

**UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN SOCIETY OF AMERICAN ARCHIVISTS  
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## Events

### Orientation

Participated in the School of Information orientation where we met with new students interested in joining the group, talked with them about events planned for the upcoming school year, and provided a sign-up sheet for people to get emails about news and events.

### Town Hall Meeting

A meeting of the officers that is open to all students who are interested in joining the group or who have suggestions for upcoming events and activities. This year, we held 3-4 a semester, meeting at a local coffee shop.

### Preserve Your Sanity (PYS)

Our happy hour where students gather to hang out and discuss internships and classes. This event takes place 3-4 times a semester.

### Archives Blitz -- William L. Clements Library

In conjunction with the Clements Library, students had two opportunities to sign up to inventory and preliminarily process the Library's real photographic postcards. They were supervised by the Curator of Graphics and were able to gain hands-on experience working with visual archival materials.

### Tour of The Henry Ford, Benson Ford Research Center

Students signed up to attend a tour at the Henry Ford, in which Brian Wilson, a UMSI alum, gave members a behind-the-scenes look at the archives.

### Archives Blitz -- Bentley Historical Library

In conjunction with the Bentley Historical Library, students spent a Saturday morning preprocessing collections for the Library. They were supervised by the head of the archives department at the Bentley, as well as additional Project Archivists. Through this event, students were able to gain hands-on processing experience and learn from professionals in the field.

### A2 Data Rescue with the Shapiro Design Lab

SAA assisted the University's Shapiro Design Lab in organizing and running a two day A2 Data Rescue event in conjunction with the National Data Refuge project and End of Term project. Students had an opportunity to participate in efforts to preserve vulnerable data sets related to climate change and the environment.

### Archives Career Alumni Panel (in conjunction with the UMSI Engagement Center)

This was a lunchtime session in which students could hear from a panel of archives alumni to explore careers, how to land archives jobs, and learn networking skills.

### WOWSAA (Words of Wisdom with SAA) with Jared Lyle at ICPSR

Our members met with Jared Lyle, a UMSI alum, who is an Associate Archivist and the Director of Curation Services at ICPSR. Lyle spoke with students about his work at ICPSR and answered questions.

### WOWSAA with Lori Donovan

We hosted Lori Donovan for a WOWSAA lunch, who currently works as a senior program manager at the Internet Archive, and graduated from UMSI in 2010.

### WOWSAA with Louis E. Jones

We hosted Louis E. Jones, President of The Academy of Certified Archivists, to chat with us about certification and the academy.

### Resume Review with the Metro Detroit Archivists League (MEDAL) with Networking Happy Hour

We partnered with the Metro Detroit Archivists League to host a resume review workshop. MEDAL brought in professionals in the field to review current students' resumes and cover letters. They also provided feedback regarding internships and the job search. After the event there was a networking happy hour in downtown Ann Arbor.

### Black Bodies, Social Justice, and the Archive

Our officers live-tweeted this day-long event, which was sponsored by the University School of Information and the Institute for the Humanities. The focus was on the archive and its relationship to social justice in the United States. See our chapter Twitter feed. It brought together junior scholars from around the United States whose work focuses on and is informed by the witnessing power of the archive, ranging from body cameras to historical records, that address social justice issues.

### William L. Clements Library Tour

In conjunction with the Special Libraries Association, our members were treated to a tour of the newly renovated William L. Clements Library.

### SAA Movie Night

Held a movie screening in which we aired "The Atomic Cafe the Archives Project."