



A GREAT EVENING AT THE VILLA

The Annual Villa picnic was a huge success. There was enough food for twice as many people and it was all delicious.

The hot dogs and hamburgers cooked by Chef Frank Shaw were superb.

Coffee and pop were served during the meal and ice cold watermelon made a very sweet ending.

After all that, there was entertainment on the patio by several of our residents. Al McMunn and Bill Bodanza sang and played for us until dark. Mary Calogero sang a duet with Bill. The rain did not deter anyone from enjoying the evening.

If you missed this one, make sure you don't do it again. It's so nice to spend an evening with your neighbors, some of whom you don't see downstairs very often.

Carole Clay

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Do you know when the cook is mean?

Why, the cook is mean when he beats the eggs and whips the cream.

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PINOCHLE WINNERS

July 1

Agnes Puro	591	\$2.50
Jennie Cellura	579	2.00
Mamie Damanti	559	1.50
Vic DiBartolo	545	1.00
Marcy Stianche	532	1.00

July 8

Thelma Olson	603	3.00
Agnes Puro	587	2.50
Vic DeBartolo	565	2.00
Amelia Nagy	556	1.50
Howard Barnes	532	1.00

July 15

Howard Barnes	592	2.50
Jennie Cellura	553	2.00
Vic DeBartolo	547	1.50
Thelma Olson	536	1.00
Frank Stianche	535	1.00

July 22

Helen Lysko	558	2.50
Frank Stianche	548	2.00
Thelma Olson	535	1.50
Helen Balutis	531	1.00
Winnie Hellwig	518	1.00

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Do you know why watermelons have water in them?

Why, because they're planted in the spring.

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Do you know about the cross-eyed teacher?

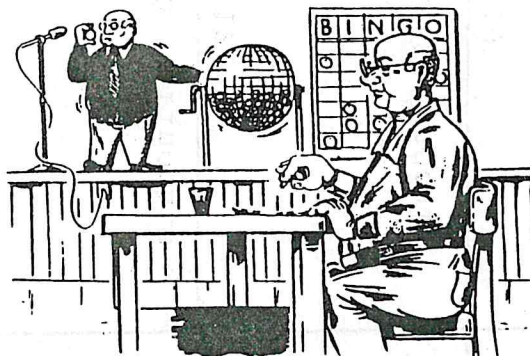
She had trouble with her pupils.

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On Friday, August 2nd, at 3:30 we will have communion service. You are welcome to attend.

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CELEBRATE YOUR JULY AUGUST BIRTHDAY



WITH DESSERT AND PLAYING BINGO

WEDNESDAY AUGUST 14 1996 6 P M

BIRTHDAY BOYS AND GIRLS

FOUR CARDS FOR FIVE DOLLARDS

WIN 200.00 WITH FILL UP CARD

SPECIAL DOOR PRIZES

EVERY ONE WELCOME

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<u>COMING EVENTS</u>				
Wednesday, 14th 6:00 Bingo Thursday, 22nd 6:30 Concert				
5 6:30 Pinochle	6 3:30 Rosary	7 7:00 Cards	8	9 3:30 Communion
12 6:30 Pinochle	13 7:00 Game night 3:30 Rosary	14 7:00 Cards	15	16
19 6:30 Pinochle	20 7:00 Game night 3:30 Rosary	21 6:00 Binpo	22	23
26 6:30 Pinochle	27 7:00 Game night 3:30 Rosary	28 7:00 Cards	29 6:30 Concert	30
6:30 Pinochle	7:00 Game night			

SUMMERTIME!!!

Well, now it is summertime and I'm thinking of cool drinks, cool water sprinkling where we can walk into the wonderful spray.

How about ice cream!!! I'm going to make your mouth water.

Remember the big relaxing parlors where you could get sodas, sundaes, floats or cones?? There was one such place just about on the corner of our steet. Many evenings my aunts, a few friends and I would walk up and get our choice of goodies for the day. You know, the best part of it was that we didn't gain any weight. I don't think it was low "cal" syrup they used.

Little ice cream trucks went slowly down the streets in the later years. But it wasn't the same.

You will remember, we had a small yogurt parlor on the "strip" here and regretfully they closed last year.

I'd like to have an old fashioned big parlor again in the neighborhood. A nice meeting place for many friends. Wouldn't you love that!! I'll meet you there!

Josephine Gentile

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TAKE TIME TO LAUGH A LITTLE!

Passenger to the Airline Stewardess:  
"Don't apologize. I know all about holding patterns, I've got a wife 4 daughters and "one bathroom".

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A seven year old miss was also fond of the Adam and Eve story, so, I asked her: "What did Eve do?" She ate the poisoned apple and God threw her out of heaven. Then What?? She went to the hospital and had two children named Cain and Mabel."

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What's the biggest problem in growing up?? Having to live with our parents and keep them up to date!

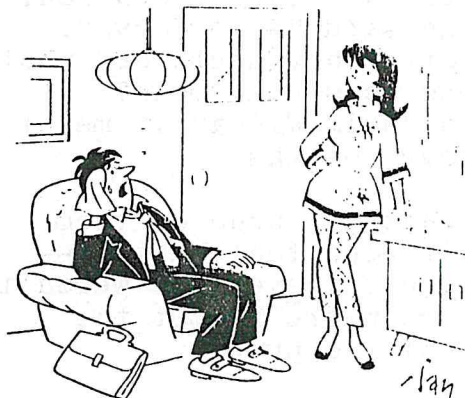
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The man who can smile when things go wrong has probably just thought of somebody to blame it on!!!

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Wear a smile, one size fits all!!!

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"WHAT A DAY! THE COMPUTER BROKE DOWN AND WE ALL HAD TO THINK!"

OUR COLORS WERE SHOWING

Didn't the flags and decorations around the patio and front year look beautiful!!!

It was so great to see our flag, we're all so proud to be Americans and to be able to live in this grand country. We are sure it's not Utopia but probably some of the people who have come here from other countries might argue that point.

Sure we'll complain about a lot of things that aren't the way we would like them to be or actually, the way they should be. But, when all is said and done we can all be grateful to live in this great United States of America.

A bit THANKS to whoever put them out for the 4th of July.

Carole Clay

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WOMEN OF THE 90's???

Recently, on a lovely summer afternoon a few of our Villa ladies decided to go for a joy ride.

While on the road, they were in need of gasoline and pulled into the nearest station. The sign said "Self Serve". Self Serve they declared, what the heck does that mean? Much to their dismay it meant pump your own gas.

Unfortunately, none of them had ever done that before -- Would you believe they weren't even sure where to put the nozzle of the pump!

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Women of the 90s (Continued)

A kindly gentleman gave them the instructions and they were able to fill the gas tank.

LADIES, don't you know we have been liberated -- loosely translated that means "DO IT YOURSELF!" (Did you notice it's much cheaper when you 'pump your own?')

Carole Clay

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WEDNESDAY CARD PARTY WINNERS

July 3rd winners were Amelia Nagy, Mary Frances Dunlap, Marcy Stianche, Helen Lysko, Rudy Derdul, Mamie Damanti. July 17th winners were Mamie Damanti, Thelma Lilje, Mary Blasko, Jennie Cellura, Helen Balutis and Amelia Nagy.

The dates for August are the 7th and the 21st. See you then.

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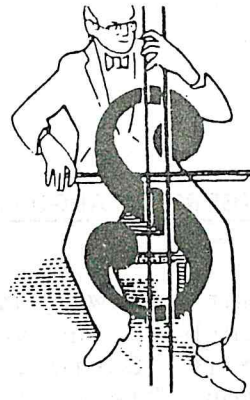
A long time resident, William Dilley recently passed away. We are sorry to hear that and now offer our sympathy to the family. May he rest in peace.

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We were very sorry to hear of the recent death of Ruth Ann daughter of Mary Frances Dunlap. At this time we want to offer our sympathy and will say a prayer for her.

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Music



to your Ears

CONCERT

AT VILLA PARK

BRING YOUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS

OUR FAVORITE MUSICIANS OF 1996

THURSDAY AUGUST 22 1996 630 PM



FOURTH OF JULY CELEBRATION!

If you did not attend our Pre-Fourth of July celebration on Thursday, June 26th, you know by now that you missed one of the more spectacular evenings at the Villa Serena.

Ribs a la Frank Shaw and the chicken a la Zadie Shaw were mouthwatering, together with the melon and apple pie for dessert. It was all finger-lickin' good as is the usual for all dinners we have.

But the real frosting on the dessert for the evening were Anthony Rolando and Valerie Vacco, our great entertainers.

Their talents, their smiles, their charm were the "talk of the town". Anthony was so very extra ordinary on the accordian, he left us all just spellbound and Valerie with her beautiful voice and songs we all loved to sing just put us all in the greatest of festive moods.

To end the evening, a tribute to our dear land of America was presented. The music, the songs and voices of everyone were so overwhelming that I believe no one left the Red Room that night without a little tear in their eye!!

It was very moving indeed to pay tribute to our dear U.S.A. In spite of the many problems, there is still no better place on this earth.

A memorable evening was had by all in attendance.

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CHEERFUL AUGUST :- CHEERFUL YOU!

What can we say about this eighth month of the year that can really do it justice. It comes in with all those "lazy, hazy" days when we wish life would just stand still for a little while so that we can continue to enjoy those starstudded skies, those soft warm nights and days so full of sunshine and good cheer.

Good cheer is so contagious. The person who radiates good cheer, who makes life happier each day is always a person of vision and faith. A person of good cheer sees the beautiful blossoming flowers, the silver lining in each cloud and a beautiful tomorrow out of the darkest day.

How many of us are saying to ourselves "August already"! How many of you have taken the time to enjoy our beautiful patio, the lovely flowers, walked back to see the gardens or just sat and enjoyed God's wonderful world all around us. Nobody to blame but yourself, my friend, our Villa Serena is like a jewel set in the loveliest of settings and its all ours to enjoy.

We owe each other good cheer, always a smiling face, give out words of encouragement, be happy in the present and confident in the future.

God bless the heart of sunshine, that smiles the clouds away. God bless the words of kindness that brighten each new day. Make this beautiful month of August the cheeriest, happiest, lovingest month of the year.

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BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

AUGUST 1996

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5	Josephine Gisondo	607
6	Don Gisondo	607
8	George Levay	807
9	Jane Rendessy	223
12	Frank Stianche	507
	Josephine Andrews	718
15	August Guisano	725
16	Frank Gecsy	417
20	Geraldine Young	730
23	Andrew Hromko	828
24	Nancy Menage	629
	Mamie Damenti	516
27	Joseph Warren	519
	Alda Rose	813
31	Charles Kozak	416

Happy Birthday

AUGUST

1	Ruth Rickel
3	Joseph Bova
5	Ann Kaman
8	Selma Manchick
	Joseph Salettel
9	Rosemary Golden
	Ann Novak
10	Marge Persely
11	Pearl Wolfe
16	Lenore Auw
	Mary Hatras
20	Bessie Marcotrigiano
	Sara Blum
21	Mary Derdul
23	Mary Moffitt
	Beatrice Jacobs
24	Margaret Splete
25	Sally Berke
28	Millie Brown
29	Gladys Altshuler
	Julia Gorgone
	Margaret Polichak
30	Evelyn Pipoly
31	Lee Gillam
15	Rita Evanson

ANNIVERSARIES

AUGUST

9	Mr. & Mrs. James Mecca
16	Mr. & Mrs. Anthony Cicirella #616
17	Mr. & Mrs. Frank Gecsy #417--50th!!!
21	Mr. & Mrs. Philip Mauceri
25	Mr. & Mrs. George Levay #807
	Mr. & Mrs. Leo Perry
26	Mr. & Mrs. Sidney Siegel
27	Mr. & Mrs. Adrian Nicholls
29	Mr. & Mrs. Richard Lemmo
30	Mr. & Mrs. Morris Fishman

Happy Anniversary

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SUPER ENTERTAINMENT

To add to our festivities and the great food, we had some absolutely fabulous entertainment from our very own residents, Basil Pinzone on the harmonica, Al McMunn on the guitar and a the voice of a just delightful new resident, Bill Bodanza. They were just great.

What a lovely evening it was to sit on our lovely patio and enjoy their music and singing.

A perfect ending was had by all!!!!!!!!!!!!

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WHAT A SMASHAROOOOOOO!!!!!!

There is no question that this year's resident cookout brought the largest array of food that we have ever seen at the Villa Serena. Not only was it biggest and best, but all the food was super delicious.

The food was prepared by so many of you that it would be most difficult to thank each and everyone of you and in addition you prepared it all in such wonderful portions that there was plentiful servings for all to enjoy.

Lets not forget those very delectable hot dogs and hamburgers donated by the Villa Serena which were grilled to perfection by Frank Shaw. Did you ever see such "huge" hot dogs??

What kind of a comment can be made for the fabulous and delicious desserts that were donated. There were so many different kinds and varieties. All of them could have received blue ribbons in a bakery contest.

To all of you, our staff, our kitchen help and to everyone who helped serve or clean up we want to say how much we appreciated what you all did.

And certainly to everyone who attended, to those of you who made donations of money we say "thank you". It was a tremendous evening of friendship.

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"Lazy hazy Summer days"