

**FAIRFIELD COUNTY DISTRICT LIBRARY
FAIRFIELD COUNTY
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
For the Years Ended December 31, 2008 and 2007**



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Auditor of State

Board of Trustees
Fairfield County District Library
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We have reviewed the *Independent Auditors' Report* of the Fairfield County District Library, Fairfield County, prepared by Jones, Cochenour & Co., for the audit period January 1, 2007 through December 31, 2008. 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. Due to a February 2, 2005 interpretation from the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA), modifications were required to the *Independent Auditors' Report* on your financial statements. While the Auditor of State 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 Auditors' Report* also includes an opinion on the financial statements using the regulatory format the Auditor of State 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 Fairfield County District Library is responsible for compliance with these laws and regulations.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

Fairfield County District Library
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To the Library Board of Trustees:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Fairfield County District Library, Fairfield County, Ohio (the "Library") as of and for the years ended December 31, 2008 and December 31, 2007. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Library's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audits 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 audits to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statement is 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 audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

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

Instead of the combined funds the accompanying financial statements present, GAAP require presenting entity wide statements and also presenting the Library's larger (i.e. major) funds separately. 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 GAAP presentation requirements. The Auditor of State permits, but does not require Libraries to reformat their statements. The Library has elected not to follow GAAP statement formatting requirements. 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 statements referred to above for the years ended December 31, 2008 and 2007, do not present fairly, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the financial position of the Library as of December 31, 2008 and 2007, or its changes in the financial position for the years then ended.

Also, in our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the fund cash balances and reserves for encumbrances of Fairfield County District Library, Fairfield County, Ohio, as of December 31, 2008 and 2007, and its cash receipts and disbursements for the years then ended on the accounting basis Note 1 describes.

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 a report dated May 29, 2009 on our consideration of 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 Standard*. You should read it in conjunction with this report in assessing the results of our audit.



Jones, Cochenour & Co.
May 29, 2009

**FAIRFIELD COUNTY DISTRICT LIBRARY
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COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND
CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCE
ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES
For the Year Ended December 31, 2008**

	Governmental Fund Types				Totals (Memorandum Only)
	General	Special Revenue	Debt Service	Capital Projects	
CASH RECEIPTS					
Property and other local taxes	\$ 911,113	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 911,113
Library and local government support	2,808,661	-	-	-	2,808,661
Intergovernmental	1,687	-	-	-	1,687
Patron fines and fees	172,661	-	-	-	172,661
Contributions, gifts, and donations	-	3,447	-	-	3,447
Earnings on investments	21,480	-	-	-	21,480
Miscellaneous receipts	1,973	-	-	-	1,973
TOTAL CASH RECEIPTS	3,917,575	3,447	-	-	3,921,022
CASH DISBURSEMENTS					
Current:					
Salaries	1,833,431	-	-	-	1,833,431
Employee fringe benefits	519,883	-	-	-	519,883
Purchased and contracted services	773,216	-	-	-	773,216
Library materials and information	568,243	2,790	-	-	571,033
Supplies	98,348	-	-	-	98,348
Other	12,677	-	-	-	12,677
Capital outlay:	101,937	-	-	256,568	358,505
Debt service:					
Redemption of principal	-	-	105,798	-	105,798
Interest and other fiscal charges	-	-	9,030	-	9,030
TOTAL CASH DISBURSEMENTS	3,907,735	2,790	114,828	256,568	4,281,921
TOTAL RECEIPTS OVER/(UNDER) DISBURSEMENTS	9,840	657	(114,828)	(256,568)	(360,899)
OTHER FINANCING RECEIPTS/(DISBURSEMENTS)					
Sale of notes	-	-	-	385,000	385,000
Transfers-in	-	-	114,958	-	114,958
Transfers-out	(114,958)	-	-	-	(114,958)
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING RECEIPTS/(DISBURSEMENTS)	(114,958)	-	114,958	385,000	385,000
Excess of cash receipts and other financing receipts over/(under) cash disbursements and other financing disbursements	(105,118)	657	130	128,432	24,101
FUND CASH BALANCES, JANUARY 1	569,648	11,968	-	249,529	831,145
FUND CASH BALANCES, DECEMBER 31	\$ 464,530	\$ 12,625	\$ 130	\$ 377,961	\$ 855,246
Reserves for Encumbrances	\$ 186,049	\$ 1,490	\$ -	\$ 135,520	\$ 323,059

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

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COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND
CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCE
ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES
For the Year Ended December 31, 2007**

	Governmental Fund Types				Totals (Memorandum Only)
	General	Special Revenue	Debt Service	Capital Projects	
CASH RECEIPTS					
Property and other local taxes	\$ 920,554	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 920,554
Library and local government support	2,855,370	-	-	-	2,855,370
Intergovernmental	7,966	-	-	-	7,966
Patron fines and fees	171,036	-	-	-	171,036
Contributions, gifts, and donations	-	3,809	-	-	3,809
Earnings on investments	48,502	-	-	-	48,502
Miscellaneous receipts	6,644	-	-	-	6,644
TOTAL CASH RECEIPTS	4,010,072	3,809	-	-	4,013,881
CASH DISBURSEMENTS					
Current:					
Salaries	1,742,142	-	-	-	1,742,142
Employee fringe benefits	480,033	-	-	-	480,033
Purchased and contracted services	708,403	-	-	-	708,403
Library materials and information	630,952	3,368	-	-	634,320
Supplies	126,452	-	-	-	126,452
Other	6,877	-	-	-	6,877
Capital outlay:	172,367	2,200	-	193,550	368,117
Debt service:					
Redemption of principal	-	-	121,024	-	121,024
Interest and other fiscal charges	-	-	8,348	-	8,348
TOTAL CASH DISBURSEMENTS	3,867,226	5,568	129,372	193,550	4,195,716
TOTAL RECEIPTS OVER/(UNDER) DISBURSEMENTS	142,846	(1,759)	(129,372)	(193,550)	(181,835)
OTHER FINANCING RECEIPTS/(DISBURSEMENTS)					
Transfers-in	-	-	129,372	138,652	268,024
Transfers-out	(268,024)	-	-	-	(268,024)
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING RECEIPTS/(DISBURSEMENTS)	(268,024)	-	129,372	138,652	-
Excess of cash receipts and other financing receipts over/(under) cash disbursements and other financing disbursements	(125,178)	(1,759)	-	(54,898)	(181,835)
FUND CASH BALANCES, JANUARY 1	694,826	13,727	-	304,427	1,012,980
FUND CASH BALANCES, DECEMBER 31	\$ 569,648	\$ 11,968	\$ -	\$ 249,529	\$ 831,145
Reserves for Encumbrances	\$ 249,820	\$ 270	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 250,090

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

**FAIRFIELD COUNTY DISTRICT LIBRARY
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**NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
DECEMBER 31, 2008 AND 2007**

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Description of the Entity

The constitution and laws of the State of Ohio establish the rights and privileges of the Fairfield County District Library, Fairfield County, (the "Library") as a body corporate and politic. The Library is directed by a seven-member Board of Trustees. Three Trustees are appointed by the judges of the Fairfield County Common Pleas Court and four are appointed by the Fairfield County Commissioners for seven year terms. The Library provides the community with various educational and literary resources.

The Fairfield County Library Foundation is also associated with the Library. The Foundation is a not-for-profit corporation, created on April 13, 1983, to support, promote, and encourage the library services, activities, and encourage the library services, activities, and facilities of the Library pursuant to Ohio Rev. Code Section 1702.01. The Foundation is directed by a seven voting, member Board of Trustees, which consists of up to two members of the Library's Board of Trustees. The Foundation possesses its own contracting and budgeting authority and solicits donations for projects of the Foundation. The Foundation does not depend on the Library for funding. The Foundation is a component unit of the Library. The Foundation issues separate financial statements and financial information is not included on the Library's financial statements. To obtain information about the Foundation, contact Wayne Fritz at 219 North Broad Street, Lancaster, Ohio 43130.

The Library is a member of the Central Library Consortium (the CLC), a joint venture to provide reduced costs to the individual member libraries through collective efforts and resources sharing. The CLC is further discussed in Note 8.

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

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 accounting basis. The Library recognizes receipts 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).

This statement includes adequate disclosure of material matters, as the Auditor of State prescribes or permits.

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.

Money market mutual funds (including STAR Ohio) are recorded at share values that the mutual fund reports.

Fund Accounting

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

General Fund – The General Fund accounts for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

Special Revenue Funds – These funds account for proceeds from specific sources (other than from trusts or capital projects) that are restricted to expenditure for specific purposes. The Library had the following significant Special Revenue Fund:

Gifts, Donations & Contributions Fund – This fund accounts for receipts restricted by donors for specific purposes .

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1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - CONTINUED

Fund Accounting- Continued

Debt Service Fund – This fund accounts for resources the Library accumulates to pay note indebtedness.

Capital Project Fund – This fund accounts for receipts restricted to acquiring or constructing major capital projects.

Budgetary Process

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

A summary of 2008 and 2007 budgetary activity appears in Note 3.

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.

Accumulated Leave

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

2. EQUITY IN POOLED CASH AND INVESTMENTS

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

	2008	2007
Demand deposits	\$ 31,364	\$ 10,786
Total deposits	31,364	10,786
 STAR Ohio	 823,882	 820,359
Total investments	823,882	820,359
 Total deposits and investments	 \$ 855,246	 \$ 831,145

Deposits: Deposits are insured by the Federal Depository Insurance Corporation; or collateralized by the financial institution’s public entity deposit pool.

Investments – Investments in STAR Ohio are not evidenced by securities existing in physical or book-entry form.

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3. BUDGETARY ACTIVITY

Budgetary activity for the years ending December 31, 2008 and 2007 follows:

2008 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts			
Fund Type	Budgeted Receipts	Actual Receipts	Variance
General	\$ 3,909,108	\$ 3,917,575	\$ 8,467
Special Revenue	5,000	3,447	(1,553)
Debt Service	114,958	114,958	-
Capital Projects	385,000	385,000	-
Total	\$ 4,414,066	\$ 4,420,980	\$ 6,914

2008 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures			
Fund Type	Appropriation Authority	Budgetary Expenditures	Variance
General	\$ 4,478,758	\$ 4,208,742	\$ 270,016
Special Revenue	16,969	4,280	12,689
Debt Service	114,958	114,828	130
Capital Projects	634,529	392,088	242,441
Total	\$ 5,245,214	\$ 4,719,938	\$ 525,276

2007 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts			
Fund Type	Budgeted Receipts	Actual Receipts	Variance
General	\$ 4,003,582	\$ 4,010,072	\$ 6,490
Special Revenue	5,000	3,809	(1,191)
Debt Service	129,372	129,372	-
Capital Projects	138,652	138,652	-
Total	\$ 4,276,606	\$ 4,281,905	\$ 5,299

2007 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures			
Fund Type	Appropriation Authority	Budgetary Expenditures	Variance
General	\$ 4,698,408	\$ 4,385,069	\$ 313,339
Special Revenue	18,728	5,838	12,890
Debt Service	129,372	129,372	-
Capital Projects	443,079	193,550	249,529
Total	\$ 5,289,587	\$ 4,713,829	\$ 575,758

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4. GRANTS-IN-AID

Historically, the primary source of revenue for Ohio public libraries was the State Library and Local Government Support Fund (LLGSF). The State would allocate LLGSF to each county based on the county's prior intangibles tax of LLGSF revenues, and its population.

Beginning July 1, 2008, state funding comes from the Public Library Fund (PLF). The funds continue to flow from the state to the Fairfield County Auditor and then are distributed to the county libraries in accordance with the Fairfield County Budget Commission's allocation formula. The Fairfield County Budget Commission allocates these funds to the Library based on its needs such as for the construction of new library buildings, improvements, operation, maintenance, or other expenses. The Budget Commission cannot reduce its allocation of these funds to the Library based on any additional revenues the Library receives.

The Budget Commission allocated Fairfield County's share of the state funds for 2008 and 2007 as follows; 66.8 percent to Fairfield County District Library, 24.9 percent to Pickerington Public Library, and 8.3 percent to Wagnalls Memorial Library. This same distribution formula will remain in effect through 2009; however, beginning for year 2010, the parties are free to propose a new distribution formula to the Budget Commission.

5. DEBT

Debt outstanding at December 31, 2008 was as follows:

	Principal	Interest Rate
General Obligation Notes	\$ 372,150	4.41%

The general obligation notes are supported by the full faith and credit of the Library and are payable from unvoted library and local government support revenues to the extent that other resources are not available to meet annual principal and interest payments.

Amortization of the above debt is scheduled as follows:

	Principal	Interest	Total
Year ending December 31:			
2009	\$ 29,727	\$ 13,989	\$ 43,716
2010	33,776	13,913	47,689
2011	35,242	12,448	47,690
2012	36,770	10,919	47,689
2013	38,365	9,324	47,689
Thereafter	198,270	20,307	218,577
Total	\$ 372,150	\$ 80,900	\$ 453,050

6. 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 10.0 percent for 2008 and 9.5 percent for 2007 of their gross salaries. The Library contributed an amount equal to 14.00 percent for 2008 and 13.85 percent for 2007 of participants' gross salaries. The Library has paid all required contributions through December 31, 2008.

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7. RISK MANAGEMENT

The Library has obtained commercial insurance for the following risks:

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

8. JOINT VENTURE

The Library is a member of the Central Library Consortium (the “CLC”). The CLC is a separate entity established as a joint venture to provide reduced costs to the individual member libraries through collective efforts and resource sharing. The CLC undertakes projects that strive to complement the existing resources available through the State Library regional system. The CLC, which commenced on June 13, 1988, has seven members consisting of the Fairfield County District Library, Grandview Heights Public Library, Pickerington Public Library, The Wagnall’s Memorial Library, Pickaway County District Library, Marysville Public Library, and Plain City Public Library. The original agreement has been modified to extend membership to additional libraries. The CLC is governed by a Council consisting of one appointed representative by each member library. The Council elects a president, a vice president, and a secretary. The CLC’s financial operations are accounted for in the Agency Fund of the Grandview Heights Public Library. Members make payments to the CLC in amounts established in the agreements for individual projects undertaken by the CLC. The Library contributed \$167,469 and \$171,742 to the CLC in 2008 and 2007 respectively. The Library has no explicit and measurable equity interest in the venture. The Library’s only ongoing financial responsibility to the CLC is for participating projects that have been entered into by the Library. Financial information and statements can be obtained from Grandview Heights Public Library, Franklin County, 1685 W. 1st Ave., Columbus, Ohio 43212.

9. RELATED ORGANIZATION

Fairfield County – The Library is statutorily created as a separate and distinct political subdivision of the State. Four Trustees of the Library are appointed by the Board of County Commissioners and three Trustees are appointed by the judges of the Common Pleas Court. The Library possesses its own contracting and budgeting authority, handles its own personnel actions, and does not depend on the County for operational subsidies.

10. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The Fairfield County Library Foundation, a 501(c) (3) tax-exempt organization, provides additional buildings, money, and service to Fairfield County, Ohio libraries. The Library leases three buildings from the Foundation, (a component unit), under operating lease agreements, which expire in 2009 and 2010. The Foundation renewed the leases for two of the buildings for a combined decrease of \$28,000 compared to the prior lease terms. These two leases were renewed effective January 1, 2009 for two-year terms. The third lease was for a new Northwest Branch starting on October 1, 2007 and expiring on December 31, 2009, unless renewed. The total rent expense for these leases totaled \$169,960 and \$108,490 for the years ended December 31, 2008 and 2007, respectively.

At December 31, 2008, the future minimum lease payments are as follows:

2009	\$	141,960
2010		60,000
	\$	<u>201,960</u>

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10. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS - CONTINUED

Below are condensed financial statements that were compiled from federal "Return of Organization Exempt from Income Tax," Forms 990. The Foundation's fiscal year end is September 30.

CONDENSED BALANCE SHEETS:	2008	2007
Cash	\$ 76,210	\$ 217,507
Investments (at cost)	38,702	27,698
Capital Assets - net	<u>2,458,658</u>	<u>2,346,905</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$ 2,573,570</u>	<u>\$ 2,592,110</u>
Deferred Revenue	\$ 42,490	\$ 22,000
Mortgage Notes Payable	<u>700,000</u>	<u>830,000</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>742,490</u>	<u>852,000</u>
NET ASSETS	<u>1,831,080</u>	<u>1,740,110</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	<u>\$ 2,573,570</u>	<u>\$ 2,592,110</u>
CONDENSED INCOME STATEMENT:	2008	2007
Direct public support	\$ 20,348	\$ 1,375
Investment income	5,217	54,460
Building lease income	169,960	88,000
Other revenue	<u>10,957</u>	<u>-</u>
TOTAL REVENUE	<u>206,482</u>	<u>143,835</u>
Interest expense	39,686	54,291
Depreciation	63,559	28,980
Other expenditures	<u>12,267</u>	<u>4,141</u>
TOTAL EXPENSES	<u>115,512</u>	<u>87,412</u>
EXCESS OF REVENUE OVER EXPENSES	<u>\$ 90,970</u>	<u>\$ 56,423</u>



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

Fairfield County District Library
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To the Library Board of Trustees:

We have audited the financial statements of Fairfield County District Library, Fairfield County, Ohio (the "Library") as of and for the years ended December 31, 2008 and December 31, 2007, and have issued our report thereon dated May 29, 2009, wherein we noted the Library followed accounting practices the Auditor of State prescribes rather than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. 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*.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Library's internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Library's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the internal control over financial reporting.

A control deficiency exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect misstatements on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects the entity's ability to initiate, authorize, record, process, or report financial data reliably in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles such that there is more than a remote likelihood that a misstatement of the entity's financial statements that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by the entity's internal control.

A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies, that results in more than a remote likelihood that a material misstatement of the financial statements will not be prevented or detected by the entity's internal control.

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above.

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Compliance and Other Matters

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

This report is intended 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.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jones, Cochenour & Co." with a period at the end.

Jones, Cochenour & Co.
May 29, 2009



Mary Taylor, CPA
Auditor of State

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CLERK'S CERTIFICATION

This is a true and correct copy of the report which is required to be filed in the Office of the Auditor of State pursuant to Section 117.26, Revised Code, and which is filed in Columbus, Ohio.

Susan Babbitt

CLERK OF THE BUREAU

**CERTIFIED
AUGUST 6, 2009**