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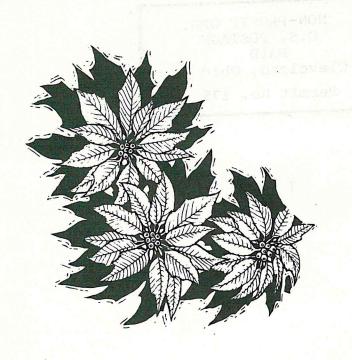
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FRIDAY, DECEMBER 4th

Choice of Baked Fish or Roast Beef Potato Vegetable Dessert

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Choice of Baked Fish or Baked Sugar Cured Ham Potato Vegetable Dessert



THURSDAY, DECEMBER 17th

Special Christmas
Dinner

Cornish Hen

and all the trimmings

Happy Holidays from
The Kitchen Staff

A CHRISTMAS BIT

If I were Santa Claus this year
 I'd change his methods for the day;
I'd give to all the children here
 But there are things I'd take away.

I'd enter every home to steal,
 With giving I'd not be content.
I'd find the heart-aches men conceal
 And take them with me when I went.

I'd rob the invalid of pain;
 I'd steal the poor man's weight of care;
I'd take the prisoner's ball and chain
 And every crime which sent him there.

I'd take the mother's fears away,
The doubts which often fret the wise-And all should wake on Christmas Day
With happy hearts and shining eyes.

For old and young this is my prayer; God bless us all this Christmas Day And give us strength our tasks to bear, And take our bitter griefs away!

Edgar A. Guest



OPEN HOUSE -- MR. CHESLER'S BIRTHDAY

Even the weather warmed up for Mr. Chesler's 70th birthday party at the Villa Serena on Sunday, November 22nd. The Villa Serena was sparkling and many happy people were everywhere.

Bob and Shelly Orlandi entertained with music all afternoon for listening and dancing.

The tables were beautiful and delicious cookies, fruit and cheese were served with punch or coffee or tea.

At 3:00, Mary Calogero opened the celebration in the Red/Blue Room. She thanked all who helped in any way with the baking and serving for the party. Mary also paid tribute to Mr. Chesler's dedication to God, family and his many civic contributions.

The speakers were Mayor Harvey Friedman of Beach-wood who presented a plaque. He said that 100 trees will be planted in American Independence Park, Israel, in Mr. Chesler's name.

Mayor Ross DeJohn of Mayfield
Heights presented a plate with
pictures of early Mayfield
Heights buildings. Judge Basil
Russo, National Vice President
of the Italian Sons and Daughters of America also presented
a plaque. Next Mr. Frank Petrone,
President of St. Francis Foundation, presented a plaque.

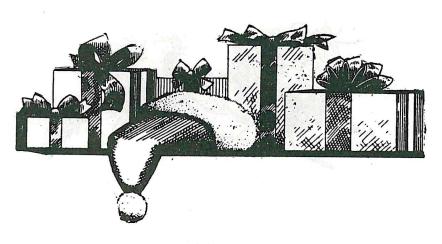
Mr. Chesler thanked all of his friends for their support during the years and their presence here today.

Mr. Chesler said someone asked him how he could look so young at 70 years and he told them it is by doing what he enjoys doing.

A birthday cake was brought in and we all sang Happy Birthday. Mary Calogero mentioned it was decorated in red, white and green...(Italian colors). Cake and coffee was served in the dining room.

A lovely party for a sincere and hard working man..with special thanks to Mary Calogero and her dedicated assistants.

Margaret Rose



WHAT'S NEW RUBY?

Welcome back to Ida Caruso.
Do hope you are feeling better each day.

Beach who is still hospitalized.

Our sympathy to Wilma Lally in the loss of her granddaughter.

Ann Picozzi will be spending a week in Florida with her brother.

Mabelle Heidy is very proud of her grandson, Attorney David M. Lynch newly elected Mayor of Euclid whose 4 year term starts January 1st.

Mildred McCurdy is spending Thanksgiving with her daughter in Florida and is looking forward to her granddaughter's wedding the week before Christmas. Happy times, Mildred.

Our sympathy to <u>Dorothy</u>
<u>Jacobs</u> on the recent loss
of her niece.

Three Villa Serena residents tagged along on the trip to Las Vegas and had a great time. They made new friends and were very well looked after by Mr. & Mrs. Chesler and Mary Calogero. Thanks from all of us.

Margaret Rose recently attended the wedding oher granddaughter Diane Russell to James Slifka. The reception was held at Mediterranean Party Center.

Mr. and Mrs. Schock arrived in Florida and Mrs. Schock was taken to the hospital 2 days later with pneumonia. A day later, Mr. Schock was rushed to another hospital with a detached retina. Serious happenings and a cancelled cruise but they're both coming along well. Our best to both.

We hear that <u>Frank Lucas</u> is home from the hospital. Keep improving, Frank.

It used to be sons and daughters --now it is grand and great-grand. What does that tell us? To remember the happy days gone by and relive them with the young generation!

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THANKSGIVING TRAVEL

One of the things I'm most thankful for is the special yearly invitation to join my brother's family in northern California for the holiday. It's always great to see them all and to see how the "kids" have grown. I'm happy they are still not too big for hugs and kisses.

After the invitation, comes making travel arrangements. Got in touch with the airlines and need to make the big decision. Do we want to change planes and go through the hassle of running from one gate to the other, fearful that the second plane will leave without us? Or do we take the direct flight which you must board at an ungodly hour? Have to get up at 5:00 AM to make that one. Turning on my motor that early is quite an effort! I wonder how many days it will take me to shake the jet lag?

I have to tell you about the time we took the northern route (bargain rate). We took a propeller plane to Detroit and OH, THE NOISE! From there we transferred to a "normal" jet to Minneapolis. We had to sit there being de'iced, my first encounter with that procedure. It was the plane that was de'iced, by the way. No more northern route for me.

I do love arriving in San Francisco. The coastal mountains come into view on the right and then the wings swoop down slowly and the beautiful Bay is below us. I love that moment.

(Continued next column)

I will be writing my next column from somewhere on a mountain on the West Coast. I'll tell you about the holiday decor out there, though I'm sure many of you have seen it. I will miss you.

Josephine Gentile

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BRIDGE NOTES

At this time we have completed our discussion of bidding - co, - petitive and non-competitive. We are now ready to start our discussion of play of the hand. One interesting aspect of defensive play is signalling which guarantees the maximum number of tricks for the defenders.

Our players are becoming more aggressive bidders -- finding their games and even slams.

Last week Mr. Griffiths bid and made a grand slam, this doesn't happen very often and he is to be congratulated.

If you are interested in joining our group, call me at 731-6981 and I will try to find a spot for you.

This is being written before our party so the results of that event will be announced next month.

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MENTOR MALL

Wednesday, December 9

10:00 A.M.

CHRISTMAS SERENADE

Soon women will be stumbling over each other Grabbing for those holiday sales, They'll get their feet stepped on,

Maybe scratched by someone's nails,

They'll be pushed in the aisles, Squeezed and beguiled, Oh, what a time for buying! All pooped out by noon And almost crying, Now before this little rhyme

A word of advice to you My Villa Serena friends, Keep keen watch upon your wallets

For pick-pocket month is here.
Yes, tis the season to be merry
So we must carry on
Tho fatigued and quite weary
Pretending we're full of "Xmas
Cheer"

For our kids must never know That our energy has sunk so low

For if the truth could be said "Oh, to be home in my warm cozy bed".

And now with sincere intent
A last closing comment
Putting all jokes aside
Do have a grand Yuletide
And as 1988 is almost here
May I wish to all of you
A very happy and healthy year!

Martha Puzzo

Here's What's going on...

Friday, December 4th
Friday, December 11th
Thursday, December 17th

THANKSGIVING DINNER REPORT

Villa Serena celebrated Thanksgiving on Thursday, November 19 with a traditional dinner of turkey and all the trimmings. What a feast!

After the dinner Mr. Chesler opened the program by introducing our guests, Joanie Paterson and Bill Matlow. Joanie was accompanied by Joe Henry. She sang "Look, Look to the Rainbow", "Somewhere Over the Rainbow" and Micaela's aria from Carmen. She is with the Cleveland Lyric Opera Company. Her singing was a pure delight.

Bill Matlow was accompanied by his wife, Marilyn. He sang "Jericho", "Without a Song" and "Non Piun Drgi" to name a few. When he sang "I Believe" the audience joined in. Bill has a beautiful deep rich voice. He is a soloist with the Park Synagogue.

Joe Henry had several piano solos which were wonderful.

During the second half of the program, Joanie sang several solos and so did Bill. The songs were beautiful—we enjoyed them all. And what wonderful voices!

The audience stood and we all sang "God Bless America".

What a wonderful musical evening of thanks.

Margaret Rose

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Birthdays and Anniversaries

SEWING CLASS

Now that Thanksgiving is over we face the Christmas rush. The sewing class has had busy fingers sewing like mad over the last few months. I'm so pleased that everyone has been willing to be challenged with some very beautiful projects. We have tailoring projects, garments of silk and polyester crepe (such slippery fabrics), dresses, slacks, smocks and those ever-present alterations. I'm proud of each and every one of the members of the sewing class -- everything has turned out so lovely. There is something very satisfying about creating your own clothing plus you can make styles that you like in your best colors. You don't have to run hither and yon to find something suitable amongst the often outrageous fashions such as mini-skirts, or all that leather. Plus you'll never have to say "I have nothing to wear". You will always be able to do something about it and have fun as well.

Sally Kinney

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RELIGIOUS INSPIRATION

The ministers for December are

3rd Rev. Terry Taylor
St. Bartholomew Church
10th Rev. William O'Neill,
St. Clare Church
17th Rev. Graham Smith
Good Shepherd Church

Services are held every Thursday at 10:00 A.M.

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DANCERCISE CLASS

It's time to shape up and stay fit while having fun as the gloomy days of winter approach.

You'll be surprised what a little stretching here and there will do for you. You know wxercise is great for the mind as well as for the body. Start now by joining this friendly group every Tuesday at 2:00 P.M.

It doesn't seem possible another year is nearly over, so at this time I wish you all a happy holiday season and a new year of good health full of happiness.

Flossie Bluhm

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MONDAY PINOCHLE WINNERS

Oct. 26		
Charles Schaefer	618	\$2.00
C. McCarthy	593	1.75
Benne Hentemann	572	1.25
Thelma Olsen	562	1.00
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Nov. 2		
Barbara Rixie	573	2.25
Kate Blumer	571	2.00
Ben Hentemann	568	1.50
Lil Glick	550	1.25
Nov. 9		
Sophie Kelley	597	2.00
Thelma Lilje	586	1.75
E. Guarneire	572	1.25
Len Shoemaker	568	1.00
Nov. 16		
Winnie Hellwig	608	1.75
Harry Lasky	591	1.50
Ben Hentemann	586	1.00
Barbara Rixie	570	.75

HAVE YOU MET....

.....Clara Corea, a resident of Villa Serena for the past 10 years.

Clara is a native Clevelander having grown up in St. Joseph's parish in the inner-city. She devoted much of her free time working with the youth of the area.

She earned her livelihood as a seamstress, and after many years in that line of work decided a change was needed. She then went to work for General Electric from where she retired in 1977 after 20 years of service.

Clara comes from a very closely knit family of 3 brothers and 2 sisters and 17 nieces and nephews. A sister, Jennie Kapelka and husvand Steve, are also residents of the Villa Serena. Clara's family and her church dominate her life.

She faithfully serves St.
Francis of Assissi parish as
a Lay Minister as well as
being President of the Women's
Guild. On Occasion she helps
out in the parish office and
for social functions lends
her culinary experience.

Clara enjoys needlework and ceramics where she counsels those of us who are less experienced.

One of Clara's greatest attributes is her desire to help her neighbors and friends in anyway she can. She volunteers a great deal of time to the Villa working in the kitchen and at the bingo games.

We wish Clara many more happy years at the Villa Serena.

Marie Nau

BOUTIQUE SHOWCASE

Well, it's almost that time when the elves can breath a big sigh of relief, sit back and smile a big smile of satisfaction at all the wonderful things they've made. It's been the usual rush but then there have been so many cute things just waiting to be made. We do hope you'll find something just perfect for that special person or family member.

The commercial craft business has become so "cutesy" and tacky and overdone--perhaps you have noticed this also. That's why I've been so excited with our new items this fall--many have been designed by a very talented gal with a degree in fine arts who has been a designer for Hallmark cards. We especially appreciate Villa Serena's own Ann Campbell for the Santa face pattern. Our beautiful dolls with the lace and ribbon trim have been very popular. This has been a fun class and maybe you'll want to consider being part of all this creativity.

Sally Kinney

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HOLIDAY GREETINGS

Holiday greetings to all of our friends. Though this greeting has been around for many years, it is again our wish for you. May you have peace and joy now and throughout this holiday season.



HALLOWEEN CELEBRATION

Ghosts and goblins invaded Villa Serena on Friday, October 30th. A large crowd gathered for dinner before the entertainment.

By 7:00, all seats in the Red and Blue room and lobby were filled as we waited for Mike Jacobs and his band -- Bob Vernon, Jack Michaels and Bob Santamaria. They played a medley of tunes which brought out all the dancers. June Anthony, another one of our favorites, was introduced and sang several songs in her own wonderful style.

Bob Santamaria sang "Sorrento" and "Malm Femma" in Italian for all our friends. What a marvelous voice!!!

June and Bob sang a duet "Sentimental Journey" and "Ramona" for Mr. Chesler.

Several guests were in costume and paraded through the hall. Some danced the Charleston. Winners received tickets for free dinners at Villa Serena or a gift certificate from Judge Robert Grogan.

Mr. Chesler gave pretty witches hats to Mary Calogero and her assistants in the kitchen and dining room.

The evening ended much too soon.

Margaret Rose

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COME SI DICE PER ITALIANO?

Join us in "Italian Conversation". Fun!!! Sign up in the office.

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MEN'S CLUB NEWS

Our November 9th meeting opened at 6:45 with 14 members present. Possibly some members were on vacation.

One item of discussion was the dates for two dinners planned by the Men's Club. We will have one dinner at the Villa Serena and the other at a restaurant. We have no dates set but probably some time the first part of next year.

As usual, we celebrated the birthdays of our members with refreshments and a good time was enjoyed by all.

Our next meeting will be Monday, December 14th, at 6:30. All men are invited -- members as well as tenants. Hope to see you there.

Charles Gudel Secy.

MONDAY ART CLASS

The art class is open to all of you who are interested in learning how to draw or paint.

If you have had previous experience in art instruction and would like to improve your drawing or painting ability, the art class can be very helpful.

Art is a very rewarding and relaxing activity.

You are welcome to stop in any Monday between 1:00 and 3:00.

Harold Dielman

CAROUSEL DINNER THEATRE

We will be going to the Carousel Dinner Theatre on Wednesday, January 13, 1988 for a delicious buffet lunch and to see "South Pacific". It will be a super day spent eating good food and enjoying a beautiful show.

Inasmuch as reservations must be made early, we are requesting that you sign up in the office as soon as possible.

Cost of the lunch, show and transportation will be \$25.00 per person. This must be paid at the time of your reservation. Spaces are very limited, so place your reservation early in the Villa Serena office.

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TROLLEY TOUR

Next on our list is Trolley
Tour of the magnificent Christmas Lights in our holiday
season. You will be picked
up at the Villa Serena at 6:00
on Tuesday, December 8th and
enjoy a beautiful trip to
Public Square, Nela Park and
a mystery stop, all for the low
price of \$9.00 per person for
transportation. This is certainly a don't miss trip to enjoy the beauty of our holiday
season.

Once again we urge you to place your reservations early as space here is also limited. Payment must be made at time of reservation.

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WEDNESDAY CARD PARTIES

The November card parties are over and now we will have another party. Wow! We had only 25 people at the last party. Why not fix up a table and have fun? This darn Florida is ruining my card parties.

November 4th winners are Mary Blasko, Florence Simpson, Arlene Wasniak, Lillian Maurer, Thelma Olsen and Rosemary Belz.

November 11th winners are Alma Reinke, Rosemary Belz, Florence Treichel, Amelia Nagy, Lillian Maurer and Loretta Copeland.

The December parties will be on the 2nd and the 9th. See you then.

Len Shoemaker

SING ALONG WITH SAMMY BERK

It has been a long time since we have had a sing-along and so on Friday, December 4th, we welcome Sammy Berk and his music.

We all like to sing, I am sure and this is your chance to join the group and sing and sing all evening. We always have a great time so why not plan on joining in. You are welcome whether you have a good voice or not.

Dinner will be served at 5:00 and at 7:00 a happy time for all.



BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES DECEMBER 1987

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- 11 Carl Calabrese 530
- 13 Inez DiCesare 718
- 15 Sally Schrembeck 328
- 19 Alice Graff 802
- 21 Rose Marie Liotta 823 Christine Turk 819
- 22 Angela Ruggeri 524
- 23 Harvey Sternberg 827
- 24 Thelma Olsen 816
- 28 Mary Blasko 706 Rose Anderson 322 Edward Vojta 317
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15 Mr. & Mrs. Arthur Maier 29 Mr. & Mrs. Bernard Gluck

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- 2 Yetta Naftulin
- 3 Joseph Heiser
 Marge Vodbornik
- 4 Ann Hudec
- Penelope Grimm
 6 Michael Dominak
- 8 Joseph Arcuri Sara Dorazio
- 10 Loretta Mayer Claire Palnik
- 12 Rose Katz Jeanette Maurer
- 13 Beatrice Levine Betty Pekarek
- 14 Barbara Rixie
- 15 Mary Bodanza Caroline Wisch
- 17 Adalgisa Bracale
- 20 Anne Rusick
- 21 Ann Bernstein Loretta Hartman Lucille Krantz Ida Montague
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CHRISTMAS LIGHTS

The time has come again for us to open the holiday season. To start things off, we will trim the tree on Friday, December 11. And when the lights are turned on it will be a beautiful sight. That is when we really get the Christmas spirit.

We will serve dinner at 5:00 and later we will present the Swing Choir -- "JAZZ-D UP" under the direction of Janet Patti. They will sing and dance for our entertainment.

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We invite everyone to join the festivities when we open the holiday season by turning on the lights. A wonderful celebration. The date again is Friday, December 11th. Get your tickets early. No disappointments, we hope.

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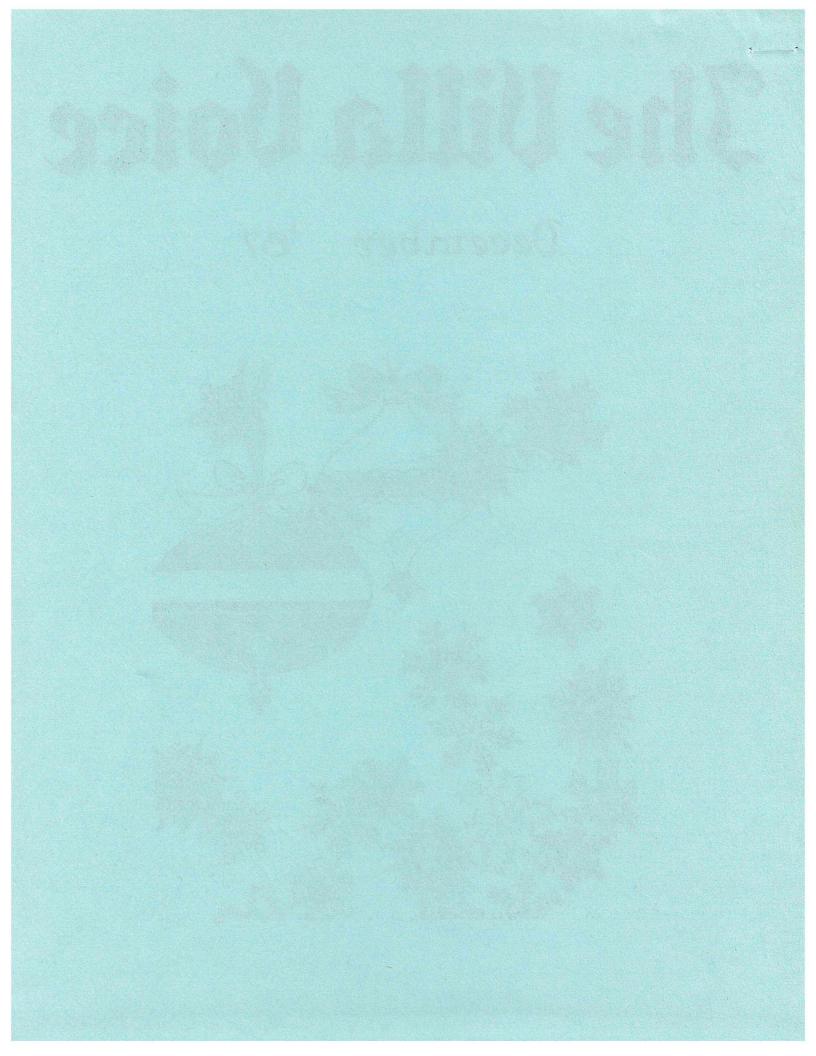
TIS THE SEASON

Yes, it is the time of the year to be jolly and to help you we are serving dinner at 5:00 and then an evening of great entertainment. We welcome back Mike Jacobs who will present the Villa Serena Christmas Festival. Great music, great style. We welcome back Mike Jacobs with open arms. His music will get you into the spirit and really brighten your day.

Dinner will also be a tradition --Cornish hen and all the trimmings. Get your tickets now as they will go fast. The cost is only \$6.50 per person.

Oh, the date is Thursday, December 17th. Mark your calendar now, right now.

See you at the dinner and also Mike Jacobs evening of music and fun.



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