

**SYLVANIA AREA JOINT RECREATION DISTRICT
LUCAS COUNTY
REGULAR AUDIT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2004**



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LUCAS COUNTY**

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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT

Sylvania Area Joint Recreation District
Lucas County
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To the Board of Trustees:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities and each major fund of the Sylvania Area Joint Recreation District, Lucas County, Ohio (the District), as of and for the year ended December 31, 2004, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the District's management. Our responsibility is to express opinions 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. We believe our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinions.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities and each major fund, of Sylvania Area Joint Recreation District, Lucas County, Ohio, as of December 31, 2004, and the respective changes in financial position thereof and the budgetary comparison for the General Fund for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

As described in Note 2, during the year ended December 31, 2004, the District implemented a new financial reporting model, as required by the provisions of Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 34, *Basic Financial Statements - and Management's Discussion and Analysis - for State and Local Governments*.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated November 27, 2006, on our consideration of the District'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.

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Management's Discussion and Analysis is not a required part of the basic financial statements but is supplementary information accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires. We have applied certain limited procedures, consisting principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measuring and presenting the required supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

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Betty Montgomery
Auditor of State

November 27, 2006

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***Management's Discussion and Analysis
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The discussion and analysis of the Sylvania Area Joint Recreational District's financial performance provides an overall review of the District's financial activities for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2004. The intent of this discussion and analysis is to look at the District's financial performance as a whole; readers should also review the notes to the basic financial statements and financial statements to enhance their understanding of the District's financial performance.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

Key financial highlights for 2004 are as follows:

- ❑ In total, net assets increased \$233,070, which represents a 36.3% increase from 2003.
- ❑ General revenues accounted for \$1.4 million in revenue or 72% of all revenues. Program specific revenues in the form of charges for services accounted for 28% of total revenues of \$1.9 million.
- ❑ The District had \$1.7 million in expenses related to governmental activities; only \$557,454 of these expenses were offset by program specific charges for services. General revenues (primarily taxes) of \$1.4 million were adequate to provide for these programs.
- ❑ Among major funds, the general fund had \$1.2 million in revenues and \$1.1 million in expenditures. The general fund's fund balance increased \$90,571 to \$433,758.

OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

This annual report consists of two parts – *management's discussion and analysis* and the *basic financial statements*. The basic financial statements include two kinds of statements that present different views of the District:

These statements are as follows:

1. *The Government-Wide Financial Statements* – These statements provide both long-term and short-term information about the District's overall financial status.
2. *The Fund Financial Statements* – These statements focus on individual parts of the District, reporting the District's operations in more detail than the government-wide statements.

The financial statements also include notes that explain some of the information in the financial statements and provide more detailed data.

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Government-wide Statements

The government-wide statements report information about the District as a whole using accepting methods similar to those used by private-sector companies. The statement of net assets includes all of the government's assets and liabilities. All of the current year's revenues and expenses are accounted for in the statement of activities regardless of when cash is received or paid.

The two government-wide statements report the District's net assets and how they have changed. Net-assets (the difference between the District's assets and liabilities) is one way to measure the District's financial health or position.

- Over time, increases or decreases in the District's net assets are an indicator of whether its financial health is improving or deteriorating, respectively.
- To assess the overall health of the District you need to consider additional nonfinancial factors such as property tax base, current property tax laws, conditions of the District's capital assets and its continued growth.

The government-wide financial statements of the District are divided into two categories:

- Governmental Activities – The District's program's and services are reported here in the form of leisure time activities.
- Business-Type Activities – These services are provided on a charge for goods or services basis to recover all of the expenses of the goods or services provided. The District has no business-type activities.

Fund Financial Statements

The fund financial statements provide more detailed information about the District's most significant funds, not the District as a whole. Funds are accounting devices that the District uses to keep track of specific sources of funding and spending for particular purposes.

Governmental Funds – Most of the District's activities are reported in governmental funds, which focus on how money flows into and out of those funds and the balances left at year-end available for spending in future periods. These funds are reported using an accounting method called modified accrual accounting, which measures cash and all other financial assets that can readily be converted to cash. The governmental fund statements provide a detailed short-term view of the District's general government operations and the basic services it provides. Governmental fund information helps you determine whether there are more or fewer financial resources that can be spent in the near future to finance District activities. The relationship (or differences) between governmental activities (reported in the Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Activities) and governmental funds is reconciled in the financial statements.

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FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE DISTRICT AS A WHOLE

This is the first year for government-wide financial statements using the full accrual basis of accounting, therefore a comparison with prior year's information is not available. A comparative analysis will be provided in future years when prior year's information is available.

	Governmental Activities
	2004
Current and other assets	\$2,144,926
Capital assets, Net	3,220,852
Total assets	5,365,778
Long-term debt outstanding	4,365,000
Other liabilities	1,409,950
Total liabilities	5,774,950
Net assets	
Restricted	301,218
Unrestricted	(710,390)
Total net assets	(\$409,172)

Changes in Net Assets – The following table shows the changes in net assets for the fiscal year 2004:

	Governmental Activities
	2004
Revenues	
Program revenues:	
Charges for Services and Sales	\$557,454
General revenues:	
Property Taxes	1,263,158
Shared Revenues	156,977
Investment Earnings	4,073
Total revenues	1,981,662
Program Expenses	
Leisure Time Activities	1,201,803
Interest and Fiscal Charges	546,789
Total expenses	1,748,592
Total Change in Net Assets	233,070
Beginning Net Assets	(642,242)
Ending Net Assets	(\$409,172)

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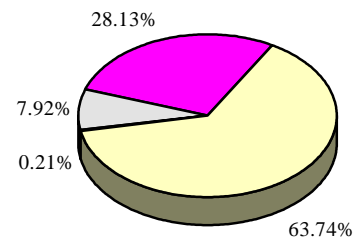
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Governmental Activities

Net assets of the District's governmental activities increased by \$233,070. This was due primarily to a slight increase in property tax revenue, while holding capital expenditures to a minimal increase.

The District's reliance upon tax revenues is demonstrated by the following graph indicating 63.74% of total revenues from property tax revenues:

Revenue Sources	2004	Percent of Total
General Shared Revenues	\$156,977	7.92%
Program Revenues	557,454	28.13%
Property Tax Revenues	1,263,158	63.74%
General Other	4,073	0.21%
Total Revenue	<u>\$1,981,662</u>	<u>100.00%</u>



FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE DISTRICT'S FUNDS

The District's governmental funds reported a combined fund balance of \$744,926, which is an increase from last year's balance of \$531,196. The schedule below indicates the fund balance and the total change in fund balance by fund type as of December 31, 2004 and 2003:

	Fund Balance December 31, 2004	Fund Balance December 31, 2003	Increase (Decrease)
General	\$433,758	\$343,187	\$90,571
General Obligation Debt Service	146,168	188,009	(41,841)
Capital Improvement	165,000	0	165,000
Total	<u>\$744,926</u>	<u>\$531,196</u>	<u>\$213,730</u>

General Fund – The District's General Fund balance increase is due to many factors. The tables that follow assist in illustrating the financial activities and balance of the General Fund:

	2004 Revenues	2003 Revenues	Increase (Decrease)
Property Taxes	\$913,199	\$886,741	\$26,458
Intergovernmental Revenue	113,596	110,602	2,994
Charges for Services	196,150	207,400	(11,250)
Investment Earnings	4,073	2,316	1,757
All Other Revenue	23,412	8,387	15,025
Total	<u>\$1,250,430</u>	<u>\$1,215,446</u>	<u>\$34,984</u>

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General Fund revenues in 2004 increased approximately 2.8% compared to revenues in fiscal year 2003. The most significant factor contributing to this increase was the slight increase in property taxes.

	2004 Expenditures	2003 Expenditures	Increase (Decrease)
Leisure Time Activities	\$1,159,859	\$1,095,031	\$64,828
Total	\$1,159,859	\$1,095,031	\$64,828

General Fund expenditures increased by \$64,828 or 5.9% over the prior year mostly due to slight increases in operating expenses during 2004.

The District's budget is prepared according to Ohio law and is based on accounting for certain transactions on a basis of cash receipts, disbursements and encumbrances. The most significant budgeted fund is the General Fund.

During the course of fiscal year 2004 the District amended its General Fund budget once prior to the close of the fiscal year.

For the General Fund, final budget basis revenue of \$1.2 million did not change over the original budget estimates of \$1.2 million. The General Fund had an adequate fund balance to cover expenditures.

CAPITAL ASSETS AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION

Capital Assets

At the end of fiscal 2004 the District had \$3,220,852 net of accumulated depreciation invested in land, improvements and buildings. The following table shows fiscal year 2004 and 2003 balances:

	Governmental Activities		Increase (Decrease)
	2004	2003	
Land	\$2,469,752	\$2,469,752	\$0
Buildings and Improvements	1,149,565	1,149,565	0
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	(398,465)	(356,521)	(41,944)
Totals	\$3,220,852	\$3,262,796	(\$41,944)

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Debt

In July 2004, the District defeased \$3,200,000 of General Obligation Bonds for Recreation Facility Improvements dated May 1, 1995 (the "1995 Bonds") through the issuance of \$3,365,000 of General Obligation Bonds for Recreation Facility Improvements (the "2004 Bonds"). The net proceeds of the 2004 Bonds have been invested in obligations guaranteed as to both principal and interest by the United States and placed in irrevocable escrow accounts which, including interest earned, will be used to pay the principal and interest on the refunded bonds. The refunded bonds, which have an outstanding balance of \$3,080,000 at December 31, 2004 are not included in the District's outstanding debt since the District has in-substance satisfied its obligations through the advance refunding.

At December 31, 2004, the District had \$4.4 million in bonds outstanding, \$245,000 due within one year. The following table summarizes the District's debt outstanding as of December 31, 2004 and 2003:

	<u>2004</u>	<u>2003</u>
Governmental Activities:		
General Obligation Bonds	\$4,365,000	\$4,415,000

State statutes limit the amount of unvoted general obligation debt the District may issue. The aggregate amount of the District's unvoted debt is also subject to overlapping debt restrictions with other political subdivisions. At December 31, 2004, the District's outstanding debt was below the legal limit. Additional information on the District's long-term debt can be found in Note 8.

ECONOMIC FACTORS

The District's original budget for 2004 utilized conservative revenue estimates with limited increases in base operating costs. Original General Fund revenues were projected to be 8% less than the actual receipts for 2004.

General Fund expenditures were originally budgeted at more than 2004 actual expenditures. Expenditure requests were reduced from original submissions; certain anticipated capital projects were eliminated or reduced; and only those items that the District Board of Trustees determined necessary were appropriated.

The District Board of Trustees continues to pursue new revenue sources, while reviewing the possibility of increasing existing sources, in addition to a continued review of reducing expenditures. A close watch of current economic conditions is ongoing to determine if increased revenues, or further reductions in expenditures, are necessary in order to maintain fiscal stability.

REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, investors and creditors with a general overview of the District's finances and to show the District's accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or need additional financial information contact the District's Fiscal Officer at the Sylvania Area Joint Recreation District, 7060 Sylvania Avenue, Sylvania, Ohio 43560.

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Statement of Net Assets
December 31, 2004

	Governmental Activities
Assets:	
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 742,321
Receivables:	
Taxes	1,400,000
Prepaid Items	2,605
Capital Assets:	
Capital Assets not Being Depreciated	2,469,752
Capital Assets Being Depreciated	751,100
Total Assets	5,365,778
Liabilities:	
Deferred Revenue	1,400,000
Accrued Interest Payable	9,950
Noncurrent liabilities:	
Due within one year	245,000
Due in more than one year	4,120,000
Total Liabilities	5,774,950
Net Assets:	
Restricted For:	
Capital Projects	165,000
Debt Service	136,218
Unrestricted (Deficit)	(710,390)
Total Net Assets	\$ (409,172)

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements

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Statement of Activities For the Year Ended December 31, 2004

		<u>Program Revenues</u>	<u>Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Assets</u>
	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>Charges for Services and Sales</u>	<u>Governmental Activities</u>
Governmental Activities:			
Leisure Time Activities	1,201,803	557,454	(644,349)
Interest and Fiscal Charges	<u>546,789</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>(546,789)</u>
Total Governmental Activities	<u><u>1,748,592</u></u>	<u><u>557,454</u></u>	<u><u>(1,191,138)</u></u>
General Revenues			
Property Taxes			1,263,158
Shared Revenues			156,977
Investment Earnings			<u>4,073</u>
Total General Revenues and Transfers			<u>1,424,208</u>
Change in Net Assets			233,070
Net Assets Beginning of Year			<u>(642,242)</u>
Net Assets End of Year			<u><u>\$ (409,172)</u></u>

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements

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Balance Sheet Governmental Funds December 31, 2004

	General	General Obligation Debt Service	Capital Improvement	Total Governmental Funds
Assets:				
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 431,153	\$ 146,168	\$ 165,000	\$ 742,321
Receivables:				
Taxes	995,000	405,000	0	1,400,000
Prepaid Items	2,605	0	0	2,605
Total Assets	<u>\$ 1,428,758</u>	<u>\$ 551,168</u>	<u>\$ 165,000</u>	<u>\$ 2,144,926</u>
Liabilities:				
Deferred Revenue	\$ 995,000	\$ 405,000	\$ 0	\$ 1,400,000
Total Liabilities	<u>995,000</u>	<u>405,000</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1,400,000</u>
Fund Balances:				
Reserved for Prepaid Items	2,605	0	0	2,605
Undesignated/Unreserved in:				
General Fund	431,153	0	0	431,153
Debt Service Funds	0	146,168	0	146,168
Capital Projects Funds	0	0	165,000	165,000
Total Fund Balances	<u>433,758</u>	<u>146,168</u>	<u>165,000</u>	<u>744,926</u>
Total Liabilities and Funds Balances	<u>\$ 1,428,758</u>	<u>\$ 551,168</u>	<u>\$ 165,000</u>	<u>\$ 2,144,926</u>

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements

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***Reconciliation Of Total Governmental Fund Balances
To Net Assets Of Governmental Activities
December 31, 2004***

Total Governmental Fund Balances \$ 744,926

*Amounts reported for governmental activities in the
statement of net assets are different because*

Capital Assets used in governmental activities are not
resources and therefore are not reported in the funds. 3,220,852

Long-term liabilities, including bonds payable, are not due
and payable in the current period and therefore are not
reported in the funds. (4,374,950)

Net Assets of Governmental Funds \$ (409,172)

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements

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Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances Governmental Funds For the Year Ended December 31, 2004

	General	General Obligation Debt Service	Capital Improvement	Total Governmental Funds
Revenues:				
Property Taxes	\$ 913,199	\$ 349,959	\$ 0	\$ 1,263,158
Intergovernmental Revenues	113,596	43,381	0	156,977
Charges for Services	196,150	0	0	196,150
Investment Earnings	4,073	0	0	4,073
All Other Revenue	23,412	335,225	2,667	361,304
Total Revenue	1,250,430	728,565	2,667	1,981,662
Expenditures:				
Current:				
Leisure Time Activities	1,159,859	0	0	1,159,859
Debt Service:				
Principal Retirement	0	215,000	0	215,000
Interest & Fiscal Charges	0	555,406	2,667	558,073
Total Expenditures	1,159,859	770,406	2,667	1,932,932
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures	90,571	(41,841)	0	48,730
Other Financing Sources (Uses):				
Refunding Bonds Issued	0	3,200,000	165,000	3,365,000
Payments to Refunding Bonds Escrow	0	(3,200,000)	0	(3,200,000)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	0	0	165,000	165,000
Net Change in Fund Balances	90,571	(41,841)	165,000	213,730
Fund Balances at Beginning of Year	343,187	188,009	0	531,196
Fund Balances End of Year	\$ 433,758	\$ 146,168	\$ 165,000	\$ 744,926

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements

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***Reconciliation Of The Statement Of Revenues, Expenditures
And Changes In Fund Balances Of Governmental Funds
To The Statement Of Activities
For The Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2004***

Net Change in Fund Balances - Total Governmental Funds \$ 213,730

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because

Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation expense. This is the amount by which capital outlay exceeded depreciation in the current period. (41,944)

The issuance of long-term debt provides current financial resources to governmental funds, but has no effect on net assets. In addition, repayment of bond principal is an expenditure in the governmental funds, but the repayment reduces long-term liabilities in the statement of net assets. 50,000

In the statement of activities, interest is accrued on outstanding bonds, whereas in governmental funds, an interest expenditure is reported when due. 11,284

Change in Net Assets of Governmental Activities \$ 233,070

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements

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Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance – Budget and Actual (Non-GAAP Budgetary Basis) General Fund For the Year Ended December 31, 2004

	<u>Original Budget</u>	<u>Final Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
Revenues:				
Property Taxes	\$ 925,350	\$ 910,500	\$ 913,199	\$ 2,699
Intergovernmental Revenue	120,000	112,000	113,596	1,596
Charges for Services	203,318	203,300	196,150	(7,150)
Investment Earnings	2,500	3,000	4,073	1,073
All Other Revenues	5,000	20,000	23,412	3,412
Total Revenues	<u>1,256,168</u>	<u>1,248,800</u>	<u>1,250,430</u>	<u>1,630</u>
Expenditures:				
Current:				
Leisure Time Activities	<u>1,599,355</u>	<u>1,592,005</u>	<u>1,162,464</u>	<u>429,541</u>
Total Expenditures	<u>1,599,355</u>	<u>1,592,005</u>	<u>1,162,464</u>	<u>429,541</u>
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	(343,187)	(343,205)	87,966	431,171
Fund Balance at Beginning of Year	<u>343,187</u>	<u>343,187</u>	<u>343,187</u>	<u>0</u>
Fund Balance at End of Year	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$ (18)</u>	<u>\$ 431,153</u>	<u>\$ 431,171</u>

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements

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Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Year Ended December 31, 2004

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The City of Sylvania in conjunction with the Sylvania Township Trustees and the Sylvania City School District formed the Sylvania Area Joint Recreation District (the "SAJRD") under the authority of Ohio Revised Code Section 755.14 (C). The SAJRD Board of Trustees is composed of twelve members, four of whom are appointed by each of the three separate governmental entities identified above. Funding for the SAJRD is provided by a voter approved tax levy on all real property located within Sylvania Township. Taxes are collected by the County Auditor and remitted to the SAJRD Board of Trustees. The SAJRD is fiscally independent of the City and the SAJRD's financial statements have not been included within the City's reporting entity.

The SAJRD operates the City-owned Tam O'Shanter ice skating complex under an agreement with the City. The terms of the agreement require the SAJRD to pay the City an annual amount equal to the City's debt service on the ice skating complex and reimbursement of any building improvements made to the facility by the City. The total amount paid to the City in 2004 from the SAJRD was \$203,318 for debt service.

The accompanying basic financial statements of the District present the financial position of the various fund types and the results of operations of the various fund types. The financial statements are presented as of December 31, 2004 and for the year then ended and have been prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) applicable to local governments. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (the GASB) is the standard-setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles, which are primarily set forth in the GASB's Codification of Governmental Accounting and Financial Reporting Standards (GASB Codification).

A. Reporting Entity

The accompanying basic financial statements comply with the provisions of GASB Statement No. 14, "*The Financial Reporting Entity*," in that the financial statements include all organizations, activities, functions and component units for which the District (the primary government) is financially accountable. Financial accountability is defined as the appointment of a voting majority of a legally separate organization's governing body and either (1) the District's ability to impose its will over the organization, or (2) the potential that the organization will provide a financial benefit to, or impose a financial burden on, the District.

Based on the foregoing, the District's financial reporting entity has no component units but includes all funds, agencies, boards and commissions that are part of the District.

B. Basis of Presentation - Fund Accounting

The accounting system is organized and operated on the basis of funds, each of which is considered a separate accounting entity. The operations of each fund are accounted for with a separate set of self-balancing accounts that comprise its assets, liabilities, fund equity, revenues and expenditures. The various funds are summarized by type in the basic financial statements. The following fund types are used by the District:

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Notes to the Basic Financial Statements For the Year Ended December 31, 2004

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

B. Basis of Presentation - Fund Accounting (Continued)

Governmental Funds

The governmental funds are those funds through which most governmental functions typically are financed. The acquisition, use and balances of the District's expendable financial resources and the related current liabilities are accounted for through governmental funds. The measurement focus is upon determination of "financial flow" (sources, uses and balances of financial resources). The following are the District's major governmental fund types:

General Fund - This fund is used to account for all financial resources except those accounted for in another fund. The general fund balance is available to the District for any purpose provided it is expended or transferred according to the general laws of Ohio.

General Obligation Debt Service Fund - This fund is used to account for the accumulation of resources for, and the payment of, principal and interest on general obligation debt.

Capital Improvement Fund - This fund is used to account for funds used for capital projects financing or related capital expenditures attributable to various capital improvements

C. Basis of Presentation - Financial Statements

Government-wide Financial Statements - The statement of net assets and the statement of activities display information about the District as a whole. These statements include the financial activities of the primary government, except for fiduciary funds. The statements distinguish between those activities of the District that are governmental and those that are considered business-type activities. The District has no activities considered business-type activities.

The government-wide statements are prepared using the economic resources measurement focus. This is the same approach used in the preparation of the proprietary fund financial statements but differs from the manner in which governmental fund financial statements are prepared. Governmental fund financial statements therefore include a reconciliation with brief explanations to better identify the relationship between the government-wide statements and the statements for governmental funds.

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NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

C. Basis of Presentation – Financial Statements (Continued)

The government-wide statement of activities presents a comparison between direct expenses and program revenues for each function or program of the District's governmental activities. Direct expenses are those that are specifically associated with a service, program or department and therefore clearly identifiable to a particular function. Program revenues include charges paid by the recipient of the goods or services offered by the program and grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular program. Revenues which are not classified as program revenues are presented as general revenues of the District, with certain limited exceptions. The comparison of direct expenses with program revenues identifies the extent to which each business segment or governmental function is self-financing or draws from the general revenues of the District.

Fund Financial Statements – Fund financial statements report detailed information about the District. The focus of governmental fund financial statements is on major funds rather than reporting funds by type. Each major fund is presented in a separate column. Nonmajor funds are aggregated and presented in a single column. Fiduciary funds are reported by fund type.

The accounting and financial reporting treatment applied to a fund is determined by its measurement focus. All governmental fund types are accounted for using a flow of current financial resources measurement focus. The financial statements for governmental funds are a balance sheet, which generally includes only current assets and current liabilities, and a statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances, which reports on the sources (i.e., revenues and other financing sources) and uses (i.e., expenditures and other financing uses) of current financial resources.

D. Basis of Accounting

Basis of accounting represents the methodology utilized in the recognition of revenues and expenditures in the accounts and reported in the financial statements, and relates to the timing of the measurements made. The accounting and reporting treatment applied to a fund is determined by its measurement focus.

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NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

D. Basis of Accounting (Continued)

The modified accrual basis of accounting is followed by the governmental funds and agency funds. Under the modified accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recorded when susceptible to accrual, i.e., both measurable and available. Revenue resulting from exchange transactions, in which each party gives and receives essentially equal value, is recorded on the modified accrual basis when the exchange takes place and the resources are available. The term "available" means collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current period, which for the District is 60 days after year end. Expenditures are recognized in the accounting period in which the fund liability is incurred, if measurable, except for unmatured interest on general long-term debt which is recognized when due.

Non-exchange transactions, in which the District receives value without directly giving equal value in return, include income taxes, property taxes, grants, entitlements and donations. Revenue from income taxes is recognized in the period in which the income is earned and is available. Revenue from grants, entitlements and donations is recognized in the fiscal year in which all eligibility requirements have been satisfied and the revenue is available. Eligibility requirements include timing requirements, which specify the year when the resources are required to be used or the year when use is first permitted, matching requirements, in which the District must provide local resources to be used for a specific purpose, and expenditure requirements, in which the resources are provided to the District on a reimbursement basis. Revenue considered susceptible to accrual at year end includes income taxes withheld by employers, interest on investments, and state levied locally shared taxes (including motor vehicle license fees and local government assistance). Other revenue, including licenses, permits, certain charges for services, income taxes other than those withheld by employers and miscellaneous revenues, is recorded as revenue when received in cash because it is generally not measurable until received.

Property taxes measurable as of December 31, 2004, but which are not intended to finance 2004 operations and delinquent property taxes, whose availability is indeterminate, are recorded as deferred revenue as further described in Note 5.

E. Budgetary Process

The budgetary process is prescribed by provisions of the Ohio Revised Code and entails the preparation of budgetary documents within an established timetable. The major documents prepared are the tax budget, the certificate of estimated resources and the appropriation ordinance, all of which are prepared on the budgetary basis of accounting. The certificate of estimated resources and the appropriation ordinance are subject to amendment throughout the year.

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NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

E. Budgetary Process (Continued)

All funds, other than agency funds, are legally required to be budgeted and appropriated. The legal level of budgetary control is at the fund and function level of control. Budgetary control is maintained by not permitting expenditures to exceed appropriations at the function level within each fund without the approval of District's Board. Budgetary modifications above the major function level by fund may only be made by resolution of the District Board.

1. Estimated Resources

The County Budget Commission reviews estimated revenue and determines if the budget substantiates a need to levy all or part of previously authorized taxes. The Budget Commission then certifies its actions to the District by September 1 of each year. As part of the certification process, the District receives an official certificate of estimated resources stating the projected receipts by fund. Prior to December 31, the District must revise its budget so that the total contemplated expenditures from any fund during the ensuing fiscal year do not exceed the amount available as stated in the certificate of estimated resources. The revised budget then serves as the basis for the annual appropriations measure. On or about January 1, the certificate of estimated resources is amended to include any unencumbered fund balances from the preceding year. The certificate may be further amended during the year if a new source of revenue is identified or if actual receipts exceed current estimates. The amounts reported on the budgetary statement reflect the amounts in the final amended official certificate of estimated resources issued during 2004.

2. Appropriations

A temporary appropriation ordinance to control expenditures may be passed on or about January 1 of each year for the period January 1 through March 31. An annual appropriation ordinance must be passed by April 1 of each year for the period January 1 through December 31. The appropriation ordinance establishes spending controls at the fund, function level, and may be modified during the year by ordinance of the District Board. Total fund appropriations may not exceed the current estimated resources as certified by the County Budget Commission. Expenditures may not legally exceed budgeted appropriations at the fund and function level. Administrative control is maintained through the establishment of more detailed line-item budgets. The budgetary figures which appear in the "Combined Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances--Budget and Actual--All Governmental Fund Types" are provided on the budgetary basis to provide a comparison of actual results to the final budget, including all amendments and modifications.

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NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

E. Budgetary Process (Continued)

3. Lapsing of Appropriations

At the close of each fiscal year, the unencumbered balance of each appropriation reverts to the respective fund from which it was appropriated and becomes subject to future appropriations. The encumbered appropriation balance, if any, is carried forward to the subsequent fiscal year and need not be reappropriated.

4. Budgetary Basis of Accounting

The District's budgetary process accounts for certain transactions on a basis other than generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). The major differences between the budgetary basis and the GAAP basis lie in the manner in which revenues and expenditures are recorded. Under the budgetary basis, revenues and expenditures are recognized on a cash basis. Utilizing the cash basis, revenues are recorded when received in cash and expenditures when paid. Under the GAAP basis, revenues and expenditures are recorded on the modified accrual basis of accounting.

The following table summarizes the adjustments necessary to reconcile the GAAP basis statements to the budgetary basis statements for the general fund:

<u>Net Change In Fund Balance</u>	
	<u>General Fund</u>
GAAP Basis (as reported)	\$90,571
Increase (Decrease):	
2004 Prepaids for 2005	<u>(2,605)</u>
Budget Basis	<u><u>\$87,966</u></u>

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NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

F. Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include amounts in demand deposits. The District pools its cash for investment and resource management purposes. Each fund's equity in pooled cash and investments represents the balance on hand as if each fund maintained its own cash and investment account. See Note 4, "Pooled Cash, Cash Equivalents and Investments."

G. Investments

Investment procedures and interest allocations are restricted by provisions of the Ohio Constitution, the Ohio Revised Code and local ordinances. Interest revenue credited to the general fund during fiscal year 2004 amounted to \$4,073. In accordance with GASB Statement No. 31, "*Accounting and Financial Reporting for Certain Investments and for External Investment Pools*", the District records all its investments at fair value. All investment income, including changes in the fair value of investments, are recognized as revenue in the operating statements. Fair value is determined by quoted market prices. See Note 4, "Pooled Cash, Cash Equivalents and Investments."

H. Prepaid Items

Payments made to vendors for services that will benefit periods beyond December 31, 2004, are recorded as prepaid items using the consumption method. A current asset for the prepaid amount is recorded at the time of the purchase and an expenditure/expense is reported in the year in which services are consumed.

I. Capital Assets and Depreciation

1. Property, Plant and Equipment - Governmental Activities

Governmental activities capital assets are those not directly related to the business type funds. These generally are acquired or constructed for governmental activities and are recorded as expenditures in the governmental funds and are capitalized at cost (or estimated historical cost for assets not purchased in recent years). These assets are reported in the Governmental Activities column of the Government-wide Statement of Net Assets, but they are not reported in the Fund Financial Statements.

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NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

I. Capital Assets and Depreciation (Continued)

2. Depreciation

All capital assets are depreciated, excluding land. Depreciation has been provided using the straight-line method over the following estimated useful lives:

<u>Description</u>	<u>Estimated Lives (in years)</u>
Buildings & Improvements	15 - 50

J. Long-Term Debt

Long-term debt is being repaid from the following funds:

<u>Obligation</u>	<u>Fund</u>
General Obligation Bonds	General Obligation Debt Service Fund

K. Net Assets

Net assets represent the difference between assets and liabilities. Net assets invested in capital assets, net of related debt consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, reduced by the outstanding balances of any borrowings used for the acquisition, construction of improvement of those assets. Net assets are reported as restricted when there are limitations imposed on their use either through the enabling legislation adopted by the District or through external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors or laws or regulations of other governments.

The District applies restricted resources when an expense is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted net assets are available.

L. Interfund Activity

Exchange transactions between funds are reported as revenues in the seller funds and as expenditures/expenses in the purchaser funds. Flows of cash or goods from one fund to another without a requirement for repayment are reported as interfund transfers. Interfund transfers are reported as other financing sources/uses in governmental funds. Repayments from funds responsible for particular expenditures/expenses to the funds that initially paid for them are not presented on the financial statements.

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NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

M. Reservations of Fund Balance

Reserves indicate that a portion of fund balance is not available for expenditure or is legally segregated for a specific future use. Fund balances are reserved for inventory, prepaid items, debt service and encumbered amounts that have not been accrued at year end.

N. Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the financial statements and accompanying notes. Actual results may differ from those estimates.

O. Extraordinary and Special Items

Extraordinary items are transactions or events that are both unusual in nature and infrequent in occurrence. Special items are transactions or events that are within the control of the District Board and that are either unusual in nature or infrequent in occurrence. Neither type of transaction occurred during fiscal year 2004.

NOTE 2 – CHANGES IN ACCOUNTING PRINCIPLE AND RESTATEMENT OF FUND BALANCE

A. Changes in Accounting Principles

For fiscal year 2004, the District has implemented GASB Statement No. 34, “*Basic Financial Statements – and Management’s Discussion and Analysis – for State and Local Governments*”; GASB Statement No. 37, “*Basic Financial Statements for State and Local Governments: Omnibus*”; GASB Statement No. 38, “*Certain Financial Statement Note Disclosures*”; and GASB Interpretation No. 6, “*Recognition and Measurement of Certain Liabilities and Expenditures in Governmental Fund Financial Statement.*” At December 31, 2003, there was no effect on fund balance as a result of implementing GASB Statements 36, 37 and 38, or Interpretation No. 6.

GASB 34 creates new basic financial statements for reporting on the District’s financial activities. The financial statements now include government-wide financial statements prepared on an accrual basis of accounting and fund financial statements which present information for individual major funds rather than by fund type. Nonmajor funds are presented in total in one column.

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NOTE 2 – CHANGES IN ACCOUNTING PRINCIPLE AND RESTATEMENT OF FUND BALANCE (Continued)

A. Changes in Accounting Principles (Continued)

The government-wide financial statements split the District's programs between business-type and governmental activities. The beginning net asset amount for governmental programs reflects the change in fund balance for governmental funds at December 31, 2003, caused by the conversion to the accrual basis of accounting.

B. Restatement of Fund Balance

The transition from fund balance to net assets of the governmental activities are as follows:

	<u>Governmental Activities</u>
Fund Balance December 31, 2003	\$531,196
GASB 34 Adjustments:	
Capital Assets	3,262,796
Long-Term Liabilities	<u>(4,436,234)</u>
Net Assets, December 31, 2003	<u><u>(\$642,242)</u></u>

NOTE 3 – RECONCILIATION OF GOVERNMENT-WIDE AND FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

A. Explanation of certain differences between the governmental fund balance sheet and the government-wide statement of net assets

The governmental fund balance sheet includes a reconciliation between fund balance – total governmental funds and net assets of governmental funds as reported in the government-wide statement of net assets. The following is a detailed listing of those reconciling items that are net adjustments or a combination of several transactions:

Long-Term liabilities not reported in the funds:

General Obligation Bonds Payable	(\$4,365,000)
Accrued Interest on Long-Term Debt	<u>(9,905)</u>
	<u><u>(\$4,374,905)</u></u>

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NOTE 3 – RECONCILIATION OF GOVERNMENT-WIDE AND FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

B. Explanation of certain differences between the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances and the government-wide statement of activities

The governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances includes a reconciliation between net changes in fund balances – total governmental funds and changes in net assets of governmental activities as reported in the government – wide statement of activities. The following is a detailed listing of those reconciling items that are net adjustments or a combination of several transactions:

Amount by which depreciation exceeded capital outlay in the current period:

Capital Outlay	\$0
Depreciation Expense	(41,944)
	<u>(41,944)</u>

NOTE 4 - POOLED CASH, CASH EQUIVALENTS AND INVESTMENTS

Cash resources of a majority of individual funds are combined to form a pool of cash and investments. Each fund type's portion of this pool is displayed on the combined balance sheet as "Cash and Cash Equivalents." Ohio law requires the classification of funds held by the District into three categories.

Category 1 consists of "active" funds - those funds required to be kept in a "cash" or "cash equivalent" status for immediate use by the District. Such funds must be maintained either as cash in the District treasury or in depository accounts payable or withdrawable on demand, including negotiable order of withdrawal (NOW) accounts.

Category 2 consists of "inactive" funds - those funds not required for use within the current five year period of designation of depositories. Inactive funds may be deposited or invested only as certificates of deposit maturing not later than the end of the current period of designation of depositories.

Category 3 consists of "interim" funds - those funds which are not needed for immediate use but which will be needed before the end of the current period of designation of depositories. Interim funds may be invested or deposited in the following securities:

- United States treasury notes, bills, bonds, or any other obligation or security issued by the United States treasury or any other obligation guaranteed as to principal or interest by the United States;

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NOTE 4 - POOLED CASH, CASH EQUIVALENTS AND INVESTMENTS (Continued)

- Bonds, notes, debentures, or any other obligations or securities issued by any federal government agency or instrumentality, including but not limited to, the federal national mortgage association, federal home loan bank, federal farm credit bank, federal home loan mortgage corporation, government national mortgage association, and student loan marketing association. All federal agency securities shall be direct issuances of federal government agencies or instrumentalities;
- Written repurchase agreements in the securities listed above provided that the market value of the securities subject to the repurchase agreement must exceed the principal value of the agreement by at least two percent and be marked to market daily, and that the term of the agreement must not exceed thirty days;
- Interim deposits in eligible institutions applying for interim funds;
- Bonds and other obligations of the State of Ohio;
- No-load money market mutual funds consisting exclusively of obligations described in the first two bullets of this section and repurchase agreements secured by such obligations, provided that investments in securities described in this division are made only through eligible institutions, and
- The State Treasury Asset Reserve of Ohio (STAR Ohio).

Ohio Law requires that deposits be placed in eligible banks or savings and loan associations located in Ohio. Any public depository in which the District places deposits must pledge as collateral eligible securities of aggregate market value equal to the excess of deposits not insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC). The securities pledged as collateral are pledged to a pool for each individual financial institution in amounts equal to at least 105% of the carrying value of all public deposits held by each institution. Obligations that may be pledged as collateral are limited to obligations of the United States and its agencies and obligations of any state, county, municipal corporation or other legally constituted authority of any other state or any instrumentality of such county, municipal corporation or other authority. Based upon criteria described in GASB Statement No. 3 "*Deposits With Financial Institutions, Investments (including Repurchase Agreements) and Reverse Repurchase Agreements*," collateral held in single financial collateral pools with securities being held by the pledging financial institutions' agent in the pool's name are classified as Category 3.

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NOTE 4 - POOLED CASH, CASH EQUIVALENTS AND INVESTMENTS (Continued)

The Governmental Accounting Standards Board has established risk categories for deposits and investments as follows:

Deposits:

- Category 1 Insured or collateralized with securities held by the District or by its agent in the District's name.
- Category 2 Collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution's trust department or agent in the District's name.
- Category 3 Uncollateralized or collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution's trust department or agent but not in the District's name.

Investments:

- Category 1 Insured or registered, or securities held by the District or its agent in the District's name.
- Category 2 Uninsured and unregistered, with securities held by the counterparty's trust department or agent in the District's name.
- Category 3 Uninsured and unregistered, with securities held by the counterparty or by its trust department or agent but not in the District's name.

A. Deposits

At year end the carrying amount of the District's deposits was \$251,318 and the bank balance was \$251,318. The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) covered \$100,000 of the bank balance. All remaining deposits were classified as Category 3.

B. Investments

The District's investments at December 31, 2004 are summarized below:

<u>Categorized Investments</u>	<u>Carrying Amount</u>	<u>Fair Value</u>
Star Ohio	\$491,003	\$491,003
Total Investments	\$491,003	\$491,003

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NOTE 4 - POOLED CASH, CASH EQUIVALENTS AND INVESTMENTS (Continued)

C. Reconciliation of Cash, Cash Equivalents and Investments

The classification of cash, cash equivalents and investments on the financial statements is based on criteria set forth in GASB Statement No. 9. The classification of cash and cash equivalents (deposits) for purposes of this note is based on criteria set forth in GASB Statement No. 3.

A reconciliation between classifications of cash and investments on the financial statements and the classifications per items A and B of this note are as follows:

	<u>Cash and Cash Equivalents</u>	<u>Investments</u>
Financial Statements	\$742,321	\$0
Investments:		
Star Ohio	<u>(491,003)</u>	<u>491,003</u>
Per GASB Statement No. 3	<u>\$251,318</u>	<u>\$491,003</u>

NOTE 5 - TAXES

A. Property Taxes

Property taxes include amounts levied against all real estate and public utility property, and tangible personal property used in business and located in the District. Real property taxes (other than public utility) collected during 2004 were levied after October 1, 2003 on assessed values as of January 1, 2003, the lien date. Assessed values were established by the County Auditor at 35 percent of appraised market value. All property is required to be reappraised every six years and equalization adjustments made in the third year following reappraisal. The last revaluation was completed in 2001. Real property taxes are payable annually or semi-annually. The first payment is due January 20, with the remainder payable by June 20.

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NOTE 5 – TAXES (Continued)

A. Property Taxes (Continued)

Taxes collected from tangible personal property (other than public utility) in one calendar year are levied in the prior calendar year on assessed values during and at the close of the most recent fiscal year of the taxpayer that ended on or before March 31 of that calendar year, and at the tax rates determined in the preceding year. Tangible personal property used in business (except for public utilities) is currently assessed for ad valorem taxation purposes at 25 percent of its true value. Amounts paid by multi-county taxpayers are due September 20 of the year assessed. Single county taxpayers may pay annually or semi-annually: the first payment is due April 30; the remainder payable by September 20.

Public utility real and tangible personal property taxes collected in one calendar year are levied in the preceding calendar year on assessed values determined as of December 31 of the second year preceding the tax collection year, the lien date. Certain public utility tangible personal property is currently assessed at 100 percent of its true value. Public utility property taxes are payable on the same dates as real property described previously.

The County Treasurer collects property taxes on behalf of all taxing districts in the County including the Sylvania Area Joint Recreational District. The County Auditor periodically remits to the District its portion of the taxes collected.

The County Treasurer collects property taxes on behalf of all taxing districts in the County including the Sylvania Area Joint Recreational District. The County Auditor periodically remits to the District its portion of the taxes collected. The full tax rate for all District operations for the year ended December 31, 2004 was \$1.15 per \$1,000 of assessed value. The assessed value upon which the 2004 receipts were based was \$1,432,037,938. This amount constitutes \$1,338,151,170 in real property assessed value, \$21,737,770 in public utility assessed value and \$72,148,998 in tangible personal property assessed value.

Ohio law prohibits taxation of property from all taxing authorities in excess of 1% of assessed value without a vote of the people. Under current procedures, the District's share is .115% (1.15 mills) of assessed value.

NOTE 6 - RECEIVABLES

Receivables at December 31, 2004 consisted of taxes receivable.

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NOTE 7 – CAPITAL ASSETS

A. Governmental Activities Capital Assets

Summary by category of changes in governmental activities capital assets at December 31, 2004:

Historical Cost:

<u>Class</u>	<u>December 31, 2003</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Deletions</u>	<u>December 31, 2004</u>
<i>Capital assets not being depreciated:</i>				
Land	\$2,469,752	\$0	\$0	\$2,469,752
<i>Capital assets being depreciated:</i>				
Buildings and Improvements	1,149,565	0	0	1,149,565
Total Cost	<u>\$3,619,317</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$3,619,317</u>

Accumulated Depreciation:

<u>Class</u>	<u>December 31, 2003</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Deletions</u>	<u>December 31, 2004</u>
Buildings and Improvements	(\$356,521)	(\$41,944)	\$0	(\$398,465)
Total Depreciation	<u>(\$356,521)</u>	<u>(\$41,944) *</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>(\$398,465)</u>
<i>Net Value:</i>	<u>\$3,262,796</u>			<u>\$3,220,852</u>

* Depreciation expenses were charged to governmental functions as follows:

Leisure Time Activities	<u>\$41,944</u>
Total Depreciation Expense	<u>\$41,944</u>

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NOTE 8 - LONG-TERM DEBT

Long-term debt of the District at December 31, 2004 is as follows:

	Issue Date	Balance December 31, 2003	Issued (Retired)	Issued (Retired)	Balance December 31, 2004	Amounts Due Within One Year
Governmental Activities:						
General Obligation Bonds:						
5.00% Recreation Facility	1995	\$4,415,000	\$0	(\$3,245,000)	\$1,170,000	\$45,000
2.00% Recreation Facility	2004	0	3,365,000	(170,000)	3,195,000	200,000
Total General Obligation Bonds		4,415,000	3,365,000	(3,415,000)	4,365,000	245,000

A. Principal and Interest Requirements

The District's future long-term obligation funding requirements, including principal and interest payments as of December 31, 2004, follow:

Years	G.O. Bonds	
	Principal	Interest
2005	\$245,000	\$187,262
2006	250,000	179,968
2007	260,000	171,817
2008	265,000	162,698
2009	275,000	152,322
2010-2014	1,370,423	772,525
2015-2019	1,309,577	737,297
2020-2023	390,000	19,480
Totals	\$4,365,000	\$2,383,369

B. Defeasance of General Obligation Debt

In July 2004, the District defeased \$3,200,000 of General Obligation Bonds for Recreation Facility Improvements dated May 1, 1995 (the "1995 Bonds") through the issuance of \$3,365,000 of General Obligation Bonds for Recreation Facility Improvements (the "2004 Bonds"). The net proceeds of the 2004 Bonds have been invested in obligations guaranteed as to both principal and interest by the United States and placed in irrevocable escrow accounts which, including interest earned, will be used to pay the principal and interest on the refunded bonds. The refunded bonds, which have an outstanding balance of \$3,080,000 at December 31, 2004 are not included in the District's outstanding debt since the District has in-substance satisfied its obligations through the advance refunding. The District obtained an economic gain of \$97,938.

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NOTE 9 - OPERATING LEASE COMMITMENTS

The District is committed under a lease for 26 acres of land in Pacesetter Park at an annual rate of \$100 per acre, to be used for its community and recreational programs. This lease began in 1999 and is scheduled to end upon the death of the lessor, at which time the District has the right to purchase the property for a sum of \$450,000. This lease is considered for accounting purposes to be an operating lease. Lease expenditures for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2004, amounted to \$2,600.

The District is committed under a lease with the Sylvania City Board of Education for a piece of property known as Veteran's Memorial Field at an annual rate of \$1.00, to be used for its community and recreational programs. Under the terms of the lease, the District is responsible for operating and maintaining the property. This lease began on August 1, 1997 and is scheduled to end on July 31, 2022, at which time the District has the option to renew the lease for an additional twenty-five years. This lease is considered for accounting purposes to be an operating lease. Lease expenditures for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2004, amounted to \$1.00.

The District is committed under a lease with the City of Sylvania for an ice skating complex, to be used for its community and recreational programs. The terms of the agreement require the District to pay the City an annual amount equal to the City's debt service on the ice skating complex and reimbursement of any building improvements made to the facility by the City. This lease began on June 3, 1993 and is scheduled to end on June 3, 2013. This lease is considered for accounting purposes to be an operating lease. Lease expenditures for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2004, amounted to \$164,317. Future minimum lease payments for this lease will be \$1,508,684 through 2013.

The District is committed under a lease with the City of Sylvania for a field house, to be used for its community and recreational programs. Under the terms of the lease, the District may decide weather or not to renew its lease with the City on December 31 of each year through December 31 2023. The District has decided to renew its lease with the City for the period January 1, 2005 to December 31, 2005. This lease is considered for accounting purposes to be an operating lease. Lease expenditures will commence in fiscal year 2005. Future minimum lease payments for this lease will be \$5,316,168 through 2025.

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NOTE 10 - RISK MANAGEMENT

The District is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; and natural disasters.

During 2004 the District contracted with several different insurance providers for various insurance coverages, as follows:

Type of Coverage	Coverage	Deductible
General Liability	\$3,000,000	\$0
Excess Liability	\$6,000,000	\$0
Real and Personal Property	\$11,664,194	\$1,000
Public Officials Liability	\$1,000,000	\$2,500
Crime Coverage:		
Blanket Bond	\$100,000	\$0
Forgery Alterations	\$1,000	\$0
Monies & Securities	\$1,000	\$0
Computer Fraud	\$1,000	\$0

There has been no significant reduction in insurance coverages from coverages in the prior year. In addition, settled claims resulting from these risks have not exceeded commercial insurance coverages in any of the past three fiscal years.

NOTE 11 - CONTINGENCIES

The District is a party to various legal proceedings which seek damages or injunctive relief generally incidental to its operations and pending projects. The District's management is of the opinion that the ultimate disposition of various claims and legal proceedings will not have a material effect on the financial condition of the District.

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

Sylvania Area Joint Recreation District
Lucas County
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To the Board of Trustees:

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities and each major fund of Sylvania Area Joint Recreation District (the District), Lucas County, Ohio, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2004, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated November 27, 2006, in which we indicated that the District has adopted *Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement 34*. 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 District'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 District'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 the Board of Trustees. It is not intended for anyone other than these specified parties.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Betty Montgomery". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Betty Montgomery
Auditor of State

November 27, 2006



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LUCAS COUNTY

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
DECEMBER 21, 2006**