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VILLA SERENA DINNER MENU

JANUARY, 1991

FRIDAY, JANUARY 11th

Choice of Baked Fish or
Brisket of Beef
Potato
Vegetable
Dessert

\$ 6.00

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 16th

LUNCHEON

Choice of Hamburger or Hot Dog
Potato Salad
Dessert

OR

Tuna Salad Plate
Dessert

\$ 3.50

FRIDAY, JANUARY 25th

Choice of Baked Fish
or Baked Ham
Macaroni & Cheese
Vegetable
Dessert

\$ 6.00

TRIM THE TREE CELEBRATION

Our welcome to the holiday season was on Friday, December 7th. We had dinner of fish or short ribs with spumoni for dessert. The tables were very pretty in red tablecloths.

Our beautiful tree was standing majestically in the lobby in all its splendor with lights twinkling.

At 6:30, Mr. Chesler introduced the 'Sentimental Swingtime' a marvelous group of singers composed of Paul Miller, Chuck Lindner, Maryjo Tschetter, Denise DiFrangia and Birdie Miller at the piano.

They opened with 'Sing, Sing, Sing' and vocal refrains from the big band era. Their theme song is 'Moonglow'. This was followed by Christmas carols and we joined in enthusiastically. The group closed with 'Goodnight Wherever You Are'.

Under Mr. Chesler's direction, we all sang to them, 'We Wish You A Merry Christmas'

SEASON'S GREETINGS TO ALL!!!

Margaret Rose

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LATTKE DINNER REPORT

Wednesday, December 12, was a lovely, sunny, clear day as we assembled at 5:00 for Lattke (potato pancakes), which were delicious. This was to celebrate the Festival of Lights for Hanukkah. In Mr. Chesler's absence, the program was opened by a Rabbi who greeted all of us in the audience very warmly by shaking hands and wishing us Happy Hanukkah!

HANUKKAH (Continued)

The Cantor from Taylor Synagogue explained the meaning of the 'Festival of Lights' and said a prayer while he lit the two candles for the second day of Hanukkah. Many in the audience joined in the prayers.

We had two musicians, Karl Zahtilla and Tony Rolando, who played 'Have Negala' (with audience participation). They also played several Jewish melodies. They then played for dancing.

Mary Calogero recognized ROSE MILICIA who has lived at the Villa Serena for one year. Her left leg was amputated due to illness. She now walks with her new prosthesis and tonight she danced two numbers!. She is a very remarkable woman with a cheerful outlook and a contagious smile. We should all be grateful for the blessings we have.

The program closed with 'Goodnight Ladies'

HAPPY HANUKKAH!

MARGARET Rose

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We extend our sympathy to Clara Corea on the recent passing of her brother. We also extend sympathy to Eileen Benter. Her sister passed away recently.

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Our sympathy also to the family and friends of Leona Smith and Helen Schlecht who recently passed away. Leona was a long time resident of the Villa Serena.

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SHOWCASE CLASS

Rush, rush, rush - we made it! Well, would it be Christmas without it? I guess not. I haven't figured out if I am trying to do more than in the past or I don't have as much energy - or am I just trying to do too much -- period! Sound familiar? I know that working under pressure is good for accomplishing things - if we didn't have things to do we probably would not do anything at all. With an extra push from the "loyal ladies" everything got finished and our special orders got filled. Thank you each and every single one. All good wishes for the New Year.

Sally Kinney

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EXERCISE CLASS

Happy New Year! Best wishes for health and happiness in 1991! As we all think over some good resolution for the beginning of another year - give a gift to yourself -- exercise. You are all very special and deserve and need to take care of yourself the best you can.

Our class is for men and women. Let's have fun and shape up and enjoy each other as we put fitness into our life - and benefit from the results.

Beth Parnin

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PROF. KALL

Start the new year by joining the group and listening to Prof. Kall talk on many current events. He is a very talented man and will also answer any questions you may have. You can also express your opinion, if you care to. He will be here on Wednesday, January 30, at 7:00 P.M. Please note the change in time. See you there.

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CELEBRATION

Mary Blasko was 90 on Saturday, December 29th. Her family brought in cake, ice cream and balloons to Bingo on December 11. All bingo players were glad to participate with her.

Also on this evening, Elena and John Prokay brought in wrapped gifts which they distributed by calling ticket numbers.

What a marvelous evening!!!

Margaret Rose

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WEDNESDAY CARD PARTY WINNERS

The winners on December 5th were M. Stianche, Amelia Nagy, Helen Lysko, Anne Panichi, Frieda Vormelker and Ellen Guarnieri.

The December 19th winners were Helen Lysko, Annd Panichi, Mary Fran Dunlap, Ellen Guarnier, Christine Steck and Loretta Copeland.

The dates for the January card parties are the 9th and the 23rd. See you then.

Len Shoemaker

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MONDAY PINOCHLE WINNERS

Nov. 26		
Mary Blasko	582	\$4.25
Barbara Rixie	574	3.50
N. Baker	574	3.50
Bill Dilley	570	2.75
M. Schechter	540	2.25
E. DeFlorentis	535	.85
M. Skarnus	535	.85
Dec. 3		
Bill Dilley	595	4.25
Violet Orifici	593	3.75
Len Shoemaker	585	3.25
Vic DiBartolo	562	2.25
Winnie Hellwig	540	1.75
Dec. 10		
Vera Kozak	601	4.25
Winnie Hellwig	560	3.75
Ed Vojta	555	3.25
Barbara Rixie	549	2.75
Dom Vaccariello	543	2.00
George Leipner	543	2.00
Dec. 17		
M. Wiltshire	603	4.25
Barbara Rixie	576	3.75
H. Barnes	556	3.25
M. Schechter	558	2.75
Ed Vojta	545	2.00

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CHRISTMAS PARTY REPORT

Our Christmas celebration was on Thursday, December 20th. The table were beautifully decorated in red, green or white cloths. Mr. Chesler opened the dinner with a prayer for the holiday season. We all lifted our wine glasses as he offered a toast for the season. Cornish hen was tender and delicately browned. Cherry turnovers for dessert. Superb!

We sang 'We Wish You a Merry Christmas' to Zadie Shaw and all of the dedicated volunteers who work so long and hard on our dinners.

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CHRISTMAS PARTY (Continued)

Rose Lowery, one of our volunteers, who fell and hurt her shoulder, was recognized. She is back and recuperating rapidly. We sang 'Happy Birthday' to Ann Rusick who had a birthday today.

At 7:00 Mr. Chesler introduced Mike Jacobs, Bob Vernon and Jack Michaels, one of our favorite bands. They opened with 'Winter Wonderland' and then played Christmas songs, with our assistance in singing!

Our guest soloists were Lisa Schiff, a lovely young soprano and Paul Kroeger a handsome young man with a deep rich voice. They sang several solos and duets. These included selections from 'My Fair Lady' and 'Porgy and Bess'. "O Holy Night" sung by Lisa was magnificent.

We sang to Mary Calogero and Mr. Chesler. Mary said all credit for the success of the Villa Serena goes to Mr. Chesler. We all agreed.

Dorothy Papcke was greeted warmly by her many friends. Then we all sang 'Silent Night'.

The wonderful evening closed with 'God Bless America'.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS!!

Margaret Rose

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Tis the season for THANKS and so we want to thank Justyne Pretnar and Mae Murdock for their donations that enabled us to purchase the lovely Poinsetta plants.

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DINNER REPORT

Our dinner on Friday, November 30th, was a choice of fish or pork chop. Delicious!

At 6:30, all seats were taken as we waited for Chick Jacobs and his trio of outstanding musicians. We were definitely not disappointed. They were marvelous. They opened with 'When You're Smiling' and then on to many more of our favorite tunes. Dancers enjoyed the waltz, tarantella, Have Negala, fox trot and many more. The chicken dance and some rock-n-roll included.

Chick played a wonderful piano solo.

'Ramona' was played especially for Mr. Chesler. We sang along on quite a few of our well known songs. The sparkling evening closed with our theme, 'I'll See You In My Dreams'

Margaret Rose

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TRAVEL WITH THE NEISWANDERS

In January we are going to a spot we have never been to - the Canary Islands. If you care to join us on this trip, be in the Red Room by 7:00 on Wednesday, January 16th. No luggage needed. Just come and enjoy the trip.

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MENTOR MALL

Wednesday, January 23rd

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BRIDGE NOTES

The Friday afternoon bridge group has completed the discussion of defender play. This included the all important opening lead which can make or defeat a contract, plus signalling which adds interest to defensive play and makes it possible to take the maximum number of tricks which hopefully will set the contract.

Our next topic will be declarer play which will start after the holidays.

Those who bid and made slams during this period are Mr. & Mrs. Crowley. Mr. Spengler won the "2 Prize".

I hope all of you had a very happy holiday and that you are ready to enjoy more bridge during the remaining winter months.

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SPECIAL EVENTS

Friday, January 11, 5:00 Dinner
6:30 Bingo

Wednesday, January 16
12:00 Luncheon
1:30 Music

Friday, January 25 5:00 Dinner
6:30 Dance

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SEWING CLASS NEWS

Our busy fingers are looking forward to a short rest over the Holiday break. I think our minds need a rest as well. Much time and effort go into any well-constructed garment and there is such a sense of relief when it is finally completed. There is also a wonderful feeling of accomplishment as well. The Sewing Class has had a fun and very busy year - we have enjoyed watching each others' projects develop. I would like to take this opportunity to wish each one of you a holiday filled with great love and joy.

Sally Kinney

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IT'S A NEW YEAR!

I was just getting used to writing 1990 on my checks and letters and I'll have to train my pen to write 1991.

The holiday season leaves us with many fond memories but I am glad it's over. I must have a bit of Scrooge in me because over the years the original beauty of these holy days seems to be drowned out with the commercialization of gifts, cards, big parties, many distractions and, of course, we all have lost some of the energy we had when we entertained large groups and the number seems to increase year by year. We are fortunate that we have wonderful young daughters-in-law and nieces. They have taken over so beautifully.

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New Year (Contd).

New Year's resolution #1. I'm taking an idea from Ruby. I will be good to myself and make a new friend. In the past year I have made a new friend who is close and loyal. Mary has even joined the Villa Serena and she and Mike fit in beautifully.

Another resolution is to appreciate old friends. We consider our pinochle friends and bowling friends very dear. The Villa Serena is and has been the best 'Country Club' we would care to join.

I bet many of you will spend some time in Florida this winter. We haven't done that in years but maybe we will plan it for this year. The West Coast always beckons us and maybe we'll live it up and cover all bases. Maybe!!!

Josephine Gentile

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CERAMICS NEWS

1991 is the year of the Pasta. I know that's news to everyone except the Ceramic Class. Five of the ladies are working on pasta bowls. The rest are finishing holiday projects - trees, Santas and figurines. Everything is lovely.

Mercedes son is sure he is getting a village for Christmas but if he reads this he will know she made it for herself and her husband.

Ellie

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MUSINGS OF THE PAST

When we were kids we used to catch grasshoppers and coax them to 'spit tobacco'. We once had a dog that ate beans. And a cat that ate tobacco. Not as a steady diet, but when it was there for them. I can't really say much for the dog (her name was Buttons), but the tomcat jumped up on the table and helped himself to the tobacco while I was rolling cigaretts for my dad. It just goes to show you, not only people have bad habits. Of course, the fact that Tom ATE the tobacco wasn't too bad. Imagine how it would have been if he just chewed it, then spit - like the old-timers you've seen in pictures, or maybe in real life. But I really can't imagine spitoons for cats. And I can't imagine that in this age of enlightenment that I would be rolling cigarettes!

Also I remember during World War 2 standing in line to buy cigaretes for friends and relatives who smoked, and what a good laugh we had when someone opened up some of the cigarets and found live maggots!!! Maybe if that true story had been more widespread, it wouldn't take so much to convince smokers they shouldn't.

And I can't say I blame the dog for liking beans - they're one of my favorite foods, too.

Ruby

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A BIG thank you to Ruth Rafferty for her donation of many books to our library.

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RELIGIOUS SERVICES

The ministers for the month of January are as follows:

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| Jan. 10 | Rev. William O'Neil
St. Clare Catholic
Church |
| Jan. 17 | Rev. Katherine Burton
Dir. of Christian Ed.
Lyndhurst Presbyterian
Church |
| Jan. 24 | Rev. Dan Wood
First Assembly of
God Church |
| Jan. 31 | Rev. Robert Pindell
St. John Lutheran
Church |

Services are held every Thursday at 10:00. Everyone welcome.

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LUNCHEON (Continued from page 1)

relaxing afternoon. It promises to be an afternoon of beautiful song which will make you feel on top of the world, and "who knows" we might help them out by singing ourselves a little bit.

Come, listen to and love the beauty of our piano and its sound made even more lovely by Bob and Shelly.

Don't miss the fun - we'll be looking for you!!!!

This will be the first of many afternoon luncheons we will be planning for you.

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And another BIG thank you to Charles Lieurence for his subscription to the Readers Digest which will be in the library for everyone to enjoy.

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OUR NEW YEAR MESSAGE

"LOVE" - "FRIENDSHIP" - AND "WELCOME"!!! These have been, still are, and always will continue to be the theme of the Villa Serena as most of you can attest to when you come into our midst. This has been our reason for existence during the past years. We have learned that loneliness is the principal concern of those who enter their senior years and we have always dedicated ourselves to making sure that everyone who passes through our doors will never be lonely or lack the hand of friendship.

It has been a most hectic year for so many of us, a very trying year for our country and its people, and we pray that this coming year will bring good tidings to each of you, and just as important we pray that our boys will be home soon and that peace will once again reign in our hearts and in our country.

We desire, as always, to thank so many of you who have in any way volunteered your valuable time and energies in our behalf during this past year and have given of your time so generously and worked so hard in keeping "our home" the very special place that it is. Hopefully, with your help, we have been able to bring a "smile or two" to the faces of our dedicated residents and members.

This will be a significant year, not only for ourselves, but our country as well. There will be good times and times of stress. We can all help in our prayers for everyone, our friendship toward one another and in our desires to continue to make the Villa Serena a shining example of people living together as a family and the welcome extended to everyone who comes through our doors. What a nice way to pay tribute to the newness of the year when we can all unite and dedicate ourselves to a whole year of 1991 by spreading "Love and Friendship"

From the staff, management and Board of Trustees of the Villa Serena, we wish you all a very "Happy New Year" and we will end as we started that we will continue to offer "friendship" and a welcome hand to everyone who walks through our doors.



BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

JANUARY 1991

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1 Rose Lowery 516
4 Rose Schock 216
5 Anthony Bodanza 734
6 Lucy Lukacinsky 715
7 Carl Schock 216
9 Joseph Catullo 327
Anthony Seeman 809
12 Carmen Iannetta 707
14 David Tierney 323
17 Lillian Maurer 615
18 Mary Demko 228
19 Mildred Brenton 709
21 Elsie Hehir 611
22 Charmion Getter 510
23 Florence Simpson 505
24 Ann Picozzi 708
25 Kathryn Heintz 207
26 Genevieve Devney 723
27 Anthony Puleio 813
28 Gene Zachary 206
29 Elizabeth Corr 425

ANNIVERSARIES

JANUARY

5 Mr. & Mrs. Emmanuel Schechter
12 Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Pitrone
18 Mr. & Mrs. William Sattler
21 Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Rossi 517
24 Mr. & Mrs. William Eble
25 Mr. & Mrs. John Vargo

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY.

JANUARY

1 Sammy Berke
Stanley Caplansky
Karl Elbrecht
Dorothy Pokorny
3 Joseph Cipolla
4 Dorothy Marcs
Marie Wiltshire
6 Mary Cipolla
7 Marie Feudo
8 Abbey Zalud
9 Teresa McNaughton
Joseph Skadra
10 Wallace Effinger
Helen Goldberg
Mary Hirschl
Beatrice Humphreys
Elton Miller
Mary Welker
Joseph Zeigler
11 Howard Barnes
Sandy DeGirolamo
Helen Metro
Anthony Vitale
12 Olga Caruso
15 Angelina Bonfiglio
Josephine Gentile
Fannie Herega
Marge Nokes
Beatrice Ostrousky
Isabelle Saponaro
18 Charlotte Gath
Nancy Millrood
19 John Crobaugh
Violet Gorman
Catherine Johnson
Mildred Vincent
20 Charles Piston
Jane Thomas
24 Ruth Morse
25 Mabel Haber
26 Louis DiSanto
Marcella DiSanto
29 Emma Haas
Helen Lessem
Louise Mihalka
30 Raymond Newbert
31 Flvira Connerth
Alice Crobaugh

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BINGO! BINGO! BINGO!

Time again for all bingo en-
thusiasts to come to dinner
and then an evening of fun
and a chance to win \$200.00.
You can walk home with \$200
if you get a fill-up in 57
numbers. What a windfall!!!

The cost is just \$5.00 for
3 cards. Why not join the
group. Bring all of your
lucky charms. YOU could be
the winner this time. See
you on Friday, January 11th.

Start the new year off right.

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DINNER AND DANCING TIME AGAIN

We are well into the winter
season but to help you get
out of the winter blahs or
doldrums, we are going to
have an evening of music and
fun. Dinner will be at 5:00
and then at 6:30 it will be
time to put on the dancing
shoes.

We will welcome back Chuck
Tarantino and his trio. Re-
member the good time we had
when they were here?

So if you want to get rid
of the winter blahs, join
us for dinner on Friday,
January 25th. Get your
tickets early is my advice.
See you at the dinner and
dance.

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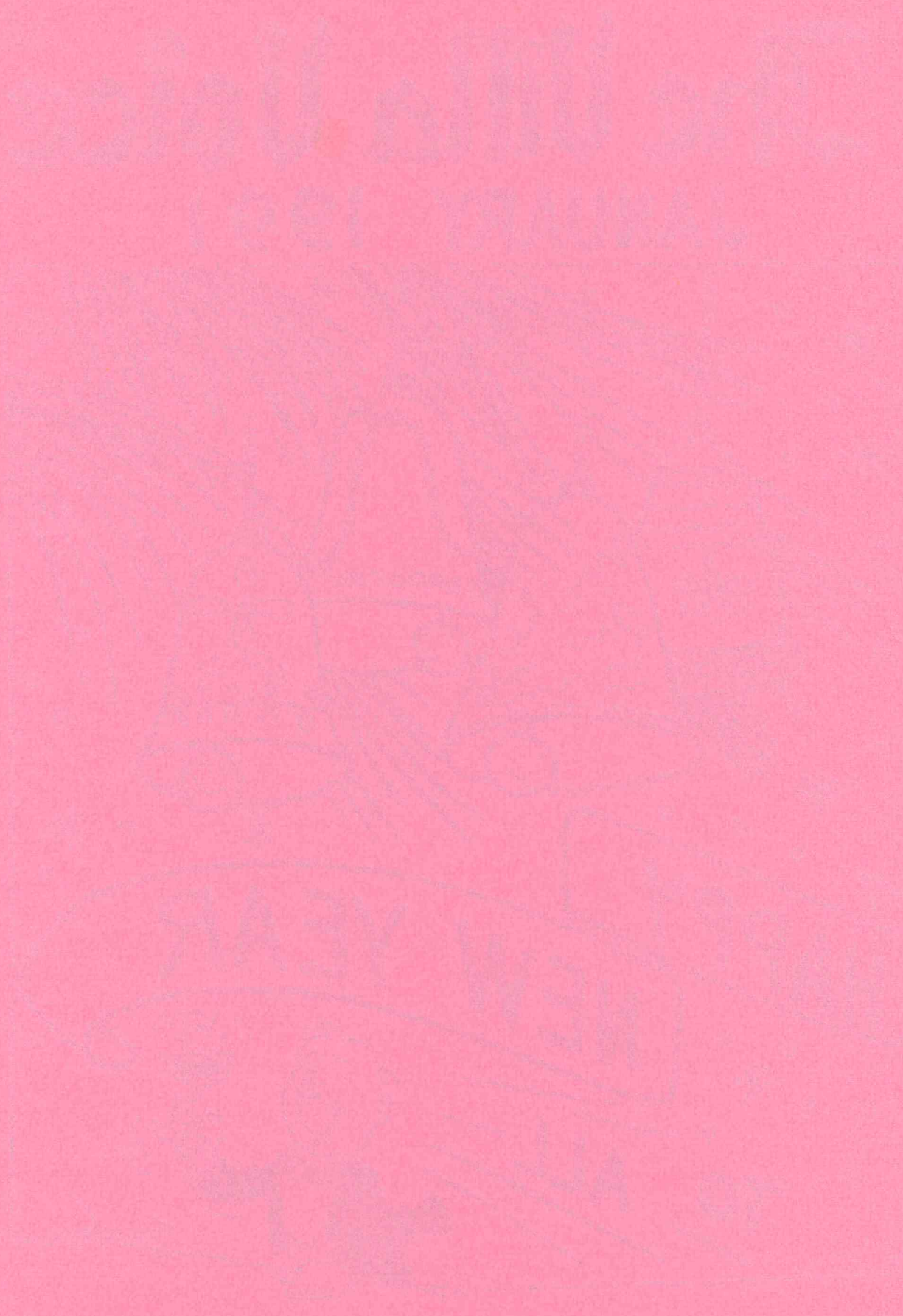
TIME FOR LUNCH

We have once again had many
requests for an afternoon
luncheon with our now famous
hamburgers and hot dogs.

Luncheon will be served on
Wednesday, January 16th, at
12:00 noon.

It will be followed by a pro-
gram of music, music, music
when we will once again wel-
come back BOB AND SHELLY OR-
LANDI, with their smooth
SCINTILATING, SWEET SONGS AND
MELODIES to make for a most

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