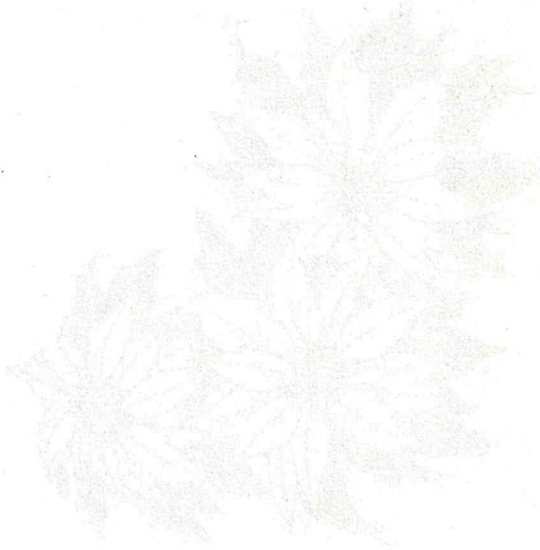


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VILLA SERENA DINNER MENU

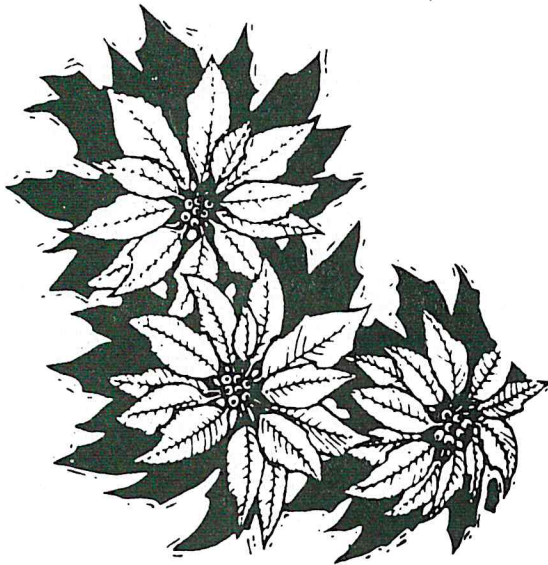
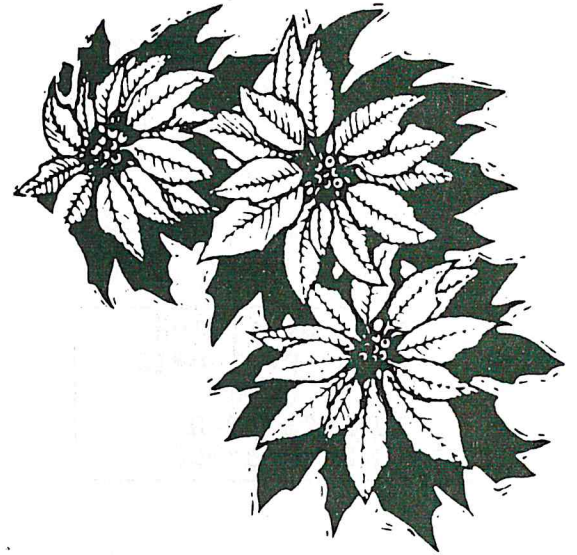
MONTH OF DECEMBER, 1993

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 9th

"HANUKKAH LATTKES PARTY

with your choice of
apple sauce or sour cream
Coffee or Tea

\$3.50 per



FRIDAY, DECEMBER 17th

"CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY DINNER"

Our festive holiday featuring
Boneless Eye of Rib Steak
and all of the trimmings
with
Tempting Dessert

\$ 7.50 per person

A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS - HAPPY HANUKKAH - AND HAPPY
NEW YEAR FROM THE "JOLLY" KITCHEN GUYS AND GALS!!!!!!

FROM JOSEPHINE...

What's So Great About Hugs?

There's no such thing as a bad hug -- there are only good ones and great ones. They are not fattening and they don't cause cancer or cavities. They're all natural, with no preservatives, artificial ingredients or pesticide residue. They are cholesterol free, naturally sweet and they're a completely renewable natural resource.

Hugs do not require batteries, tune ups or x-rays. They're non-taxable, fully returnable, and energy efficient.

They are safe in all kinds of weather; in fact they're especially good for cold or rainy days. And they are exceptionally effective in treating problems like bad dreams or the Monday blahs.

Never, never wait until tomorrow to hug someone you could hug today! The best gift you can give is a HUG!

Josephine Gentile and
Mildred Geis of
Willowick

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We are sorry to hear that John Prokay passed away. May we extend our sympathy to his family and friends. May he rest in peace.

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MONDAY PINOCHLE WINNERS

Nov. 1

Thelma Olsen	619	\$3.00
Bill Dilly	580	2.50
Verla Kozak	555	2.00
Eleanor Kuskin	546	1.50
Ed Mack	528	.50
Ed Vojta	528	.50

Nov. 8

Carl Schock	575	2.50
Thelma Lilge	570	2.00
Marie Verba	534	1.50
E. Kuskin	533	1.00
Mary Blasko	525	1.00

Nov. 15

Bill Dilly	569	3.00
Ed Vojta	546	2.50
Carl Schock	534	2.00
M. Stianche	520	1.50
J. Cellura	519	1.00

See you next week?

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MUSIC AND SONG BY THE CHILDREN

On Wednesday, December 8th, at 12:30, the children from Gilmour Academy will be at the Villa Serena to entertain you with their talents. Please join us and welcome them with open arms. We know the children get a great kick out of singing for us. The time again is 12:30 on Wednesday, December 8th.

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V I L L A S E R E N A A C T I V I T I E S

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
6 9:30-12:30 Ceramics 11:00-12:00 Line Dancing 12:30 Bowling 6:30 Pinochle	7 9 - 1 Sewing 1 - 2 Exercise 3:30 Rosary 7:00 Game night	8 10-12 Boutique 1-3 Boutique 3:30 Communion 7:00 Cards	9 10:00 Rel. Insp. 5:00 Dinner	10 1 - 3 Bridge
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ALL ACTIVITIES ARE CANCELLED THIS WEEK...				
20	21	22	23	24
27	28	29	30	
... AND ALSO THIS WEEK				

D E C E M B E R 1 9 9 3

LINE DANCING

We have learned many dances so far and will begin the NEW Year with the resolution to learn many more new dances this coming year. Please come and join us. Every week we review so it is never too late to start the class. Happy New Year to all of you. Start the New Year off right with fun and dancing in your heart. See you on Mondays at 11:00.

Beth Parnin

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EXERCISE CLASS

Exercise is preventative medicine. Start the New Year with the best advice possible -- keep moving and keep active. Exercise not only promotes health, it provides a social outlet.

Come and join our class, feel great, get stronger and have a good time.

It is up to you. Hope to see you in 1994!

Beth Parnin

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WEDNESDAY CARD PARTY WINNERS

Nov. 3 winners were Frances Mickovic, Ann Tracy, Helen Lysko, Marcella Stianche, Joe Damanti and Sophie Kelley. November 10th winners Frieda Vormelker, Elelvy DeFlorentis, Amelia Nagy, Mary Blasko, Fay Bostocky and Mamie Damanti.

December dates are the 1st and the 8th. See you then.

Len Shoemaker

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JOE FRANK, NEWS COMMENTATOR

Joe Frank will be here on Wednesday, December 15th, at 7:00. Come on down and join the group for his latest news and comments. Everyone welcome. Questions and comments gladly accepted. The date again is Wednesday, December 15. See you then.

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RUBY'S CHATTER

Claim to fame. There's talk of adding Ronald Reagan to the presidential monument. Move over, guys -- make room. The end positions now are held by Washington and Lincoln. They say all it takes is enough dynamite. Anyone else who needs to be remembered?

Ruby

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RELIGIOUS INSPIRATION

The ministers for the month of December are as follows:

December 2

Rev. Bob Brace

United Church of Christ

December 9

Rev. Francis Van Bergen

St. Gregory the Great

Services are held on Thursdays at 10:00 in the Red Room. Everyone is invited to participate.

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Sorry to hear that we have some friends on the sick list. Get well wishes to Emmett Penkava, Rachel Stegh and Carmen Buzzelli. Hurry back.

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IT WAS A RECORD BREAKER!!

The Halloween Dinner/Dance was a huge success.

The dining room and lounge area were filled to capacity for the super barbecue rib or baked chicken dinner. No one could have gone away hungry.

Once the music started, no, even before it started there wasn't a vacant chair in the red or blue room. Chairs were set up in the lobby area for the overflow.

The dance floor was well packed all evening and looked so pretty with just the colored spotlights glowing.

There really wasn't anything spooky but there were several hilarious costumes - we even had a real live Duracell Bunny who kept showing off her furry bunny tail while she beat that little drum. It's great to see how creative some people can be.

Carole Clay

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The Big Bingo drew it's usual big crowd.

Those "Villa Serena Special" hotdogs and hamburgers are always a treat to eat.

No one won the \$200.00 so don't forget to try when the next Big Bingo comes around.

Carole Clay

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ONE OF THESE DAYS . . .

We should have a show put on using our line dancers.

That's such a fun class, a lot of wrong moves, turning right instead of left, going forward instead of back - that's when the whole place breaks down and laughs. Beth Parnin just laughs along with the rest. She is a very patient teacher and sure doesn't mind going over and over the steps.

They are working on the "Slap Leather" dance now and it looks quite lively.

Come on ladies, when are you going to give us a viewing?

Carole Clay

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COMMUNION SERVICE

On Wednesday, December 1st, Father Schnéid will be here to distribute communion. The time is 3:30 in the Red Room. All are welcome to attend.

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HOLIDAY GREETINGS

The staff of the Villa Voice wishes everyone a great holiday season. May the best of everything come your way.

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BEGINNERS BRIDGE CLASS

We have had many requests from persons expressing a desire to learn to play Bridge. Bridge has always been a very exciting and rewarding experience for persons who love to play cards. It requires concentration and provides a whole new world of fun.

When we lost our beloved Vivian Karash, we were devastated. She had been with us for so many wonderful years. Now we must go forward and think to the future.

We have a very kind gentleman, Richard Arnold, living at the Villa Serena who has expressed a desire to teach the art of playing Bridge. He is a most capable teacher and is willing to make himself available at anytime during the day or evening for persons desiring to learn Bridge.

For starters, we will schedule a first class to begin THURSDAY, January 13, 1994 at 1:00 P.M. Mr. Arnold will welcome you and explain how we are going to conduct classes and also when the best time will be for everyone. We are sure you will enjoy this new Bridge Class. Now is the time to learn this most fascinating game.

In addition, we are continuing our Friday Advanced Bridge Class and Mr. Arnold will also be present for them to offer refresher courses, suggestions and other Bridge hints to aid them in any way he can.

HAVE FUN - DO PLAN ON ATTENDING!

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WE REALLY GOBBLED

and gobbled and gobbled the Thanksgiving turkey dinner. The servings were huge and delicious. Afterwards a lot of 'Doggie Bags' were in evidence.

The entertainment of the evening was a beautiful duet, Lisa Schiff and Paul Kroeger. Their voices were nothing short of spectacular, they had the audience fairly glued to their seats. The pianist was Guytano Parks. At the end of their presentation they received and deserved a standing ovation.

Mary was assured they would return and have a repertoire more familiar to us than the one that was presented.

We'll look forward to that.

Carole Clay

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All of the card players say thank you to Louis Tirabassi for the cards he gave to the Villa Serena. Thank you much, Lou.

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SPECIAL EVENTS

Thursday, December 9
5:00 Dinner
Friday, December 17
5:00 Dinner
6:30 Entertainment

HANUKKAH CELEBRATION

At Hanukkah time, it is very traditional to serve a feast of "Lattkes" or better known as Potato Pancakes.

We are going to celebrate this occasion in the same fashion. It will be a most informal occasion of getting together for the beginning of the Festival of Lights by serving "Lattkes".

It will be followed by a lovely holiday program in keeping with the spirit of the Hanukkah and Christmas holidays.

Our tree and decorations will be up for display and it will be the beginning of our holiday season at the Villa Serena.

We promise you will enjoy the dinner. Join us, it will be a fun evening for all of those attending. If you have never tasted delicious Lattkes, you will certainly enjoy them at the Villa Serena.

Put the date on your calendar right now. It will be on THURSDAY, DECEMBER 9th. The cost will be \$3.50 per person.

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THE END OF THE YEAR

Once again the end of the year is here when we celebrate the Christmas and Hanukkah seasons. These are two holidays filled with great joy. The calendar tells us that winter is here. It is time to get busy with our holiday shopping.

Here at the Villa Serena with the setting up of our tree, the holiday decorations, one will be able to reflect on the warmth and joy that will prevail here. We all have much to be thankful for. We have welcomed many new friends this year. Lets develop these new friendships without forgetting to cherish our longtime friends.

We extend our very sincere thanks to our many many volunteers who have so generously contributed their time throughout the year in helping to retain the beauty and success story of the Villa Serena. Our thanks also to all those who have supported our dinners and activities throughout the year. It has made the Villa what it is today.

To our most gracious and wonderful teachers and lecturer who have given so much of their time to add to our success story, we say thank you.

On behalf of the Board of Trustees and the entire staff of the Villa Serena, we wish all our friends a most happy and healthy holiday season and the best of the new year filled with "warmth and love" - which has been, is, and always will be the theme of the Villa Serena.

Howard Chesler & Mary

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BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

DECEMBER 1993

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1 Florence Ference 721
3 Michael Vespro 332
8 Mae Murdock 602
9 Carol Cordaro 831
11 Carl Calabrese 530
12 Ardell Gecky 417
13 Inez DiCesare 431
15 William Rashid 624
Sally Schrembeck 328
16 Andrew Delzappo 718
18 Emmett Penkava 716
20 Natalie Huff 228
22 Sophie Oddo 515
23 Harvey Sternberg 827
24 Thelma Olsen 808
27 Harry Fiorette 822
28 Edward Vojta 322
29 Mary Blasko 706

ANNIVERSARIES

DECEMBER

20 Mr. & Mrs. Phillip Mirenda

Happy Anniversary

DECEMBER

1 Florence Bonfield
2 Josephine Hahl
3 Joseph Heiser
Marge Vodbornik
4 Ann Hudac
5 Teresa Montani
7 Bernard Novel
8 Joseph Arcuri
10 Rose Valente
15 Katherine McMuller
17 Elizabeth Nettis
18 Frances Insani
19 Sylvia Bloomfield
20 Alexander Collins
Anne Rusick
21 Christine Lisy
22 Betty Glenn
Marvin Zelman
23 Art Swirsky
24 Harold Spengler
25 Jacky Elmo
Ann Kaplan
26 Ida Reminick
28 Jean Collura
30 Angela Znidarsic

Happy Birthday

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CHRISTMAS AT THE VILLA SERENA

Well, the most beautiful time of the year has sneaked up on us again, and we are looking forward to this celebration with great anticipation.

At the Villa Serena it is the time of year when we all know as in the past that we gather together as one great family to wish one another a happy holiday season and to break bread together in a most tasty Christmas dinner, naturally with all the additions that go with our now famous holiday mouthwatering meals.

The evening's entertainment will then be our welcoming back the very famous "Carmellina" and her fine group of musicians for the music and songs we all want to hear at this time of the year.

Naturally Christmas would not be the same without the appearance of the special guest that is always with us at Christmastime, so get ready to welcome dear old Santà, let him know what you want for Christmas. By some miracle, he might bring it for you.

Our wish is that you will come & enjoy the holiday season with us. As usual tickets must be purchased early. YOU MUST BE A MEMBER OR A RESIDENT.

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