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DEARIE, DO YOU REMEMBER??

In the good old summertime, the good old "us" are not in our prime. We "gripe" a lot, because it's too hot---enough of this silly rhyme. Lucky us when you come right down to it. Take a little jaunt down memory lane and remember when every summer it was 90 degrees in the shade; when mom couldn't drop a coin in the washing machine, but scrubbed and scrubbed on the old wash board; when she got her facial (and remember how soft and beautiful her skin was) over that steaming copper wash boiler; no setting the dials on a dryer for her, just lines and lines of soft wind blown clothes--provided the rain held off and the clothesline didn't break. A popicle to cool us off--sure if we had nerve enough to hop the ice wagon and not get caught. An iceless with an automatic pop dispenser--our pop was dispensed to us luke-warm from that old washtub full of ice at the church picnic and what a treat it was. No swimming here and you can't swim there--if we just happened to have our swim suits or even if we didn't we could cool off in any lake or stream or old swimming hole that we chanced upon. How can you compare a soft summer evening on the old front porch with only the moon and the fireflies lighting the dark with the chatter and laughter of grownups and kids together or maybe the humming of an old familiar tune to the sophisticated show on a colored TV in an air conditioned room. There is no comparison. Out to eat, only in a modern up-to-the-minute dining room. Doesn't this sound oh so good and familiar?

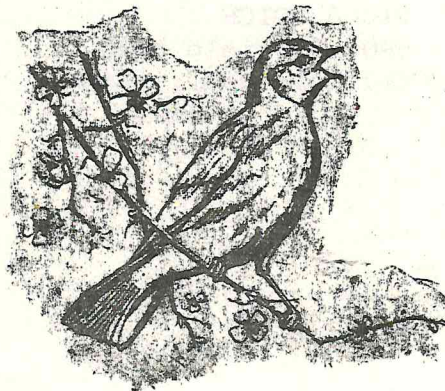
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May have to jog your memory a bit to recall--Grandma, fry the chicken; Aunt Lucy, bring the pie; Grandpa, grab a dishcloth and swat that fly; ants crawlin' on the table; cover all the food; say, Aunt Min, your salad is real real good. Annie, can I have the recipe for that chocolate cake. Oh, good heavens, the baby just fell in the lake. Tommy, let your sister have a ride on that swing; drop that baseball in the lemonade again and they'll really hear you sing.

Nostalgia, yes, but we lived through it all, and we're still here, healthy, hearty, and happy and hoping that our young folks have beautiful memories and are grateful for what they have today. Enjoy what's left of the summer; find just one tiny something to enjoy every day of your life, but enjoy your memories most of all--because they belong just to you.

--Eileen Bentler



KITCHEN KORNER

SAUERKRAUT SURPRISE CAKE

"A real delicious surprise"

- 1/2 cup butter or margarine
- 1 1/2 cups sugar
- 3 eggs
- 1 teaspoon vanilla
- 2 cups sifted all purpose flour
- 1 teaspoon baking powder
- 1 teaspoon baking soda
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 cup cocoa powder
- 1 cup water
- 1-8 oz. (1 cup) sauerkraut
(drained, rinsed and finely
snipped)

In large bowl cream butter or margarine and sugar till light. Beat in eggs, one at a time, add vanilla. Sift together flour, baking powder, soda, salt and cocoa; add to creamed mixture alternately with water, beating after each addition. Stir in sauerkraut. Turn into greased and floured 13 by 9 by 2 inch baking pan.

Bake at 350 degrees for 35 to 40 minutes.

Cool in pan. Frost with Sour Cream Chocolate Frosting.

Frosting: Melt one 6 oz. pkg. semi-sweet chocolate pieces and 4 table-
spoons butter or margarine over low
heat. Remove from heat. Blend in
1/2 cup dairy sour cream, 1 teaspoon
vanilla and 1/4 teaspoon salt.
Gradually add 2 1/2 to 2 3/4 cups
confectioners sugar. Beat well to
spreading consistency.

-- Eileen Bentler

RIBBON SALAD

- 1 each: 3 oz. pkg. of Lime,
Orange, Lemon and Straw-
berry Jello

Dissolve 1 pkg. of Jello in
1 cup boiling water and add
1/2 cup cold water. Put in
a large oblong mold (or in a
9 by 13 cake pan). Place in
refrigerator until firm.

- 2 cups milk
- 1 cup sugar
- 2 pkgs. (not boxes) unflavored
Knox gelatin
- 1/2 cup cold water
- 2 tsp. vanilla

Boil milk, add sugar. Dissolve
gelatin in 1/2 cup cold water,
add to boiled milk and let
cool. Do not refrigerate.
When cool add sour cream and
vanilla. Beat until smooth.
Do not refrigerate.

When first layer of Jello is
firm, add 1 1/2 cups of cream
mixture. Refrigerate until
firm. Add second Jello. Make
sure it is cold or it will
dissolve the cream mixture.
Then alternate Jello and cream
ending with Jello. Make sure
each layer of Jello and each
layer of cream is firm before
adding next layer.

--Eileen Bentler

"When baking apples put in a
deep dish and cover with diet
soda. No need for sugar."

SUMMER SCHEDULE -- AUGUST 1977

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
1 3:30 Rosary	2 8:00 Game Night	3	4 PICNIC AT MR. PITRONE'S 8:00 Game Night	5 8:00 Jukebox Dancing
8 1:30 W.W.I Vets and Auxiliary Picnic 3:30 Rosary	9 7:00 Men's Club 8:00 Game Night	10 5:00 ROUNDUP TIME STEAK DINNER 7:00 BIRTHDAY- ANNIVERSARY PARTY	11 8:00 Game Night	12 8:00 Jukebox Dancing
15 3:30 Rosary	16 8:00 Game Night	17 7:30 CARD PARTY	18 8:00 Game Night	19 TRIP TO SEA WORLD 8:00 Jukebox Dancing
22 7:30 Pinochle Tourn.	23 8:00 Game Night	24	25 12:00 Noon THIS TLEDOWN RACE TRACK 8:00 Game Night	26 8:00 Jukebox Dancing
29 3:30 Rosary	30 8:00 Game Night	31	SPECIAL EVENTS: Every Saturday night at 8:00--Game Night WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 10th--Steak Dinner and Birthday--Anniversary Party See Page 3, VILLA VOICE, for details on special trips.	
7:30 Pinochle Tourn.				

UP AND DOWN THE HALLWAYS

We are pleased to welcome Leonard Shoemaker, Frank Vigneri, and Catherine DiPenti home from the hospital. All good wishes for a quick return to good health.

Hettie Johnson returned home recently from a sightseeing trip; she attended her grandson's wedding in Rhode Island during her trip.

Our thanks to Ruth Storey for replacing the broken birdbath.

"Take time to enjoy the beauty of our existence."

Thank you goes to John Nagy for working out an idea for anchoring the patio umbrellas and then providing the materials and labor to complete the job. Three cheers!

"For everything there is a season."

Congratulations to card party winners: Bessie Warner, Helen Latsko, Jack Baker, Emma Baker, Sylvia Koptis, and Anna Krozser. Also on another night winners were: Rose Checел, Teresa Bocchicchio, Hazel Thompson, Laura Seibert, Anne Skigen, and Kathryn Ewing.

The VILLA VOICE and its readers extend sincere sympathy to the families of

Richard Monroe
Randolph Yeager

HAND IN HAND

Man tills the soil that God put there,
He sows the seed with loving care.
The fruits we yield to Him we owe,
For He plays a part to help things grow.
Each season, in all her grandeur, comes in view,
With spirits high and fruitful, too.
Each plays a role in our Creator's plan,
Yielding beauty, warmth, and food for man.
--Edith Madge

Congratulations to winners in the pinochle tournament on July 11th:
\$3.00 Betty Pintar
\$2.50 Elmer Doerner
\$2.00 Hazel Thompson
\$1.50 Thelma Lilje

"Never let yesterday use up today"

VILLA SERENA BIRTHDAY-ANNIVERSARY
PARTY AND TALENT NIGHT

After a heat spell, the night of our July birthday-anniversary party turned out "COOL" in more ways than one. It was a "perked up" audience all set for a good time, and they were not disappointed! The birthday celebrants were many including Dorothy Papcke. Eileen Bentler who also shared a birthday was especially honored for her dedication in sending cards on behalf of the Villa Serena. She gives of her time and love for each card sent.

The entertainment by the Villa Serena residents and members was a "smash"! We really had some good talent in the following performers: a Villa Serena song was written and song by Rudy Freed; a choral group composed of Ruth Storey, Erna Haller, Doris Somnitz, Barbara Herczog, Dorothy Stahre, and Clifton Kroh sang many beautiful familiar tunes; Gordon Groewold, composer and piano accompanist, did an excellent job; and Dorothy Papcke, a real nightingale, sang beautiful renditions of "Every Day of My Life" and "I Love You So;" Mary Sherry tap danced, and Ed Antene played the banjo! Last but not least, Sammy Berk, who always plays up a storm with his piano.

The audience was quite overwhelmed with this grand performance of the Villa Serena talent! They deserve a lot of credit!

This evening terminated with yum, yummy refreshments and everybody went away content and in anticipation of more such programs.

--Edith Madge

BAND CONCERT ON THE VILLA LAWN

What could make for a peppier, more enjoyable evening than a "tummyful of m-m-m," oh so good, zingy barbecued ribs, all the fixins too, and an earful of thrilling zingy music. How much luckier could we get than to have been able to enjoy the United States Post Office Band playing out of doors in the beautiful setting of our own backyard. What music--band arrangements, soft and sweet tunes, toe-tapping melodies, and a trip or two down memory lane. We are more than grateful to this fine group, and certainly no words can describe the enjoyment that was ours when those very talented baton-twirlers strutted their stuff. How well trained they are; they, and the band too, seemed to get as much thrill out of playing as we got out of listening. Many of our neighbors enjoyed the evening too, and did you know that one of our very good neighbors, Felix Ostrowski, custodian at St. Francis, played with the group too. Doesn't the good fellowship and their love of playing beautiful music together really rub off on a person?

--Eileen Bentler

AUGUST BUS SCHEDULE

August 3 Richmond Mall
August 10 Mentor Mall
August 17 Severance Center
August 24 Mentor Mall
August 31 Richmond Mall

UNCLE RUDY'S TRAVEL NEWS

Hi Friends. I have something nice for you in October. In the meantime have a nice summer!

Hope you have signed up for the many nice trips the Villa Serena has planned for you in August. Because Martha Raye cancelled her appearance, there will be no trip to Kenley Playhouse on July 30th.

Yours in friendship,
Rudolph Freed
"Uncle Rudy"

VETERANS OF WORLD WAR I AND LADIES
AUXILIARY, BARRACKS 3482

Veterans of World War I, Barracks 3482 and the Ladies Auxiliary will have a joint meeting and picnic at 1:30 p.m. on Monday, August 8th, at the Villa Serena. This meeting will be limited to members of the Barracks and the Auxiliary.

Joseph McClintock

MEN'S CLUB

The Men's Club will hold their annual installation and meeting at 7:00 p.m. on August 9th. Refreshments will be served after the meeting.

Joseph McClintock
President

DONATIONS FOR THE BUS FUND

The following is Joe Slaminka's report on the bus fund donations:

Cash
\$5.00 Mr. and Mrs.
H. Herczog
.2.00 Ralph Keeler

Stamp Book
1-Elizabeth Corr

Loose Stamps
Elizabeth Corr
Anna Dean
Ralph Keeler
Theresa Bocchicchio

NEW MEMBERS WELCOMED TO THE
VILLA SERENA

We are very pleased to welcome the following new members to the Villa Serena Senior Citizen Center:

Theresa Basile
Margaret Molnar
Jennie Susac
Iris Beitz
Bridget Pantaleano
Sophia Sycz
Mary Zito
Mollie Morrow
Mildred Lebowitz

"It isn't the mountains ahead that wear you out; it's the grain of sand in your shoe."

SCHEDULE OF FUN TRIPS PLANNED FOR AUGUST

It is important that you sign up in the office and make your reservations as early as possible so that we may arrange transportation in ample time.

Each and everyone of these events listed below will give you an entertaining summer's day. Plan ahead to enjoy the month of August! Happy vacationing!

1. Thursday, August 4th-- ANNUAL PICNIC AT MR. PITRONE'S
Free to everyone. Pack your own lunch baskets and bring your family. A day to relax and enjoy yourself in country surroundings.
Hours: 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

2. Friday AUGUST 19th-- SEA WORLD. Please note change in date from August 18th to August 19th.
Cost: \$7.75 includes admission fee and transportation.
Sea World offers a new group of shows every year. It is a pleasant afternoon's entertainment.
Bus leaves Villa Serena at 11:00 a.m. and returns from the park at 4:00 p.m.

3. Tuesday, August 23rd-- OHIO STATE FAIR, COLUMBUS, OHIO
Cost: \$10.00 which includes admission fee plus transportation.
This is Cuyahoga County Day at the State Fair. It has been a couple of years since the Villa Serena has attended the Fair in a group. Let's "do it" this year. Gather your friends to come with us and we will head for a riotous fun day at the fair. The Villa Serena group always has a great time!
Bus leaves Villa at 8:00 a.m. and departs Columbus 4:00 p.m.

4. Thursday, August 25th-- THISTLEDOWN RACE TRACK
Cost: \$3.00 includes admission fee and transportation.
It is another great opportunity for you race track fans to enjoy the ups and downs of winning and losing--the thrill and disappointment--all part of an exciting afternoon.
Bus leaves Villa Serena at 12:00 noon.

COMING EVENTS IN SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER

Please sign up in the office now if you are interested in attending one or both of these events.

Tuesday, September 6th-- SENIOR CITIZENS CONCERT AT BLOSSOM CENTER
Admission free; transportation costs to be announced later.

Bus leaves Villa at 12:30 p.m.; concert at 2:00 p.m.

Sunday, October 16th-- SERGIO FRANCHI AT FRONT ROW

Ticket cost: \$7.00. Choice seats are available if you sign up and buy your ticket now. Show time: 7:30 p.m.

A lovely birthday, a joyful anniversary too. A beautiful year ahead is our wish for each of you from the Board of Trustees and the Villa Serena staff.

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

Flower: Gladiolus

Birthstone: Peridot

August

1 Rose Frayer #626
2 Anna Sima #512
2 Wesley Voorhies #327
3 Elizabeth Koches #206
5 Christine Caito #228
7 Anna Cro #222
8 Anna Lyons #820
8 Thomas Fitzpatrick #233
9 Dorothy Khaner #603
10 Alma Doerner #717
10 Edward Picozzi #407
13 Blanche Barr #406
13 Mae Brazis #416
13 Loretta Shaver #421
14 Ann Tieleman #232
15 Helen McHale #501
16 Helen Latsko #418
19 Mary Malloy #432
19 Helen Smatt #433
20 Elsie Fischer #722
21 Elizabeth Doyle #509
22 Hazel Shoemaker #316
22 Josephine Allison #307
25 Gladys Crawford #411
25 Marie Langmayer #426
25 Florence Timbers #701
27 Charles Lieurance #608
27 Hilda VanDame #720
29 Sylvia Koptis #216
30 Margaret Hebb #308

August

1 Angela Hagerty
5 Fonna Campbell
8 Josephine Binder
8 Edith Alten
9 Dorothy Newman
11 Charles Schirmer
15 Jerry Kulas
15 Marcella Montville
15 Letitia Walker
16 Robert DeFrancesco
16 Olivine Stopek
18 Fae Bloom
18 Helen Fabian
18 Lela Koch
19 Jennie Lerro
19 Charlotte Strittmatter
19 Mary Reindl
20 Caroline Iosue
20 John LaRiccia
22 Ann Zele
23 Marie Kirby
25 Ann Scaravelli
26 Grace Whitten
27 Irene McGumphy
27 Charles Ritchie
27 Helen Schanzel
28 Estelle Schwab
30 Theresa Porta
30 Rose Schneider
31 Frank Jacono

AUGUST ANNIVERSARIES

August 1 Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Freed #618
August 7 Mr. and Mrs. Roy Welke #617
August 12 Mr. and Mrs. William Koptis #216
August 28 Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Myslenski #518
August 28 Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Vanik
August 29 Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Fillion

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ROUNDUP TIME AT THE VILLA
SERENA RANCH
AND
AUGUST BIRTHDAY-ANNIVERSARY
CELEBRATION

STAFF. Eileen Bentler, Joseph Bentler, Lad Cimler, Mollie Cohen, Kathryn Ewing, Rudolf Freed, William Jaeger, Ralph Keeler, Dorothy Khaner, Edith Madge, Irene McDonough, Amelia Nagy, Joseph Rak, John Smola, and Ann Tieleman.

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BOUTIQUE '77

Special thanks to those diligent boutique workers who have accomplished so much during the hot July days. Although August sometimes tends to be one of those months when you say "I'll think about or do about that tomorrow," let's try to think "more positive" about our work on the boutique items. We all know every little bit of work done now will make a vast difference when the November countdown date is upon us. So let's all plan to have lots of boutique work to show when the summer is over!

Steak and corn on the cob! It's hard to think of anything more taste tempting and mouthwatering good! The Villa Serena offers this eating pleasure as an annual event during the sultry month of August. It's been a proven success in an eating adventure!

We suggest that you buy your roundup dinner ticket (\$4.00 per person) early for this summer evening event. Wednesday, August 10th, is the date to red circle on your calendar. Dinner will be served at 5:00 p.m.

At 7:00 p.m. til 9:00 p.m. Ed and Gilda Cifani will be performing for your entertainment and dancing pleasure. We are delighted to welcome back two of our most favorite personalities.

Come join us for another pleasurable and entertaining evening at the Villa Serena. Come and enjoy one of the best steak dinners in town!

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