noted in the Presidents article, however, the membership rates were printed incorrectly, so please call Membership Chair Dana Muscott at (989) 894-8171 with questions or concerns or download a corrected application from our website as shown to the left.

Mark your calendars for the Clerks Informational Roundtable being held in conjunction with the Michigan Municipal League Conference at the Lansing Center on March 23rd. The session will run from 1:00 p.m. to 2:15 p.m. and will feature a presentation on Election Consolidation by State Elections Director, Chris Thomas. An informal roundtable will follow. All MAMC members are welcome. Join us for a beverage and some lively discussion.
We hope by now you’ve all logged on to our newly revised MAMC website at www.michiganclerks.org. We feel it is improved, provides much more information and is much easier to use and navigate than the previous site. We hope you find it informational and will use it often.

Though it is still a work in progress, here is some basic info on the site ….

- The MAMC Logo on any screen will take you to the home page.
- The listserv program (whereby members can ask questions or obtain samples, etc. from other clerks around the State) is turned off as of this writing due to several email addresses in the system being old and incorrect. As soon as we can get these updated within the next few weeks, this service will be up and working. By the way, if you haven’t provided us with your email address, please do so ASAP. There is a mechanism to opt-out of the listserv program if you don’t wish to be a part of this program. Direction on how to disable this is provided on the site.
- The **Bulletin Board** area is for job postings, notices of employment transitions, general clerk happenings, etc.
- You will be able to search for any member of the MAMC by either name or community they serve in, once the membership list is updated.
- The left-hand column lists all of the categories on the site. This info column scrolls with you as you move up and down the pages so that it is always there and easy for you to select a new page or topic.
- The site map gives a listing of where you can find a certain item you may be looking for, without having to search several pages or places.
- The **Calendar** will provide information such as date, time, location, etc. for any scheduled event, such as educational sessions, board and committee meetings, conferences, SOS functions, etc.
- The **E-Mail News** area will give you “hot” notices of things going on in the near future, issues that we need to bring to immediate attention of all the clerks and other various messages. We hope you will check this often!
- Use the **Contact** area to advise the Board of changes to your contact information, i.e. email address, business address, phone numbers, etc.
- Pictures will be added in the future, so don’t be camera shy the next time you are at an event and the photographer is snapping away!

Again, we ask that you be patient during this transitional phase. We are correcting and updating daily. Please feel free to contact me with questions and/or comments. We welcome your feedback! kdornan@ci.farmington-hills.mi.us or 248.871.2422.

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### FY 2004 Year-End Budget Report

**Betty L. Kennedy, CMC, Clerk**  
**Village of North Branch**  
**MAMC Treasurer**

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**Fund Balance Dec. 30, 2004**  
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In-depth planning continues for the 2005 MAMC Annual Educational Konference, scheduled for Tuesday, June 21st through Friday, June 24th at the Bavarian Inn in Frankenmuth, Michigan. The Konference Kommittee hopes to continue the fun in learning and partnering with fellow klerks as we’ve done in the past.

Pre-Konference activities on Tuesday, June 21st will include a full day of:

**Advance Classes**, which qualify for Master “Klerk” Accreditation  **OR**

**Klerking 101**, which will provide an overview of the duties and responsibilities for new klerks.

The “Klerking” 101 class offers a wide range of “basic clerking skills” for new clerks, as well as some good refresher material for more experienced members. This additional full-day session is offered for only $40.00 and includes refreshment breaks and lunch!

As in the past, we will hear some great speakers, including Secretary of State Terri Lynn Land, State Elektions Direktor Chris Thomas and our very own MAMC President Terri Kowal. We will have the annual Klerk-of-the-Year Awards, the Presidents Dinner and as usual, entertainment.

Konference educational classes will begin on Wednesday morning and continue all day Thursday, with a wide range of action-packed sessions, tentatively scheduled and listed below:

- Parliamentary Procedure (1, 2 & 3)  Notary
- Cyber Security/Identity Theft  Power Point I & II (bring laptop)
- FOIA  E-Packets (bring laptop)
- QVF Tips (Beginner/Advanced)  Understanding Servant Leadership
- Election Test Deck Preparation  Election Worker Training
- Optical Scan Machine Management  Optical Scan Coding
- Running School Elections  Grant Writing 101
- Self Preservation  Email/Electronic Data Retention/Policies
- Internet Use Policies  Liquor License Management
- Amending your Charter  County Clerk’s role
- Publications/Notices  Records Management
- Customer Service Excellence  Ordinances on the Web

If you have questions or concerns regarding the Conference, please do not hesitate to contact Todd Blake tblake@cityoffremont.net or me evan.hope@delhitownship.com.

We look forward to seeing you in Frankenmuth, “Michigan’s Little Bavaria”, where you’ll receive a warm Willkommen!
In pursuit of our goal to provide educational programs, the MAMC Board will present a number of educational sessions in the coming months. In addition to the Clerk’s Roundtable which was held in conjunction with MTA Conference in January and the MAMC Educational Day held in partnership with State Bureau of Elections February, the following educational programs have been scheduled:

**Master Clerk Class**
- Clerk as Manager
- Kellogg Center, Lansing
- Contact: Leslie Barner
- 517-432-8683
- Dealing with health care issues
- March 17, 2005

**Clerks’ Roundtable**
- In conjunction w/MML Conf.
- 1:00 pm
- Lansing Center, Lansing
- Speaker, Chris Thomas
- Update on Election Consolidation
- March 23, 2005

**Michigan Municipal Clerks Institute**
- Kellogg Center, Lansing
- (No Master Class offered)
- April 11—15, 2005

**M-100 User Meeting**
- Horizon Center
- Saginaw Township
- June 9, 2005

**Master Academy Class**
- Tuesday prior to Conference
- Frankenmuth
- June 21, 2005

**Clerking 101**
- Tuesday prior to Conference
- Frankenmuth
- June 21, 2005

**MAMC Conference**
- Frankenmuth
- June 22-24, 2005

**Michigan Municipal Clerks Institute**
- Kellogg Center, Lansing
- Dec. 5—9, 2005

Specifics are available on our website and more is on the way, so please log on often at: [www.michiganclerks.org](http://www.michiganclerks.org)

We encourage you to make the most of your MAMC membership and participate in these relevant educational opportunities.

**The door is always open!**

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**2007 and 2008 Site Selection Committee**

**Tonni L. Bartholomew, MMC, Clerk**
- City of Troy
- Immediate Past President

The Site Selection Committee is responsible for securing a location for the annual conference, visiting the site for acceptability, with a site to be secured three years in advance. The Committee shall consist of the five most recent active MAMC past presidents, with the most recent past president acting as Chair.

To date, the Site Selection Committee Chairman has received proposals from several resorts and conference facilities that are interested in hosting the 2007 and 2008 Annual Conferences. These proposals have been reviewed and will be presented to the Committee for review and the MAMC Board for confirmation of the location.

In the meantime, mark your calendars for the exciting MAMC Conferences already in the planning stages:

- **Bavarian Inn,**
  - Frankenmuth
  - June 21-24, 2005

- **Grand Lodge,**
  - Boyne Mountain
  - June 20-23, 2006
Motivated by a desire to promote the professional and personal growth of municipal clerks, the International Institute of Municipal Clerks (IIMC) provides a wide range of educational and professional development opportunities.

The Institute has supported local clerks since 1947. Furthering their involvement in 1969, IIMC designed and implemented the first Certified Municipal Clerk (CMC) Program, which recognizes municipal clerks who have met the Institute’s requirements and have achieved basic levels of professional competency.

Meeting these high standards and attaining this distinguished designation are:

Deidre A. Laser, CMC  
Deputy Clerk  
City of Battle Creek

Jean E. Neve, CMC  
Village Clerk  
Village of Douglas

Nancy A. Strehl, CMC  
City Assessor  
City of Center Line

Recognizing the need for continuing professional education, the IIMC established the Master Municipal Academy (MMCA) as a means of providing advanced training, monitoring professional participation and offering an even greater level of certification. These dedicated clerks have advanced as follows:

Betty Kennedy, CMC  
Village Clerk, Village of North Branch  
Second Level, MMCA

Lynn Fessel, CMC  
City Clerk, City of Jackson  
Acceptance, MMCA

Most notably, Blinda A. Baker, MMC, Clerk/Treasurer, City of East Tawas joined an elite group of Municipal Clerks when she received Master Municipal Clerk designation in December, 2004.

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**CITY OF YPSILANTI, DEPUTY CITY CLERK**

The City of Ypsilanti has an opening for a Deputy City Clerk. Duties include maintaining official records, handling election process and filling in for City Clerk. Must have an Assoc. Degree in Public or Business Administration or related field, excellent communication & customer service skills, organized, and highly proficient in computers.

Salary: $39,778 – $51,711 DOQ+benefits.

Applications are online at: [www.cityofypsilanti.com](http://www.cityofypsilanti.com), or apply in person at: The City of Ypsilanti, HR Dept. EOE/AAE

Judi Smith, HR Generalist, City of Ypsilanti  
One South Huron Street  
Ypsilanti, MI 48197  
(734) 483-1242  
(734) 483-7387 fax
The Nominating Committee of the Michigan Association of Municipal Clerks does hereby notify all members per the Rules of Order & Business of the 2005-06 Board of Directors Vacancies:

2nd Vice President (City/Village)
3rd Vice President (Township/County)
1 Director (City/Village)
2 Director (Township/County)
Director – Treasurer (At Large)

The officers of the MAMC shall be a President, First Vice-President, Second Vice-President, Third Vice-President, Immediate Past President, Secretary, Treasurer and six (6) Directors.

Eligibility for office (By Laws, Article IV, Officers, Section 2):

All Officers must hold duly elected or appointed City, Village, Township or County Clerk or Deputy Clerk positions and must maintain active membership in MAMC. A Clerk or Deputy Clerk employed by the same community may not hold office on the Board of the Michigan Association of Municipal Clerks at the same time.

For the office of Second and Third Vice President, the individual must have been an active member of the MAMC for three years and served at least two years as a Director, Secretary or Treasurer.

The term of office for all officers shall begin at the close of the annual conference.

All officers shall serve for one year or until their successors are elected, except the Secretary, Treasurer, and Directors who shall serve for two years or until their successors are elected.

Without other action being required, at each annual meeting held in conjunction with the MAMC annual conference, the First Vice-President shall be nominated for advancement to the office of President; the Second Vice-President shall be nominated for advancement to the office of First Vice-President; and the Third Vice-President shall be nominated for advancement to the office of Second Vice-President. Such nominations shall be brought to a vote of the membership, along with any nominations made from the floor.

Duties of the Officers shall be as defined in the MAMC Rules of Order and those normally associated with each office in accordance with parliamentary authority. (MAMC By Laws and Standing Rules are on the MAMC Web Page at www.michiganclerks.org.)

MAMC Nominating Committee Chair:
Tonni L. Bartholomew, MMC
City of Troy
500 W. Big Beaver
Troy, MI 48084
(248) 524-3318
t.bartholomew@ci.troy.mi.us

MAMC Nominating Committee:
Tonni L. Bartholomew, City of Troy, Oakland County
Sandra S. Abrams, Commerce Township, Oakland County
Colleen Schwartz, Milford Township, Oakland County
Maryanne Cornelius, City of Novi, Oakland County
Arleen Hill, Chocolay Township, Marquette County
I, ________________________________, do hereby make application for

Check those of interest:

Second Vice-President □ □ Third Vice-President □
Director (City/Village) □ □ Director (Township/County) □

To serve on the Board of the Michigan Association of Municipal Clerks

_________________________  ___________________________  ________
Last Name                   First Name                     Initial

_________________________
Municipal Employer

_________________________
Title

_________________________
Municipal Street Address

_________________________
City/State/Zip

_________________________
County

_________________________
Area Code + Telephone

Year Elected/Appointed: __________

Population of Municipality You Serve: ________________

Other Related Municipal Experience:

Municipality  Title  Years

Current and Previous Service to the Organization(s):

________________________________________________________________________

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Number of Years as a Member of MAMC: _____   IIMC: _____

Number of Conferences Attended MAMC: _____   IIMC: _____
To: City, Township and Village Officials and Employees,

The Michigan Association of Municipal Clerks (MAMC), through its Education Committee, has issued a call for nominations for the prestigious awards of City Clerk of the Year, Township Clerk of the Year and Village Clerk of the Year for 2005.

If you know of a clerk whom you believe has the professional and personal qualities to which all clerks should aspire, please nominate her or him, in the appropriate category (city, township or village) for this award.

The Board of Directors of the MAMC will send a Questionnaire to all nominees to be completed prior to establishing a slate of candidates for each award. Once the slate is drawn, ballots will then be distributed to member clerks throughout Michigan. In selecting the candidates for balloting, the Board will use the following criteria:

- Years of experience as a municipal clerk;
- Demonstrated greater-than-average competence in the position;
- Active in county, state and national associations;
- Demonstrated interest in improving her/his professional and personal skills, and in the advancement of the profession;
- A record of contributing to the improvement of her/his community and the respect of community leaders.
- Nominee must be a member of the Michigan Association of Municipal Clerks (MAMC)

A completed nomination form must address these criteria. The form is available at [www.michiganclerks.org](http://www.michiganclerks.org). You need not be a clerk to submit a nomination. Nominations will be accepted, and are encouraged, from mayors, supervisors, managers, council members, board members, staff, etc.

Completed nominations must be postmarked or fax receipted by March 25, 2005. Later submissions will not be considered. Please send completed nominations to the address below or fax to 248 685-9236.

Clerk of the Year Sub-Committee
C/o Holly Brandt, Deputy Clerk
Charter Township of Milford
1100 Atlantic Street
Milford, MI 48381
Phone 248 685-8731

The awards will be presented at the Michigan Association of Municipal Clerks annual conference in June. Hundreds of clerks from around the state will be present to honor this year’s recipients.
Michigan Association of Municipal Clerk
2005 Clerk of the Year
Official Nomination Entry Form

Return by March 25, 2005 to Clerk of the Year, c/o Holly Brandt, Deputy Clerk, Milford Charter Township, 1100 Atlantic Street, Milford, MI 48381

Name of Nominee:________________________________________________________

Municipality:____________________________________________________________

Address:_______________________________________________________________

Phone:_______________________________________________________________

Name of person making nomination:_______________________________________

Email Address of person making nomination:_______________________________

Phone # of person making nomination:____________________________________

Please attach additional pages if necessary.

Please describe why/how the nominee is qualified to be awarded the 2005 “Michigan Association of Municipal Clerks Clerk of the Year” Award.

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The Michigan Association of Municipal Clerks encourages continued education and professional training for members through the Michigan Municipal Clerks Institute (MMCI). The MMCI offers programs specifically tailored to the needs and requirements of the Michigan clerk’s office, and completion of the program satisfies the educational requirements for the Certified Municipal Clerk (CMC) designation awarded by the International Institute of Municipal Clerks (IIMC). The CMC designation and the knowledge garnered from this substantive and relevant curriculum are of great benefit to the individual and the respective local governmental unit as a whole.

The MMCI consists of three 1-week sessions with a minimum of 33 hours of classroom instruction per session. The program is sponsored by MAMC in conjunction with the Michigan State University Extension Program and is held at the Kellogg Hotel & Conference Center at Michigan State University twice each year. The MMCI offers its initial session in December, and repeats the same curriculum the following April.

In an effort to promote participation in the Michigan Municipal Clerks Institute and offer this unique opportunity to those who seek professional knowledge and growth, MAMC offers an annual scholarship to assist a member whose local governmental unit does not or cannot financially support educational endeavors and who has been unable to procure financial assistance through other means.

Following are the guidelines for awarding educational scholarships to attend the basic State of Michigan Institute for Municipal Clerks as conducted by the current accredited facility (MSU):

1. Member of IIMC and MAMC.

2. Must be a full time City, Township or Village Clerk or a full time Deputy City, Township or Village Clerk performing the duties of the Clerk.

3. The scholarship can apply to the first, second or third year of the Institute.

4. The applicant must also be denied funds by the municipality.

5. The Education Committee will review the application based on need and merit, then will make a recommendation of approval of the scholarship to the Board of Directors.

6. Scholarship application follows and is also on the website at www.michiganclerks.org

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me: Terry Bennett
734-394-1522
tbennett@canton-mi.org
Municipal Clerks conducted by the currently accredited institution, M.S.U.

1) NAME: ___________________________ (Last) ___________________________ (First) ___________________________ (Middle)

2) HOME: ___________________________ (Street Address) ___________________________ (City/State/Zip)

3) MUNICIPAL EMPLOYER:

_____________________________ (Municipality Name) ___________________________ (City and Zip Code) ___________________________ (Phone Number)

Date assumed current position ___________________________ Population of Municipality you serve ___________________________

4) OTHER RELATED MUNICIPAL EXPERIENCE:

_____________________________ (Municipality) ___________________________ (Title) ___________________________ (Years)

_____________________________ (Municipality) ___________________________ (Title) ___________________________ (Years)

_____________________________ (Municipality) ___________________________ (Title) ___________________________ (Years)

5) EDUCATION:

High School Graduate ___________________________ Yes □ NO □ (List degree obtained or number of years attended)

College ___________________________ (List)

Other ___________________________ (List)

6) AFFILIATIONS/PARTICIPATION

Member of International Institute of Municipal Clerks for ___________________________ (Number of Years)

Member of International Institute of Municipal Clerks for ___________________________ (Number of Years)

Are you a member of a regional clerks association? If yes, please list. ___________________________

7) PREVIOUS CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION

Number of State conferences attended ___________________________

Number of International conferences attended ___________________________

Have you completed any Basic sessions of the Institute? If yes, please list. ___________________________

8) FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

Have you applied to your municipality for funds to attend the Institute? Yes □ No □ If yes, please note the response to your request and by whom the determination was made. ___________________________

Have you applied to your municipality for funds for other education, conferences, meetings, travel, etc.? Yes □ No □ If yes, please list request(s) and funds provided per request. ___________________________

9) ATTACHMENTS: (List)

10) ESSAY: Please attach a brief narrative explaining what it means to you to become a Certified Municipal Clerk.

I hereby make application for scholarship funds from the Michigan Association of Municipal Clerks to attend the Basic Institute for Municipal Clerks conducted by the currently accredited institution, M.S.U.

I do hereby attest that the information submitted in and with this application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

_____________________________ (Date) ___________________________ (Signature of Applicant)
In an effort to further promote professional knowledge and growth and to avail members of the valuable conference experience, the Michigan Association of Municipal Clerks has added a second scholarship opportunity for members. In addition to the Association’s existing MMCI Scholarship, the MAMC will now offer an Annual Conference Scholarship. Newly conceived and available to members beginning in 2004, the Annual Conference Scholarship will be offered to a member whose municipality does not financially support conference participation and is otherwise unable to procure funding.

The very purpose of our organization is to enhance, improve and promote the professional development of municipal clerks and, accordingly, provide the opportunities to accomplish this. As a comprehensive educational and networking experience, the MAMC Annual Conference is the best of these opportunities. Recognizing this and understanding that participation in this event is sometimes restricted by lack of funding, the MAMC has acknowledged a need to provide the means, as well as the opportunity.

The Scholarship will cover registration only. Following are the guidelines for awarding the Annual Conference Scholarship.

1. Member IIMC and MAMC.

2. Full time City, Township or Village Clerk or a full time Deputy City, Township or Village Clerk performing the duties of the Clerk.

3. Proof that funds were denied by the municipality.

4. The Education Committee will review the applications based on need and merit, then make recommendation for approval of their selection to the Board of Directors.

5. A member may be awarded one (1) Conference Scholarship only.

[Scholarship application follows.]

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact:

Terry G. Bennett, Canton Charter Township
1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, MI 48188-1699
Phone: (734) 394-5120 Office
Fax: (734) 394-5128 Fax
Email: tbennett@canton-mi.org
I hereby make application for scholarship funds from the Michigan Association of Municipal Clerks to attend the Annual Conference.

1) NAME: ____________________________ (First) ____________________________ (Last) ____________________________ (Middle)

2) HOME: ____________________________ (Street Number) ____________________________ (City and Zip Code) ____________________________ Phone Number

3) MUNICIPAL EMPLOYER:

__________________________ (Municipality Name) ____________________________ (City and Zip Code) ____________________________ (Phone Number)

Date assumed current position ____________________________ Population of Municipality you serve ____________________________

Elected Position ☐ Appointed Position ☐

4) OTHER RELATED MUNICIPAL EXPERIENCE:

__________________________ (Municipality) ____________________________ (Title) ____________________________ (Years)

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__________________________ (Municipality) ____________________________ (Title) ____________________________ (Years)

5) AFFILIATIONS/PARTICIPATION:

Member of International Institute of Municipal Clerks for ____________________________ (Number of Years)

Member of International Institute of Municipal Clerks for ____________________________ (Number of Years)

Are you a member of a regional clerks association?
If yes, please list. ____________________________

6) PREVIOUS CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION:

Number of State conferences attended ____________________________

Number of International conferences attended ____________________________

Have you completed any Basic sessions of the Institute?
If yes, please list. ____________________________

7) FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS:

Have you applied to your municipality for funds to attend the Institute? Yes ☐ No ☐

If yes, was request approved? Yes ☐ No ☐

8) ☐ Written notice and explanation from mayor, manager/administrator or council/commission that submitted request for funding was denied.
    ☐ Written notice and explanation from mayor, manager/administrator or council/commission that submitted request will be partially funded.
    ☐ Written notice from mayor, manager/administrator or council/commission that applicant will be afforded time off to attend Conference.
    ☐ Written notice that applicant, if a deputy of clerk’s designee, does perform duties of the clerk.

I do hereby attest that the information submitted in and with this application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

__________________________ (Date) ____________________________ (Signature of Applicant)
COUNCIL OF ELECTION OFFICIALS

Just a brief update to let you know what’s going on in the legislature right now. You can find detailed information on any of these bills or any other legislation of interest on the Michigan Legislature Website at www.michiganlegislature.org.

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<td>Requires that candidates be registered voter for required period of time before filing for office</td>
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Mark your calendars for the upcoming Legislative Luncheon Reception to be hosted by the Council of Election Officials. Tentatively scheduled for May 18th at the State Capitol Building, this event will offer clerks an opportunity to meet and share ideas with State legislators and election officials, including Secretary of State Terry Lynn Land and Elections Director Chris Thomas. Details coming soon!

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

The Legislative Committee meets monthly at 9:30 AM at the Delta Township Hall, with our next meeting scheduled for March 16th. Unfortunately, our January Meeting was canceled due to inclement weather, but February’s meeting was well attended and productive.

The Committee meetings are open to the membership and the public, and your attendance and input are encouraged and welcome.

The two “hot topics” are “No Reason Absentee Voting” and “Early Voting”. Another senate bill to watch is:

SB 0005, FIRST-TIME VOTER ABSENTEE BALLOTS, Allows first-time voters to utilize absent voter ballots

The Legislative Committee, in conjunction with the CEO, is compiling a list of all relevant legislation, and we will soon have it posted on the MAMC Website at www.michiganclerks.org.

As always, your comments are helpful and appreciated. Please feel free to contact me at: clerksantos@hotmail.com or by telephone at 989.684.8041.
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