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Annual Report 2006 ARLIS/NA Ohio Valley Chapter

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The Ohio Valley Chapter of ARLIS/NA includes members from four states (Ohio, Kentucky, West Virginia, and Pennsylvania). The logistical difficulties of convening a chapter meeting for a membership this far removed are many. Depending on the meeting location, different areas within the region are served semi-annually/annually. Typically, the spring meeting has been held at the ARLIS/NA Conference, however, 2006 was a stretch for many of us. A group of 2-3 members met informally at the Banff Springs hotel during the 2006 event. The discussion focused on planning events/panel discussions for the 2007 annual conference in Atlanta.

The ARLIS-OV Fall meeting was held at the Cleveland Museum of Art in the recently completed Ingalls Library on Friday, November 3rd. The Education areas in the renovated Breuer building, the first phase of a major renovation and expansion for the museum, were utilized for the meeting. The group met for dinner the evening prior to the meeting. The Friday meeting focused primarily on a presentation and discussion of the library's recent reformatting project for its 450,000 slides. The implications for such a large digital collection were explored; metadata, storage, and data migration. Following the presentation, members were given other related library updates and toured the building.