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Betty Montgomery**



GIRARD FREE LIBRARY  
TRUMBULL COUNTY

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Girard Free Library  
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105 East Prospect Street  
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To the Board of Trustees:

As you are aware, the Auditor of State's Office (AOS) must modify the *Independent Accountants' Report* we provide on your financial statements due to a February 2, 2005 interpretation from the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA). While AOS does not legally require your government to prepare financial statements pursuant to Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP), the AICPA interpretation requires auditors to formally acknowledge that you did not prepare your financial statements in accordance with GAAP. Our Report includes an opinion relating to GAAP presentation and measurement requirements, but does not imply the amounts the statements present are misstated under the non-GAAP basis you follow. The AOS report also includes an opinion on the financial statements you prepared using the cash basis and financial statement format the AOS permits.

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**Betty Montgomery**  
Auditor of State

September 15, 2006

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## Auditor of State Betty Montgomery

### INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT

Girard Free Library  
Trumbull County  
105 East Prospect Street  
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To the Board of Trustees:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Girard Free Library, Trumbull County, (the Library) as of and for the years ended December 31, 2005 and 2004. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Library'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 the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to reasonably assure 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. The Library processes its financial transactions with the Auditor of State's Uniform Accounting Network (UAN). *Government Auditing Standards* considers this service to impair the independence of the Auditor of State to audit the Library because the Auditor of State designed, developed, implemented, and as requested, operates UAN. However, *Government Auditing Standards* permits the Auditor of State to audit and opine on this entity, because Ohio Revised Code § 117.101 requires the Auditor of State to provide UAN services, and Ohio Revised Code §§ 117.11(B) and 115.56 mandate the Auditor of State to audit Ohio governments. We believe our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

As described more fully in Note 1, the Library has prepared these financial statements using accounting practices the Auditor of State prescribes or permits. These practices differ from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP). Although we cannot reasonably determine the effects on the financial statements of the variances between these regulatory accounting practices and GAAP, we presume they are material.

Revisions to GAAP would require the Library to reformat its financial statement presentation and make other changes effective for the years ended December 31, 2004 and 2005. While the Library does not follow GAAP, generally accepted auditing standards requires us to include the following paragraph if the statements do not substantially conform to the new GAAP presentation requirements. The Auditor of State permits, but does not require governments to reformat their statements. The Library has elected not to reformat its statements. Since this Library does not use GAAP to measure financial statement amounts, the following paragraph does not imply the amounts reported are materially misstated under the accounting basis the Auditor of State permits. Our opinion on the fair presentation of the amounts reported pursuant to its non-GAAP basis is in the second following paragraph.

In our opinion, because of the effects of the matter discussed in the preceding two paragraphs, the financial statements referred to above for the years ended December 31, 2005 and 2004 do not present fairly, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the financial position of the Library as of December 31, 2005 and 2004 or its changes in financial position for the years then ended.

Also, in our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the fund cash balance and reserves for encumbrances of Girard Free Library, Trumbull County, as of December 31, 2005 and 2004, and its cash receipts and disbursements for the years then ended on the accounting basis Note 1 describes.

The aforementioned revision to generally accepted accounting principles also requires the Library to include Management's Discussion and Analysis for the years ended December 31, 2005 and 2004. The Library has not presented Management's Discussion and Analysis, which accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America has determined is necessary to supplement, although not required to be part of, the financial statements.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated September 15, 2006, on our consideration of the Library's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. While we did not opine on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance, that report describes the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance, and the results of that testing. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*. You should read it in conjunction with this report in assessing the results of our audit.



**Betty Montgomery**  
Auditor of State

September 15, 2006



**GIRARD FREE LIBRARY  
TRUMBULL COUNTY**

**STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND  
CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES  
GENERAL FUND  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2005**

	<b>General</b>
<b>Cash Receipts:</b>	
Intergovernmental	\$893,479
Patron Fines and Fees	15,058
Earnings on Investments	13,008
Contributions, Gifts and Donations	11,282
Miscellaneous Receipts	13,106
Total Cash Receipts	945,933
<b>Cash Disbursements:</b>	
Current:	
Salaries and Benefits	586,565
Purchased and Contracted Services	97,635
Library Material	155,966
Supplies	20,019
Other	12,597
Capital Outlay	26,825
Total Cash Disbursements	899,607
Total Cash Receipts Over/(Under) Cash Disbursements	46,326
<b>Other Financing Receipts/(Disbursements):</b>	
Sale of Fixed Assets	147
Total Other Financing Receipts/(Disbursements)	147
Excess of Cash Receipts and Other Financing Receipts Over/(Under) Cash Disbursements and Other Financing Disbursements	46,473
Fund Cash Balances, January 1	571,824
<b>Fund Cash Balances, December 31</b>	<b>\$618,297</b>
Reserves for Encumbrances, December 31	\$12,746

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

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**STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND  
CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES  
GENERAL FUND  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2004**

	<b>General</b>
<b>Cash Receipts:</b>	
Intergovernmental	\$888,596
Patron Fines and Fees	16,245
Earnings on Investments	13,912
Contributions, Gifts and Donations	350
Miscellaneous Receipts	12,989
Total Cash Receipts	932,092
<b>Cash Disbursements:</b>	
Current:	
Salaries and Benefits	602,718
Purchased and Contracted Services	98,107
Library Material	135,107
Supplies	20,026
Other	8,592
Capital Outlay	6,395
Total Cash Disbursements	870,945
Total Cash Receipts Over/(Under) Cash Disbursements	61,147
Fund Cash Balances, January 1	510,677
<b>Fund Cash Balances, December 31</b>	<b>\$571,824</b>
Reserves for Encumbrances, December 31	<b>\$38,827</b>

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TRUMBULL COUNTY**

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
DECEMBER 31, 2005 AND 2004**

**1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

**A. Description of the Entity**

The constitution and laws of the State of Ohio establish the rights and privileges of the Girard Free Library, Trumbull County, (the Library) as a body corporate and politic. The Library is directed by a nine-member Board of Trustees. Three Trustees are appointed by the Board in November of each year and serve for a period of three (3) years or until their successor is chosen. The Library provides the community with various educational and literary resources.

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

**B. Basis of Accounting**

These financial statements follow the basis of accounting the Auditor of State prescribes or permits. This accounting basis is similar to the cash receipts and disbursements basis. The Library recognizes receipts when received in cash rather than when earned, and recognizes disbursements when paid rather than when a liability is incurred. Budgetary presentations report budgetary expenditures when a commitment is made (i.e., when an encumbrance is approved).

**C. Cash and Investments**

The Library's accounting basis includes investments as assets. Accordingly, the Library does not record investment purchases as disbursements or investment sales as receipts. The Library records gains or losses at the time of sale as receipts or disbursements, respectively.

The Library values repurchase agreements and certificates of deposit at cost.

**D. Fund Accounting**

The Library uses fund accounting to segregate cash and investments that are restricted as to use. The Library classifies its only fund into the following type:

**General Fund**

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

**E. Budgetary Process**

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

A summary of 2005 and 2004 budgetary activity appears in Note 3.

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
DECEMBER 31, 2005 AND 2004  
(Continued)**

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

**F. Property, Plant, and Equipment**

The Library records disbursements for acquisitions of property, plant, and equipment when paid. The accompanying financial statements do not report these items as assets.

**G. Accumulated Leave**

In certain circumstances, such as upon leaving employment, employees are entitled to cash payments for unused leave. The financial statements do not include a liability for unpaid leave.

**2. EQUITY IN POOLED CASH AND INVESTMENTS**

The Library maintains a cash and investments pool all funds use. The Ohio Revised Code prescribes allowable deposits and investments. The carrying amount of cash and investments at December 31 follows:

	2005	2004
Demand deposits	(\$24,802)	\$7,161
Certificates of deposit	86,098	84,425
Cash on Hand	200	200
Total deposits	61,496	91,786
Repurchase Agreement	556,801	480,038
Total investments	556,801	480,038
Total deposits and investments	\$618,297	\$571,824

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

**Investments:** The Library's financial institution transfers the securities to the Library's agent to collateralize repurchase agreements. The securities are not in the Library's name.

**3. BUDGETARY ACTIVITY**

Budgetary activity for the years ending December 31, 2005 and 2004 follows:

2005 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures			
Fund Type	Appropriation Authority	Budgetary Expenditures	Variance
General	\$985,500	\$912,353	\$73,147
Total	\$985,500	\$912,353	\$73,147

2004 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures			
Fund Type	Appropriation Authority	Budgetary Expenditures	Variance
General	\$965,530	\$909,772	\$55,758
Total	\$965,530	\$909,772	\$55,758

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
DECEMBER 31, 2005 AND 2004  
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**4. GRANTS-IN-AID AND TAX RECEIPTS**

The primary source of revenue for Ohio public libraries is the State Library and Local Government Support Fund (LLGSF). The State allocates LLGSF to each county based on the county's prior intangibles tax of LLGSF revenues, and its population. The County Budget Commission allocates these funds to the Library based on its needs such as for the construction of new library buildings, improvements, operation, maintenance, or other expenses. The Budget Commission cannot reduce its allocation of these funds to the Library based on any additional revenues the Library receives.

**5. RETIREMENT SYSTEM**

The Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS) is a state operated, cost-sharing, multiple employer public employee retirement system. The Ohio Revised Code prescribes retirement benefits for vested employees who are eligible to retire based upon years of service. OPERS also provides survivor and disability benefits to vested employees as the Ohio Revised Code prescribes.

The Ohio Revised Code also prescribes contribution rates. The Library's OPERS members contributed 8.5 percent of their gross salaries. The Library contributed an amount equal to 13.55 percent of participants' gross salaries. The Library has paid all contributions required through December 31, 2005.

**6. RISK MANAGEMENT**

**Commercial Insurance**

The Girard Free Library has obtained commercial insurance for the following risks:

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

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## Auditor of State Betty Montgomery

### INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS REQUIRED BY *GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS*

Girard Free Library  
Trumbull County  
105 East Prospect Street  
Girard, Ohio 44420

To the Board of Trustees:

We have audited the financial statements of the Girard Free Library, Trumbull County, (the Library) as of and for the years ended December 31, 2005 and 2004, and have issued our report thereon dated September 15, 2006, wherein we noted the Library follows the accounting practices the Auditor of State prescribes rather than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We also noted that the Library uses the Auditor of State's Uniform Accounting Network (UAN) to process its financial transactions. *Government Auditing Standards* considers this service to impair the Auditor of State's independence to audit the Library because the Auditor of State designed, developed, implemented, and, as requested, operates UAN. 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.

#### **Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Library's internal control over financial reporting to determine our auditing procedures to express our opinion on the financial statements and not to opine on the internal control over financial reporting. Our consideration of the internal control would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control over financial reporting that might be material weaknesses. A material weakness is a reportable 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 caused by error or fraud in amounts material to the financial statements we audited may occur and not be timely detected by employees when performing their assigned functions. We noted no matters involving the internal control over financial reporting and its operation that we consider material weaknesses.

#### **Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of reasonably assuring whether the Library's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we tested its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, and, noncompliance with which could directly and materially affect 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 an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters we must report under *Government Auditing Standards*. In a separate letter to the Library's management dated September 15, 2006, we reported other matters related to noncompliance we deemed immaterial.

Girard Free Library  
Trumbull County  
Independent Accountants' Report on Internal Control Over  
Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters  
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We intend this report solely for the information and use of the audit committee, management, and Board of Trustees. It is not intended for anyone other than these specified parties.

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**Betty Montgomery**  
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September 15, 2006





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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**

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OCTOBER 17, 2006**