



Library Notes

On the fast track to information ...



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Online Michigan Newspaper Resources

News happens everywhere in the great state of Michigan. Writing from large urban areas to bedroom communities, “the fourth estate” can provide researchers with authoritative, timely, staff-written coverage of local and national topics, along with specific articles, obituaries, statistics, quotations, facts, analysis and much more.

The Mott College Library’s *Online Resources* section of the Mott Library’s website provides access to a wide variety of the full-text articles from Michigan newspapers.

To access *Online Resources* go to, www.library.mcc.edu, then choose the 3rd tab, *Online Resources*.

When connecting from off-campus you will be prompted to enter the 14 digit number above the barcode on the front of your Mott College ID card.

Michigan Newspapers

Contains the “full-text electronic edition” for the following Michigan newspapers.

- a. Detroit News: 01/01/1999 to current.
- b. Grand Rapids Press: 2002 to current.
- c. Lansing State Journal: 01/01/1999 to current.

Westlaw Campus

- a. Under “State and Regional News”, choose “more”
- b. Then click on the information “i” icon, next to “Michigan Newspapers”. You can then click on the link next to the title of the source and conduct a search within that source. The coverage dates vary among the sources.

Example: Flint Journal is 01/2005 to current and Detroit Free Press is 09/1992 to current.

Michigan Sources Available

Ann Arbor News
 AP Alert - Michigan
 Bay City Times
 Burton News
 Clio Messenger
 Crain’s Detroit Business

Davison Flagstaff
 Detroit ABC 7 WXYZ-MI
 Detroit FOX 2 WJBK-MI
 Detroit Free Press (MI)
 Detroit NBC 51 WDIV-MI
 Fenton Press
 Flint Journal

Flint Township News
 Flushing Observer
 Grand Blanc News
 Kalamazoo Gazette
 Michigan Contractor and
 Builder
 Swartz Creek News

Online Michigan Newspaper Resources *cont.*

On The Wire... Websites of Interest

InfoTrac Custom Newspapers

- a. *Detroit Free Press* 03/2000 to current
(selected articles)
- b. *Grand Rapids Press* 03/1996 to current
(cover to cover)

If you click on "Publication Search" and type in (for example) "Grand Rapids Press". Then click on the link within the publication information and you get all the articles published within the current year.

You can limit your search to a certain source when you are in "Advanced Search".

Flint Journal & Other MI Newspapers

(not a part of Online Resources)

Booth Newspapers, who own The Flint Journal and several other newspapers in Michigan, provide 2 weeks of coverage on their web site. They also allow you to search their archive, but do not provide the full-text. It can be a useful tool since you can locate citations. To get to the Flint Journal section:

- a. www.mlive.com/flintjournal
 - b. Lower, right-hand column, is "Archives"
- Coverage in archives for the Flint Journal is March 1995 to current.

Geospatial One-Stop

<http://gos2.geodata.gov/wps/portal/gos>

There are many federal government agencies involved in the creation of a wide variety of maps. This location allows users to fill in the "What" such as river, lake, or swamp and the "Where" such as Luce County Michigan and locate maps that meet the criteria. There are also many special interest maps covering homeland security, recreation areas, fire mapping, and historical specialties such as those that detail the route of the Lewis and Clark expedition.

The Elements of Style

<http://www.bartleby.com/141/>

William Strunk's timeless guide to using the English language has been electronically published by the Bartleby Project. The website includes sections on Elementary Rules of Usage, Elementary Rules of Composition, A Few Matters of Form, Words and Expressions Commonly Misused, and Words Commonly Misspelled. Although written with educators and students in mind, this guide will benefit anyone who wishes to write with clarity and precision.

Polluters of the Week

<http://www.ehso.com/polluters.php>

Environmental Health and Safety Online is a non-profit organization that finds and organizes credible, public-domain environmental science information. Lots of links and lots of ideas are provided on this website.

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