Annual Report 2005
ARLIS/NA Midstates Chapter

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2005 Officers:
Chair, Amy E. Trendler (Ball State University)
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Chair, Rijn Templeton (University of Iowa)
Vice-Chair, Annette Haines, (University of Michigan)
Secretary/Treasurer, Shelley Quattrocchi, (Indianapolis Museum of Art)

Chapter website: http://www.indiana.edu/~arlismid/index.html

Chapter minutes are available at: http://www.indiana.edu/~arlismid/news.html

Meetings:
The Chapter's spring meeting took place during the Annual ARLIS/NA conference in Houston.

Twenty three members attended. The ARLIS/NA conference in Indianapolis in 2008 or 2009 was discussed. B.J. Irvine of the conference planning committee reported that “Art Information at the Crossroads” would be the conference theme and she called for volunteers to fill positions on the conference committee. Chapter members also discussed a contribution from the chapter for the Fred Hillbruner memorial fund and moved to donate $100. The chapter’s travel award, which was not awarded in 2005 for various reasons, was also discussed.

The fall meeting was at the Indianapolis Museum of Art, Indiana, hosted by Ursula Kolmstetter, Alba Fernandez, and Shelley Quattrocchi.

Twenty five members attended. In the morning, bookbinder Jack Cooney spoke to those assembled about William Morris, the Kelmscott Press and bookbinding and gave the meeting attendees the chance to create books of our own. The business meeting followed. In the afternoon, IMA's decorative arts curator, Barry Shifman,
took the group on a guided tour of the International Arts & Crafts exhibition. The day ended with a walk through the Lilly House with Bradley Brooks, director, who drew our attention to works from the Kelmscott Press currently on display in the house.

During the business meeting, proposed revisions to the wording of the travel award were approved. Discussion of the travel award, which could not be given in 2005 due in part to a lack of qualified applications, led to a motion and a successful vote in favor of the chapter granting two travel awards for the ARLIS/NA conference in Banff in 2006. Kathleen Lonbom and Leslie Kott Wakeford volunteered for the travel award committee. Following discussion of chapter member recruitment and retention, Rebecca Price and Bethany Sewell volunteered for an ad hoc committee on chapter membership. The 2009 ARLIS/NA conference in Indianapolis was also a topic of discussion.

Issues for the Board:

The chapter voted to donate $300 to the welcome party in Banff.