



**Auditor of State  
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**WHARTON RICHLAND UNION CEMETERY  
WYANDOT COUNTY**

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**INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT**

Wharton Richland Union Cemetery  
Wyandot County  
P.O. Box 266  
Wharton, Ohio 43359

To the Board of Trustees:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Wharton Richland Union Cemetery, Wyandot County, Ohio, (the Cemetery) as of and for the years ended December 31, 2002, and December 31, 2001. 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 auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America 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 accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the cash balance of the Cemetery as of December 31, 2002, and December 31, 2001, and its cash receipts and 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 March 24, 2003, 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.

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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 Section 117.26, Ohio Revised Code, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

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**BETTY MONTGOMERY**  
Auditor of State

March 24, 2003

**WHARTON RICHLAND UNION CEMETERY  
WYANDOT COUNTY**

**STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND  
CHANGES IN CASH BALANCE  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2002**

<b>Cash Receipts:</b>	
Intergovernmental	\$3,500
Charges for Services	2,520
Interest	203
Miscellaneous	<u>50</u>
Total Cash Receipts	<u>6,273</u>
<b>Cash Disbursements:</b>	
Current:	
Salaries	2,533
Equipment	650
Contracts - Repair	453
Contracts - Services	1,276
Public Employees' Retirement	371
Workers' Compensation	423
Miscellaneous	<u>75</u>
Total Cash Disbursements	<u>5,781</u>
Total Cash Receipts Over Cash Disbursements	492
Cash Balance, January 1, 2002	<u>9,978</u>
<b>Cash Balance, December 31, 2002</b>	<b><u><u>\$10,470</u></u></b>

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

**WHARTON RICHLAND UNION CEMETERY  
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**STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND  
CHANGES IN CASH BALANCE  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2001**

<b>Cash Receipts:</b>	
Intergovernmental	\$3,000
Charges for Services	2,000
Sale of Lots	3,085
Interest	361
Miscellaneous	<u>349</u>
Total Cash Receipts	<u>8,795</u>
<b>Cash Disbursements:</b>	
Current:	
Salaries	4,181
Equipment	650
Contracts - Repair	1,058
Contracts - Services	1,850
Public Employees' Retirement	534
Workers' Compensation	332
Miscellaneous	<u>1,951</u>
Total Cash Disbursements	<u>10,556</u>
Total Cash Receipts (Under) Cash Disbursements	(1,761)
Cash Balance, January 1, 2001	<u>11,739</u>
<b>Cash Balance, December 31, 2001</b>	<b><u><u>\$9,978</u></u></b>

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**WHARTON RICHLAND UNION CEMETERY  
WYANDOT COUNTY**

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
DECEMBER 31, 2002 AND 2001**

**1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

**A. Description of the Entity**

The Wharton Richland Union Cemetery, Wyandot County, Ohio, (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 Richland Township's Board of Trustees and the Village of Wharton's Council. These entities also provide funding to meet the Cemetery's operating costs under the agreement which established the Cemetery. The accompanying financial statements present this funding as Intergovernmental Receipts. 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**

Investments are reported as assets. Accordingly, purchases of investments are not recorded as disbursements, and sales of investments are not recorded as receipts. Gains or losses at the time of sale are recorded as receipts or disbursements, respectively.

Certificates of deposit are valued at cost.

**D. Property, Plant and Equipment**

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

**E. Budgetary Process**

The Cemetery budgets annually.

**1. Appropriations**

Budgetary expenditures (that is, disbursements and encumbrances) may not exceed appropriations at the object level of control. The Board annually approves appropriation measures and subsequent amendments. Appropriations lapse at year end.

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WYANDOT COUNTY**

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
DECEMBER 31, 2002 AND 2001**

**1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)**

**E. Budgetary Process (Continued)**

**2. Encumbrances**

The Cemetery reserves (encumbers) appropriations when commitments are made. Encumbrances outstanding at year end are canceled, and reappropriated in the subsequent year.

A summary of 2002 and 2001 budgetary activity appears in Note 3.

**2. EQUITY IN POOLED CASH**

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

	2002	2001
Deposits	\$3,198	\$2,706
Certificates of deposit	7,272	7,272
Total deposits	\$10,470	\$9,978

**Deposits:** Deposits are insured by the Federal Depository Insurance Corporation.

**3. BUDGETARY ACTIVITY**

Budgetary activity for the years ending December 31, 2002 and December 31, 2001 follows:

Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures			
	Appropriation Authority	Budgetary Expenditures	Variance
2002	\$9,805	\$5,781	\$4,024
2001	\$11,284	\$10,555	\$729

**4. RETIREMENT SYSTEMS**

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 2002 and 2001, PERS employee members contributed 8.5% of their gross salaries. The Cemetery contributed an amount equal to 13.55% of participants' gross salaries for 2002 and 2001. The Cemetery has paid all contributions required through December 31, 2002.

**5. RISK MANAGEMENT**

The Cemetery has obtained commercial insurance for comprehensive property and general liability.



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

Wharton Richland Union Cemetery  
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To the Board of Trustees:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Wharton Richland Union Cemetery, Wyandot County, Ohio, (the Cemetery), as of and for the years ended December 31, 2002, and December 31, 2001, and have issued our report thereon dated March 24, 2003. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America 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 under *Governmental Auditing Standards*. However, we noted a certain immaterial instance of noncompliance that we have reported to management of the Cemetery in a separate letter dated March 24, 2003.

**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 a matter involving the internal control over financial reporting that does not require inclusion in this report, that we have reported to management of the Cemetery in a separate letter dated March 24, 2003.

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March 24, 2003



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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 Babbitt*

**CLERK OF THE BUREAU**

**CERTIFIED  
MAY 13, 2003**