

13:08:20 From Brandon Pieczko to SAA Meeting(Direct Message):

Jennifer, just an FYI, when I tried to view the 2020 meeting minutes I received an "access denied" message on the website, even when logged into the site. Not sure if others are able to view them or not

13:09:16 From SAA Meeting to Everyone:

<https://www2.archivists.org/groups/science-technology-and-health-care-section/2020-annual-meeting-minutes>

13:10:57 From Lisa Mix to Everyone:

I'm getting an "access denied" error, even while logged in to the SAA site.

13:11:33 From Gabrielle Barr to Everyone:

so did I

13:11:34 From Brandon Pieczko to Everyone:

I received the same error, Lisa

13:11:46 From DiAnna Hemsath to Everyone:

Thank you for letting me know. I will look into it.

13:11:48 From Jennifer Ulrich to Everyone:

I was able to view the minutes

13:15:18 From Judy Robins to Everyone:

Good point!

13:15:26 From J Steele to Everyone:

agree

13:16:06 From Lisa Mix to Everyone:

Great points, Peter!

13:17:35 From J Steele to Everyone:

support the blog

13:17:49 From Julia Pope to Everyone:

agreed

13:18:20 From Brandon Pieczko to Everyone:

I agree with Peter's points and support the blog as well. I'd be happy to help set up the site if needed

13:18:30 From Jennifer Ulrich to Everyone:

I support a blog but hope best practices would include linking to archives sites (on Internet Archives) to solve problem of dead links in the future

13:18:31 From Nora Zaldivar to Everyone:

Thank you!

13:20:01 From Gabrielle Barr to Everyone:

support the blog and am happy to help. I think it still should have an archival focus.

13:20:05 From Peter Collopy to Everyone:

Jennifer Ulrich, I agree about thinking about dead links from the beginning. For another project I've used Amber for this purpose, which falls back to IA or other snapshots when a link goes dead. <https://amberlink.org>

13:21:27 From Brandon Pieczko to Everyone:

Thanks, Peter! It looks like there is a WordPress plugin for AmberLink, very handy

13:25:57 From Judy Robins to Everyone:

Has STHC promoted cooperative collecting efforts among members' organizations?
How about joint exhibitions?

13:28:14 From Judy Robins to Everyone:

Thank you, Gabrielle! A face-to-face, unrecorded destressing opportunity seems like the right "medicine".

13:28:43 From Lisa Mix to Everyone:

I think there were some efforts like that in the long-ago past. If I recall correctly, it was mostly among members — not necessarily a section-wide effort.

13:36:56 From Judy Robins to Everyone:

A glossary? Or a pathfinder to online info?

13:37:15 From Gabrielle Barr to Everyone:

great idea Judy

13:37:31 From Nicole Topich to Everyone:

A pathfinder might be a good addition to the Resources page

13:38:38 From Gabrielle Barr to Everyone:

a book/ journal club or a coffee time that would be informal

13:39:23 From Lisa Mix to Everyone:

Lots of crossover w/ Privacy & Confidentiality, also College & University.

13:39:47 From DiAnna Hemsath to Everyone:

I am on the P&C committee

13:40:01 From Julia Pope to Everyone:

Lone Arrangers is one I'm in (as a hospital archivist I'm the only one at my institution)

13:40:24 From Gabrielle Barr to Everyone:

Julia, that is definitely true

13:40:32 From Lisa Mix to Everyone:

Lone Arrangers is great! Also Archives Management

13:40:33 From Scott Grimwood to Everyone:

I am a member of the Business Archives Section and I am sure their would be some interest. The BAS has a colloquium on Tuesday afternoon if you are interested in attending.

13:40:48 From J Steele to Everyone:

a survey of overlap might inform a section with which we might want to partner in the future on a joint meeting.

13:41:58 From Gabrielle Barr to Everyone:

that is also a great idea

13:45:19 From Ariel Segal to Everyone:

Hi-sorry I joined late—there was a Library of Congress zoom event at the same time. I am a digital conversion technician there

13:45:48 From SAA Meeting to Everyone:

No worries, Ariel! Thank you for coming!

13:46:29 From Ariel Segal to Everyone:

Will a recording be available?

13:49:03 From john rees to Everyone:

regarding collabs, we've experimented with joint rountable meetings in the past, organized on a common theme. SAA actually made us do it to cut down on roundtable time-slots.

13:52:03 From Gabrielle Barr to Everyone:

Interesting to know John

13:58:56 From Julia Pope to Everyone:

on the question of metadata exposing/hiding representation, users at my institution frequently want to locate diverse photos of staff, and specifically what they mean by that is visible diversity such as skin tone or someone wearing a specific type of garment such as a head covering. Of course some kinds of diversity are not so easily visible in a photo and I'm not entirely sure how best to identify such photos (when I don't know how a given person might have self-identified, what their background was, etc.) I've struggled with how best to identify/tag/keyword these types of images to facilitate something that's clearly a desire for users, but necessarily flattens or maybe misrepresents people's identity.

13:59:47 From Gabrielle Barr to Everyone:

Julia, that's a great point.

14:06:52 From Julia Pope to Everyone:

I also struggle with answering questions for users even as seemingly straightforward as "who was the first woman physician at the hospital" or "who was the first Black nurse here" or similar types of milestones, where it was not recorded at the time and no one is around anymore who can answer it (for more recent milestones sometimes we do know, but ones that might have happened in the 1940s, 1930s or earlier). I try to preface all such conversations with users with "I cannot promise this person was the first, because our information is incomplete and someone earlier could have been here but I don't know about them; with that said, here are some early examples...". It's hard because it feels like this is the most basic level of knowledge I should have, and I don't!

14:12:34 From Peter Collopy to Everyone:

I agree, firsts are extremely difficult. When I can with our communications team, I push back a bit on whether firsts are really the most interesting question. We also have lots of cases where our standard first really requires some qualification: the first woman professor was really the first after we dramatically changed our mission and structure in the 1910s, etc. So I sometimes point out how much qualifying is necessary to call someone a first, and that it might be a bit less satisfying. If they can tell the stories of a few early Black nurses, that might be more interesting to their audience anyway than naming the first.

14:14:50 From Gabrielle Barr to Everyone:

Nora, what were some of your mistakes and how did you rectify them/learn from them. Also how do you handle transgender individuals in terms of description

14:14:56 From Judy Robins to Everyone:

Excellent development of the themes, weaknesses and opportunities we share. Thank you!

14:14:58 From Julia Pope to Everyone:

thank you Nora, that's helpful

14:15:32 From Jennifer Ulrich to Everyone:

I find that office assistants and other admin/lab assistants are usually well represented in correspondence/records and can offer diverse representation, so I will add the names of these individuals to biographies/scope notes.

14:21:11 From Judy Robins to Everyone:

My repository's parent institution may exemplify one of the problems, Members were never asked to identify their gender, race or ethnicity. By the time that data became interesting to researchers, the mere collection of that data had become tainted with an assumption of ulterior motives.

14:21:55 From Lisa Mix to Everyone:

Great point. Nora, about the unsung labor of women in science.

14:29:08 From Brandon Pieczko to Everyone:

Well put, Peter. And let's not forget that those ideas from the past still survive among some of our contemporaries, even people in power.

14:31:43 From Petrina Jackson to Everyone:

Thank you, Peter. If you would ask Black people from the the time how they felt about slavery, I am sure you would get a totally different perspective than those who were enslaving or benefitting from that social order.

14:32:25 From Judy Robins to Everyone:

As for example? <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QEJ9HrZq7Ro>

14:34:44 From Gabrielle Barr to Everyone:

Thank you Peter and Nora!

14:35:04 From David Tenenholtz to Everyone:

Thank so much Peter and Nora!

14:35:08 From Jennifer Ulrich to Everyone:

Thank you Jennifer and Gabrielle for your leadership and Nora and Peter for your great discussion!

14:35:09 From Tali Han to Everyone:

Thank you everyone!

14:35:14 From Judy Robins to Everyone:

Thank you!

14:35:15 From Julia Pope to Everyone:

thank you!

14:36:56 From Ariel Segal to Everyone:

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1eTWTm1ztxDIE6xutDpYCdKhQsqacq-01/view>

14:37:04 From Ariel Segal to Everyone:

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1QT6fWpbyMxKVktToiv0EMLKzvHaW-09Z/view>