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Letter from the Executive Director



Dear Members:

The enclosed audited financial statements and management discussion and analysis show that the Society is in a strong financial position. Over the prior years we had built a strong balance sheet to allow us to continue to deliver programming in the event we experienced significant upheaval in the markets and economy. We delivered over 290 programs in fiscal 2009 with a key focus of adding significant programming in the area of career development, where we hosted over 40 programs in fiscal 2009.

In 2008 and 2009, we undertook a significant update of the website to improve navigation and created committee pages that deliver content focused on the member's area of interest. This will extend into 2010 with further refinements to the website and online program delivery. We look forward to expanding our ability to deliver online programming including delayed webcasts and podcast of events, and real-time programs through the web.

As fiscal 2009 closed we are well underway to completing the build-out of our new office and training space at 1540 Broadway and look forward to welcoming you to the new facility in 2010. We are striving to keep our programming and offerings on the cutting edge of changes in the market place and encourage you to help define our programming by responding to our surveys. We also encourage you to actively participate in one of our 13 committees where you'll work with the staff to identify and create programs for the membership and larger investment community.

Regards,

Alvin Kressler
Executive Director

Management Discussion and Analysis

Overview

The New York Society of Security Analysts (NYSSA) was established in 1937 by a group that included Benjamin Graham, the "father of securities analysis" and one of the most influential men in the history of finance. It is the premier independent forum for the exchange of information among investment decision-makers. A not-for-profit educational organization with over 10,000 members, NYSSA is committed to the promotion of best practices and the highest professional and ethical standards in the investment industry. NYSSA is the largest of the more than 135 societies worldwide that make up CFA Institute, which has over 92,000 members.

Membership

Career Development: Through participation in NYSSA, members gain access to a far-reaching network of senior investment professionals and corporate executives. NYSSA also helps members with their strategic career goals through resources (e.g. monthly Career Chats and career-oriented workshops, and an extensive online database of job listings tailored for securities analysts).

Committees: More than 1,500 investment professionals participate in NYSSA's 13 member committees each year. These are among NYSSA's most active members and represent a high caliber of professionals: 23% are at the senior VP level and above.

Annual Dinner: The Annual Dinner is the biggest event on the NYSSA calendar. It is an opportunity to celebrate the accomplishments of NYSSA's members and to honor individual Volunteers of the Year. Last year's speaker was SEC Chairman Christopher Cox. Past speakers include Robert E. Rubin, chairman of the Executive Committee of Citigroup, Inc.; Barton Biggs, managing partner at Traxis Partners LLC and author of Hedgehogging; and Paul Steiger, managing editor of The Wall Street Journal.

Networking Events: NYSSA hosts several networking events through the year including the new member receptions and sports outings.

Programs

Education: NYSSA is a leading provider of weekly review courses for CFA® Exam Levels I, II, and III, and a CFA curriculum of preparatory workshops. NYSSA also offers professional development classes for finance professionals on a range of topics, from financial modeling to corporate valuation methodologies to deal structuring.

Industry Conferences: NYSSA has a long-standing tradition as the premier provider of corporate presentations to the Wall Street analyst community. At NYSSA's industry conferences, small- and micro-cap companies present their stories to analysts and institutional investors.

Topical Conferences and Seminars: NYSSA's topical conferences and seminars bring together industry experts and thought leaders to discuss the critical issues facing financial professionals.

Forums: Shorter programs are presented over breakfast or lunch or after work and often feature a networking component. These presentations are timely, cutting-edge, and committee-driven, keeping the pulse on the industry. Programs that are presented in "brown bag" format are free to members.

Student Programs: NYSSA is committed to building the future of the industry by helping prepare students for careers as financial professionals. The Investment Research Challenge is an eight-month initiative in which leading industry practitioners teach best practices in securities research to students from top area

business schools. The SEMI program helps to advance undergraduate students through a program of Scholarship, Education, Mentoring and Internships.

Results of Operations

Review of the NYSSA's Activities

The Society's fiscal year ends on August 31. The Society's revenues consist primarily of membership dues, education registrations, and conference fees and registrations. The 13% revenue decline from fiscal 2008 was due to the economic downturn and the loss of approximately 15% of our membership, which we believe coincides with the unemployment rate among our membership during this period. Total membership decreased from 11,509 in fiscal 2008 to 9,713 in fiscal 2009.

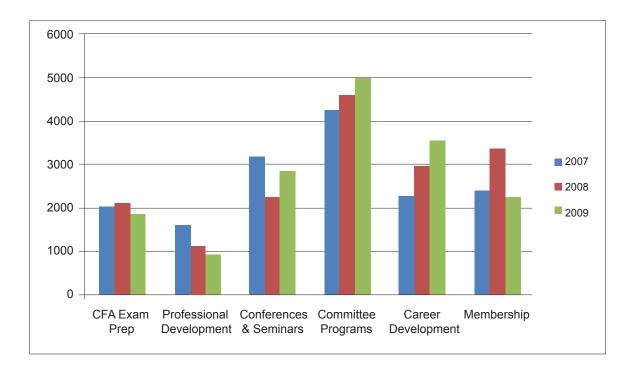
	Aug. 31,	Y/Y	Aug. 31,	Y/Y	Aug. 31,	Y/Y	Aug. 31,
	2009	Change	2008	Change	2007	Change	2006
Membership	\$2,014,490	-6.4%	\$2,151,460	-0.1%	\$2,153,870	12.0%	1,923,770
Education	3,095,940	-13.2%	3,568,507	15.0%	3,102,591	29.1%	2,403,650
Programs	773,282	-17.4%	936,676	-22.5%	1,207,895	-12.5%	1,380,553
Other	462,936	-27.3%	637,119	33.6%	476,725	38.1%	345,119
Totals	6,346,648	-13.0%	7,293,762	5.1%	6,941,081	14.7%	6,053,092

The decrease in education-related revenues was due to an overall decrease in CFA Exam prep and Professional Development (PD) course attendance, which were each negatively impacted by the turmoil in the industry. Attendance at CFA-related courses decreased in fiscal 2009 by 27% to 1,871 from 2,571 in 2008 and 2,255 in fiscal 2007. Professional development and continuing education experienced a decline as member's firms pulled back on spending in the area of continuing education. Attendance at PD programs declined by 8% in fiscal 2009 to 1,010 from 1,095 in fiscal 2008 and 1,610 in fiscal 2007.

Programming revenues declined in the year as the mix of programming shifted to fewer full-day topical conferences and more morning and evening forums. Additionally, the offering of free programs for members (162 in fiscal 2009 increasing from 130 in fiscal 2008 and 125 in fiscal 2007) continued to negatively impact overall programming revenues. We again cancelled or experienced declines in several previously successful industry conferences, leading to lower levels of paid attendees. Attendance at programs included in programming and other increased to 13,641 in fiscal 2009 from 13,254 in fiscal 2008 (3% increase) and 12,427 in fiscal 2007 (7% increase).

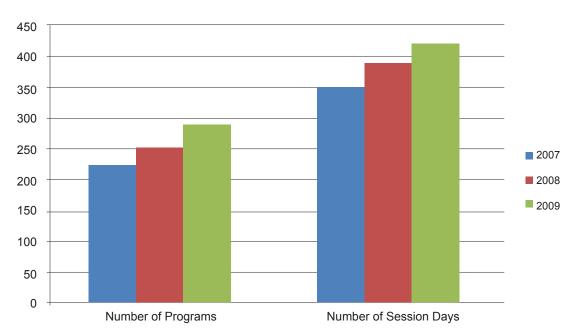
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Attendance at NYSSA Events



Program offerings, all events hosted by the Society, once again grew in fiscal 2009 to 291 from 256 events in 2008 and 228 events in fiscal 2007 and were comprised of 425 session days, an increase from 393 session days in fiscal 2008 and 353 session days in fiscal 2007.

NYSSA Program Offerings



On the expense side, direct program expenses in total decreased \$292,950 in fiscal 2009 to \$6,197,404 from \$6,490,354 in fiscal 2008.

Net assets (operating income) decreased by \$24,609.

	Aug. 31, 2009	Y/Y Change	Aug. 31, 2008	Y/Y Change	Aug. 31, 2007
Program	\$6,285,658	-4.8%	\$6,601,839	8.3%	\$6,093,936
Managerial and Administrative	\$99,059	54.4%	\$64,140	158.7%	\$24,793
Change in net assets from	\$(24,609)	-103.9%	\$627,783	-23.7%	\$822,352

Review of Changes in Financial Position

At the end of fiscal 2009, NYSSA had \$8.96 million in assets down from \$9.38 million in fiscal 2008. Of the \$8.96 million in assets, \$7.49 million is in cash and short-term marketable securities (primarily money market funds and short-term U.S. Treasury instruments). The remaining \$1.47 million represents accounts receivable (\$771,618), prepaid expenses (\$335,288), security deposit on facility (\$405,108), and fixed assets (\$361,519). Liabilities total \$2,527,081, with \$1,592,070 of the total in unearned dues revenue and \$504,673 in unearned revenue (registrations for upcoming educational and programming events). The Society has no long-term debt.

The pages that follow contain the Society's audited financial statements.

Financial Statements for years ended August 31, 2009 and August 31, 2008

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Independent Auditors' Report

To the Board of Directors
The New York Society of Security Analysts, Inc.

We have audited the accompanying statements of financial position of The New York Society of Security Analysts, Inc. (the "Society") as of August 31, 2009 and August 31, 2008 and the related statements of activities, functional expenses and cash flows for the years then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Society's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on those financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audits to obtain reasonable assurance about 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 audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of The New York Society of Security Analysts, Inc. at August 31, 2009 and August 31, 2008 and the results of its activities and its cash flows for the years then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

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Statements of Financial Position

Assets

	Aug	ust 31
	2009	2008
Current assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$7,085,653	\$8,027,119
Accounts receivable, net of allowance		
for doubtful accounts of \$5,000 in 2008	771,618	643,320
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	335,288	291,480
Total current assets	8,192,559	8,961,919
Restricted cash and cash equivalents	405,108	200,387
Furniture, fixtures, equipment and leasehold		
improvements at cost, net of accumulated		
depreciation and amortization	361,519	217,888
Total assets	<u>\$8,959,186</u>	\$9,380,194
Liabilities and Net Assets		
Current liabilities		
Accounts payable	\$ 118,049	\$ 53,168
Accrued expenses and taxes	296,775	424,624
Unearned dues revenue	1,592,070	1,659,350
Unearned revenue	504,673	757,288
Current portion of rent abatement	15,514	49,558
Total current liabilities	2,527,081	2,943,988
Rent abatement, net of current portion	_	15,514
Total liabilities	2,527,081	2,959,502
Net assets		
Unrestricted		
Operating fund	310,459	248,483
Board designated		
Building fund	5,460,139	5,525,175
Initiatives fund	300,000	300,000
Total unrestricted	6,070,598	6,073,658
Temporarily restricted	361,507	347,034
Total net assets	6,432,105	6,420,692
Total liabilities and net assets	<u>\$8,959,186</u>	\$9,380,194

Statements of Activities

	Year Ended August 31							
	2009 2008							
	Temporarily				Temporarily			
	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total		
Support and revenue		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·			·			
Membership dues and fees	\$ 2,014,490	\$ -	\$ 2,014,490	\$ 2,151,460	\$ -	\$ 2,151,460		
Education	3,095,940	-	3,095,940	3,568,507	-	3,568,507		
Presentations	509,592	-	509,592	699,786	-	699,786		
Seminars	263,690	-	263,690	236,890	-	236,890		
Contributions	3,915	23,610	27,525	-	29,310	29,310		
Special activity dinners	15,800	=	15,800	53,910	1,000	54,910		
Other operating revenue	433,071	=	433,071	552,899	-	552,899		
Net assets released from restrictions	10,150	(10,150)		33,223	(33,223)			
Total support and revenue	6,346,648	13,460	6,360,108	7,296,675	(2,913)	7,293,762		
Expenses								
Program services								
Education	2,265,065	=	2,265,065	2,415,901	-	2,415,901		
Presentations	606,377	=	606,377	822,485	-	822,485		
Seminars	633,224	=	633,224	688,899	-	688,899		
Membership	2,088,711	=	2,088,711	2,563,069	-	2,563,069		
Magazine	604,027	<u> </u>	604,027	<u> </u>		<u> </u>		
Total program services	6,197,404	=	6,197,404	6,490,354	-	6,490,354		
Supporting services								
Management and general	99,059	=	99,059	64,140	-	64,140		
Direct costs of special activity dinners	88,254	<u> </u>	88,254	111,485	<u> </u>	111,485		
Total expenses	6,384,717		6,384,717	6,665,979		6,665,979		
Increase (decrease) in net assets								
before other additions	(38,069)	13,460	(24,609)	630,696	(2,913)	627,783		
Other additions	, , ,	,	, , ,	,	() /	,		
Investment income	35,009	1,013	36,022	224,769	8,110	232,879		
Net realized and unrealized gain on investments		<u> </u>	<u> </u>	30,269	<u> </u>	30,269		
Increase (decrease) in net assets	(3,060)	14,473	11,413	885,734	5,197	890,931		
Net assets, beginning of year	6,073,658	347,034	6,420,692	5,187,924	341,837	5,529,761		
Net assets, end of year	\$ 6,070,598	\$ 361,507	\$ 6,432,105	\$ 6,073,658	\$ 347,034	\$ 6,420,692		

Statement of Functional Expenses Year Ended August 31, 2009 (With Summarized Comparative Information for 2008)

	Program Services						Supporting Services Management		
	Education	Presentations	Seminars	Membership	<u>Magazine</u>	Total	and General	2009 Total	2008 <u>Total</u>
Staff payroll and benefits	\$ 656,320	\$ 235,988	\$ 389,189	\$ 1,041,331	\$ 247,951	\$ 2,570,779	\$ 57,147	\$ 2,627,926	\$ 2,613,780
Temporary help	11,700	· -	=	=	=	11,700	=	11,700	=
Professional fees	515,807	183,463	22,030	193,660	199,694	1,114,654	2,209	1,116,863	1,016,971
Scholarships granted	10,000	, <u>-</u>	_	5,000	, <u>-</u>	15,000	, <u>-</u>	15,000	30,000
Books and publications	374,965	-	355	10,726	23,723	409,769	-	409,769	393,582
Printed marketing materials	46,523	11,315	3,356	18,518	6,434	86,146	-	86,146	72,974
Printing and stationery	8,299	-	420	28,772	20,271	57,762	140	57,902	33,475
Office expenses	120,075	32,697	55,815	208,712	34,669	451,968	6,740	458,708	474,210
Data processing	35,704	12,604	23,021	88,506	14,901	174,736	4,950	179,686	480,287
Delivery and mail handling	31,843	20,811	4,628	20,318	23,543	101,143	119	101,262	110,278
Catering	4,702	39,165	39,252	46,350	6,055	135,524	9,459	144,983	174,591
Promotional activities	3,147	-	-	4,824	3,590	11,561	-	11,561	19,046
Newsletter	3,152	2,493	3,498	6,696	-	15,839	-	15,839	86,385
Occupancy	251,537	52,093	71,671	268,443	19,805	663,549	15,363	678,912	643,825
Rental expenses	51,680	-	-	23,083	-	74,763	-	74,763	80,594
Equipment rentals	-	-	-	1,579	-	1,579	-	1,579	14,700
Depreciation and amortization Bank and credit card	36,112	7,174	9,835	38,319	2,262	93,702	2,386	96,088	82,030
service charges	99,490	8,298	8,479	54,585	887	171,739	546	172,285	180,792
Miscellaneous	4,009	276	1,675	29,289	<u>242</u>	35,491	J40 -	35,491	46,974
Miscenaneous	4,009	270	1,073					33,491	40,974
Sub-total	\$ 2,265,065	\$ 606,377	\$ 633,224	\$ 2,088,711	\$ 604,027	\$ 6,197,404	\$ 99,059	6,296,463	6,554,494
Direct costs of special activity dinners								88,254	111,485
Total expenses								<u>\$ 6,384,717</u>	<u>\$ 6,665,979</u>

Supporting

Statement of Functional Expenses Year Ended August 31, 2008

		P	Supporting Services				
	Education	Presentations	<u>Seminars</u>	<u>Membership</u>	Total	Management and General	2008 Total
Staff payroll and benefits	\$ 668,602	\$ 272,535	\$ 382,092	\$1,253,334	\$2,576,563	\$ 37,217	\$2,613,780
Professional fees	612,176	266,095	21,065	117,390	1,016,726	245	1,016,971
Scholarships granted	25,000	-	-	5,000	30,000	-	30,000
Books and publications	376,564	-	2,649	14,369	393,582	-	393,582
Printed marketing materials	39,949	22,670	8,460	1,838	72,917	57	72,974
Printing and stationery	4,504	359	1,082	21,177	27,122	6,353	33,475
Office expenses	127,605	39,164	58,166	249,275	474,210	-	474,210
Data processing	95,939	37,519	60,853	280,879	475,190	5,097	480,287
Delivery and mail handling	43,896	40,934	18,298	7,121	110,249	29	110,278
Catering	533	48,636	36,043	82,758	167,970	6,621	174,591
Promotional activities	_	-	-	19,046	19,046	-	19,046
Newsletter	17,968	14,513	19,955	33,949	86,385	-	86,385
Occupancy	218,036	60,858	65,096	292,610	636,600	7,225	643,825
Rental expenses	51,680	-	-	28,914	80,594	-	80,594
Equipment rentals	-	-	-	14,700	14,700	-	14,700
Depreciation and amortization Bank and credit card	27,663	7,566	8,035	37,910	81,174	856	82,030
service charges	103,505	11,636	6,276	58,952	180,369	423	180,792
Miscellaneous	2,281		829	43,847	46,957	17	46,974
Sub-total Direct costs of special activity dinners	\$2,415,901	\$ 822,485	\$ 688,899	\$2,563,069	\$6,490,354	\$ 64,140	6,554,494 111,485
Total expenses							<u>\$6,665,979</u>

Statements of Cash Flows

	Year Ended August 31			
	2009	2008		
Cash flows from operating activities				
Increase in net assets	\$ 11,413	\$ 890,931		
Adjustments to reconcile increase in net assets				
to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities				
Depreciation and amortization	96,088	82,030		
Net realized and unrealized (gain) on investments	-	(30,269)		
Amortization of premium on U.S. Treasury securities	-	23,158		
(Increase) in current assets				
Accounts receivable	(128,298)	(143,622)		
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	(43,808)	(133,991)		
Increase (decrease) in current liabilities				
Accounts payable	64,881	(24,184)		
Accrued expenses and taxes	(127,849)	128,319		
Unearned dues revenue	(67,280)	51,530		
Unearned revenue	(252,615)	74,717		
Change in rent abatement	(49,558)	(49,558)		
Net cash provided by (used in)				
operating activities	(497,026)	869,061		
Cash flows from investing activities				
Sale/maturity of investments	-	816,953		
Purchases of furniture, fixtures, equipment,				
and leasehold improvements	(239,719)	(41,020)		
Net cash provided by (used in) investing				
activities	(239,719)	775,933		
Net increase (decrease) in cash				
and cash equivalents	(736,745)	1,644,994		
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year	8,227,506	6,582,512		
Cash and cash equivalents, end of year	<u>\$7,490,761</u>	<u>\$8,227,506</u>		
Consists of:				
Current assets	\$7,085,653	\$8,027,119		
Restricted	405,108	200,387		
Total cash and cash equivalents	\$7,490,761	\$8,227,506		

Notes to Financial Statements August 31, 2009 and August 31, 2008

Note 1 – Nature of organization

The New York Society of Security Analysts, Inc. (the "Society") is a not-for-profit, independent society whose mission is to serve the needs of all professionals involved in the investment decision-making process and to educate the investing public. The Society is involved in all professional aspects of interest to its members. The Society generates revenue from three primary sources: (1) membership dues; (2) educational seminars (the largest seminar producer of income is Chartered Financial Analysts classes); and (3) meetings and events whereby corporations pay a sponsorship fee.

Note 2 – Summary of significant accounting policies

Net assets

Unrestricted

Operating Fund

Net assets that are not subject to donor-imposed stipulations and that may be expendable for any purpose in performing the primary objectives of the Society are considered unrestricted in nature.

Building Fund

The Society maintains a building fund to provide for the eventual replacement or improvement of the Society's facility. Any interest earned or unrealized gain or loss on the assets is credited to or deducted from the building fund balance. During fiscal 2009, the Society transferred \$88,778 from the Building Fund to the Operating Fund, to replenish the Operating Fund for pre-construction expenditures made in connection with the build-out of the new facility (see note 6). During fiscal 2008, the Society transferred \$400,000 from the Operating Fund to the Building Fund (see note 12).

Initiatives Fund

During 2008, the Society's Board of Directors established a fund in the amount of \$300,000. The Board has determined that such funds shall be segregated and only be utilized for initiatives, to be pre-approved by the Board.

Notes to Financial Statements (continued) August 31, 2009 and August 31, 2008

Note 2 – Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

Temporarily restricted

Net assets subject to donor-imposed stipulations that may or will be met either by actions of the Society and/or the passages of time are considered temporarily restricted. As the restrictions are satisfied, temporarily restricted net assets are reclassified to unrestricted net assets and reported in the accompanying financial statements as net assets released from restrictions.

<u>Investment income</u>

Investment income consists of interest income and is recorded to unrestricted net assets and temporarily restricted net assets.

Cash equivalents

The Society considers highly liquid investments with original maturities of 90 days or less to be cash equivalents. Included in cash equivalents are money market funds, a U.S. Governmental Securities Mutual Fund and a certificate of deposit.

Furniture, fixtures, equipment and leasehold improvements

Furniture, fixtures, equipment and leasehold improvements are depreciated or amortized, respectively, on the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the assets ranging from three to seven years.

Membership dues

Membership dues are recognized as income in the applicable membership period, which is from June 1st to May 31st each year. Consistent with past practice, it is the Society's policy to record the remainder of the anticipated members' annual dues as accounts receivable and unearned dues revenue as of August 31st each year.

Functional expenses

The cost of providing the various programs and other activities has been summarized on a functional basis. Accordingly, certain costs have been allocated among the programs and supporting services benefited.

Notes to Financial Statements (continued) August 31, 2009 and August 31, 2008

Note 2 – Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

Use of estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect amounts reported in the financial statements. Actual results could differ from these estimates.

Concentrations of credit risk

The Society's financial instruments that are potentially exposed to concentrations of credit risk consist of cash, cash equivalents and accounts receivable. The Society places its cash and cash equivalents with what it believes to be quality financial institutions. The Society routinely assesses the financial strength of its cash and cash equivalents. Accounts receivable consists primarily of amounts due from a number of individuals and corporations for membership dues and Society conferences. As a consequence, management of the Society believes concentrations of credit risk are limited.

Subsequent events

The Society has evaluated the need for disclosures and/or adjustments resulting from subsequent events through the date of issuance of the financial statements. This evaluation did not result in any subsequent events that necessitated disclosures and/or adjustments.

Note 3 – Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents are comprised of the following as of August 31, 2009 and August 31, 2008:

					2009	9				
		perating Fund		ilding und		olarship Fund	In A	Value vesting rchive Fund	T	'otal
Cash on hand	\$	910	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	910
Checking		57,600		-		-		96,867	1.	54,467
Money market account U.S. Govt.		38,006		-		-		-		38,006
Securities Mutual fund		1,339		_		_		-		1,339
Money market fund	1,1	175,990	5,46	50,139	25	51,151		-	6,8	87,280
Certificate of										
deposit		3,651							-	3,651
Total	\$1,2	<u> 277,496</u>	\$5,40	50,139	\$ 25	51,151	\$	96,867	<u>\$7,0</u>	85,653

Notes to Financial Statements (continued) August 31, 2009 and August 31, 2008

Note 3 – Cash and cash equivalents (continued)

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	Operating Fund		ilding <u>und</u>		olarship Fund	In A	Value vesting rchive Fund	T	'otal
Cash on hand	\$ 264	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	264
Checking	591,138		-		-		96,866	6	88,004
Money market account	41,942		_		-		_		41,942
U.S. Govt. Securities									
Mutual fund	757,010		-		-		-	7.	57,010
Money market									
fund	1,169,030	5,12	25,175	2.	39,068		-	6,5	33,273
Certificate of									
deposit	6,626								6,626
Total	\$2,566,010	\$5,1	25,17 <u>5</u>	\$ 23	39,068	\$	96,866	\$8,0	27,119

Note 4 – Fair value measurement

Effective August 31, 2009, the Society, adopted Statement of Financial Accounting Standards (SFAS) No. 157, "Fair Value Measurement." The adoption of this standard was limited to financial assets and did not have a material effect on the amounts reported on the Society's financial statements other than an additional disclosure. Under SFAS No. 157, fair value refers to the price that would be received to sell an asset in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. SFAS No. 157 establishes a fair value hierarchy giving the highest priority to quoted market prices in active markets (Level 1), the next priority (Level 2) to observable inputs other than Level 1 prices, such as quoted prices of similar assets, and the lowest priority to unobservable data (Level 3). SFAS No. 157 requires fair value measurements to be separately disclosed by level within the fair value hierarchy. As of August 31, 2009, the Society's investments in United States Government securities mutual funds, money market funds and the certificate of deposit are classified in the highest level of hierarchy (Level 1).

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Note 5 – Furniture, fixtures, equipment and leasehold improvements

The following is a summary of the furniture, fixtures, equipment and leasehold improvements as of August 31, 2009 and August 31, 2008:

	2009	2008
Furniture, fixtures and equipment	\$ 317,223	\$ 287,016
Leasehold improvements	325,726	142,094
Other	26,530	650
Sub-Total	669,479	429,760
Less: accumulated depreciation and amortization	307,960	211,872
Total furniture, fixtures, equipment and leasehold improvements	\$ 361,519	\$ 217,888

Note 6 – Rental lease agreements

During August 2005, the Society entered into an agreement to sublease office and conference space, commencing in December 2005 and expiring on December 30, 2009. The sublease requires monthly lease payments of \$50,097 plus the Society's proportionate share of certain operating expenses of the sub-landlord as defined in the sublease agreement. Rent expense totaled \$603,505 and \$567,550 for the 2009 and 2008 fiscal years, respectively. The future minimum sublease payments would be as follows:

<u>Fiscal Year</u> 2010 \$ 198,771

As part of the lease agreement, the Society received four months of free rent. The Society amortizes rent expense each year equally over the term of the lease. The difference between rent expense recorded in this manner and the actual cash paid per the lease agreement represents deferred lease liability.

In connection with the above sublease, the Society delivered to the sub-landlord a letter of credit in the amount of \$200,387 as security for the sublease agreement. In connection with the letter of credit, the Society established a separate bank account in the amount of the letter of credit, as required by the lease.

During August 2009, the Society entered into an agreement to lease office and conference space, commencing August 2009 for a term of 16 years through August 2025 with an option to renew for an additional 5-year period. The lease requires monthly lease payments commencing in August 2010 of \$68,244 plus utilities and a proportionate share of certain operating expenses of the landlord as defined in the lease agreement. The future minimum lease payments would be as follows:

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<u>Note 6 – Rental lease agreements</u> (continued)

Fiscal Year	
2010	\$ 68,244
2011	818,928
2012	818,928
2013	818,928
2014	818,928
Thereafter	10,247,974
Total	\$ 13,591,930

As part of the lease agreement, the Society received 11 months of free rent. The Society amortizes rent expense each year equally over the term of the lease. The difference between rent expense recorded in this manner and the actual cash paid per the lease agreement represents deferred lease liability. The lease agreement also includes a build-out allowance of \$925,155.

In connection with the above lease, the Society delivered to the landlord a letter of credit in the amount of \$204,732 as security for the lease agreement. In connection with the letter of credit, the Society established a separate bank account in the amount of the letter of credit, as required by the lease.

In connection with the above lease, the Society entered into several agreements to facilitate the build-out of the new space, including an architect, real estate consulting firm and construction manager. The construction commenced in September 2009 and is expected to conclude in December 2009. The Board of the Society has authorized a base budget of \$2,559,150, with a 10% override contingency for such construction.

In addition to the rental of office space, the Society rents space on an as needed basis for its educational programs. Rental expense for the years ended August 31, 2009 and August 31, 2008 totaled \$53,259 and \$66,380, respectively.

Note 7 – Temporarily restricted net assets

In 1996, the Society established the Heloise S. Ham Educational Scholarship Fund (the "Fund") from a pledge received from the family of Heloise S. Ham to endow a scholarship program and recorded it as temporarily restricted. On an ongoing basis, the Fund is funded by contributions from the family of Heloise S. Ham and income from the Fund assets and Society members. The scholarships are available to undergraduate students who are enrolled full-time in a college or university in the greater New York area and who have completed at least their sophomore year by the time the program begins in the summer.

They must also demonstrate academic excellence and have an interest in the securities profession. Because these funds can only be used for scholarship purposes, the assets of the fund are considered temporarily restricted.

During 2008, the Society received additional funds of \$1,000 towards maintenance of an archive to benefit value-investing research. The fund is recorded as temporarily restricted.

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Note 7 – Temporarily restricted net assets (continued)

The following is a summary of the activity of the temporarily restricted net assets for the year ended August 31, 2009:

	Balance, Beginning of Year	<u>Additions</u>	Net Assets Released	Balance, End of Year
Scholarship fund	\$ 250,168	\$ 24,622	\$ (10,150)	\$ 264,640
Value investing archive	96,866	1		96,867
Total	<u>\$ 347,034</u>	\$ 24,623	\$ (10,150)	\$ 361,507

Note 8 – Retirement plans

The Society maintained a defined contribution plan (the "Plan") pursuant to Internal Revenue Code Section 403(b), for all eligible employees who had completed ½-year of service. Employees vested in the Plan 20% each year over five years, beginning in year two. During the 2008 fiscal year, the Society contributed 5% of each employee's base wages to the Plan. Contributions to the Plan were determined annually by the Society's Board of Directors. The plan expense amounted to \$89,010 for the year ended August 31, 2008.

The Internal Revenue Service instituted new regulations for all 403(b) plans. In order to comply with such new regulations, the Society amended its current 403(b) Plan and combined it with its Profit Sharing Plan to form a new 401(k) Profit Sharing Plan. The amended Plan became effective on April 16, 2009 and includes a 3% Safe Harbor employer contribution. Any employer discretionary contributions in excess of the Safe Harbor contribution are determined annually by the Society's Board of Directors. The Safe Harbor contributions are 100% vested and any additional discretionary contributions vest over the same schedule as the aforementioned 403(b) Plan.

For the Plan year ended June 30, 2009, the Society's Board of Directors voted to contribute 5% of each eligible employee's base wage earned through April 15, 2009 and 2% of each eligible employee's base wage earned from April 16, 2009 through June 30, 2009, to the Plan, respectively.

The Society elected to change the Plan year-end to August 31 to conform to the Society's fiscal year-end. To facilitate this change, there was a short Plan year beginning July 1, 2009 and ending August 31, 2009. For this short Plan year, the Society's Board of Directors voted to contribute 2% of each eligible employee's base wages earned during that period to the Plan, in addition to the 3% Safe Harbor contributions made.

The total pension plan expense amounted to \$42,681, net of \$54,449 in forfeitures for the year ended August 31, 2009.

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Note 9 – Net assets released from restrictions

Net assets were released from donor restrictions by incurring expenses that satisfied the restricted purposes specified by donors as follows for the years ended August 31, 2009 and August 31, 2008:

	2009		2008	
Purpose restriction accomplished:				
Scholarships	\$	10,000	\$	25,000
Bank service charges		150		150
Value investing archive				8,073
Total	\$	10,150	\$	33,223

Note 10 – Legal claims

As of August 31, 2009, management of the Society is unaware of any material legal claims or threatened litigation against the Society. While claims may arise from time to time in the ordinary course of business, such claims would not in the opinion of management have a material effect on the Society's financial statements.

Note 11 – Tax status

The Society is exempt from federal income taxes under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code (the "Code"). In addition, the Society has been determined by the Internal Revenue Service to be a publicly supported organization, and not a private foundation, within the meaning of Section 509(a)(2) of the Code. The Society's activities that constitute unrelated business income consist of certain room rentals and book sales.

Recent accounting pronouncement

The Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) has issued FASB Interpretation No. 48 (FIN-48), "Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes." The implementation of FIN-48 has been deferred for nonprofit organizations by FASB staff position FIN 48-3 and will be effective for the Society's 2010 fiscal year.

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Note 12 – Unrestricted net assets

The following is a summary of the activity of the unrestricted operating and board designated – Building Fund and Initiatives Fund for the years ended August 31, 2009 and August 31, 2008:

	Unrestricted			
	Operating Fund	Building Fund	Initiatives Fund	Total
Balance, at August 31, 2007	\$ 251,986	\$ 4,935,938	\$ -	\$ 5,187,924
Revenue				
Investment income	65,801	158,968	-	224,769
Other revenue	6,996,675	-	300,000	7,296,675
Net realized and unrealized				
gain on investments		30,269		30,269
Total revenue	7,062,476	189,237	300,000	7,551,713
Less: Expenses	6,665,979			6,665,979
Increase before interfund transfers	396,497	189,237	300,000	885,734
Interfund transfer	<u>(400,000</u>)	400,000		
Increase (decrease) in net assets	(3,503)	<u>589,237</u>	300,000	885,734
Balance, at August 31, 2008	248,483	5,525,175	300,000	6,073,658
Revenue				
Investment income	11,117	23,892	-	35,009
Other revenue	6,346,648			6,346,648
Total revenue	6,357,765	23,892	-	6,381,657
Less: Expenses	6,384,567	150		6,384,717
Increase (decrease) before				
interfund transfer	(26,802)	23,742	-	(3,060)
Interfund transfer	<u>88,778</u>	(88,778)		
Increase (decrease) in net assets	61,976	(65,036)		(3,060)
Balance, at August 31, 2009	<u>\$ 310,459</u>	<u>\$ 5,460,139</u>	<u>\$ 300,000</u>	<u>\$ 6,070,598</u>