



*"The Lord Cometh"*

# The Maranatha Village Trumpet

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## Lillian Doane Walking Trail



"It's a first," said Stan Mohr to the large crowd gathered for the Lillian Doane Memorial Walking Trail dedication service. He was referring to the fact that none of his pastor's manuals had any information for conducting a walking trail dedication. In spite of that, Stan did an excellent job. He guided our thoughts toward thanking God for a wonderful walking trail that was provided for Village residents to enjoy. He also encouraged us to live for God as we walk before Him. It could easily be one of the finest walking trails for private use on any Christian retirement campus anywhere.

The weather was just perfect for the outside gathering of friends of the Doane family and Village residents. Robert Watterson opened the service with prayer, thanking the Lord for Lillian's long life of dedication to the Lord. Terry Doane was able to speak about his long married life with Lillian and his plea-

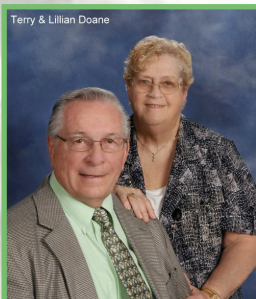


sure at providing this walking trail as a memorial to her. Terry and Lillian's son Mark and daughter-in-law Sheila, were able to attend the dedication service.

A life long friend of the Doane family, Larry Hufhand, shared with everyone some experiences from his years of association with Terry and Lillian. Then Stan Mohr brought his message. John Thorp closed the service with some good memories and a prayer of dedication.

All present residents, future residents and visitors will benefit from the "Lillian Doane Memorial Walking Trail." It is with great appreciation that we say "THANK YOU" to Terry Doane for making this walking trail a reality. To God be the glory for great things He has done.

Carl Barton, Editor

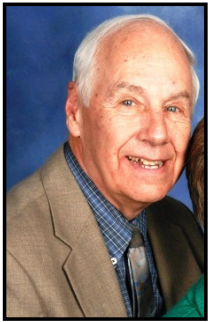


Terry & Lillian Doane





# Village Financial Report 2015



**Dennis Doughman**  
Treasurer

God has certainly been good to M.V. over the past 40+ years and 2014 is no exception. As a matter of fact, He has provided for the Village in such a way that our financial records now reflect a financial position that the public can accept as being on a solid financial footing. The past year turned the Village from showing a negative equity position into a positive position on our Balance Sheet. This is important due to the fact that our insurance company insisted on a positive position to maintain our coverage in future years. This is the result of an excess of income over expenses (see income / expense statement ) in the amount of just over \$225,000.

## ***PRAISE GOD FOR HIS ABUNDANT BLESSINGS***

As we examine our financial position, we must be careful not to jump to conclusions. Even though the statements reflect a large excess it does NOT mean that we enjoy excess cash for operational use. For example, the Charitable Gift Annuity program will generate approximately \$60,000 cash in the future, but we must report it as income now. Also the investment income of almost \$50,000 is all reinvested so does not provide cash for operations. In addition, the gift of \$100,000 provided by Maranatha Baptist Church must be recorded as income, yet the cash was used for the capital project of road repaving and not for operations. These 3 items total \$210,000 of the \$226,472 carried over to the equity section of the Balance Sheet.

***In summary of the 2014 financial statement, we should all be saying Praise the Lord!!!!***

Let's look ahead to 2015. Our budget is not balanced. This has been planned but not to the deficit we had projected. One of the reasons is because more units were committed in 2014 than we had anticipated. This reduces the amount of units available for 2015. The foundation gifts we received in 2014 went for apartment renovations and some of the excess will be carried over to 2015 but not part of the operational income. The Village does have a realistic, manageable plan for 2015.

The Board and Management are developing a 5-7 year plan for capital projects. This should be in place and functioning in the near future. For example, the Village mowers are very old and in very bad shape. The Village planned on the replacement of the 3 mowers over the next 3 years – 1 each year. The funds for 2014 were committed but a purchase was not made so the

funds carried over to 2015. ***NOW GOD HAS PROVIDED AGAIN!!*** An individual has indicated that if we purchase an industrial mower from his company, the company will donate an identical mower. With the funds allocated for the 2015 purchase, the Village has 3 new industrial mowers en route as of the end of January. Praise the Lord!!!! A savings of almost \$10,000.

Beautification and upgrades are happening as a result of individuals donating to MV. Just look at Memorial Park and around the south lakes.

Also as a reminder, the Charitable Gift program will provide funds to the Village in the future and at the same time provide you with immediate income now. If you are interested, see Carl Barton for more information and for help to guide you through the process.

Often times we want to see quicker, immediate change, but in reality it takes time and planning. Let's count the cost before we build the tower.

***PRAISE GOD FOR HIS BLESSINGS!!***

## ***Maranatha Village Board Members***



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***The Village Board Members are residents of the Village and volunteer their time.***

# Maranatha Village Treasurer's Report

Dennis Doughman

## Balance Sheet — 12/31/2014

	12/31/2014	12/31/2013	change
<b>Assets</b>			
Cash On Hand	\$ 36,016	\$ 129,849	\$ (93,833)
Investments / Reserves	\$ 1,904,652	\$ 1,368,570	\$ 536,082
Accounts / Notes Receivable	\$ 295,920	\$ 256,736	\$ 39,184
Other Current Assets	\$ 226,774	\$ 88,468	\$ 38,306
Total Current Assets	\$ 2,463,362	\$ 1,843,623	\$ 619,739
Fixed Assets	\$ 3,216,776	\$ 3,085,716	\$ 131,060
Other Assets	\$ 96,643	\$ 125,146	\$ (28,503)
Total Fixed / Other Assets	\$ 3,313,419	\$ 3,210,862	\$ 102,557
<b>Total Assets</b>	\$ 5,776,781	\$ 5,054,485	\$ 722,296
<b>Liabilities</b>			
Current Liabilities	\$ 43,908	\$ 75,135	\$ (31,227)
Long Term Liabilities	\$ 5,657,010	\$ 5,078,415	\$ 578,595
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	\$ 5,700,918	\$ 5,153,550	\$ 547,368
Net Worth / Equity	\$ 75,863	\$ (99,065)	\$ 174,928
<b>Total Liabilities / Equity</b>	\$ 5,776,781	\$ 5,054,485	\$ 722,296

**NOTE: report is prior to year end entries**

## Income / Expense Statement — Period Ending 12/31/2014

	YTD	Budget	Over / (Under)
<b>Income</b>			
Maintenance Fees	\$ 671,577	\$ 650,556	\$ 21,021
Service Fees	\$ 106,641	\$ 102,038	\$ 4,603
Foundation Gifts / Apt Upgrades	\$ 350,184	\$ 202,000	\$ 148,184
Interest / Investment Gain/(Loss)	\$ 48,932	\$ 83,400	\$ (34,468)
Donations	\$ 170,048	\$ 5,146	\$ 164,902
Other Income	\$ 20,860	\$ 14,860	\$ 6,000
Total Income	\$ 1,368,242	\$ 1,058,000	\$ 310,242
<b>Expenses</b>			
Administration/Salaries/Benefits	\$ 391,098	\$ 382,855	\$ 8,243
Professional Services	\$ 93,660	\$ 93,360	\$ 300
Utilities / Property Taxes	\$ 177,741	\$ 172,311	\$ 5,430
Bldg /Equi/Vehicle Maintenance	\$ 127,867	\$ 76,660	\$ 51,207
Grounds/Security/Office	\$ 45,471	\$ 34,414	\$ 11,057
Guest/Resident Services	\$ 47,214	\$ 44,000	\$ 3,214
Various Projects	\$ 6,240	\$ 5,100	\$ 1,140
Public Relations	\$ 7,211	\$ 9,300	\$ (2,089)
<b>Total Operating Expenses</b>	\$ 896,502	\$ 818,000	\$ 78,502
Depreciation	\$ 245,268	\$ 240,000	\$ 5,268
Total Expenses	\$ 1,141,770	\$ 1,058,000	\$ 83,770
Surplus Income Over Expenses	\$ 226,472	\$-	\$ 226,472

**NOTE: report is prior to year end entries**

# The Tim Kaufman Concert

## February 20, 2015



As a worship leader and concert artist, Tim Kaufman's motivation is to see people worship God truthfully and passionately, both in gathered worship and individual worship. After all, that's what God wants; "But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship him. God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth" (St. John 4:23 & 24).

A graduate of the Word of Life Bible Institute and of Cedarville University with a B.A. in Comprehensive Biblical Studies, Tim is committed to the scriptural mandate to sing praise to God "What is it then? I will pray with the spirit, and I will pray with the understanding also: I will sing with the spirit, and I will sing with the understanding also" (I Corinthians 14:15, KJV). In other words, we are to worship enthusiastically and accurately.

According to Tim, "The issue isn't whether we worship in a style that is traditional, blended, contemporary, or a combination of all of the above. The issue is, do we worship truthfully (based on scripture) and do we do so from

the heart? God is so much more about the heart of worship rather than the style of worship. He's given us great latitude and freedom in terms of style but clear instruction on the Who and why of worship." Following five years as team vocalist and director of music with Jack Wyrzten and the Word of Life Fellowship (four years in the U.S. and one year in Portugal) Tim became associated with the Riverdale Baptist Church in Maryland as associate pastor of young married families, assistant music director, Christian school-teacher, and staff evangelist. In 1989 he moved his ministry headquarters to Central Florida and traveled as a concert artist and seminar presenter.

In June of 2004, he felt the call to serve the Northcliffe Baptist Church in Spring Hill, FL, as their interim worship leader. That assignment ended in January of 2010, and Tim & his family are seeking the Lord for "what is next" in their journey of service & faith walk.

Tim and his wife Alicia are blessed to be the parents of Alexandra (and son-in-law Nate Claiborne), Amber, Sophia, Ivan, and Naomi. The Kaufman's reside near Orlando, FL.

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## THE SANDHILL CRANES

By Wanda Gough



Here in Maranatha Village there were two Sandhill Cranes that we had been observing for several years. It was so exciting to watch each year as they emerged followed by two little yellow fuzzy babies and then follow them as they grew into adulthood.

One day one of our residents, Margaret Bell, related to me something she had observed from her mobile home. The two adult cranes were in her back yard where she had a stor-

age shed. When the male crane saw another crane invading his territory he decided to fight it, and fight it he did. In fact, he fought so hard he was bleeding. It so happened the storage shed had a glass window in it and the other crane he was fighting was a reflection of himself in that window. When Margaret told me about this, the expression that came to my mind was: ***Sometimes We Are Our Own Worst Enemy.***



*Florida's Sandhill Cranes*





# *New Maranatha Village Residents*

## *Charles and Patty Ladd*



Patty and Chuck were raised in Christian homes. Patty accepted Jesus as her Savior at age 11 in a small Baptist church. She remembers that as a teenager, she

began praying that God would give her a godly man to love and care for her. It was about this time she met Chuck, who was delivering the local newspaper. They attended the same middle school where they would sometimes see each other. They were separated when Chuck went to live with an uncle.

Soon Chuck asked Patty to go on a date, but one of Patty's dad's house rules was, "If you want to date my daughter you have to come to our Baptist church with her first." So he did. At age 17, Chuck accepted Jesus as his Savior and was baptized.

In January 1964, Chuck joined the United States Coast Guard for a four year term while Patty finished high school. On June 11, 1966, they were married. The Lord blessed them with 3 children – 2 sons and a daughter who live in Michigan.

They have a home in Michigan near Battle Creek. Before retiring, they raised Hereford beef cows while Chuck also worked for the Grand Trunk Western Railroad for 31 years. Patty was the elementary school's librarian for 8 years. Patty also taught kindergarten and helped in the other classrooms as needed at the Christian school. Later she worked at a local Kmart part time and then at a local supermarket full time in the deli department.

Around 1998, the railroad was closing the repair shop where Chuck was a foreman. They wanted him to move to Chicago, but Chuck said no. He got a builder's license and went into business for himself. At the same time, Patty quit her deli job and went to work for Chuck. They took the job as a couple of building supervisors at their home church. Chuck kept the two heating boilers and the air conditioners going, as well as doing a lot of heavy work. He supervised

all building projects of remodeling. When anything broke, he fixed it! Patty did a lot of the janitorial work. They were blessed to complete seven years in that position, retiring in 2007.

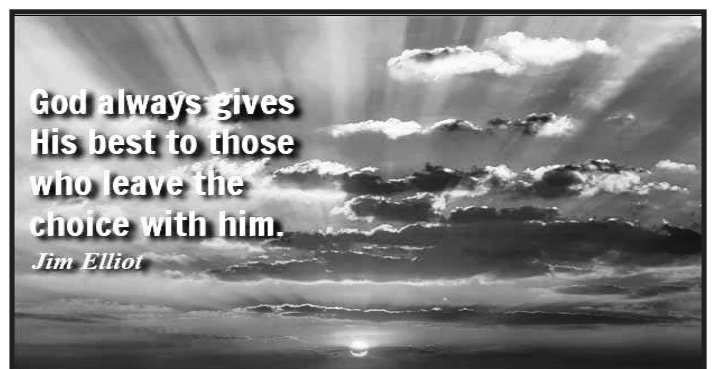
Soon thereafter, Patty's 79 year old mom fell and broke her hip. She needed Patty. The day before Patty's mother's fall, Chuck's mom (81 years old) was diagnosed with terminal cancer. The next five years were spent caring for their elderly parents.

For 7 years, Dick and Doris Geiger, urged the Ladds to spend some time at Maranatha. They came December 21, 2013, and fell in love with Maranatha Village. As someone said, "It's a little bit of heaven on earth!"

Some of the reasons they stated as to why they love it here:

1. Serving God with like-minded followers of Christ, and studying God's Word with all the variety of speakers.
2. The two of us learning to play golf for the first time. (Who said an old dog can't learn new tricks?)
3. The weather – much more sunshine here than in Michigan and no snow to shovel!
4. Great fellowship with our brothers and sisters in Christ.
5. Patty is enjoying singing in the church choir. (The director, Jan Burgess, is the mother of Patty's choir director in Battle Creek.)

"We are looking forward to all God has for us as we continue to get to know more of you and as we serve our great God until He comes again!"



## MORAVIAN CHICKEN PIE



When we lived in North Carolina near Winston-Salem, I acquired this recipe from a restored Moravian village.

My family loves this pie and asks for it when we celebrate birthdays, and holidays. It makes 6-8 servings.

4 lb. whole chicken or 2 1/2 - 3 lbs. boneless, skinless chicken breasts

1 pie crust

3 Tablespoons of melted butter or margarine

3 Tablespoons flour

2 cups of chicken broth

Salt and pepper to taste

Bring chicken to a boil in a large saucepan. and then simmer 60 minutes for whole chicken and 30 minutes for breasts. Let cool in pan. Reserve stock. Skin and bone chicken, then cut or shred chicken into bite size pieces. Set aside.

Melt 3 TB of butter in a saucepan, Then whisk in 3 TB of flour on low heat for 2 minutes. Slowly stir in 2 cups of reserved stock.

Bring to a boil and remove from heat. Stir in chicken and season with salt and pepper.

Pour chicken mixture into a 9 inch greased pie plate. Place crust over mixture crimping the edges and cut in several steam vents.

Place in a 400 degree preheated oven for 15 minutes. Reduce to 350 degrees and bake for 45 more minutes until crust is golden.

You may thicken more stock with cornstarch or flour and serve over individual servings if desired. Best when served warm.

Bernice Dougherty

## The Story of Valentines

Mid-February in Rome was the traditional dating time for young Romans. On February 14 young men sent handwritten love letters to women they admired. These later became known as valentines.

The earliest valentine still in existence was sent in 1415 by Charles, Duke of Orleans, to his wife, while he was a prisoner in the Tower of London. The valentine is now in the British museum.

By 1797, printers began producing a limited number of cards and verses and sketches, called "mechanical" valentines. A British publisher offered *The Young Man's Valentine Writer*, a handbook of sentimental verses for "the young lover unable to compose his own."

Esther Howland of Worcester, Massachusetts, was the first American publisher of valentines. In the 1870's she created valentines from lace, paper flowers, and cutouts. Howland's father owned a stationery store, and when his customers saw the beautiful handmade valentines, they immediately placed orders totaling over \$5,000.

A type of valentine that became popular in the 1800's was a comic valentine known as the "penny dreadful"-a somewhat insulting card that only cost a penny.

For example:

"Tis all in vain your simpering looks, you never can incline, with all your bustles, stays, and curls, to find a valentine."

Insulting or not, valentines kept gaining popularity, and now, with the exception of Christmas, Americans exchange more cards on Valentine's Day than at any other time of the year.

*Love at first sight never happens before breakfast.*

Rules for Happiness

Something to do,

Someone to love,

Something to hope for. -Kant

*The cat and the love you give away always come back to you.*

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# 2015 Conference & Concert Schedule

**FEBRUARY 8-11, 2015**

**Dr. Richard Van Heukelum**

Dr. Richard Van Heukelum is the Senior Pastor of Shawnee Baptist Church in Shamong, NJ. He previously held pastorates in New York and Iowa, and enjoyed a one-year short term assignment in the Central African Republic. He has served on several boards and councils, and has preached overseas in South America, Asia, Europe and Africa. He is a graduate of Michigan State University, Grace Theological Seminary, and holds a D.Min. from Baptist Bible Seminary, Clarks Summit, PA. In 2001, he founded Word for the World Ministries, an internet outreach that has seen over 80,000 downloads from all 50 states and 45 foreign countries. He and his wife Lynette have three grown children and seven grandchildren.



**MARCH 8-11, 2015**

**Dr. Gary L. Anderson**

Dr. Gary L. Anderson has served for over 25 years (since 1989) as President of Baptist Mid-Missions, following two years as Executive Vice President. Prior to that, he had pastored the Springville (PA) Baptist Church. Dr. Anderson holds a B.A. from Bob Jones University, a M.Div. from Biblical Theological Seminary, and was honored with the Doctor of Divinity Degree by Baptist Bible College and Seminary in 1990. Gary and his wife, Barbara, have three adult children and make their home in Grafton, OH. The BMM General Council is engaged in an active search for God's man to succeed Dr. Anderson as he prepares for a well-deserved retirement.



## The DiMarco Brothers

**March 20, 2015**



**Charles DiMarco, Jr.** was drawn to the violin and piano at an early age after hearing the sounds and strings produced by The Florida Orchestra, Andre Rieu, the Johann Strauss Orchestra, and Celtic Woman. Playing and studying since 2005, Charles Jr. has also had the privilege of attending the Fine Arts Summer Academy (FASA) in Nashville, TN for the

last 5 years playing under the tutelage of the Juilliard-trained Annie Moses Band. In 2013 and 2014, he was blessed with the opportunity to play on the Grand Ole Opry stage alongside the Annie Moses Band. Charles also plays with the Pinellas Park Orchestra and in the Starkey Road Baptist Church Orchestra. **Colin DiMarco** (above picture) started playing cello at 3½ seemingly wanting to take on the challenge of mastering one of the largest instruments he could find. Colin has been inspired by The Piano Guys, Andre Rieu, the Johann Strauss Orchestra, and other talented musicians. For the last 5 years, Colin has also attended the Fine Arts Summer Academy in Nashville, TN playing under the tutelage of the Juilliard-trained Annie Moses Band. Colin began his string studies with Shirley Hand and now continues his cello studies with Martin Berstein.

He also took 2 years of piano with Melanie Pav. The DiMarco Brothers will be accompanied in their concert by **Noah Keyes**, an 8th grader at Keswick Christian School, where he is active in choir and band.



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**“Believe on the  
Lord Jesus Christ  
and you will be saved.”**

## Retirement Open House for Wes and Bonnie Halstead



Wes and Bonnie Halstead were honored by Maranatha Village with a Retirement Open House on January 29, 2015. Wes has been the Maranatha Village manager for the past 13 years, and we are able to see many good accomplishments from his time as manager.

A financial gift collected from the Village residents and the Village Board was presented to

Wes and Bonnie in appreciation for their many years of faithful ministry. Plans are for Wes and Bonnie to enjoy a special cruise to Alaska sometime in the future, when it fits into their plans. Thank you, one and all, for participating in this special expression of love and thanks. Refreshments were prepared by Elaine Edmondson and her helpers. Decorations were done by Pat Seddon and her helpers. It was a lovely occasion.



From all of us at Maranatha Village, we wish Wes and Bonnie the very best for the future. We trust they will soon be able to enjoy a more relaxed life style. Thank you, Wes and Bonnie, for your long and faithful service to Maranatha Village.

