REGULAR AUDIT

FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2004-2003



Auditor of State Betty Montgomery

Wayne County Convention and Visitors Bureau 428 W. Liberty Street Wooster, Ohio 44691

We have reviewed the *Independent Accountants' Report* of the Wayne County Convention and Visitors Bureau, Wayne County, prepared by Knox & Knox for the audit period January 1, 2003 through December 31, 2004. Based upon this review, we have accepted these reports in lieu of the audit required by Section 117.11, Revised Code. The Auditor of State did not audit the accompanying financial statements and, accordingly, we are unable to express, and do not express an opinion on them.

The financial statements in the attached report are presented in accordance with a regulatory basis of accounting prescribed or permitted by the Auditor of State's Office (AOS). Due to a February 2, 2005 interpretation from the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA), modifications were required to the *Independent Accountants' Report* on your financial statements. While the 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. The attached report includes an opinion relating to GAAP presentation and measurement requirements, but does not imply the statements are misstated under the non-GAAP regulatory basis. The *Independent Accountants' Report* also includes an opinion on the financial statements using the regulatory format the AOS permits.

Our review was made in reference to the applicable sections of legislative criteria, as reflected by the Ohio Constitution, and the Revised Code, policies, procedures and guidelines of the Auditor of State, regulations and grant requirements. The Wayne County Convention and Visitors Bureau is responsible for compliance with these laws and regulations.

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January 9, 2006

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Independent Accountants' Report

Wayne County Convention and Visitors Bureau Wayne County 428 West Liberty Street Wooster, Ohio 44691

To the Board of Directors:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Wayne County Convention and Visitors Bureau, Wayne County, Ohio, (the Bureau) as of and for the years ended December 31, 2004 and 2003. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Bureau's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to 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 that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

As discussed in Note 1, the Bureau has prepared these financial statements using accounting practices the Auditor of State of Ohio 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 Bureau to reformat its financial statement presentation and make other changes effective for the year ended December 31, 2004. Instead of the combined funds the accompanying financial statements present for 2004 (and 2003), the revisions require presenting entity wide statements and also to present its larger (i.e., major) funds separately for 2004. While the Bureau does not follow GAAP, generally accepted auditing standards require us to include the following paragraph if the statements do not substantially conform to the new GAAP presentation requirements. The Auditor of the State of Ohio permits, but does not require, governments to reformat their statements. The Bureau has elected not to reformat its statements. Since this Bureau 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 year ended December 31, 2004, do not present fairly, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the financial position of the Bureau as of December 31, 2004, or its changes in financial position for the year then ended.

Also, in our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the combined fund cash balances of the Wayne County Convention and Visitors Bureau, Wayne County, as of December 31, 2004 and 2003, and its combined cash receipts and disbursements for the years then ended on the basis of accounting described in Note 1.

The aforementioned revision to generally accepted accounting principles also requires the Bureau to include Management's Discussion and Analysis for the year ended December 31, 2004. The Government 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 November 25, 2005, on our consideration of the Bureau'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 *Governmental Auditing Standards*. You should read it in conjunction with this report in assessing the results of our audit.

Knox & Knox

Orrville, Ohio November 25, 2005

STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES – GENERAL FUND FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2004 AND 2003

	2004	2003
Cash Receipts: Hotel/Motel Tax Co-op Marketing Miscellaneous Earnings on Investment	\$163,773 35,150 21,976 114	\$159,578 37,734 12,094 111
Total Cash Receipts	221,013	209,517
Cash Disbursements: Administrative Operating Advertising Marketing Miscellaneous	99,101 52,139 49,131 13,920 <u>464</u>	95,206 40,743 50,365 12,342 <u>692</u>
Total Cash Disbursements	214,755	199,348
Total Receipts Over/(Under) Cash Disbursements	6,258	10,169
Cash Balance, January 1	37,298	27,129
Cash Balances, December 31	<u>\$ 43,556</u>	<u>\$ 37,298</u>

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

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2004 AND 2003

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

A. Description of the Entity

Wayne County Convention and Visitors Bureau, Wayne County, (the Bureau) is a body corporate and politic established to exercise the rights and privileges conveyed to it by the promotion of and laws of the State of Ohio. The Bureau is directed by a Board of Directors. The Board may consist of not less than 9 or more than 15 members. For the year ended December 31, 2004, the Board of Directors consisted of 11 appointed members. The primary objective of the Bureau is the promotion of the Wayne County area as a convention and tourist location.

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

B. Basis of Accounting

These financial statements follow the basis of accounting prescribed or permitted by the Auditor of State, which is similar to the cash receipts and disbursements basis of accounting. Receipts are recognized when received in cash rather than when earned, and disbursements are recognized when paid rather than when a liability is incurred.

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

C. Cash

All funds of the Bureau were maintained in a non-interest bearing checking account or a money market savings account.

D. Fund Accounting

The Bureau uses fund accounting to segregate cash and investments that are restricted as to use. The Bureau classifies its funds into a General Fund, which is the general operating fund.

E. Budgetary Process

The Bureau is not required to follow budgetary procedures as prescribed by the Ohio Revised Code; however, the Bureau uses internal budgets for planning purposes which it adopts annually.

A summary of 2004 and 2003 budgetary activity appears in Note 3.

Property, Plant and Equipment

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

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2004 AND 2003 (Continued)

2. EQUITY IN POOLED CASH

The carrying amount of cash at December 31 was as follows:

	2004	2003
Demand Deposits	\$43,556	\$37,298

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

3. BUDGETARY ACTIVITY

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

2004 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts				
Fund Type General	Budgeted Receipts \$164,610	Actual Receipts \$221,013	Variance \$56,403	
2004 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures				
<u>Fund Type</u> General	Budgeted Expenditures \$164,610	Actual Expenditures \$214,755	Variance <\$50,145>	
2003 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts				
<u>Fund Type</u> General	Budgeted Receipts \$163,250	Actual Receipts \$209,517	Variance \$46,267	
2003 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures				
<u>Fund Type</u> General	Budgeted Expenditures \$163,250	Actual Expenditures \$199,348	Variance <\$36,098>	

4. HOTEL/MOTEL TAX

Wayne County provides funding to the Bureau by remitting collections from the County's hotel/motel tax.

5. RISK MANAGEMENT

The Bureau has obtained commercial insurance for general liability risks.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2004 AND 2003 (Continued)

6. LEASES

The Bureau entered into an operating lease for a vehicle in November, 2001. Monthly payments of 309 are due on the 30^{th} of each month beginning on November 30, 2001 and for 38 consecutive months thereafter. There are no future lease payments.



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

Wayne County Convention and Visitors Bureau Wayne County 428 West Liberty Street Wooster, Ohio 44691

To the Board of Directors:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Wayne County Convention and Visitors Bureau, Wayne County, Ohio (the Bureau), as of and for the years ended December 31, 2004 and 2003, and have issued our report thereon dated November 25, 2005. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

Compliance

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Bureau's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grants, noncompliance with which would have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Bureau's internal control over financial reporting in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements and not to provide assurance on the internal control over financial reporting. Our consideration of the internal control over financial reporting would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control over financial reporting that might be material weaknesses. A material weakness is a condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control components do not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that misstatements in amounts that would be material in relation to the financial statements being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. We noted no matters involving the internal control over financial reporting and its operation that we consider to be material weaknesses.

However, we noted certain matters involving the internal control over financial reporting that does not require inclusion in this report, that we have reported to management of the Bureau in a separate letter dated November 25, 2005.

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

KNOX & KNOX

Orrville, Ohio November 25, 2005

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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 FEBRUARY 9, 2006