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Events

Orientation Ice Cream Social

Participated in the School of Information orientation Ice Cream Social 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.

Preserve Your Sanity (PYS)

Our monthly happy hour. This event takes place once a month at a local bar. Hosted 9 times throughout the school year.

Archives Blitz -- Sarkisian Collection

We partnered with University of Michigan, School of Information Professor Paul Conway to arrange the recently acquired Leo Sarkisian Collection.
Brown Bag Lunch Lecture with Barbara Haws, Archivist for the New York Philharmonic

UM-SAA hosted Barbara Haws, Archivist and Historian of the New York Philharmonic, for a brown bag lunch in collaboration with Professor Paul Conway and the UM School of Music. Haws has accompanied the New York Philharmonic orchestra to Ann Arbor for their performances here during the month of October. During her talk, she discussed the ambitious digitization project which she and her colleagues have undertaken.

Tour of The Henry Ford, Benson Ford Research Center

New Officer Fair

We conducted a fair to allow current students to learn what the officers do. This was conducted prior to the elections of new officers.

WOWSAA with Kelly Kietur, SNAP RT Vice-Chair

The Vice-Chair for the Student and New Professionals (SNAP) Roundtable for the Society of American Archivists, Kelly Kietur will be coming to chat about the pros/cons of national SAA membership, transition from being a student to a new professionals, and how to get the most out of your time being a student.

Peer Advising Session

We hosted a fall advising session to give feedback and advice to first year students regarding what courses to take for the next semester. We also partnered with student affairs to have one representative at their peer advising session geared towards archives and preservation students.

WOWSAA with Louis E. Jones

We hosted Louis E. Jones, Vice-President of The Academy of Certified Archivists, to chat with us about certification and the academy. Our Storify for the chat can be found here.

Resume Review with the Metro Detroit Archivists League 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 student’s resumes and provide feedback regarding internship and the job search. After the event there was a networking happy hour in downtown Ann Arbor.

WOWSAA with Dennis Meissner

We were lucky enough to host Society of American Archivists President Dennis Meissner on Wednesday, February 10th. We would like to thank the Project Archivists of the Bentley Historical Library for letting us speak with Meissner as a part of our #WOWSAA series. SAA gathered our tweets into a Storify that can be found here.

William L. Clements Library Tour
Our members were treated to a tour of the newly renovated William L. Clements Library. The Library has been under renovations for over a year and was opened to the public on April 11th, 2016. Our students were invited to the grand opening events.

WOWSAA with Professor David A. Wallace

We hosted University of Michigan, School of Information professor, David A. Wallace for a #WOWSAA chat. Wallace has spent the last year in South Africa organizing the Global Information Engagement Program (GIEP). During his brief visit to the School of Information, Wallace made time to chat with our student chapter. Here is the link to the Storify of our event.

Archives Blitz with the Bentley Historical Library

We partnered with archivists at the Bentley Historical Library to led the Bentley Blitz—a processing event that is geared toward SI students interested in a hands-on experience in archival processing. The event commenced with a compelling presentation by Shae and Julia on Bentley's archival processing practices. After the presentation students were divided into small groups and provided with select small collections to process.

Archives Journal Grab

Julie Herrada, curator of the Labadie Collection, donated tons of archives-related magazines from her personal collection to chapter. We hosted an event where members could take home some of these journals at no cost.

Alumni Networking Happy Hour

Our end of the year happy hour event brings together alumni and current students to network and mingle before students leave for the summer.

Bi-weekly Officer Meetings open to all student members