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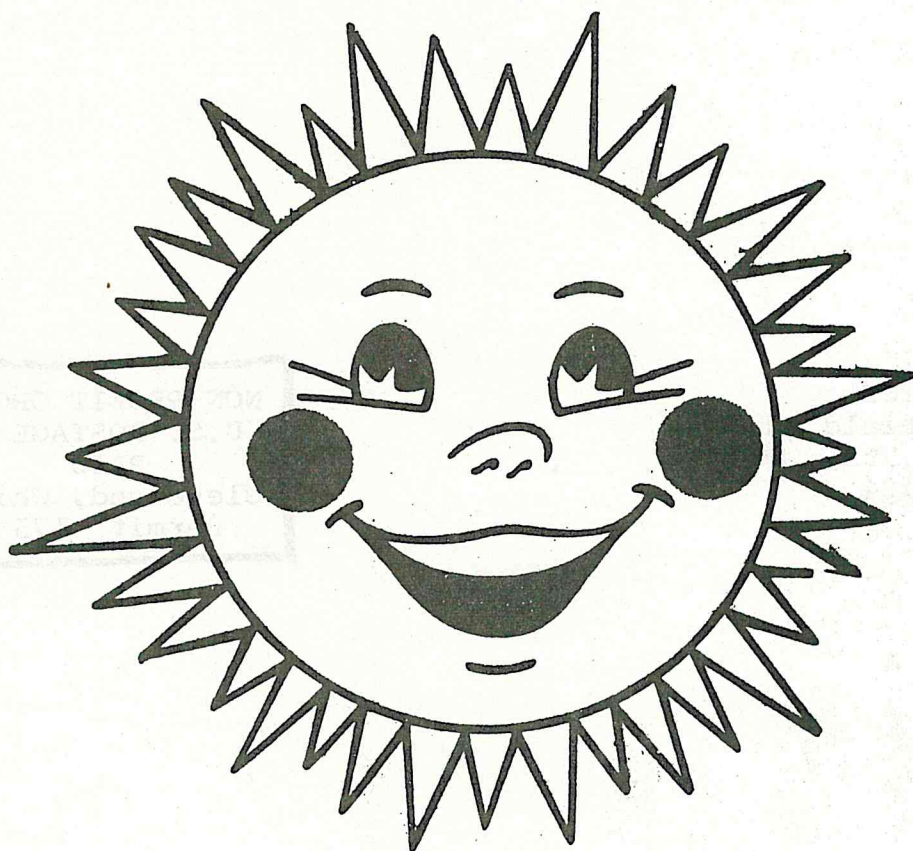
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NO DINNERS DURING JULY AND AUGUST

HAPPY VACATIONING TO ALL

FROM THE

KITCHEN STAFF



A BIG THANKS FROM ALL OF US TO OUR REGULAR STAFF
OF SERVING "GALS" FOR THEIR DEDICATED SERVICE THIS PAST YEAR!
AND OUR THANKS TOO, TO THOSE OF YOU WHO ON SO MANY
OCCASIONS JUST PITCH RIGHT IN AND HELP WHEREVER NEEDED IN
THE KITCHEN!!!!

OUR RESIDENT PATIO COOK OUT

With temperatures soaring to make July 16th one of the hottest days this year, residents of Villa Serena cooked and baked their favorite dishes for the yearly cookout. The casseroles, salads and goodies were displayed on the patio and then taken to the umbrella tables and picnic benches. The yard was a beautiful and colorful setting. It appeared to be much, too much food - but it was soon consumed in a short time. We have such under-fed people here - Ha! Ha!.

Later on in the evening, Sammy Berk, an outstanding musician, played the piano in his own inimitable way. Freddie David one of the unusual and talented "Harmonica Rascals" and standup comedian, played an instrument you could describe as a miniature accordion - and oh, could he play!!.

Mike Resnick, also a harmonica player, sang many familiar songs. All this was great entertainment on a very hot and humid night. They were just "beautiful people" entertaining "beautiful people"- coining a phrase that might represent Mr. Chesler's feelings.

Due to the heat and late hour, July Birthday-Anniversary planned program was postponed until July 22nd when we will welcome the Singing Sisters of Notre Dame for a program at the Villa Serena.

See you then!!!

--Irene McDonough--

EDITOR'S NOTE: We would like to add our sincere thanks and appreciation to the many of our residents who brought their favorite dishes to make our tables look so good and "scrumptuous" - Each of you should be commended.

ON THE FUNNY SIDE OF LIFE

"A girl scout sold me some cookies With a fervor that knew no bounds She gained herself a merit badge, I gained 11 pounds."

There is now a wig with built in curlers - for women to sear to the supermarket.

A woman walked into a butcher shop and said, "I'll have a pound of chuch. The butcher replied, "The price has gone up again, and we call it Charles now.

Neck is something which, if you don't stick out, you won't get in trouble up to.

The man who thinks he knows it all is a pain in the neck to those of us who really do.

Kind of cute, aren't they, they were submitted by Eileen Bentler. Thanks much!!!

As we go to press this month, we want to express our sympathy to Mary Sherry on the untimely death of her son who resided in California.

Our sympathy also to Mary Adorni on the loss of her husband. In spite of his physical limitations, Mr. Adorni enjoined his many trips to the Villa.

"Inflation sometimes turns a nest egg into chicken feed."

"People seem to become good listeners when they hear their names mentioned".

NEW YEAR'S EVE CELEBRATION

We are pleasantly surprised by the number of persons who have already indicated their desire to have a "New Year's Eve" celebration at the Villa Serena this year.

Please continue to come into the office to sign up if you desire to have a party as this will help us in our endeavors toward this goal. We need many more persons to indicate they want to come because arrangements must be made for music, food and the general good time for everyone.

A price for the entire evening has not been established at this time. However, it is our intention to have dancing, naturally, hopefully an early hour "after midnight" breakfast and drinks, party noise-makers and the works.

It promises to be a real fun and "gala" affair if we can make it a reality. It can only become this with your cooperation and showing of interest to attend.

DO IT NOW!!!!!!

GOODTIME CRUISE

We are still encouraging you to come into the office and sign up for the "chartered" goodtime cruise. We need 150 persons minimum. No reservations will be made until we can know we will have this number of persons or more.

If you have not signed up, sign up right away!!!!

We will still have plenty of beautiful summer nights in which to take this lovely dance cruise with all of our own group.

BIRTHDAY-ANNIVERSARY GET TOGETHER

On Tuesday, July 22nd, a beautiful and talented group of singing sisters of Notre Dame known as the "Songsters" graced our Villa Serena to help us celebrate our Birthdays-Anniversaries.

It was a perfect evening for singing out in the open under the sky as many senior citizens enjoyed it all either sitting in the lounge or on the patio and many from their cozy apartments with their windows wide open.

Under the leadership of Sister Ann Jose, they sang such lovely "inspirational" songs. What thrilled us most was the Ave Maria sung by Sister Ann Jose.

This was the first time these lovely nuns of nearly 60 voices have sung for a senior citizens group. It has been a tradition with them to gather together to entertain people in the suburbs during the summer season.

Mr. Chesler compared them to our beautiful evening primroses. It was a well deserved compliment.

What a delightful evening was had by all - refreshments of ice cream were served to make this a perfect evening.

We have so much to be thankful for here at the Villa Serena. As time marches on, there will be more and more.

---Edith Madge---

EDITOR'S NOTE: It was so wonderful to observe so much enjoyment, comradery and friendship after the completion of the program between our residents and the nuns and to see so many smiles, truly inspiring!

God willing, they will certainly be back with us again next year!!

THE GREAT AMERICAN NUMBERS GAME!

Credit cards, Blue Cross, Social Security, IRS, we are best known by "Numbers". Numbers really affect our lives, sometimes literally, such as blood pressure or temperature. Our business lives are regulated by forms for IRS, license numbers, permit numbers. Our social life depends upon credit cards and credit ratings often expressed in numbers. Population and elevation numbers are the first to greet us when we enter a city, then if we wish to move in we have zone numbers, street numbers and telephone numbers. We enter a large store, we are given a number for service. What we buy has a number, model and serial and is inspected by a number. Numbers are also affecting our daily lives almost without our realizing it, such as time and date, through radio, television and the press: 10-4, Adam-12, Code Three, Code Seven, Code Four, even our daily papers tell us to turn to "page 4, column 6". Even the housewife is a slave to measuring cups, oven temperatures and a budget made up of numbers of \$\$\$ and cents. We need numbers, but it is a sad day when and if we forget that behind every number is a person or persons, and as we deal with "number people" remember that people may have numbers, but numbers are not people.

OOPS, almost forgot the most important numbers of all, the "Nos. 1 to 75"----Bingo!!!!!!

---Eileen Bentler--

AUGUST BUS SCHEDULE

- August 6 - Mentor Mall
- August 20 - Richmond Mall

UNCLE RUDY IS TRAVELIN' AGAIN

HI FRIENDS!!!!

Here is what you have been waiting for. We are going to Kenley Players in Akron, on SUNDAY, AUGUST 24th. This show is already sold out, so I must have your reservations by the 10th of August. It will be a musical called "Four Girls". All big name stars.. We'll have dinner after the show at Fireside Inn. Always a good place to eat.

Bus leaves Villa Serena at 12:00 noon. Total cost is \$20.00 per.

Yours in friendship!

Call 461-2457 for your reservations.

"Uncle Rudy"
Rudolf Freed

THANK YOU TO SOME NICE PEOPLE

What a lovely letter was received from Hillcrest Hospital thanking many of our people for assembling the "Vial of Life" kits. Many of them were distributed at the Heritage Days during the holidays.

The "gals" who did such a nice job were: Anna Dean, Elsie Fischer, Dorothy Khaner, Anna Kandrak, Minnie Prokop, Mary Blasko, Agnes Grad, Kathryn Ewing.

Our residents are always there when it comes time to "help our fellow neighbors".

And while we are on the subject of Hillcrest Hospital and helping in many ways, we would like to add our special tribute, also, to the great number of our residents who daily volunteer their services at Hillcrest Hospital to help make life a little bit nicer and more pleasant for those who are ill.

You are all "real swell"!!!!!!

UP AND DOWN THE HALLWAYS

A BIG THANK YOU:-----

TO: Justyn Pretnar who has been helping our dedicated Liquid Embroidery ladies during the summer months.

TO: Sylvia Koptis and Mae Gaghan and Dorothy Jacobs for the beautiful Barbecue Dinner decorations for the tables and our dining room. They worked very hard to surprise all of us!!

TO: Bill Pace & Clyde Gordon who rebuilt our picnic tables and to Nick Ricchiuti, John Roso, Bill Pace and Frank Thomas for the beautiful paint job on our tables; to Louis Vargo for building a bench for the St. Francis Statute.

TO: Irene Mihalek, who made and donated those pretty flowers for our kitchen staff to wear.

TO: Anna Dean who was seen with her little broom sweeping the patio.

TO: Florence Gardner and to Margaret Vargo who scrubbed all the potatoes for our recent Barbecue dinner.

We hear that Dorothy Khaner is visiting her daughter in Dayton and then on to Illinois for the graduation of her grandson from Eastern University - we wish her a safe journey.

Once again this month we have had two anonymous donations to the Villa Serena - We want to thank the donors for their generosity!

Our sympathies to the families of

George Lash
Alvin Hitchcock
Hettie Johnson

lovely residents who passed away this month.

Also our sympathy to the family of Fred Tarzano a non-resident member who passed away. He was the brother-in-law of Alfred Salvatore and John Musacchio who reside at the Villa.

A get well wish to our friends in the hospital, Bertha Hay and Frank Lukas - Come home soon!!!!

Good luck to our non-resident member, Betty Harber, who is moving to Canada

S. Clinton Kroh who sings so divinely during our Thursday devotional services also sang a solo "How Great Thou Art" recently at Faith United Church of Christ in honor of the 60th anniversary of Mr. & Mrs. George. Did you ever hear him sing!!!!!!!

Did you notice that "sexy" looking surfer on our cover this month. The lovely art work was done by none other than "Vern Morgan". We are trying to found out which one of our "gals" posed for this "cheesecake". Mr. Morgan is not talking!!!!!!!!!!!!

As we go to press, Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Rak, have welcomed their very first great grandchild, born on July 21st which just happens to be their 55th wedding anniversary. How about that! What a nice celebration!!!!

AND THE WINNERS ARE!!!!

"Summertime and the card players are still coming" Sounds like an old familiar tune, doesn't it??? Well its just that for our loyal card players, and here are some of our winners this past month.

Mae Brazis, Rose Liedberg, Lee Pachy, Clem Brazis, Charles Hridel, John Schultz, Florence Gardner, Ella Dyke, Mike Volino, Nina Kime, Amelia Nagy.

Pinochle winners:

<u>6/23/80</u>		
Bill Pace	724	\$ 2.50
Joe Kubik	682	2.00
William Grimm	654	1.50
Tony Catullo	635	1.00

<u>6/30/80</u>		
Nina Kime	686	3.00
Flossie Podojil	666	2.50
Harry Guda	653	2.00
Jo McNamara	633	1.50

<u>7/7/80</u>		
Flo Simpson	664	3.00
Harold Lowe	660	2.50
Flossie Podojil	653	2.00
Betty Pinter	645	1.50

<u>7/14/80</u>		
Ann Skigen	702	3.00
Bill Pace	698	2.50
Jo McNamara	692	2.00
Harold Lowe	688	1.50

<u>7/21/80</u>		
Dave Milroy	672	2.75
Bill Grimm	670	2.25
Bill Pace	648	1.75
Pauline Kubik	646	1.25

Happy spending to winners!!!!!!

WORLD WAR I VETERANS

There will be no meeting of the World War I Vets during the month of August.

"Most of us watch television so we can tell each other why we don't" M.S.

WE'RE OFF TO THE RACES AGAIN!!!!

It seems as though the gamblin' fever is deeply imbedded in our 'gals and guys' at the Villa Serena. The proof of the puddin' is in the many who attended our recent trip to Thistledown in July.

On this trip we will go to see the "Sulky Riders" at Northfield Race Track.

The special date is on THURSDAY AUGUST 14th.

Cost: Admission is free to senior citizens- reserve seat ticket is 50¢ - plus transportation

Time: Bus leaves at 7:00 P.M.

Transportation will be extra depending on the number of persons attending.

Come in and sign up as soon as possible. Come and try your luck!!

BUS FUND DONATIONS

Our very sincere thanks to the following nice people who donated to the bus fund this past month.

Florence Gardner	\$ 10.00
Florence Welsh	10.00
Anonymous	50.00
Anonymous	10.00
Ralph Keeler	3.00
Ellen Guarnieri	25.00
Hilda Griffin	10.00
Minnie Prokop	10.00
Anna Dean	10.00
Nina Kime	10.00
Memory of George Lash	10.00
Anonymous	25.00
Allan Heckaman	10.00
Rose Vitale	5.00
Clem & Mae Brazis	25.00

MENS CLUB NEWS

Even though we're into the vacation season, we had a good turnout at the July meeting which was high-lighted by the election of officers for the coming year.

Elected to office were the following members:

- *BILL NAU -President
- *MIKE PERELLA -Vice President
- *DAVE MILROY -Treasurer
- JOHN CURRY -Secretary
- JOHN FEKETE -Sgt. at Arms

(*re-elected)

John Musacchio, who recently moved into the Villa became the newest member of the Mens Club. Needless to say, he was greeted warmly by all members present.

A short discussion was led by Holden Smith on the importance of eating nourishing foods. This is particularly timely since we will be without those delicious, wholesome Friday night dinners until September. Thanks, Smitty, for your helpful suggestions.

The Horseshoe Tournament got off to a good start on Friday, the 11th, with a practice session. Apparently we have some "ringers" in the group.

Next comes the bowling Tournament starting Friday, August 1st, at 12:00 noon. At that time, officers for the League will be elected. Thereafter (starting August 8) the starting time will be 1:00 P.M. Here's wishing all the bowlers nothing but strikes - and an occasional spare.

You have read many times of the contributions of time and effort given by the men at Villa Serena

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in beautifying the grounds, pruning the trees, fixing and painting the picnic benches, restoring the base around the statute of St. Francis, and numerous other improvements. I am happy to say all of these men are members of the Mens Club and typify our motto of "Participation and Involvement"!!

Our next meeting will be on Tuesday, August 12th, at which time we will have the installation of the new and re-elected officers for the 1980-81 year.

Lad Cimler has consented to be the installing officer. Let's have a good turnout.

Bill Nau
President

EDITOR'S NOTE: It is always a real pleasure for management of the Villa Serena to add its comments to the wonderful reports from the Mens Club - by saying congratulations to the new officers, you are all a wonderful group of men. We may have to heighten the doorways into the Pool Room because in our opinion you are all "TEN FEET TAL".

SPECIAL SHOWS

Notre Dame College, 4545 College Road in South Euclid invites you to "Sunday in the Suburbs to be held two evenings, July 13 and July 20 from 6:00 P.M. to 7:30 P.M.

Bring a picnic supper if you like and lawn chairs to the campus and enjoy free entertainment. The program will include the Summer Chamber Orchestra, McNamara's Band and ethnic dancers.

For more information call 381-1680. Plan to attend, it is fun!!!!

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August Cover
Vernon Morgan

BOUTIQUE NEWS

Summer work is ready if you desire to work on your own time. Ready to sew are aprons and smocks. Ready to quilt is the quilt. If you desire to make Santa pom-poms from plastic bags, see Kate Blumer. There are also childrens' toy bags ready to be painted with liquid embroidery paints. Anything you can do will be greatly appreciated. See Dorothy Papcke and she will give you something to work on. Happy Summer!!!

--Sally Kinney--

Along with Sally's report on the Boutique, we would like to also add our request for help during these summer months. Even a little bit of help will make it easier come September and the Boutique.

With your help, it will truly be another "FABULOUS BOUTIQUE"

STEAK ROAST & BIRTHDAY-ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS A LA VILLA SERENA

"Tradition" -"Tradition". It seems as though all of our very special activities have been so successful they have become traditional yearly events -- our "Steak Roast" is no exception and certainly has proven to be a great attraction.

So once again as in the years past we will all gather at the "Villa Serena Ranch for "round-up summer" celebration featuring our famous steaks, corn on the cob and all the goodies that go with it

Every year, we have said don't you think it would be real fun to wear something "western style", a kerchief a ten gallon hat, or some gay skirt or shirt. Let's go all out this year and really "do it up big".

The big celebration is scheduled for WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 6th at 5:00 P.M. Due to the tremendous rise in cost of food, the cost of this dinner will be \$6.50 per person.

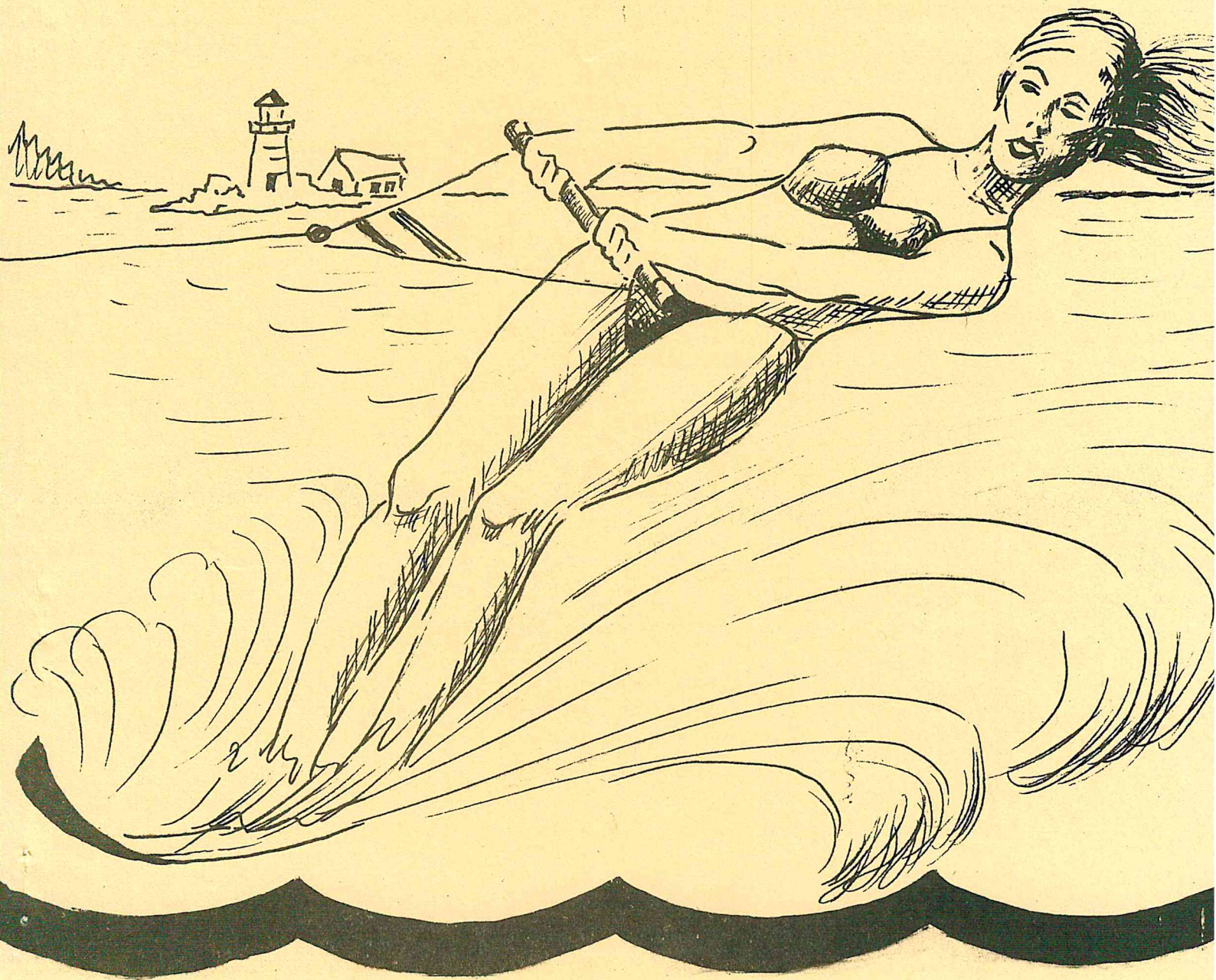
It has also become traditional for us to have every year "those old smoothies" ED AND GILDA CIFANI to help us celebrate the rest of the evening in dancing and singing in the style which is so very unique with them, and to celebrate our birthdays and anniversaries.

So don your western finery and come to the Villa Serena for a real "triple "D" Round up!! DELICIOUS Food, DELIGHTFUL music, and DEAR friends to make the evening complete.

You'll go home saying "I DON'T KNOW HOW THEY DO IT, BUT I HOPE THEY NEVER STOP" (Forgive us Ponderosa)

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