REGULAR AUDIT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31 2004



Auditor of State Betty Montgomery

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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 Library 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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August 31, 2006

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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT

Ridgemont Public Library Hardin County 124 East Taylor Street P.O. Box 318 Mount Victory, Ohio 43340

To the Board of Trustees:

We have audited the accompanying financial statement of Ridgemont Public Library, Logan County, (the Library), as of and for the year ended December 31, 2004. This financial statement is the responsibility of the Library's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on this financial statement 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 Government 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 this financial statement 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 year ended December 31, 2004. 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 Library's 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.

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In our opinion, because of the effects of the matter discussed in the preceding two paragraphs, the financial statement referred to above for the year ended December 31, 2004, does 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, 2004, or its changes in financial position for the year then ended.

Also, in our opinion, the financial statement referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the fund cash balance of the Library, as of December 31, 2004, and its cash receipts and disbursements for the year 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 year ended December 31, 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 August 31, 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

Betty Montgomery Auditor of State

August 31, 2006

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

Cash Receipts: Property Tax and Other Local Taxes Library and Local Government Support Intergovernmental Patron Fines and Fees Contributions, Gifts and Donation Earnings on Investments Miscellaneous	\$15,011 108,947 1,624 1,852 3,420 977 908
Total Cash Receipts	132,739
Cash Disbursements: Current: Salaries and Benefits Benefits Supplies Purchased and Contracted Services Library Materials and Information Miscellaneous Capital Outlay	65,995 10,267 6,078 31,582 15,347 1,725 9,639
Total Cash Disbursements	140,633
Total Receipts Under Disbursements	(7,894)
Fund Cash Balance, January 1	96,877
Fund Cash Balance, December 31	\$88,983

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

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 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 Ridgemont Public Library, Hardin County, (the Library), as a body corporate and politic. The Ridgemont Public School District appoints a seven-member Board of Trustees to govern the Library. 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).

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

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.

Certificates of deposit are valued 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 funds into the following type:

General Fund

The General Fund 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. 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 2003 and 2004 budgetary activity appears in Note 3.

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.

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

2. CASH AND INVESTMENTS

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

	2004
Demand deposits	\$78,439
Certificates of deposit	10,544
Total deposits	\$88,983

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

3. BUDGETARY ACTIVITY

Budgetary activity for the years ending December 31, 2003 and 2004 follows:

2004 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts			
	Budgeted	Actual	
Fund Type	Receipts	Receipts	Variance
General	\$123,390	\$132,739	\$9,349

2004 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures			
	Appropriation	Budgetary	
Fund Type	Authority	Expenditures	Variance
General	\$219,804	\$140,633	\$79,171

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 LLGSF is allocated 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 of any additional revenues the Library receives.

Real property taxes become a lien on January 1 preceding the October 1 date for which rates are adopted by the taxing authority of the subdivision to whose jurisdiction the Library is subject. The State Board of Tax Equalization adjusts these rates for inflation. Property taxes are also reduced for applicable homestead and rollback deductions. Homestead and rollback amounts are then paid by the State, and are reflected in the accompanying financial statements as Intergovernmental Revenue. Payments are due to the County by December 31. If the property owner elects to make semiannual payment, the first half is due December 31. The second half payment is due the following June 20.

Tangible personal property tax is assessed by the property owners, who must file a list of such property to the County by each April 30.

Hardin and Logan Counties are responsible for assessing property, and for billing, collecting, and distributing all property taxes on behalf of the Library.

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

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, 2004.

6. RISK MANAGEMENT

The Library has obtained commercial insurance for the following risks:

- Comprehensive property and general liability;
- Errors and omissions



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

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To the Board of Trustees:

We have audited the financial statement of the Ridgemont Public Library, Logan County, (the Library), as of and for the year ended December 31, 2004, and have issued our report thereon dated August 31, 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 the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*.

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, contracts, and grant agreements, 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*.

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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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August 31, 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 Babbett

CLERK OF THE BUREAU

CERTIFIED SEPTEMBER 28, 2006