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Happy August to all of our Michigan members!

Summer is here, the rain has taken a break and the sun is out – what is there to complain about! I hope that all of you are enjoying your summer to the fullest, and furthermore, hope to see many of you at the upcoming Mid Summer Conference at the beautiful Grand Hotel on Mackinac Island. As I am sure many of you are outdoors enjoying this weather – as alluded to in Kristen's letter – so I will keep our correspondence short and sweet!

We held our first ARE prep session this past June at the University of Detroit Mercy and I am happy to say it was a great success. We were thrilled to host Michael Risica of Young Architect, along with our very own Samantha Szeszulski, AIA, for a presentation on some best practices to prepare for the ARE – and the mindset to have yourself in. We were thrilled to have 18 people come out this past session and hope to keep the momentum! Our next prep will be in October at University of Michigan. Be sure to keep an eye out for details via email and facebook.

In closing, I wish everyone a happy, safe and warm remained of the summer. I ask, as always, that you please feel free to reach out with me with any questions or concerns that you might have. Hope to see you all around this summer at some of our events!

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "C. Stefani".

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