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FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 9th

MOVE NIGHT DINNER

Choice of Breaded Pork Chop  
or Baked Fish  
Potato  
Vegetable  
Dessert \$5.00

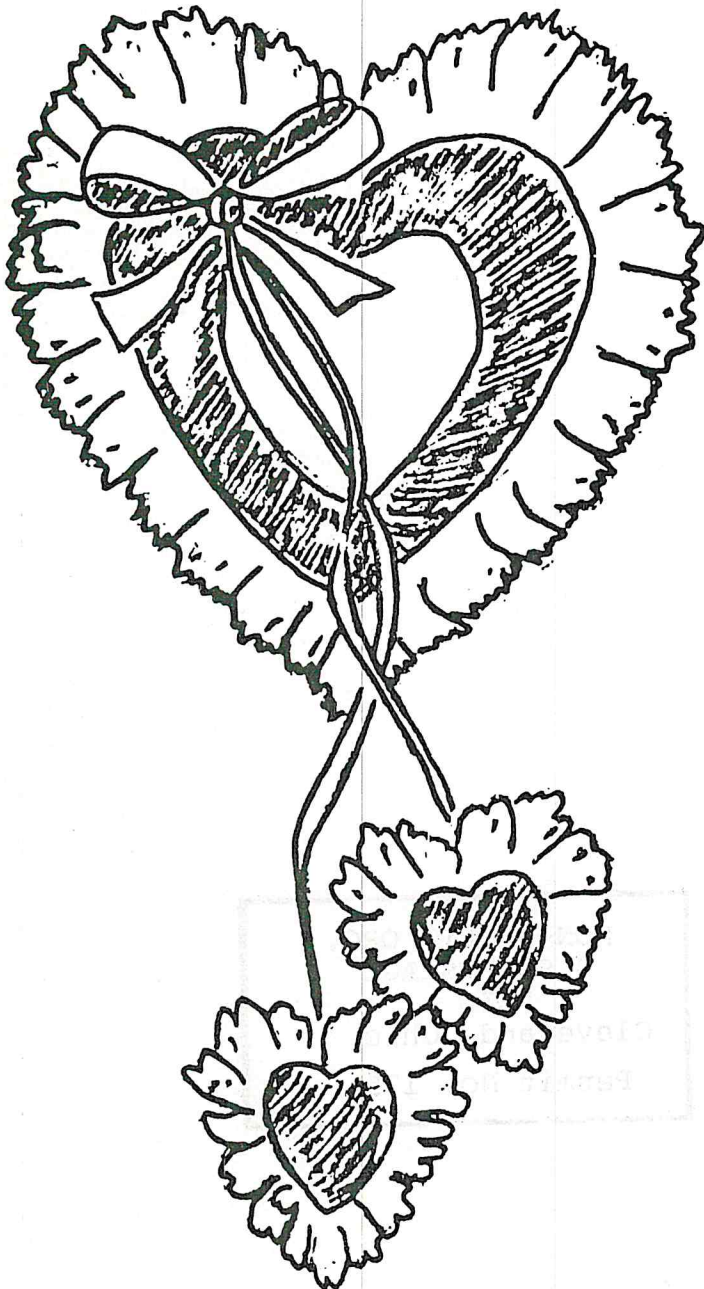
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 16th

Choice of Baked Fish or  
Swiss Steak  
Potato  
Vegetable  
Dessert \$5.00

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 27th

MARDI GRAS DINNER

Choice of Barbecued Ribs  
or Baked Chicken  
and all the trimmings!!  
\$ 6.50 per person



H A P P Y   V A L E N T I N E   D A Y

FROM THE KITCHEN "SWEETHEARTS" AND "GENTS"

LUNCHEON MENU - SEE PAGE 6

BRIDGE NOTES

Since the January Villa Voice went to press before our Christmas Party, this news has been on hold. Our party was on the worst day of the winter (December 15) but even so we had 32 people who braved the snow and ice to come. I was concerned about the hazardous driving so when Claude Watts offered taxi service, I gratefully accepted. He also picked up Rose Coneglio who couldn't have made it otherwise. Thanks, Claude.

Top prize winners were:

- 1st Emma and Harold Spengler \$5.00,
- 2nd Sarah Ciongoli and Rose Coneglio \$4.00
- 3rd Ann Epstein and Goldy \$3.00
- 4th Angie Znardsic and Isabel Byron \$2.00
- 5th Marie Matelock and Aileen Spencer \$1.00
- 6th Eleans and Ev Allen \$1.00

Sarah Ciongoli won the "2 Prize" When play was finished, we had refreshments.

Thanks to all of you who made our party a success. Have a happy and healthy 1990.

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LIBRARY CHATTER

Here at Villa Serena we have a very well-stocked library and some very nice people staffing it. On Mondays from 1:00 to 2:00, Mary Clark will help you and on Tuesdays and Thursdays, Ann Gallagher will be there from 1:00 until 2:00.

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LIBRARY (Continued)

Starting Friday, January 19th, Marie Nau has joined the team and her hours are from 1:30 to 2:30. Welcome to the group, Marie. We are very glad to have you.

Why not stop in and meet the gals and get acquainted.

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WEDNESDAY CARDS

Why not join us any Wednesday for an evening of cards of your choice? The following were the winners for the past 3 weeks.

Dec. 13

Ann Tracy, Al McMunn, Evelyn DeFlorentis, Leonard Shoemaker, Lillian Maurer and Amelia Nagy.

Jan. 10

Frieda Vormelker, Alma Reinke, John Schultz, Margaret Rose, Thelma Lilje and Ann Tracy

Jan. 17

John Schultz, Florence Simpson, Mildred McCurdy, Mary Fran Dunlap, Leonard Shoemaker and Arlene Wasniak.

Hope to see you on February 7th and 14th.

Len Shoemaker

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MENTOR MALL

Wednesday, February 21

9:00 Sign up

10:00 Departure

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DINNER AND BIG BINGO REPORT

The first dinner of 1990 was served on Friday, January 12, with fish or brisket of beef and moist scrumptious coconut cake for dessert. What a treat!

We carefully chose our BINGO cards by a system known only to us. Mary Calogero called the numbers loud and clear with the usual happy winners and sad losers. Several door prizes went to lucky ticket holders.

Mr. Chesler called for the final fill-up game and if won in 57 numbers, it would pay \$200.00 but since no one filled a card in this time, calling continued with three lucky people filling their cards and dividing the consolation prize of \$40.00.

Why not come on down and try your luck next time? Who knows who will be the lucky one to win \$200.00?

Margaret Rose

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CERAMICS NEWS

Easter projects are under way. Look for chicks and ducks in the Show Case. We need a volunteer to make two egg dishes. One of our students would buy these. She would like to make them herself but has had some illness and can't handle the detail.

If you would like to come and watch us at work, please feel free to do so. Rita came to watch and stayed to paint magnets.

Eleanor Havel

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SEWING CLASS ACTIVITY

It is good to be back in the regular routine after the hustle and bustle of the holidays. Sitting and sewing is very relaxing. Even though we are in the middle of winter, it is a good time to think ahead to spring and the state of your wardrobe. If you are bored and housebound, sewing is a good project. I know you must have something lurking in your closet that needs attention - mending or altering. Get all those little chores done before spring and think how good you will feel when spring finally arrives. Don't forget that sewing class is a good place to get help with your Christmas gifts that don't quite fit. Set your clocks on Tuesday mornings and bring your work down to class. Let's get started.

Sally Kinney

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JUKE BOX IN ACTION

We are pleased to announce that our juke box is in working order and you are invited to use it at any time - either enjoying the music or dancing. The songs are the ones we all remember.

Thank you for repairing the box for our pleasure.

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Just heard of a few more friends who are ill. Do get well and hurry back Margaret Vargo, Felice Lanese and Michael DiCesare.

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CHRISTMAS DINNER AND PARTY

It was snowy and very cold, Tuesday, December 19th, as we gathered in the warmth of Villa Serena for our Christmas dinner. We started with wine, then Cornish hen which was delicious and cherry turnover for dessert!

We sang 'We Wish You a Merry Christmas' to Zadie Shaw and her fantastic helpers... Frank Shaw, Mary and Jim Cordaro, Carol and Sam Cordaro, Mary Oley, Clara Corea, John Curry, Ruby Jacobs, Julie and Louis Balazs and Dorothy Papcke.

At 6:30, we were seated waiting for Mike Jacobs and his band with Bob Santamaria and June Anthony to entertain us. It was a marvelous program with many of our favorite songs. They opened with 'Winter Wonderland'... Mr. Chesler in red vest (for the season) greeted Santa Claus (Harry Fioretti) who arrived as we sang 'Here Comes Santa Claus'. Sam and Jim Cordaro were Santa's helpers and handed out candy canes.

June sang 'Chestnuts Roasting on an Open Fire' and other numbers. Bob and Mr. Chesler sang 'Have Negala'. We all sang 'We Wish You a Merry Christmas' to Mary Calogero and Mr. Chesler. Bob and June sang 'White Christmas' and Bob sang 'Ave Maria'. Snow was falling as we sang 'Jingle Bells' to close a very festive evening!!!

Margaret Rose

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EXERCISE CLASS NOTES

It felt so good to be back in class. We are starting off on the right foot by having wellness as our goal for this year. Exercise has a definite impact on our continued good health. Good job everyone on your continued hard work.

Beth Parnin

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RELIGIOUS INSPIRATION

On Thursdays at 10:00, a minister from the area comes to the Villa Serena to conduct services. Everyone is welcome. The ministers for February are

- 1st Rev. Terry Taylor St. Bartholomew Church
- 8th Rev. William O'Neil St. Clare Church
- 15th Rev. Graham Smith Church of the Good Shepherd
- 22nd Rev. Robert Cline Rev. Robert Cline Messiah Lutheran Church.

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There are some of our friends who have passed away and we want to express our sympathy to their friends and families. Joseph Dolfi and Theresa Bocchio were tenants. Mary Blasko's daughter and Emily Tomas's sister also passed away recently.

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MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY

**SPECIAL EVENTS**  
Thursday, February 8th, 6:30 Movie  
Friday, February 9th, 5:00 Dinner -- 6:30 Movie  
Friday, February 16th, 5:00 Dinner -- 6:30 Dancing  
Thursday, February 22nd, 12:00 Luncheon-- 1:30 Bingo  
Tuesday, February 27th, 5:00 Dinner -- 6:30 Dance

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## SHOWCASE CLASS

All-in-all 1989 was a good year for the Showcase Class - we don't have a lot of things left-over. We are grateful for your support of our efforts. After our vacation break we are revving up our fingers and our ideas for the Showcase. There is always so much to be done and never enough time. There are just too many clever things to make - I guess there are just lots of clever people around with good ideas. We will do our best to pick only the cleverest things from the very cleverest people and get to work.

As usual, we are always open to your suggestions and ideas. Last but not least, can you lend us some of your time and a few of your fingers? Don't think that you have no skills making things - if you have the desire we can teach you something new that you might really enjoy. We'd love to have you join us!

Sally Kinney

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## TRUTH IS STRANGER...

This story was told to us by a friend concerning an incident that occurred when he was in the army during WW11. He was stationed in Germany and came across (or liberated) a large German flag with a Swastika design. He sent it home to his mother so she could save it for him. The day finally arrived when he got home and lo and behold as he looked up at the windows; there it was. The dear sweet lady had made curtains out of it!

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## TRUTH (Continued)

A young man came to America from Italy a long time ago. He liked to roam around the city and especially walk downtown. One day he saw a large crowd heading toward the big colosseum on the lake. He heard the words Army and Navy and knew it was an important happening so he joined the crowd, paid for his ticket and watched the action. He was excited and puzzled. After all the rumming around and whistles, people started to leave. He left also and took the bus back to the relatives' home where he was staying. His description of what he had seen should have been recorded. He told how he knew this was something of great importance because so many witnesses were there. He wanted to know why the guys on the grass were so mad at each other and were trying to kill the guys who had different color clothes on. They were just about killing each other and fighting to get hold of a funny ball that was out of shape. You had to be there.

This football story makes me think of our Cleveland Browns. Did you ever see anything that could pull a city together like the efforts of the Browns? All the TV hype, banners, news articles, cookies and clothing in orange and brown. Cleveland has gone bonkers over recognition for this beleaguered city that has suffered so many so-called jokes. GO BROWNS!

Today in my orange sweater and earrings and brown skirt I, with this family of mine, will be pacing, yelling, maybe a curse word here and there. By the time you read this, it will be over and we will be CHAMPIONS. If not, you will notice two big tears on this sheet.

Josephine Gentile

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GRATITUDE: pleasing, thankful; a feeling of thankful appreciation for favors or benefits received. Warm, appreciative response to kindness; thankfulness.

Do you have a feeling of thankfulness and gratitude within you? Or do you feel that everything good that ever came to you was your just dessert? We surely could use some introspection. That means looking back on your life and looking into yourself to see what you are made of. Do you see what I see?

No, it doesn't befit any of us to berate ourselves for what has gone by. By the same token, we should try to amend our faults and show a little more gratitude to those who make our lives a little better in some way. Or to those less fortunate.

When they say you can feed a whole family for a dollar, I feel so selfish. Though I try to do my little bit, I wonder - is it enough?

This is beginning to sound like I should have been a preacher. But what if I would have all that money coming in - would I end up like Jimmy and Tammy?

Enough, already. Here you are thinking i"m trying to tell you how to live your lives and what I'm really up to is getting you to learn a few new words and their definitions. How about that?

Ruby

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## DINNER AND DANCE EVENING

Friday, January 19th, we once again assembled for one of our famous dinners. Fish and ham was served in swift, smiling style to our diners. Cool spumoni was a refreshing dessert.

At 6:30, we were greeted by Billy Kaye and his marvelous musicians. They opened with 'It Had to be You', 'Spanish Eyes' and 'Arriverderci Roma'. A variety of music. Many dancers filled the floor and glided smoothly in time to the lilting tunes. The dances included fox trots, waltzes, Cha-Cha, Alley Cat, Hokey Pokey and the Bird Dance. Something to please everyone. Billy crooned 'To All the Girls I've Loved Before' and we all 'swoned'!!!!.

Rock-N-Roll and the Charleston had quite a few fans taking part - vigorously.

As the band played "I'll See You in my Dreams" another outstanding program was brought to a close.

Margaret Rose

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Sorry to say that we have several friends on the sick list. They are Ann Picozzi, Bill Olsen, Catherine Pazderak. But they are on the road to recovery and we hope to see them all home again very soon.

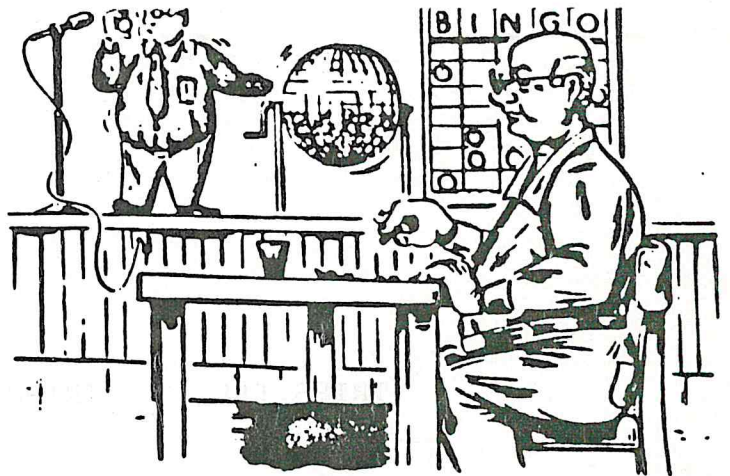
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# Announcing!

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 1990

# BINGO FOOD



COULD THIS BE "you know who" CALLING?!

COME AND SPEND THE AFTERNOON WITH US!!

Join us for a special lunch beginning at 12:00 Noon and then stay on to play our now famous Big Bingo. It promises to be an afternoon of friendship, food and "winnings" .

Our luncheon menu will consist of your choice of the following:

Our own McVilla Hamburger  
Potato Salad  
Cole Slaw  
Dessert

or Our famous Hot Dog  
Potato Salad  
Cole Slaw  
Dessert

or Tuna Salad  
Potato Salad  
Dessert

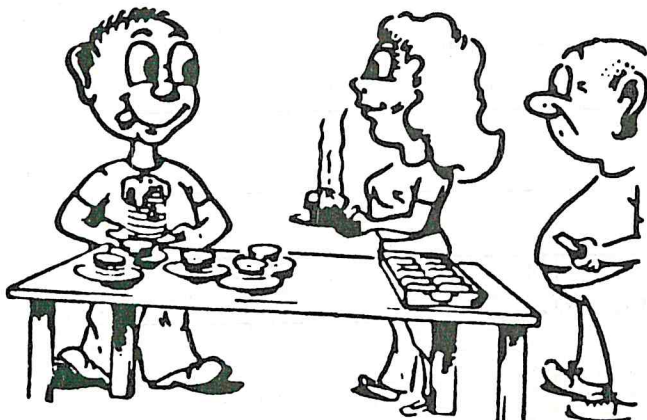
All of the above includes coffee or tea for the low cost of only \$2.25 per person.

"THEN"

at 1:30 P.M. Bingo will start with the usual big prizes - many games including \$200.00 for a full card in 57 numbers or less -

Cards are \$2.00 each per person  
or three cards for \$5.00 per person

How can you miss a fun afternoon such as this.



PLEASE NOTE: TICKETS FOR LUNCH  
MUST BE PURCHASED IN ADVANCE  
AT THE VILLA SERENA OFFICE

TRIPS!!!!

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Seldom does a day or a week pass, that we are not asked by our residents and members "WHERE IS YOUR NEXT TRIP GOING TO BE?"

We have had so many requests - Those who want to go to Alaska again - another trip to Hawaii - a Caribbean Cruise to anywhere - a Mediterranean Cruise visiting cities in many countries - a Canadian trip - and lastly but certainly not the least a trip to Las Vegas.

All of these trips are very lovely, but our trips are based upon our ability to attract groups of at least 35 or more persons wherein we can immediately begin to negotiate with airlines, hotels and cruise lines to obtain the best rates and still be able to provide our travelers with all the extra goodies we have become accustomed to on all our trips which make for a more inclusive vacation.

Therefore, we want your input in trips to be planned for 1990 - By filling the attached preference form and delivering it to the Villa Serena office, we will be able to make a determination as to our schedule accordingly and go forward with immediate plans.

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Yes, I want to participate in trips sponsored by the Villa Serena.

My first choice is \_\_\_\_\_

My second choice is \_\_\_\_\_

Comments \_\_\_\_\_

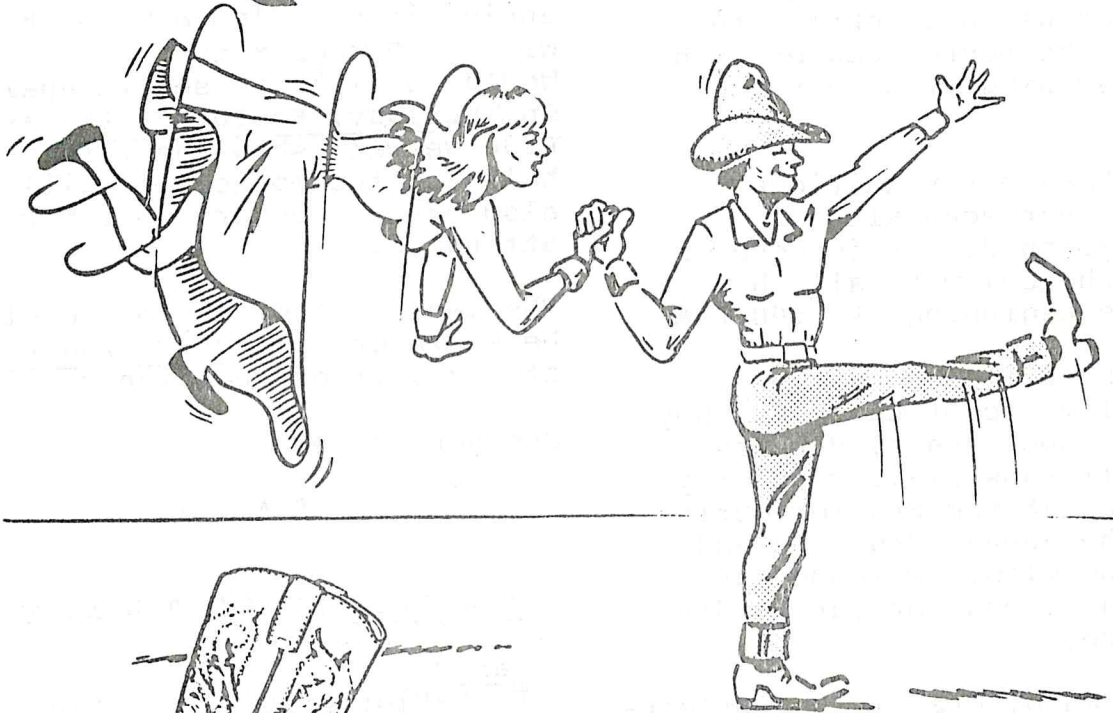
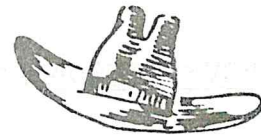
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# SQUARE



# DANCE

## General Information:

PUT ON YOUR "DIRNDL SKIRTS" - JOIN US FOR A WONDERFUL EVENING OF SQUARE DANCING - WE ONCE AGAIN WELCOME OUR DEAR FRIEND AND EXPERT "CALLER" BOB HOWELL -

FRIDAY - FEBRUARY 16, 1990 - 6:30 P.M. - RED ROOM

DON'T MISS IT!!

ITS SHROVE TUESDAY & MARDI GRAS

It seems to have become traditional for us to celebrate the start of the Lenten Season with a super evening of dinner and dancing.

We will have our traditional dinner of Barbecue Ribs or Baked Chicken dinner (whichever is your choice) with all the trimmings beginning at 5:00 P.M.

It will be followed by the wonderful music of Harry Hershey and his combo. Harry Hershey as you all know plays regularly at Swingos at the Statler during all of the Sunday Brunches and he will be gladly welcomed at the Villa Serena for our Mardi Gras Dance.

You know Mardi Gras in New Orleans is a time for costumes and exciting festivities. Make our celebration more fun by making up a Mardi Gras costume or the wearing of a mask. It will make our evening so much more fun. Put your imagination to work right now.

MARK THE DATE ON YOUR CALENDAR, IT IS TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 27th.

GET YOUR TICKETS EARLY!!

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ANNIVERSARY TIME

Did you know that the Villa Serena is celebrating its anniversary in February? Yes, we are still going strong and hope to continue for many years. What makes it such a great place to live is you, the tenants and the members!

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ANNIVERSARY (Continued)

There is another anniversary this year and that is the 50th anniversary of 'Gone With The Wind'. Remember that movie? Would you like to see it again? On Thursday, February 8th, at 6:30 we will show the first half of the movie. We will also have a dessert hour for all attending.

The last half of the movie will be shown on Friday, February 9th, at 6:30, after the dinner.

See you there.

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PINOCHLE TOURNAMENT WINNERS

Jan 8

E. DeFlorentis	609	\$4.25
Jo Topping	575	3.75
Ann Panichi	551	3.25
Edith Kern	547	2.75
Tony Gentile	533	2.00

Jan. 15

Winnie Hellwig	620	4.25
Barbara Rixie	609	3.75
Violet Orifici	598	3.25
M. Schechter	595	2.75
Harry Fiorette	590	2.25
Vera Kozak	588	1.75

Jan. 22

Ruby Jacobs	610	4.50
Marie Wiltshire	583	4.00
Len Shoemaker	578	3.50
Alma Reinke	577	3.00
Al McMunn	570	2.50
M. Schechter	569	1.25
Walt Wiltshire	569	1.25

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BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

FEBRUARY, 1990

FLOWER: Violet

BIRTHSTONE: Amethyst

FEBRUARY

- 3 Helen Fekete 722
- 5 Margaret Halkowitz 621  
Anne Klein 503
- 6 Rosemary Belz 806  
Agnes Cisek 805  
Vernita Coleman 314
- 7 Vera Kozak 416  
Ethel Zelna 732
- 10 Pauline Bradac 226  
Carmen Buzzelli 512
- 14 Ethel Gothard 702  
Michael Mencini 730
- 15 John Pazderak 716
- 16 Viola Judice 719
- 17 Ruth Groenwold 616
- 19 Mercedes Dirner 630  
Dominic Vaccariello 704
- 20 Albert McMunn 818
- 21 Liluccia Fedor 733
- 23 Pauline Sbrocco 832
- 24 Carmella Belcon 232
- 25 Mary Jane McMunn 818
- 26 Christina Stech 525  
Mary Weir 313
- 27 Anna Roth 219
- 28 Margaret Poe 305  
Basil Pinzone, Sr. 814

ANNIVERSARIES

FEBRUARY

- 2 Mr. & Mrs. Anthony Filly 217
- 9 Mr. & Mrs. John Schultz 808
- 12 Mr. & Mrs. James Cordaro 330  
Mr. & Mrs. Salvatore Cordaro 831  
Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Skarnus
- 14 Mr. & Mrs. James Pritchard  
Mr. & Mrs. Frank Stianche 507
- 15 Mr. & Mrs. Bert Gordon 417
- 22 Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Heiser

***·HAPPY ANNIVERSARY·***

***·HAPPY BIRTHDAY·***

FEBRUARY

- 1 Evelyn Becker
- 2 Beulah Fleishman
- 4 Harry Cuda  
Glen Shaw  
Josephine Taddeo
- 5 Isabelle Byron
- 6 Joseph Kovatch  
Virginia Schechter  
Louis Storto
- 8 Virginia Unterberger
- 9 Clark Humphreys
- 10 Daniel Crowley  
Viola Orifici  
Irvin Rossio
- 11 FiFi Brescia
- 12 Harriet Kish  
Margaret Kovach
- 13 Bernice Holec  
Mary Ianni
- 14 Helene Burt  
Charles Roberto  
Lillian Zelman
- 15 Bernard Biederman  
Ruth Kleppel  
Gerry Tomaro
- 16 Helen Pacosky  
Andrew Zamec
- 17 George Zek
- 18 Tyra Cook  
Genevieve Rodney  
Camille Stefanoni
- 19 Mae Smigrocky  
Marion Simocic
- 20 Estella Wierber
- 22 Helen Trivison
- 23 Mary DiGiovanni  
Josephine Mecca  
Helen Zabukovec
- 24 Frances Barskitis
- 25 Edward Kleppel  
Thelma Skoch
- 26 Margaret Adzema  
Sara Ciongoli  
Ruth Katz  
Caroline Pistone
- 27 Madelyn Arcuri
- 28 Josephine Carrao  
Dorothy Drembus  
Virginia Schneider
- 29 William Sattler

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OUR ANNIVERSARY AND LOVE

In the month of February of  
each year is a day set aside for  
"LOVE" - that's Valentine's  
Day - - - and it is fitting in-  
deed that in February of each  
year we also celebrate the anni-  
versary of the existence of the  
Villa Serena.

Yes, this month it is the 23rd  
birthday of the Villa Serena and  
it is so wonderful to celebrate  
birthdays, as we are well on the  
way to our "silver" anniversary.

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OUR ANNIVERSARY (cont'd)

Yes, the years have been good to the  
Villa Serena,- and to the many  
multitude of persons who have come  
through its doors and become a part  
of our extended family.

Careful observation of the success  
of the Villa Serena can be attributed  
to the fact that "love" and "respect"  
of the people is the important in-  
gredient of everything that takes  
place in our building.

We begin our twenty-fourth year with  
a prayer and hope that the year 1990  
will be a year in which the high  
ideals of the Villa Serena will be  
maintained; that everyone will have  
a good year; that everyone will  
understand the efforts that are made  
in their behalf by the Board of Trustees  
and the regular staff and that above  
all "LOVE" will continue to be the  
key word to success for this great  
adventure.

We pledge as we have always done in  
the past, that we will not stand still  
in our efforts to bring the very  
best of everything to our residents  
and members in the year to come.

We extend our good wishes to all of  
you in behalf of the Board of Trustees.

Howard Chesler

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