REGULAR AUDIT

FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2000-1999



Jim Petro Auditor of State

STATE OF OHIO

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REPORT OF INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS

Chesterhill Union Cemetery Morgan County 1375 St. Rt. 555 Chesterhill, Ohio 43728

To the Board of Trustees:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Chesterhill Union Cemetery, Morgan County, Ohio (the Cemetery), as of and for the years ended December 31, 2000 and 1999. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Cemetery's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

As discussed in Note 1, the Cemetery prepares its financial statements on the basis of accounting prescribed or permitted by the Auditor of State, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than generally accepted accounting principles.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the fund cash balances of Chesterhill Union Cemetery, Morgan County, as of December 31, 2000 and 1999, and its cash receipts and cash disbursements for the years then ended on the basis of accounting described in Note 1.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated April 4, 2001, on our consideration of the Cemetery's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grants. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and should be read in conjunction with this report in considering the results of our audit.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of management, the Board of Trustees and other officials authorized to receive this report under § 117.26, Ohio Revised Code, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Jim Petro Auditor of State

April 4, 2001

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STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES ALL GOVERNMENTAL AND FIDUCIARY FUND TYPES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2000

	Governmental Fund Type General				Fiduciary Fund Type		
			Nonexpendable Trust	Totals (Memorandum Only)			
Cash Receipts:							
Local Taxes	\$	14,542	\$	\$	14,542		
Charges for Services	·	2,500			2,500		
Sale of Lots		425			425		
Miscellaneous		3,150			3,150		
Interest		290			290		
Total Cash Receipts		20,907	0		20,907		
Cash Disbursements:							
Current:							
Salaries and Benefits		8,230			8,230		
Supplies		341			341		
Utilities		397			397		
Contracts - Services		2,257			2,257		
Miscellaneous		10,342			10,342		
Total Cash Disbursements		21,567	0		21,567		
Excess of Cash Receipts Over/(Under) Cash Disbursements		(660)	0		(660)		
Fund Cash Balances, January 1		10,278	6,963		17,241		
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	\$	9,618	<u>\$ 6,963</u>	<u>\$</u>	16,581		

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES ALL GOVERNMENTALAND FIDUCIARY FUND TYPES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1999

	Governmental Fund Type General				Fiduciary Fund Type			
			Nonexpendable Trust		Totals (Memorandum Only)			
Cash Receipts:								
Local Taxes	\$	14,396	\$		\$	14,396		
Charges for Services		1,650				1,650		
Sale of Lots		224				224		
Interest		286				286		
Total Cash Receipts		16,556		0		16,556		
Cash Disbursements:								
Current:								
Salaries and Benefits		8,315				8,315		
Supplies		384				384		
Utilities		425				425		
Contracts - Services		1,450				1,450		
Miscellaneous		2,394				2,394		
Total Cash Disbursements		12,968		0		12,968		
Excess of Cash Receipts Over/(Under) Cash Disbursements		3,588		0		3,588		
Fund Cash Balances, January 1		6,690		6,963		13,653		
Fund Cash Balances, December 31	<u>\$</u>	10,278	<u>\$</u>	6,963	\$	17,241		

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2000 AND 1999

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

A. Description of the Entity

The Chesterhill Union Cemetery, Morgan County (the Cemetery), is a body corporate and politic established to exercise the rights and privileges conveyed to it by the constitution and laws of the State of Ohio. The Cemetery is directed by an appointed three-member Board of Trustees. The Board is appointed by the Village of Chesterhill Council and the Marion Township Trustees. The residents of Marion Township have approved a special property tax levy for the purpose of maintaining the Cemetery. The Morgan County Auditor distributes to Marion Township the cemetery levy monies collected. Marion Township then distributes these monies to the Cemetery. The Cemetery provides grounds maintenance, opening and closing of graves, and the sale of grave lots.

The Cemetery 's management believes these financial statements present all activities for which the Cemetery is financially accountable.

B. Basis of Accounting

These financial statements follow the basis of accounting prescribed or permitted by the Auditor of State, which is similar to the cash receipts and disbursements basis of accounting. Receipts are recognized when received in cash rather than when earned, and disbursements are recognized when paid rather than when a liability is incurred.

These statements include adequate disclosure of material matters, as prescribed or permitted by the Auditor of State.

C. Cash and Investments

Certificates of deposit are valued at cost.

D. Budgetary Process

The Cemetery is not required to follow the budgetary requirements under Ohio Rev. Code Chapter 5705. Accordingly, no budgetary information is presented.

E. Fund Accounting

The Cemetery uses fund accounting to segregate cash and investments that are restricted as to use. The Cemetery classifies its funds into the following types:

1. General Fund

The General Fund is the general operating fund. It is used to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2000 AND 1999 (Continued)

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

E. Fund Accounting (Continued)

2. Fiduciary Funds

These funds are used to account for resources restricted by legally binding trust agreements and funds for which the Cemetery is acting in an agency capacity. The Cemetery had the following significant Fiduciary Fund:

Cemetery Bequest Fund - This fund maintains the trust corpus. The income is to be used for perpetual care of certain graves or cemeteries. This fund is classified as a Nonexpendable Trust Fund.

F. Property, Plant and Equipment

Acquisitions of property, plant, and equipment are recorded as disbursements when paid. These items are not reflected as assets on the accompanying financial statements.

2. EQUITY IN POOLED CASH AND INVESTMENTS

The Ohio Revised Code prescribes allowable deposits and investments. The carrying amount of cash and investments at December 31 follows:

	<u>2000</u>	<u>1999</u>		
Demand deposits Certificates of Deposits	\$ 10,257 6,324	\$	10,917 6,324	
Total deposits	\$ 16,581	\$	17,241	

Deposits: Deposits are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

3. RETIREMENT SYSTEM

The Cemetery's employees belong to the Public Employees Retirement System (PERS) of Ohio. PERS is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer plan. The plan provides retirement benefits, including postretirement healthcare, and survivor and disability benefits to participants as prescribed by the Ohio Revised Code.

Contribution rates are also prescribed by the Ohio Revised Code. For 2000 and 1999, PERS members contributed 8.5% of their gross salaries. The Cemetery contributed an amount equal to 13.55% of participants' gross salaries through June 30, 2000. For the period July 1, 2000 through December 31, 2000, PERS temporarily reduced the employer's contribution rate to 8.13% of participants gross salaries. The Cemetery has paid all contributions required through December 31, 2000.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2000 AND 1999 (Continued)

4. RISK MANAGEMENT

The Cemetery's insurance coverage is with the Grange Mutual Casualty Company who assumes the risk of loss up to the limits of the Cemetery's policy. Coverage is subject to deductibles and scheduled property. The following risks are covered by the Grange Mutual Casualty Company:

- General liability and casualty
- Equipment
- Property

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REPORT OF INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS ON COMPLIANCE AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL REQUIRED BY *GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS*

Chesterhill Union Cemetery Morgan County 1375 St. Rt. 555 Chesterhill, Ohio 43728

To the Board of Trustees:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Chesterhill Union Cemetery, Morgan County, Ohio (the Cemetery), as of and for the years ended December 31, 2000 and 1999, and have issued our report thereon dated April 4, 2001. We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

Compliance

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Cemetery's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grants, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*. However, we noted certain immaterial instances of noncompliance that we have reported to the management in a separate letter dated April 4, 2001.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Cemetery's internal control over financial reporting in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements and not to provide assurance on the internal control over financial reporting. Our consideration of the internal control over financial reporting would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control over financial reporting that might be material weaknesses. A material weakness is a condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control components does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that misstatements in amounts that would be material in relation to the financial statements being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. We noted no matters involving the internal control over financial reporting and its operation that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, we noted other matters involving the internal control over financial reporting that do not require inclusion in this report, that we have reported to the management of the Cemetery in a separate letter dated April 4, 2001. Chesterhill Union Cemetery Morgan County Report of Independent Accountants on Compliance and on Internal Control Required by *Government Auditing Standards* Page 2

This report is intended for the information and use of management and the Board of Trustees, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Jim Petro Auditor of State

April 4, 2001

SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS DECEMBER 31, 2000 AND 1999

Finding Number	Finding Summary	Fully Corrected?	Not Corrected, Partially Corrected; Significantly Different Corrective Action Taken; or Finding No Longer Valid; <i>Explain</i> :
1998-31058-001	A reportable condition was issued regarding the limited segregation of duties. The Clerk is the only official signing checks. Recommendation that all checks over a preset amount require dual signatures.	No	Not Corrected: The situation is no longer significant. This matter is referenced in the management letter.



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CLERK'S CERTIFICATION

This is a true and correct copy of the report which is required to be filed in the Office of the Auditor of State pursuant to Section 117.26, Revised Code, and which is filed in Columbus, Ohio.

Susan Babbett

CLERK OF THE BUREAU

CERTIFIED MAY 29, 2001