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2015 Annual Report

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SCOSAA began its 2015 term with a general interest meeting in early January to gauge interest from students in the program. We also emailed out a survey on our list-serv to gather information from students who were unable to attend this meeting. We planned events based on the input we received from our fellow students. Our first event of spring semester 2015 was a trip to the "Where is Tobe?" exhibit at the North Carolina Collection Gallery at UNC's Wilson Library. We met with Linda Jacobson who worked at the NCC Gallery and with Benjamin Filene, the curator of the exhibit. They discussed with us the thought and research that went into creating the exhibit and how they used the extensive archives at Wilson Library. In March 2015, we went to the North Carolina Museum of Natural Sciences. Museum archives was an area that students mentioned they were interested in more programming and this event allowed students to meet with and discuss questions with Margaret Cotrufo, assistant librarian and director of the archives, and Janet Edgerton, the head librarian and museum registrar. In March, a small delegation of officers attended the Society of North Carolina Archivists (SNCA) conference in Greenville, NC. In April, we had our last event of the semester, a trip to ECS Conservation near Greensboro, NC. The staff gave us a tour of the facility and discussed the various jobs involved in conserving manuscripts.

Our officers had good attendance at the SAA annual conference in August 2015. Our president, vice president, and secretary presented a poster on our chapter during the conference. In early September, we held another general interest meeting to introduce the new students to SCOSAA and to again gauge the interests of the students. Another interest survey was sent out on our list-serv. We also formed an events committee consisting of first year students to get them involved in the planning of SCOSAA events. During Archives Month, we had a few trips for our students. The first was a trip to the Hunt Library at NC State. Students toured the library with SILS alumnus Virginia Ferris and learned about the NC State Fellows program. The second in conjunction with SNCA was a happy hour and tour of the Rubenstein Library at Duke. During the month of November, we had several events. The first was a career panel organized with SNCA. A panel of six professionals working in libraries and archives across the state of North Carolina answered questions about the application and interview process for students. There was also an optional resume review. We also had a trip with our diversity organization Checked Out to the Charlotte Hawkins Brown Museum in Gibsonville, NC. Students were able to tour the site and learn about what it takes to keep the site open to the public. Our last event in November was an internship panel for first year students. SCOSAA was fortunate to have many of its members receive prestigious and interesting internships around the country and the panelists shared tips on the application process, the interviews, and making the most of an internship. The last event of the semester was our Test Kitchen. Using old Southern cookbooks found in libraries and archives, students made a dish found in one of those cookbooks and brought it to the event. This provided a fun event to end the year with SCOSAA.

One last thing that SCOSAA did this year was revitalize our blog. We made students aware of the blog during our interest meetings in the spring and fall semesters. Any

student who was interesting to writing a blog post about an event or something relating to archives that they found interesting. Posts were submitted to our webmaster who posted them to the blog. We hope that the blog will continue to grow over the next several years. The blog is located at this web address: <http://uncscosaa.blogspot.com/>.