Join us October 11–13, 2007, for MAC’s second fall symposium! The setting for this year's meeting will be Cranbrook, the renowned educational community in Bloomfield Hills, Michigan. Cranbrook is internationally recognized for the degree to which architecture, art, design, and horticulture are seamlessly integrated throughout its 318-acre campus.

The Symposium program features highly qualified speakers who will address a variety of topics relating to the care, preservation, and access to scrapbooks, and will include presentations, hands-on experience, and small-group discussions about advocacy, programming and exhibitions, preservation and conservation issues, case studies involving collections management systems and digitization projects, and theoretical discourse on scrapbooks as material culture. Sessions include: Outreach for Access: Promoting Scrapbooks through Exhibitions and Instruction (Rebecca Johnson Melvin); Archon: Simplifying Description and Access to Scrapbook Collections (Scott Schwartz, Chris Prom); Iowa Women’s Scrapbooks Collection: Case Study for Digitization (Jennifer Wolfe); Code, Context, or Site of Social Memory? Scrapbooks within the Framework of Archival Studies (Susan Tucker); and Prioritizing Scrapbooks for Stabilization and Repair: A Case Study (Jennifer Hain Teper, Emily F. Shaw).

Symposium attendees will earn seven (7) Archival Recertification Credits from the Academy of Certified Archivists.

For more information go to http://www.midwestarchives.org/2007Fall/.

Questions about registration? Contact Meg Miner (Illinois Wesleyan University), 309-556-1528 or mminer@iwu.edu.

Questions about accommodations, travel, or other local arrangements? Contact Leslie Edwards (Cranbrook), 248-645-3583 or ledwards@cranbrook.edu.

Questions about the symposium content? Contact Julie Herrada (University of Michigan), 734-764-9377 or jherrada@umich.edu, or Anke Voss (Champaign County Historical Archives), 217-531-7040 or avoss@tufl.info.
The registration fee is $100.00 for MAC members and $150.00 for nonmembers. Registrants will receive admission to the day-and-a-half-long symposium, continental breakfast on both days, lunch, and refreshments (including two receptions—one at the hotel and one at Cranbrook House). In addition, registrants will receive complimentary admission to the Cranbrook Art Museum and free passes to swim in Cranbrook’s Natatorium.

Enrollment is limited, so registration applications will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis (according to postmark), and current MAC membership assures preference for advance registration. A waiting list will be kept through September 5, and those on it will be contacted by September 10. To register, fill out and detach the form on the left and return it with payment to The Ames Library, 1 Ames Plaza, Illinois Wesleyan University, P.O. Box 2899, Bloomington, IL 61702-2899.

Registrants will be contacted by E-mail regarding acceptance and additional details, such as updates on content, preconference readings, and lunch preferences.

The Radisson Hotel Detroit-Bloomfield Hills (39475 Woodward Avenue, 248-644-1400) is a AAA Four-Diamond property. Located next to the Cranbrook Educational Community, the hotel will house attendees for a special rate of $99 per night (plus applicable taxes), single or double occupancy. For reservations, call 800-333-3333 or 888-201-1718 and request the Midwest Archives Conference rate. Reservations must be made by September 11, 2007, or the unreserved rooms will be released for general sale. Additional reservations will be accepted based on room availability only.

Complimentary parking is included, and the hotel also provides an area shuttle to Cranbrook, downtown Birmingham, and the Somerset Mall.

For additional information, please see the hotel Web site: http://www.radisson.com/bloomfieldhills.mi.

The Detroit Metropolitan Airport is within an hour’s drive of the Radisson Hotel Detroit-Bloomfield Hills. For transportation to the Radisson from the Detroit airport, please contact MetroCar at 800-456-1701. For other airport information, see www.metroairport.com/.

By car, Cranbrook is accessible via I-75. Travel to the conference by train is also possible on Amtrak’s “The Wolverine” service out of Chicago. The preferred stop is the Wolverine” service out of Chicago. The preferred stop is the Birmingham station and arrangements can be made with the Radisson in advance for pickup by the hotel shuttle.

For more detailed directions via air, train, or car see http://www.midwestarchives.org/2007Fall/.