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DATED EVENTS -  
PLEASE EXPEDITE

THURSDAY, MARCH 5th

BROWN BAG BIG BINGO

Dessert and coffee will be served.

FRIDAY, MARCH 13th

ST. PATRICK'S DAY DINNER

Corned Beef and Cabbage  
and all the trimmings

and that "special brew"

\$7.50 per

FRIDAY MARCH 20th

Choice of Baked Fish  
or Breaded Pork Chop  
Potato  
Vegetable  
Dessert

\$6.50 per

FRIDAY, MARCH 27th

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

\$6.50 for fish  
7.00 for Short Ribs



TIME TO READ MAMA'S LETTER  
AGAIN

Dear son:

Just a line to let you know that I am still alive. I am writing this letter slowly as I know you can't read fast.

You won't know the house when you come home. We have moved. It was a lot of trouble moving. The hardest was the bed. You see, the man didn't want to let us take it in the taxi.

I got my appendix out and a dishwasher put in. There was a washer machine in the new house but isn't working too well. Last week I put four shirts in it, pulled the chain and I haven't seen the shirts since.

Your little brother came home from school yesterday crying. All the boys at school have new suits. We can't afford to buy him one but we will get him a new hat and let him stand in the window.

Kate is now working in a factory in Birmingham. She has been there for 6 weeks. I'm sending her some clean underwear as she says she's been in the same shift since she got there.

Your father didn't have too much to drink at Christmas. I put a bottle of castor oil in his pint of scotch and it kept him going till New Years. I went to the

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doctor Thursday - your father went with me. The doctor put a small glass tube in my mouth and said to keep it shut for 10 minutes. Your father ordered to buy it from him.


It only rained twice last week - first 4 days and then for 3 days. On Monday it was so windy that one of the chickens laid the same egg four times.

Your loving mother

PS: I was going to send you \$10.00 but I already sealed the envelope.

Josephine Gentile

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 Here's What's  
Going On...

COMING EVENTS

Thursday, March 5  
12:00 Brown Bag Lunch  
1:30 Pig Bingo

Friday, March 13  
5:00 Dinner  
6:30 Entertainment

Friday, March 20  
5:00 Dinner  
6:30 Singers

Friday, March 27  
5:00 Dinner  
6:30 Dancing

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2 9:30-12:30 Ceramics	3 9:00-12:00 Sewing 3:30 Rosary	4 1:30-2:30 Exercise	5 12:00 Lunch 1:30 Bingo	6 3:00 Communion
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MONDAY PINOCHLE WINNERS

Jan. 19

Eddie Mack	565	\$2.00
Thelma Olsen	548	1.75
Thelma Lilje	542	1.25
Ann Panichi	533	1.00

Jan. 26

Ann Panichi	585	2.50
Thelma Lilje	542	2.00
Andy Sivoran	530	1.50
Mamie D'Amanti	522	1.00
Mitzi Weber	516	1.00

Feb. 2

Evelyn DeFlorentis

	544	2.50
Thelma Olson	544	2.00
Vera Kozak	529	1.50
Ann Panichi	524	1.00
Thelma Lilje	509	1.00

Feb. 9

Andy Sworan	597	2.00
Vickie Karansky	589	1.75
Eddie Mack	575	1.25
Howard Barnes	539	1.00

Why not join the group for fun and cash? Monday evenings at 6:30.

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WEDNESDAY WINNERS

The winners on January 21 were Thelma Olson, Jennie Cellura, Ann Panichi, Evelyn DeFlorentis, Marcie Stianche and Vera Kozak.

The winners on February 4th were Mary Blasko, Ed Mack, Vera Kozak, Joe Damanti, Ann Panichi and Mamie Damanti.

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The "Coronary and Ulcer Club" lists the following rules for members...

1. Your job comes first. Forget everything else.
2. Saturdays, Sundays and holidays are fine times to be working at the office. There'll be nobody else there to bother you.
3. Always have your briefcase with you when not at your desk. This provides an opportunity to review completely all the troubles and worries of the day.
4. Never say "no" to a request. Always say "yes".
5. Accept all invitations to meetings, banquets, committees etc.
6. All forms of recreation are a waste of time.
7. Never delegate responsibility to others; carry the entire load yourself.
8. If your work calls for traveling, work all day and travel at night to keep that appointment you made for eight the next morning.
9. No matter how many jobs you already are doing, remember you always can take on more.

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DEAR VILLA SERENA FAMILY!!

I am extremely pleased to be the new Administrator of the Villa Serena. Over the past few weeks, I have learned the rich history of the Villa's beginnings and the dedication of your board members, Howard Chesler and Mary Calogero to provide a safe, comfortable environment for all.

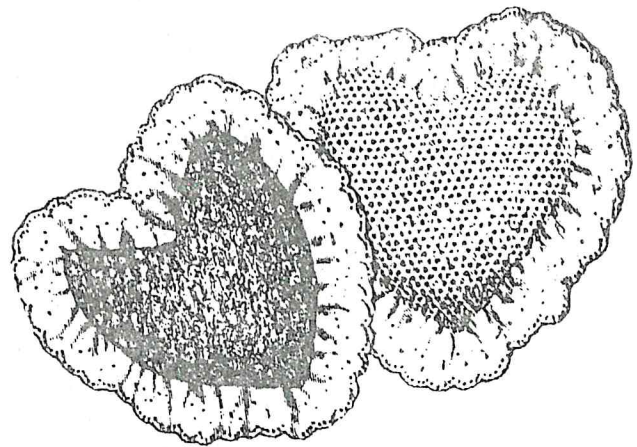
I look forward to putting in place the improvements that were planned last summer and to bring my knowledge and ideas to this wonderful community.

I encourage you, the Villa Serena residents and members of the senior center to feel free to bring me suggestions for opportunities and enhancements to better serve you.

We go together into the 21st Century with courage and purpose to continue the original vision of the Villa Serena Family.

Cathy Jaspersen

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OUR VALENTINE SURPRISE!

On Thursday, February 12th, we were treated with a visit from members of the Student Council from Mayfield High School Class of '98. With a large box of colorful valentines, constructed and written by elementary students of Mayfield Schools, the volunteers went to each Villa Serena apartment door and left a cheerful greeting. Many residents exclaimed how pleased they were to be remembered in the "Season of Love". We are pleased to see our community's schools are turning out such gracious, thoughtful good citizens.

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AN IRISH BLESSING

May there always be work  
for your hands to do.  
May your purse always hold  
a coin or two.  
May the sun always shine  
on your window pane.  
May a rainbow be certain  
to follow each rain.  
May the hand of a friend  
always be near you to care.  
May God fill your heart with  
gladness to share!

WHO'S THE NEW "GAL" ON THE BLOCK!

HAVE YOU SEEN THIS SLIM WELL TAILORED "GAL" AROUND???  
IF YOU DO, INTRODUCE YOURSELF. SHE IS HERE TO HELP MAKE  
YOUR LIFE AT THE VILLA SERENA WHAT YOU WANT IT TO BE. IF  
YOU HAVE ANY SUGGESTIONS OR NEED HELP AT ANYTIME JUST LET  
HER KNOW!!!!

YES, SHE IS OUR NEW ADMINISTRATOR, "CATHERINE JASPERSEN"  
AND I QUOTE CATHY "I'M GLAD TO BE HERE AND I WANT TO GET  
TO KNOW EACH AND EVERYONE BY NAME".

CATHY WAS BORN IN NEW YORK CITY. HER FATHER WAS IN THE  
NAVY. SHE HAS A BROTHER AND SISTERS AND SHE HAD GRANDPARENTS  
OF WHICH SHE HAS MANY FOND MEMORIES. SO, HER LOVE FOR SENIOR  
CITIZENS COMES NATURALLY. CATHY IS A WIDOW WITH TWO DAUGHTERS  
AND A LOVELY 2 YEAR OLD GRANDDAUGHTER. SHE LOVES ROCK & ROLL  
AND CLASSICAL MUSIC. SHE LOVES TO CAMP AND HAS HER OWN CANOE,  
AND LIKES BIKING. SHE LOVES CATS AND HAS TWO OF HER OWN.

ST. FRANCIS HAS ALWAYS BEEN HER FAVORITE SAINT, SO SHE  
WAS ATTRACTED TO THE VILLA BECAUSE HE WATCHES OVER US ALL.  
SOUNDS LIKE A GREAT "GAL" WITH A GREAT WORK BACKGROUND TO  
HELP HER IN HER POSITION.

WELCOME TO THE VILLA SERENA, CATHY!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

DANCING ALL EVENING!!!!!!

WELCOME SPRINGTIME

Well, its time again for our regular monthly dance evening and the greatest attraction at the Villa Serena. As we have said many times in the past, this is a program that you dare not have each month.

It has always proven to be a really fun evening whether you are dancing or just sitting and tapping your toes to the lovely music.

Our dance in March will be held on FRIDAY, MARCH 27th, when we will once again give a great big welcome to one of our favorites performers, RICH DAMATO and his fabulous and songs.

Join us for dinner and after we have had our tummies satisfied, you will want to do some dancing to get rid of some of the calories you have consumed.

We'd like to have you join us. So come and help us welcome Rich back to the Villa Serena.

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WELL, I'm insulted!! I thought we did look better than that!!!!

BUT, HEY!!!! Beauty is in the eyes of the beholder!



We certainly cannot complain about our winter this year. It has been just great. Even so, we will be glad to see winter disappear and see Springtime approaching. Surely we know fullwell that March does come in like a lion and we will have those gusty winds that are always attributable to the month of March, but at the same time March will leave as quiet as a lamb and then-----

just watch the grass begin to grow greener and greener, making way for the beautiful yellow daffodils and tulips will be arriving and bobbing their heads up to let us know that summer can't be too far behind.

And so, as Mother Nature begins to enjoy a new Spring beginning we should all give thanks that we are all here to enjoy the beauty that will be here very soon.

I would like to quote from a very lovely poem written by Edith Madge one of our former residents who will always be remembered so very fondly.

"The wind gives me a warm embrace  
As it brushes gently on my face,

When the sun warms up the earth  
below,  
March begins her Springtime show,

The stage is set, the actors too,  
All is ready for her Spring debut.

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ITS BIRTHDAY\*ANNIVERSARY TIME

Celebrating birthdays and anniversaries at the Villa Serena has always been one of the highlights each month.

We never pass up this special time to honor all our friends on these special days.

The date is FRIDAY, MARCH 20th Come for dinner and after dinner we will all go to the Red/Blue Room where we will be entertained by the wonderful group of SELREC SINGERS.

Those of you who have heard them before will know that they are the very best. You can sing along with them or merely listen to their beautiful music and singing. During the program, we will celebrate all the birthday "guys and gals" and the special anniversaries.

It has been a long time since the Selrec Singers have been at the Villa Serena so we want to welcome them in grand Villa Serena style.

Certainly a don't miss evening for all of you, especially if you are celebrating your special day.

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SPECIAL NOTICE

Father Caidy of St. Francis Parish has obtained special dispensation from the Chancery for our Corned Beef Dinner on Friday, March 13th. so that anyone observing Lent can feel free to eat meat on this special day.

PLANNING AHEAD!!!!!!

We know how everyone loves to go to the races at Thistledown every year when we plan it in the summer time.

This year we would like to arrange for the Sunday Brunch Buffet at Thistledown. Anyone who has been to this Brunch will know that it is wall to wall food and eating constantly from 11:30 A.M. through 4:00 P.M.

It would take too long to list all the assortment of food you can choose from and eat all day.

We have set a date for all of us to go on SUNDAY, APRIL 19th. Naturally you will have to bring your gambling money, but what a wonderful time you will have.

Included in the buffet is the admission, the daily program, a race dedicated in our name and all taxes and gratuities.

The cost will be \$20.00 all inclusive if you are providing your own transportation and \$23.00 if you want transportation.

Please sign up in the office as soon as you can so that we can estimate if we will have a large enough group attending.

I will guarantee you will have a great day at the races. The departure time from the Villa Serena will be at 11:15 A.M.

Start saving your money right now!!!!!!

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ST. PATRICK'S DAY CELEBRATION

I think we like to all be "Irish" on St. Patrick's Day and not let it pass us by. Don't know why, but it is just because its the wonderful food, the parade in all its glory or just maybe, "just maybe" it gives us all that super excuse to "imbibe" a little and have a good time.

So, naturally, we would never pass up the day without serving our traditional Corned Beef and Cabbage Dinner with all the trimmings and as per usual we would never think of passing up the serving of that very "special brew".

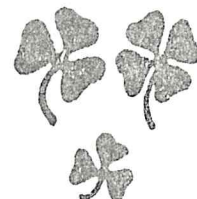
After dinner we will welcome back The Irish Murphy Dancers and a special singing group with all our favorite Irish songs we have come to love.

The big date is FRIDAY, MARCH 13th  
Dinner at 5:00 P.M. with our great entertainment following at 6:30 P.M.

Be a sport, wear a "bit of green" we all want to be Irish on this special day.

See you on FRIDAY, MARCH 13th.

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# The Villa Voice

March

1998

## THE MANY MOODS OF MARCH

Frivolous, restless all of the way,  
Gentle and warm through part of the day,  
A lady of many moods you'll find,  
Cooing or raving until you're out of  
your mind,

Never knowing how she will fair,  
March leaves a breath of springtime in  
the air.

--Edith Madge

