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DEVOTIONAL HOUR SERVICES
Thursday - 10:00 A.M.

- Dec. 1st - Rev. Boyer Wild
Lyndhurst Baptist
- Dec. 8th - Fr. Leo McNulty
St. Clare Church
- Dec. 15th- Rev. Milton Smith
S. Euclid Methodist
- Dec. 22nd- Rev. Graham Smith
Church of Good
Shepherd

This is a time of year when we
should all attend services
giving thanks and praise and
lifting up our heads and hearts
to the wonderful graces of our
dear Lord.

Attend devotional services!!!!

FUN TIME

A generation flap took place at
one man's house when his son
drove his car into the garage
and ran over his father's
bicycle.

Two fishermen sitting on a bridge,
their lines in the water, made a
bet as to which one would catch
the first fish. One of them got
a bite on his line, got so excited
and he fell off the bridge.
"Oh, well" said the other, "if
you're going to dive for them,
the bet is off."

A man told his doctor on the phone,
"My wife just dislocated her jaw,
if you're out our way this week
or next, you might drop in."

The Chemistry teacher was giving
the class a verbal quiz, "What",
he asked, "is the most outstanding
result of the use of chemistry
in the past 500 years?"

"Blondes!" came the quick reply.

Submitted by
Eileen Bentler

**Happy
Holidays**

SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES

MONTH OF DECEMBER, 1983

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 4th - BIG BINGO - 1:30 P.M.
 FRIDAY, DECEMBER 9th - DINNER AND TREE DECORATION
 FRIDAY, DECEMBER 16th - GALA CHRISTMAS DINNER & PARTY

SATURDAY, December 31st - New Year's Eve Party

Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday	
5 1:00 Bowling	6 9-1 Sewing	7 10-12 Boutique	8 10:00 Church Insp.	9 1-3 Bridge	1 10:00 Church Insp.	2 1-3 Bridge	3 5:00 Dinner	4 5:00 Dinner	5 5:00 Dinner
1-3 Art Class	9-12 Ceramics	1-3 Boutique	10:00 Church Insp.	1-3 Bridge	1-3 Bridge	1-3 Bridge	5:00 Dinner	6:30 Tree Decorating Program	6:30 Tree Decorating Program
1-4 Knitting	2-3 Dancercise	END FRIDAY, DECEMBER 16th - BEGIN ON JANUARY 9th	7:30 Game Night	5:00 Dinner	7:30 Game Night	5:00 Dinner	5:00 Dinner	7:00 Program	7:00 Program
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FRIDAY, DECEMBER 2nd

Choice of Baked Fish
or Swiss Steak.
Potatoes
Vegetable
Dessert

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 9th

Choice of Baked Fish
or Breaded Pork Chops
Potatoes
Vegetable
Dessert

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 16th

GOURMET HOLIDAY DINNER

"Cornish Hen"

with
all the trimmings
and "yummy" dessert.

ALL DINNER TICKETS MUST BE ORDERED AND PICKED UP
PRIOR TO THE DATE OF THE DINNER!!!!!!

HAPPY HOLIDAYS TO ALL - FROM THE KITCHEN STAFF!!

MENS CLUB NEWS

OUR HALLOWEEN PARTY

The meeting of the Mens Club was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by our President, Lee Olson. 23 members were present.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. Also approved was the treasurer's report showing a balance in the treasury of \$196.60.

To facilitate the Halloween festivities we moved the Pool Meet from October 31st to November 2nd.

The jolly and bubbly Dave Milroy who was handling the lottery ticket sales for the Boutique became ill and John Curry is carrying on for him and doing a good job. Dave will be home soon.

Motion made to adjourn the meeting at 7:25 P.M.

-Charles Barracato-
Sec. & Vice Pres.

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On October 31st which was the day of our Halloween Party, a fantastic dinner was served to 200 plus eager diners. We started out with Cider and went on to barbecued ribs or roast chicken topping it off with delicious apple pie. A festive air was evident at the VillaSerena.

The Red-BlueRooms and lobby were packed to hear Ralph Krugel and his Eagle Jazz Band. Six gorgeous "hunks" of mankind. They came through loud and clear and made our toes tap.

Bob McGuire had several banjo solos. Other members of the Band were featured as well.

So many of our guests were in costume and it was such fun to see them. Among them was the witch and our own Jim Hillen as "TRUST ME" Nixon. Even Miss Italy 1983 was there all dressed in green, white and red. Everyone in costume paraded around the room and were greeted personally by Mr. Chesler.

Mr. Chesler led the Singing of "Hava Negala" in real "Jewish Dixie land Style". Sally Schrembeck "strutted" her stuff surprisingly well.

The band played so many wonderful jazz melodies some of them being "Am I Blue" "Georgia On My Mind", "Closer Walk With Thee" and ending with the "Saints Go Marching In". and are favorite to end an evening of "God Bless America"

A wonderful time was had by all!!!!!!!

--Margaret Rose--

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NINETY YEARS YOUNG

By any chance were you around when "John D.," handed out bright, shiny new dimes in honor of his birthday. Before your time, you say, not so my friend, because it was just a few weeks ago that our own "John D." Delly celebrated his 90th birthday by handing out bright, shiny new dimes on pool night. Can you beat that?

That delightful, beloved gentleman had the keen foresight to copy the other John D. and delight all of his friends. Bet you can't count on one hand how many 90 year olds that you know who are still "shooting pool" in the tournament no less, doing his own shopping, cleaning and enjoying many other activities.

Keep it up John D(ear), we wish you life's very best.

--Eileen Bentler--

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TRAVELING WITH RUDY

Mark Wednesday, December 7th on your calendar. We are taking a ride to Erie. Go shopping, visit Penn Winery, have dinner and have just a beautiful day. Total cost is \$18.00 per person. Bus will leave Villa at 8:00 A.M.

Call 461-2457 for reservations.

--Uncle Rudy--

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CARD PARTY WINNERS

Did you ever hear that saying, "old soldiers never die, they just fade away" - WELL!!!! that just does not hold true with card players, "THEY NEVER DIE (thank goodness) and THEY CERTAINLY "NEVER NEVER FADE AWAY"

So here are some of our dedicated card party winners. Edna Carr, Hilda Griffin, Aileen Spencer, May Luke, Rosemary Belz.

Pinochle winners were:

10/23

Helen Burns	582	\$2.00
Charlotte Bohacek	580	1.75
Betty Pinter	579	1.25
Edna Carr	576	1.00

11/7

John Muscchio	608	1.75
Betty Pinter	541	1.50
Kate Blumer	537	1.00
Harry Laskey	527	.75

Card playing of your choice and also playing in the Pinochle Tournaments each Monday are much fun.

If you have not come down before, why don't you give it a try. It will be an evening of fun and friendship and a nice way to spend an evening.

Congratulations to all of you!!!

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WORLD WAR I VETS

The World War One Veterans and their Ladies Auxilliary will cancel meeting their meetings in December, January, February and March.

Mike Perella
Commander

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UP AND DOWN THE HALLWAYS

Our thanks to that lovely anonymous donor who donated \$20.00 to our Bus Fund. Your donation is most welcome, because things do need to be done in general upkeep from time to time.

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Our thanks to Mary Siciliano, Helen Smatt and Marge Reynolds, for the wonderful supply of books they have donated to our library. Good reading for many of you !!! Also thanks for books, Bertha Taranto and John Smola.

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Our thanks to Violet Orifici for the lovely planter she has so graciously given to the Villa Serena.

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On October 19th, 15 happy people left on our bus for a trip to Hawaii, (simulated of course) at the Higbee Company. Higbee Company and American Airlines provided the props, with clouds outside the windows, pilot conversation and sound. The hostess greeted us with leis. We had a typical Hawaiian lunch with wine, pineapple, chicken, and cocoanut. Then a real Hawaiian Band and two real hula girls. As a finale, a fashion show of winter outfits.

A real nice adventure!!!!!!!

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Along with the many other winners we had at our Boutique Raffle on Saturday, the main winners of the first five prizes were: Lillian Kline, the trip to Las Vegas, Joann Klah, winner of the Quilt (she is John Delly's daughter) Gertrude Hughes, winner of the Ceramic Christmas Tree, Mary Blasko, winner of the Afghan and Anne Lauer, also winner of an Afghan. Our congratulations to all of them, they were most excited about their winnings.

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OOPS!!!! We forgot some more card party winners in our regular column. John Nagy, Esther Everett, Ethel Blakeney, Margaret Rose, Flossie Podojil and Florence Gardner.

Sorry folks!!!! Congratulations thou!!!

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Our sympathy to Mr. Mrs. Louis Vargo in the sudden death of their dear sister-in-law.

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Say did you hear??? Jeanne Earl won \$37.00 at Bingo the other night.

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A high score at bowling for Clara Cobb - 596 for 3 games WOW!!!!!!

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THANKS

TO EACH

OF YOU

EVERY YEAR WE SAY THE SAME THING, "THIS WAS THE BEST BOUTIQUE, HOW CAN IT GET ANY BETTER", BUT SOMEHOW EACH YEAR IT DOES GET BETTER -- AND WE OWE IT ALL TO YOU. NO MONEY CAN ADEQUATELY COMPENSATE FOR THE TIME EXPENDED BY ALL OF YOU IN THE PREPARATION FOR THIS BIG DAY. WHATEVER YOU MAY HAVE DONE, IN ANY MANNER, OR WHATEVER TIME WAS SPENT, YOU CAN RIGHTLY STAND UP AND TAKE A "BOW" FOR YOURSELF, FOR YOU HAVE ONCE AGAIN MADE IT POSSIBLE FOR US TO SAY, THAT: "VILLA SERENA BOUTIQUE 1983" WAS A "SENSATIONAL SUCCESS STORY" AND WE THANK YOU MOST SINCERELY.

WE TAKE OUR "HATS" OFF TO YOU -- AFTER ALL THESE YEARS, THERE ARE NO MORE WORDS IN THE DICTIONARY OR IN EXISTENCE WHICH CAN ADEQUATELY SHOW OUR DEEP APPRECIATION. --- FROM THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLA SERENA, OUR STAFF, MARY AND MYSELF, "THANK YOU"

Howard I. Chesler

CHRISTMAS THOUGHTS

"Hang up the baby's stocking, be sure that you don't forget, for the dear little dimpled darling hasn't seen Christmas yet". So go the words of a much, loved very old Christmas poem. Perhaps many of us should "hang up" our stocking", so many of us haven't really seen Christmas yet either. Now that those busy busy days of holiday preparation are behind us, days when we shopped and shopped some more, when we managed to hide the dolls, the bikes and the games, when we baked dozens of bright-eyed gingerbread men and read "The Night Before Christmas" over and over to our excited little ones, we have the time to really see Christmas. See the strength in the fragrant pine cone warmth in the red holly berry, sweetness in the tall candy cane and joy in the music of silver bells. Sit in the dark quiet of Christmas Eve with only the beautiful decorated tree for company and you'll just know that you can hear the hearty ho-ho-ho of old Santa and that you can really see Rudolf's red nose shining in the window. Look at the sparkling stars, find the biggest, brightest one and follow it in memory as it lead the shepherds to that rough-hewn manger in that lowly stable. Find there with them the infant Christ Child whose love has brought each of us to this beautiful time in our lives when we have the time to really find the true meaning of Christmas. May it be a time of peace, good cheer, good health and abundant love for all of us.

--Eileen Bentler--

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OUR SING-A-LONG

On Friday, November 4th, Dorothy Papcke greeted us warmly and we all quietly took our seats for a delicious dinner.

Then at 7:00 P.M. on into the Red room to eagerly await SammyBerk. He appeared on time with his pleasant smile and nimble fingers. Dorothy Papcke served as our M.C. (in Mr. Chesler's absence) efficiently with her lovely voice and charming manner to keep everything on an even keel.

Sammy opened the program with a solo then Dorothy led us in many varied selections which we sang with great clee and enthusiasm. Maybe we are not operatic singers, but we make up in volume what we may lack in quality. Anyway we do have a good time.

Dorothy and Doris Somnitz sang some lovely duets.

November birthdays were celebrated by many including John Delly who was 90 years old on November 1st. John and Helen Fekete celebrated their 50th anniversary with a dance and a kiss.

During our singing our newest "dancing discovery" Sally Schrembeck performed her dance, ably assisted by Rose Vitale.

On to other solos by Dorothy and the program closed with "Smile Awhile" We were very proud of our newest M.C. Dorothy Papcke.

--Margaret Rose--

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MALL TRIPS

December 7th - Euclid Mall

December 21st - Mentor Mall

"SUPER-SUPER" BINGO

Say, now, what do you think of this!!!!!!!

We are going to really have a "super-super" Sunday afternoon and you certainly won't want to miss this one.

It will be bigger and better than ever before. Don't make any other plans for SUNDAY, DECEMBER 4th beginning at 1:30 P.M. Join us in the dining room for a fun-filled afternoon.

Refreshments will be served!

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NEW YEAR'S EVE IS ALMOST HERE

If you have not already made your reservations, get them in right away, time is running short.

\$12.50 per person includes a complete dinner, party hats, washes dancing til the wee hours a lots more.

Serving begins at 8:00 P.M. with dancing and enjoyment & "booze" til!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

All tickets must be picked up and paid for prior to the date of our party. THERE WILL BE NO REFUNDS IF YOU DO NOT ATTEND FOR ANY REASON.

REMEMBER: BRING YOUR OWN BOOZE!

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OUR ANNUAL CHRISTMAS DINNER AND PARTY

With a super super dinner planned for your eating pleasure and the regular annual entertainment we can think of no one who would want to take a chance to miss our Christmas Dinner and Party. This year we will celebrate on Friday, December 16th, 1983 beginning with dinner at 5:00 P.M. and followed by entertainment to make even "Mr. Scrooge" himself feel like smiling.

Cost of the dinner will be \$6.50 per person and we recommend that you purchase your tickets as early as you possibly can so that you will not miss out on this grand dinner and entertainment.

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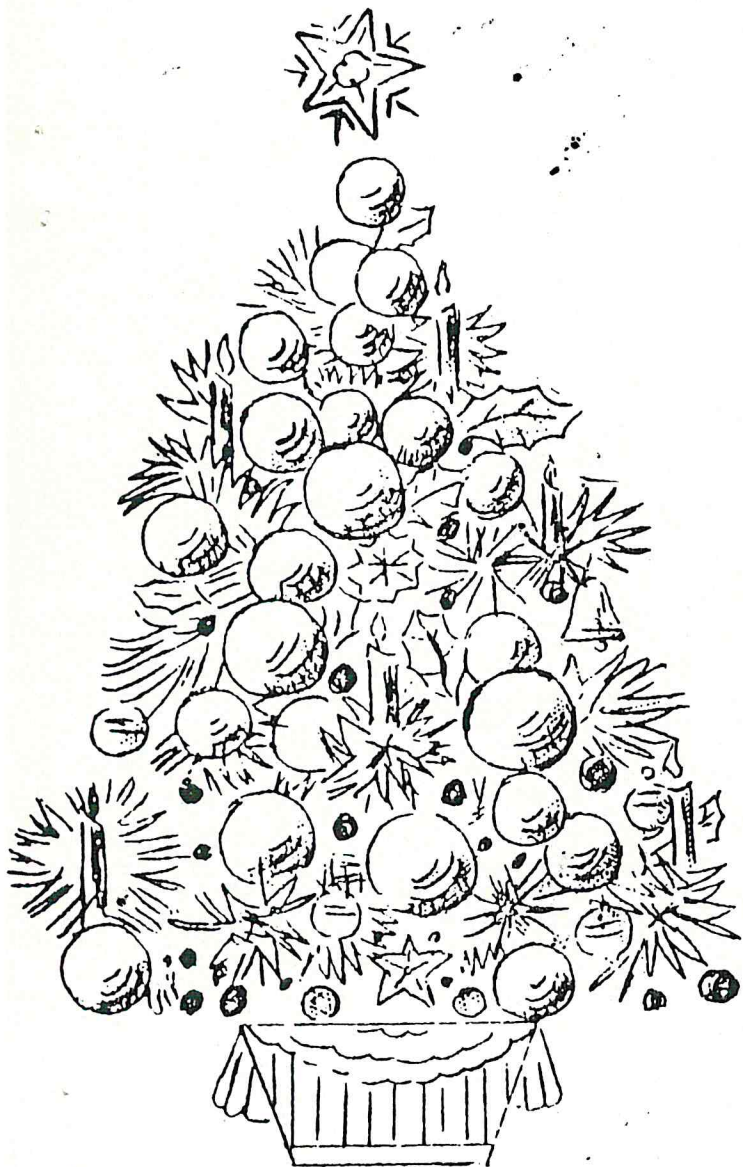
TREE DECORATING AT THE VILLA SERENA

Our tree decorating at the Villa officially begins the holiday season of parties, good times and eating all sorts of goodies.

Join us after dinner on Friday, Decembe 9th, when we will have a chance to each put a decoration on our tree and see it come to life with color, brightness and joy.

Naturally our tree decorating is then followed by the traditional turning on of the Christmas lights and the entertainment of those wonderful young people from Mayfield School under the direction of Mr. Frank Woods. They have promised a really super program for this year. **DON'T MISS THIS VERY NICE GET TOGETHER!!!!!!!!!!**

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HAPPY HANUKKAH
MERRY CHRISTMAS
AND A
JOYOUS NEW YEAR

ANOTHER YEAR TOGETHER

YES, it has been another year together as friends, family and the genuine feeling of also having made new friends.

YES, we can all say where "has the year disappeared again", but somehow it has. However, it has become somewhat traditional with us to look forward to this time of year in spite of the rapidly passing days of summer turning into winter.

For holiday time becomes a time when we seem to be able to rejoice together to consider one another a little more than we do during the rest of the year, to be more conscious of those less fortunate than ourselves and attempt to help and know what the real spirit of giving is. How wonderful if we were able to possess these feelings throughout the entire year.

However, as I have repeated so many years in the past, we must rejoice in the fact that we all have received another year of life. Yes maybe some of us have not been in the best of health, but we are here alive and able to say, Thank you, Lord for another year to be amongst my family, friends and the beauty of the world around us.

Lets all enjoy the beauty around us at this time of year at the Villa Serena and enjoy one another's friendship. On behalf of the officers, Board, and staff of the Villa Serena, we wish all of our friends a pleasant holiday season and the warmth and love of the new year to come.

Howard I. Chesler

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HAPPY
HOLIDAYS

