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Betty Montgomery**



**PATTERSON UNION CEMETERY  
HARRISON COUNTY**

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**INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT**

Patterson Union Cemetery  
Harrison County  
81299 Redeye Road  
Freeport, Ohio 43973

To the Board of Trustees:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Patterson Union Cemetery, Harrison County (the Cemetery) as of and for the years ended December 31, 2003 and 2002. 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 generally accepted accounting principles.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the fund cash balances of Patterson Union Cemetery, Harrison County, as of December 31, 2003 and 2002, 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 May 19, 2004 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 the audit committee, management, 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.

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May 19, 2004

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**STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND  
CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES  
FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2003 AND 2002**

	<b>2003</b>	<b>2002</b>
<b>Cash Receipts:</b>		
Assessments	\$2,750	\$3,850
Sale of Lots	215	2,155
	2,965	6,005
 Total Cash Receipts	 2,965	 6,005
 Current:		
Salaries	2,000	1,000
Contracts - Services	3,100	2,625
Public Employees' Retirement	271	135
Miscellaneous	228	1,184
	5,599	4,944
 Total Cash Disbursements	 5,599	 4,944
 Total Receipts Over/(Under) Disbursements	 (2,634)	 1,061
 Fund Cash Balances, January 1	 3,525	 2,464
 <b>Fund Cash Balances, December 31</b>	 <b>\$891</b>	 <b>\$3,525</b>

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

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
DECEMBER 31, 2003 AND 2002**

**1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

**A. Description of the Entity**

Patterson Union Cemetery, Harrison 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 five-member Board of Trustees. The Board is appointed by Freeport Township Board of Trustees. This entity also provides funding to meet the Cemetery's operating costs from a Cemetery Levy. 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. 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.

**2. EQUITY IN CASH**

The carrying amount of cash at December 31 follows:

	<u>2003</u>	<u>2002</u>
Demand deposits	<u>\$891</u>	<u>\$3,525</u>

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

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
DECEMBER 31, 2003 AND 2002  
(Continued)**

**3. RETIREMENT SYSTEM**

Contribution rates are also prescribed by the Ohio Revised Code. For 2003 and 2002, PERS employee members contributed 8.5% of their gross salaries. The Cemetery contributed an amount equal to 13.55% of participants' gross salaries through December 31, 2003. The Cemetery has paid all contributions required through December 31, 2003.

**4. RISK MANAGEMENT**

**Commercial Insurance**

The Patterson Union Cemetery has obtained commercial insurance for the following risks:

- Comprehensive property and general liability;
- Vehicles; and
- Errors and omissions.



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

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To the Board of Trustees:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Patterson Union Cemetery, Harrison County (the Cemetery) as of and for the years ended December 31, 2003 and 2002, and have issued our report thereon dated May 19, 2004. 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 to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

**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.

Patterson Union Cemetery  
Harrison County  
Independent Accountants' Report on Compliance and on Internal  
Control Required by *Government Auditing Standards*

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

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May 19, 2004



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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  
JULY 1, 2004**