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CHRISTMAS CHEER AROUND THE HALLS

We note with extreme pleasure that there was much Christmas cheer and pleasant get togethers around the building during the holiday season which proves that there are still some really nice "lovely people" doing nice things for other "lovely people".

One the 4th floor, we hear that Ann Picozzi had a lovely get together for her 4th floor neighbors and cooked up a storm of all kinds of goodies for everyone to enjoy.

The 8th floor had a constant flow of cookies and other goodies in their lobby so that their neighbors could enjoy a munch while waiting for elevators or just passing through.

All of the other floors certainly looked pretty with their Holiday decorations all around. And the lovely poinsettias which were donated on each floor by Mr. Chesler and Mary really added to the color effect for the holidays.

As we go to press, there are probably many other holiday parties which will be taking place around the building before the big day, so for all of you who are still in the planning stages of a celebration, "HAVE A GOOD TIME" and enjoy the friendship of one another.

CHECK YOUR MEMBERSHIP CARDS TO MAKE SURE THEY HAVE NOT EXPIRED.

RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP TODAY!

TO LAUGH A BIT

Riding along in a four engine plane, the passengers saw first one and finally three of the engines conk out. The cabin door opened and the pilot appeared with a parachute on his back. "Keep calm folks. Don't panic," he yelled. "I'm going for help."

A flock of chickens was in the yard when a bootball flew over the fence and landed in their midst. A rooster strutted over, studied it, and then said: "I'm not complaining girls, but look at the work they're turning out next door."

Oh Christmas tree, Oh Christmas tree
Your transformation's drastic
Last year you were a Douglas fir.
And this year you were plastic.

Remember when "Peace On Earth" was frequently a phrase seen on children's Christmas gift boxes. Today it seems to be "Batteries Not Included."

One reason ballet is quite popular in Washington is that the residents are not accustomed to seeing any one on their toes.

Sign outside of a church: Life is fragile, handle with prayer.

Worry is the advance interest you pay on troubles that seldom come.

Submitted by:
Eileen Bentler

FRIDAY, JANUARY 8th

Choice of Baked Fish
or Baked Ham
Potato
Vegetable
Dessert



WE JUST MAKE OUR MEALS
ITZY BITZY BETTER

FRIDAY, JANUARY 15th

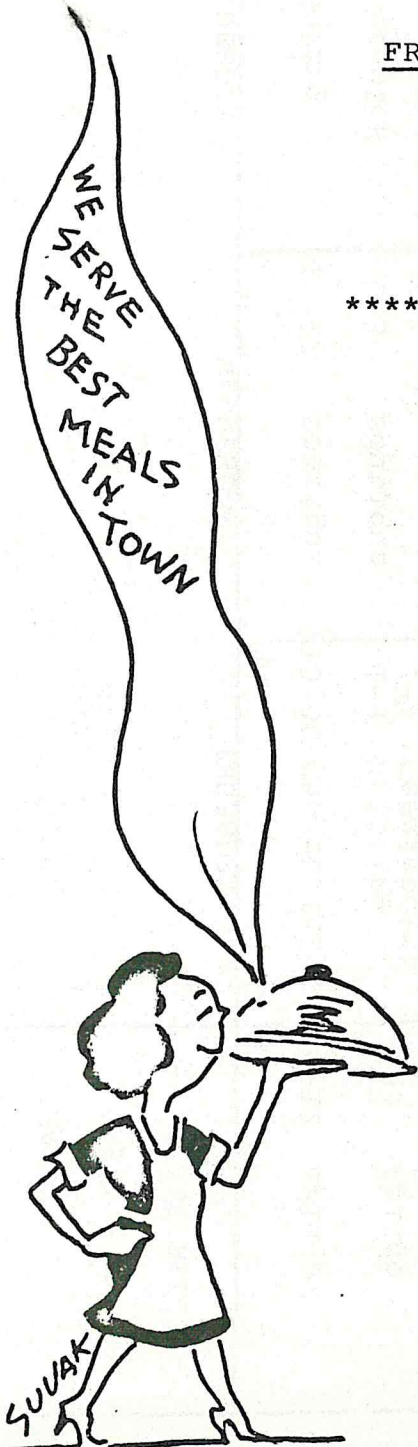
Choice of Baked Fish
or Brisket of Beef
Potato
Vegetable
Dessert

FRIDAY, JANUARY 22nd

Choice of Baked Fish
or Breaded Pork Chops
Potato
Vegetable
Dessert

FRIDAY, JANUARY 29th

Choice of Baked Fish
or Short Ribs of Beef
Potato
Vegetable
Dessert



VILLA SERENA SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES

- JANUARY, 1982

FRIDAY

MONDAY		TUESDAY		WEDNESDAY		THURSDAY		FRIDAY	
4	10-12 Red Cross 1:00 Bowling 3:30 Rosary 3-4 Dancercise	5	9-1 Sewing 9-12 Ceramics	6	10-12 Boutique 1-3 Boutique 5:00 Mens Pool 7:30 Dinner Party	7	10:00 Church Insp. 1-3 Knitting 3-4 Needlepoint	8	10-12 Bridge 1-3 Bridge
11	7:30 Pinochle	12	7:30 Game Night	13	7:30 Game Night	14	7:30 Game Night	15	5:00 Dinner
10-12	Red Cross Bowling Rosary Dancercise	9-1	Sewing Ceramics	10-12	Boutique Boutique	10:00	Church Insp. Knitting Needlepoint	10-12	Bridge Bridge Adv. Bridge Dinner and Party
7:30	Pinochle	7:30	Game Night	7:30	Game Night	7:30	Game Night	5:00	Dinner
18	10-12 Red Cross 1:00 Bowling 3:30 Rosary 3-4 Dancercise	19	9-1 Sewing 9-12 Ceramics	20	10-12 Boutique 1-3 Boutique	21	10:00 Church Insp. 1-3 Knitting 3-4 Needlepoint	22	10-12 Bridge 1-3 Adv. Bridge
7:30	Pinochle	7:30	Game Night	7:30	Card Party	7:30	Game Night	5:00	Dinner
25	10-12 Red Cross 1:00 Bowling 3:30 Rosary 3-4 Dancercise	26	9-1 Sewing 9-12 Ceramics	27	10-12 Boutique 1-3 Boutique	28	10:00 Church Insp. 1-3 Knitting 3-4 Needlepoint	29	10-12 Bridge 1-3 Adv. Bridge
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1	HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL!!!								

UP AND DOWN THE HALLWAYS

Our sincere sympathy to the family of

BLANCHE VINCENT
and
NINA AKEHURST

who passed away this month. They shall not be forgotten by their many friends at the Villa Serena.

On the sick list again this month are John Fekete, Frances Iglewski, Catherine Menier, John Musacchio, John Nagy, Tony Lombardo, Gladys Crawford, Rose DePaolo

We are issuing a special decree that you are all to be well and home before the holidays.

God Bless each of you.

Thanks to Mildred Johnson, Helen Smatt and Ann Tieleman for the lovely books donated to the library. And also to Ellen Soeder for her marvelous perpetual gift of the large-type edition of Reader's Digest, being sent for the next year.

Our sympathy also to Palmina Ramunna on the untimely death of her brother.

Also sympathy to Mabel Heidy on the death of her son-in-law.

Here are all of our Florida bound friends this month. Florence Timbers and Verda Kelley, Charlotte Cheer and Clem and Mae Brazis

Rosemarie Liotta is visiting in California and Rosemary Belz is off to Chicago for the holidays.

"Would you believe that not one of them even asked this writer to go along with them. Oh, well, guess I'll just have to go all by myself

Jennie Kapelka and Clara Corea have also had sadness this month in the death of their brother-in-law.

We are sending such nice words of "thanks" to Sally Jane Schrembeck, Mary Calabrese, Florence Gardner, Minnie Prokop and Clyde Gordon, who worked all day in the kitchen in helping Mary Hillen prepare for our Christmas dinner. Such nice "gals" and a "fella". On Wednesday, they helped clean all those lovely cornish hens and potatoes we all enjoyed for dinner.

Say, did you see Bert and Horty Gordon the other night when our Christmas Party was over???

They donned their winter coats and outside they went brushing off the snow on all the cars of our departing guests as they picked up their passengers in front of the building.

That was a super Christmas good deed on their part.

Nice people those two...

THANKSGIVING DAY ACTIVITIES

A delicious dinner and dancing music captured the spirit of Thanksgiving Day beautifully. Traditional Autumn colors and turkeys everywhere set the scene for over 250 guests.

In keeping with the dignity of this occasion, Mr. Chesler, led all in a prayer of thanksgiving for health, memories and continued contentment at Villa Serena. The menu included TURKEY and all the trimmings. "All the trimmings" usually means a glass of "you know what" - to give you that sparkle for the evening.

We welcomed our dear friends, Ed and Gilda Cifani. Joe Shero and Wally Scaffidi joined them in playing excellent dancing music. So there was dancing, dancing and more dancing!!.

A plus for the evening was the announcing of Mr. Chesler's birthday. Immediately, "Happy Birthday" rang out and a standing ovation and much clapping cheered him.

"See you in my dreams," rendered softly by Gilda Cifani, signified the conclusion of entertainment. Of course our patriotic birthday celebrant added "God Bless America" which means - "This is it for tonight".

Hopefully we will all give thanks together in 1982.

--Irene McDonough--

CHRISTMAS TREE TRIMMING AND BIRTHDAY-ANNIVERSARY PARTY

During this delightful time of the year, tradition is so meaningful at the Villa Serena that we again combined dinner, Christmas Tree trimming and celebration of birthday and anniversary days. This "get together" was held on December 11th, beginning at 5:00 P.M. It included a delicious dinner. "Yours truly" chose pork which was super.

After dinner, Mr. Frank Woods and his Mayfield Melody Makers entertained with a variety of seasonal songs including "Lights of Hannukah", "Sing me now of Christmas, "Silver Bells" and many, many familiar tunes.

Singing was interrupted as lights on the perfectly shaped and beautifully trimmed "tree" were turned on by Leona Smith and Barbara Herczog - two of the eldest residents at the Villa, (maybe in years but not in appearance).

The Melody Makers then continued with "Rock & Roll Christmas" and "What Child is This".

December birthday and anniversary celebrants were privileged because the Melody Makers sang to them directly. After wishing Mr. Woods and his lovely group a "Merry Christmas" and a "Happy New Year", Mr. Chesler led everyone in "White Christmas". This climaxed a very memorable evening for 1981.

--Irene McDonough--

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

- Jan. 7 - Rev. R. Spence
Epiphany Reformed
- Jan. 14 - Rev. Robert Cline
Messiah Lutheran
- Jan. 21 - Rev. Paul Rohrbaugh
Faith United
- Jan. 28 - Rev. Boyer Wild
Lyndhurst Baptist

Once again, we ask you to welcome back our ministers for the new year by an increase in attendance.

MENS CLUB NEWS

The meeting of the Mens Club was called to order at 7:00 P.M. There were no new members or guests present.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. Lad Cimler read the finance report which was accepted.

Three of our members are in the hospital, John Nagy, John Fekete and Tony Catullo. Cards were sent by our Welfare Secretary, Chuck Robertson.

We sang happy birthday to the 3 birthday boys, Nick Ricchuiti, Carl Calabrese and Frank Vigneri. Nick Ricchuiti treated the members with refreshments which were dispensed by Allan Heckaman and Charles Hridel and thoroughly enjoyed by the men.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:50 P.M. Next meeting is January 12th.

--John Smola-Sec.--
Lou Vargo-Pres.

POOL NEWS

After 15 weeks of very exciting Pool Tournament in Class A, we have a tie for first place with 46 points each. They are Frank Thomas and Nick Ricchuiti. In second place in a tie with 36 points each are John Fekete and Rudy Freed. Also in Class B there is a tie with 50 points each. They are Bill Nau and Lou Vargo. In second place is Carl Calabrese with 46 points.

We thank you all for your fine cooperation.

Our Pool Dinner will be held on Wednesday, January 6, 1982. Mr. Chesler, as is usual, will award the prizes to the winners.

--Lad Cimler--
--Joe Bentler--

P.S. This writer does not want to cause any problems among the men or their ladies, but wouldn't it be more fun to have a "tall, lovely blonde or even "Tempest Storm" present the awards this time, rather than you know who!!! It would help to spruce up the evening a bit!!!!!!

SHOPPING SCHEDULE

Bus trips to Eastgage will be on Monday, Wednesday and Friday for the winter months. Bus leaves the Villa at 10:00 A.M., 11:00 A.M. and 12:00 noon.

Our Mall trips will be

- January 6 - Richmond Mall
- January 20 - Mentor Mall

YOU CAN DO IT.

Be honest now as we joyfully commence a most welcome New Year-1982. Is that "broom" worn out, are those little piles of "1981" resolutions, swept under the rug, as the twelve months sped along and out of sight, causing you to trip up on yourself?

Drag them out, dust them off, pile them in a neat pile and start all over again. We've been doing just that for???? years now haven't we, that's our privilege as seniors you say--well perhaps you're right. Lets not take advantage of these our rose-colored years, so much more is expected of us, as we bring good example to those who are following close behind us. Remember that good cheer is contagious, sure some days its hard to be bright and "smiley" but with a little effort and a big prayer anything can happen.

Praise loudly, blame so softly that only God, who has given us tongues to use to make our world a better, happier place for Him, can hear us. A sincere "hello" to everyone we meet especially to our many new neighbors, friendly words and happy smiles while people can still enjoy them. Appreciate the simple things, replace that "Me" with "You first." Be content, resolve to find some real enjoyment in each new day of this God-given New Year. A few well kept resolutions can bring gladness, health and peace to ourselves, our loved ones and to our beautiful "Villa Serena" - our home.

---Eileen Bentler---

RUDY IS TRAVELING AGAIN

Rudy joins everyone in wishing all a very Merry Xmas and Happy New Year.

He is planning another jaunt to Atlantic City on February 22nd, 1982 for three days at \$135.00 per person. Deposit of \$15.00 must be paid by January 8th.

Trip includes 2 nights lodging, one dinner and 2 breakfasts.

For more information, call Rudy at 461-2457.

OUR ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS COMING IN FEBRUARY

We are getting prepared for all the extra activities we will be having during the month of February in honor of our fifteenth anniversary.

Hopefully our February edition will go to press a little earlier so that you can all plan your social calendars accordingly and not miss something you would want to attend at the Villa Serena.

The most important of our activities naturally, will be our Anniversary Civic Dinner which will be held on Sunday, February 7, 1982, and will be the highlight of our month-long celebration.

Plan on setting aside some time for having fun at the Villa next month. We hope you will enjoy the plans we are making.

CARD PARTY WINNERS

Our loyal card party supporters are perennial winners. We just love to see this. Winners at this past card party were none other than Betty Pinter, Hazel Shoemaker, Ethel Blakeney, Len Shoemaker, Amelia Nagy, and Rose Vitale.

And naturally our loyal Pinochle players do not take second place to anything. They just "love" to play Pinochle.

11/23/81

Harry Guda	705	2.50
Joe Rak	701	2.00
Mary Blasko	661	1.50
Alma Reinke		1.00

11/30/81

Jack Walters	719	2.50
Harry Guda	666	2.00
Mike DeCarlo	659	1.50
Burdette Doll	653	1.00

12/7/81

William Grimm	693	2.00
Joe Kubik	691	1.75
Harry Guda	685	1.25
Pauline Kubik	665	1.00

12/14/81

Mike DeCarlo	756	2.50
Bessie Jewell	675	2.00
Nina Kime	673	1.50
Pauline Kubik	637	1.00

Congratulations to all of you happy winners.

WORLD WAR I VETS

The next regular meeting of the World War I Vets will be held on January 11, 1982.

Mike Perella
Commander

BRIDGE NEWS

Our November Bridge Party was a huge success. We had 24 couples competing for prizes.

Winners were: First, Mr. & Mrs. Ralph Purvis, Second, Bernice Kirk and Louise Kinnaman, Third, Loretta Mayer and Louise Ritchie, Fourth, Mr. & Mrs. Robert Schwab, Fifth, Rose Coneglio and Angie Znidarsic.

Door prizes were given so that those who did not get good cards had a chance to take home a prize.

The morning beginner's class will finish their basic lessons before Christmas and will then go into intermediate instruction.

If you are interested in brushing up on the rules, join us. We always have fun.

---Ve Karash---

BIG BINGO WINNERS

Say, how about those two lucky ladies, NINA KIME and SYLVIA KOPTIS who have both been the big money winners at Bingo, \$50.00 each, OH, BOY.

Both gals say that it feels great to be a winner. It is a nice experience.

They encourage one and all to keep coming, who knows, you may be the lucky winner the next time.

Remember, the pot grows each time and more money is available for some lucky person.

Don't be left out, the suspense is real fun.

A HOLIDAY ODYSSEY

As Jack Frost nipped our noses and the signs of a white Christmas were already on the ground, the Villa Serena gave a warm welcome to all who entered our cozy domain which was decorated in the beautiful spirit of the holiday season, as we again gathered together on Thursday, December 17th, for our traditional Christmas dinner and party.

Our Christmas tree with its perfect shape and the kaleidoscope of colors, decorated with loving hands, joined in friendship and cheer, looked like a regal queen from her throne, waving her magic wand for all who viewed it! The real meaning of Christmas, expressing love and peace was the beautiful Creche, and adding to it all were the colorful painted windows designed in the holiday cheer, created by Vern Morgan.

The dinner tables were set so very lovely in lively reds and green which were a wonder to be seen with a Christmas tree on each table donated by Mr. & Mrs. Domenic Tatone. The glittering napkin holders were made by the great ladies that so efficiently serve us. Such joy expressed in every face as each of us took our place. A beautiful prayer by Mr. Chesler was said before we ate and then we all pitched in to celebrate. The meal was great.

The after dinner entertainment was none other than the familiar faces of Sammy Berk who tickled the keys and the musical ensemble that added to our festive mood, Mike Jacobs on the drums, Nate Simon, the fiddle and horn, and Andy Veres, who also played violin and Sax. They played Christmas music and music for the Chanukah holiday.

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HOLIDAY ODYSSEY (cont'd)

During the course of the evening we were entertained with a devine voice by a beautiful singer, Gayle Franklin, accompanied by her husband on piano. She was one of the great singer Pavorotti's find and has a brilliant future ahead of her. She sang many arias as her golden voice thrilled the very appreciative audience. The audience also joined her in singing Christmas Carols and Hebrew songs. Her "Ave Maria" had a great effect on many.

It was also a night for honoring certain people for their past deeds, thus tributes went out to Mary Hillen our gourmet cook and her son, Jim, for his diligent work at the Villa, to Vern Morgan, for making the artistic covers of the Villa Voice along with Mike Suvak for so many years and of course, to Mr. Chesler and Mary Calogero for their never ending work at the Villa. Last but not least, the lovely serving ladies of our dining room.

It all ended in Gayle and the audience singing Silent Night and Shalom. What an evening of joy and happiness and above all comradeship among the melting pot of nationalities and religions.

Peace be with you all and the coming year of health and joy and one wish from Mr. Chesler, - "Dispell, and do away with loneliness in the year ahead"

---Edith Madge---

EDITOR'S NOTE: Our sincere thanks to all of you who in any little way contributed to making this Christmas such a lovely time for all who attended.

For your special day in this special month, it pleases us to wish for you, all that is fine in "82".
The Board of Trustees and the Villa Serena staff.

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

Flower: Carnation

Birthstone: Garnet

January

1 Jerome Levitt #707
4 Josephine Czenkner #314
4 Erich Golem #323
7 Kathryn Ewing #634
8 Florence Gaffney #429
8 Holden Smith #824
12 Joseph Slaminka #201
17 Lillian Maurer #615
19 Rudolf Freed #618
19 Hilda Griffin #420
19 Frances Podojil #312
18 Antonio LoParo #507
21 Agnes Grad #826
22 Pauline Koenig #610
23 Florence Simpson #505
23 Ellen Soeder #319
24 Ann Picozzi #407
26 Rose Checel #224
26 Genevieve Devney #723
27 Vera Di Carlo #207
27 Mae Luke #809
27 Anthony Puleio #813
28 Shirley Bristow #619
28 Lillian Freedman #727
29 Elizabeth Corr #425
30 Lucille Sherwood #203
31 Mike Perella #333

Anniversaries

4 Mr. & Mrs. Al Kazian
20 Mr. & Mrs. Ed Picozzi #407
21 Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Rossi #517

January

1 Edith Evans
1 Angela Tarzano
1 Dorothy Zwick
2 Elsa Brown
2 Margaret Winiski
2 Lillian Brandt
3 Lillian Kish
5 Isabelle Wallace
6 Mary Siciliano
7 Mary Schutt
9 Joseph Skadra
9 Mary Liderbach
9 Agnes Wiltshire
10 Rena Colocci
10 Helen Smeed
10 Joseph Zeigler
11 Violet Kerwin
12 Florence O'Leary
12 Helen Vasko
12 Edythe Roemer
13 Harold Loewe
14 Estelle Fillo
14 Tillie Jantonio
14 Lillian Stowe
15 Isabelle Saponaro
16 Helen Kavaras
16 James Siciliano
18 Doris Amster
18 Marion Connors
18 Martha Payne
19 John Crobaugh
19 Violet Harman
21 Marjorie Dean
21 Frank Mehevic
25 Kathryn Heintz
25 Viola Powers
28 Louise Ritchie
29 Helen Lessem
29 Louise Mihalka
31 Alice Crobaugh
31 Mary Onorato
31 Emma Sunseri

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JANUARY BIRTHDAY-ANNIVERSARY
PARTY

Our January party to celebrate the birthdays and anniversaries of all those born and married in this beautiful first month of the new year, will be held on Friday, January 15, 1982, immediately following our regular dinner. Movie time is 7:00 P.M.

We have a great movie nite planned and naturally going to the movies would not be the same without refreshments during intermission.

Make a must on your schedule of things to do!!!!!!

OUR NEW YEAR MESSAGE TO EACH OF YOU

1982 is not only another new year, but a milestone year for the Villa Serena. It heralds the completion of fifteen successful years and the beginning of our sixteenth year.

In answer to the reason for our existence during these years, we are able to set our sites and goals for the years ahead. We have learned that loneliness is the principal concern of those who enter their senior years.

To have lost a mate, relatives and friends so dear is an overwhelming adjustment for all of us to make and adds to our feelings of loneliness.

Pledge yourself in this new year to open your heart, put a smile forth, do something for others and we do guarantee your burden will be less.

We at the Villa Serena pledge in this new year to all our residents and members that when you enter our doors and extend your hand in friendship, that hand will not go untouched. We will extend our hand to you and say, "welcome" join us and we will hopefully help dispell your loneliness and bring a smile to your face.

When you volunteer your time and talents in our behalf in any manner, you need not have fear that your efforts will be for naught, for our hand will also be extended to you in gratitude, appreciation and friendship.

Together we can show that the Villa Serena as always will continue to offer "friendship and love" to everyone who walks through our doors.

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