Regional Training Workshop Logistics:
Oberlin College, August 8-10, 2003

The City and the College
Oberlin College is located in Oberlin, Ohio. Oberlin is a city of about 8,600 residents which is 35 miles southwest of Cleveland. More information about the city is at www.oberlin.org. More information about the College is at www.oberlin.edu. Almost everything we do will be within a 3 block radius, so be prepared to stroll from site to site and enjoy the relaxed feel of a small town. The map below shows the local area and the location of five places involved in the workshop.

Key:
Red star = Wilder Hall, 135 West Lorain (also known as Rt 511)
Yellow star = Stevenson Dining Hall, 155 North Professor
House = Baldwin Cottage, 30 South Professor
Tree = Adam Joseph Lewis Center, 122 Elm Street
Green Star = Weltzheimer/Johnson House (Sunday afternoon's optional tour),
Other points of interest:
• if you'd like to take a walk, the two little lakes are reservoirs, and there is an arboretum around them.
• The purple area (inaccurately) represents College property.
• Main street is not labeled on the map, but it runs parallel to Professor, one block east.
Getting from the Airport to Oberlin

PLEASE MAKE THESE ARRANGEMENTS YOURSELVES as we do not have the staff or the funding to provide ground transportation to and from the airport.

A ride to Oberlin on the local bus is available for $2 each way, exact change necessary. You may want to keep in mind that the last departure from Hopkins Airport of Route 33, also called the Cleveland link, is 6:50pm on weekdays. Later routes departing from Oberlin are available for those of you also traveling on Sunday evening. Check the web for specific times: http://www.loraincountytransit.com/routes/route33.shtml. Limousine service is available for an $80 flat fee, for up to 6 passengers. Hopkins Transportation Service also offers rides in a van ($40) or sedan ($63), all of which require reservations (For online reservations go to: http://www.gohopkins.com/). Lastly, you may choose to ride in a taxicab or rental car to the workshop. More information is available at http://www.clevelandairport.com/transportation/taxi_cabs.htm and http://www.clevelandairport.com/transportation/rental_cars.asp.

What to do when you get here

Your first stop in town should be Wilder Hall, where you will check in for the workshop. Wilder Hall is located at 135 West Lorain Street. It is marked with a red star on the map above. (The rear of the building faces the street. The front of the building is shown here.) Checking in involves getting a packet of information from Agents of Change, your room key, and a cardkey for the dorm we will be using, which is also your meal card for the dining room. Those of you who are driving should also ask for a parking permit.

Wilder is open from 7:00 a.m. until 11:00 pm. If your flight is delayed beyond this window, you can get your room key and materials from campus security, which is located at 159 West Lorain (440-775-8444).

Accommodations: Baldwin Cottage

After you go to Wilder to check in, you will have to walk (or drive) approximately 2 blocks to get to Baldwin Cottage at 30 South Professor Street. It is marked on the map above with a house icon.

Built in 1889, Baldwin is one of the loveliest residence halls on campus, with spacious rooms, high ceilings, and large windows. Other features include a piano room, several large lounges, and many nooks and corners perfect for reading, studying, and conversing. We will have the dorm to ourselves, so anyone you see in the dorm is likely to be a fellow participant. The rear of Baldwin Cottage faces the east side of the Lewis Center (marked on the map with a tree icon), so we really couldn’t be closer to our meeting place unless we were camping on the floor.
Parking
Parking will be available in the Lewis Center lot. From the intersection of Professor and Elm Streets (where Baldwin is located), travel west past the Lewis Center and the yellow house next door to it. On your right, you will see a driveway between the yellow house and a blue house. Turn in here and park in the lot, which is adjacent to the Lewis Center garden.

Dining
Many of our meals, including breakfast and lunch on Friday will be served in Stevenson Hall, the campus dining hall. It is located at 155 North Professor Street, about 2.5 blocks north of Baldwin Cottage. It is marked on the map with a yellow star.

You will need to bring your meal card with you in order to be served. (Note: some Oberlin students did a very nice case study of this building, which is available on request.)

What to do on Thursday night
If you arrive here on Thursday afternoon or evening, you will be on your own for dinner. Several dining options are available in downtown Oberlin. Downtown Oberlin is about 2 blocks east of Baldwin, at the intersection of College and Main Streets. (There is even a sign, in case you need confirmation that you’ve reached your destination.) Take in a movie at the Apollo (only $3!) have a beer and tater-tots at the Feve (the restaurant and bar downstairs is smoke-free, happy hour at the bar upstairs has $3 Guinness from 6-9:00pm), or eat dinner at Tooo Chinoise or the Java Zone. You might also want to read up on the Lewis Center, take a walk around the Oberlin, or play the piano in Baldwin lounge. If you arrive after dinner, treat yourself to a cone at Yesterday’s Ice Cream Shoppe (which also has burgers).

What to bring
When was the last time you were in a dorm? Remember that bathrooms are shared and the one appropriate for your gender will certainly be down the hall and may be on the floor above or below you. So packing a bathrobe and some slippers and/or shower shoes might be advisable. Oberlin will supply linens (sheets, pillowcases, towels, and a blanket) but no washcloths. Please also bring your own toiletries.
Attire at the workshop will be casual. The weather thus far this summer has been glorious, but August may be hot and humid. Please check your favorite weather site for a forecast.

**Internet Access**
Mudd Library (the Brutalist structure next to Wilder Hall) is open from 10am to 5:30pm on weekdays, and closed on weekends. There are a number of Macs with internet access in the basement level. The public library on Main Street also has internet access, Mon.-Thurs. 10am-8:30pm, Fri.-Sat. 10am-6pm. There are also 2 PC computers in the Lewis Center that you may use to check your email.

**Phone Access**
All the rooms have phones in them. Local calls are free, and you may use a calling card to dial out to reach loved ones. Your phone number is preassigned to your room, which you will get when you register at Wilder Hall.

**Special Tour**
On Sunday afternoon after the workshop closes, we have arranged a special tour of Frank Lloyd Wright's Weltzheimer/Johnson House. The house is marked with a green star on the map at the top of this page. Please join us if your travel arrangements allow.

The Weltzheimer/Johnson House is a late example of Frank Lloyd Wright's Usonian houses. Begun in 1948, and completed in 1950, it is the first Usonian house in Ohio. The goal in these houses was to achieve the aesthetic richness, the sense of connection to nature, and the spaciousness of Wright's earlier Prairie Style house in a small, affordable, and easily built package for the average middle-class family.