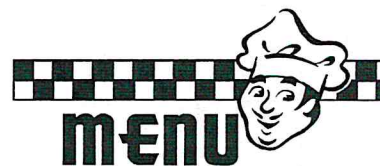


Dinner at Villa Serena



Friday, November 21

Our Annual Thanksgiving Feast

Turkey or Fish

All the trimmings

Turkey \$8.50; Fish, \$7.50

Entertainment: Mike Jacobs

Thursday, November 20, at Noon

Brown Bag Bingo

St. Francis Foundation

Villa Voice 6800 Mayfield Road
Mayfield Heights, Ohio 44124

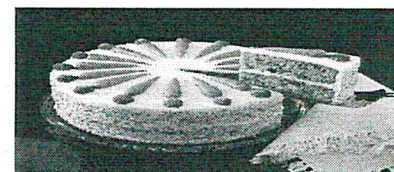
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Birthdays and Anniversaries

November 2003



Birthdays

November	3	Bill Gemma		November	20	Beatrice Epstein	
		John Ondak	#506			Anatoly Guliev	#418
	4	Dorothy Stachnik	#528		21	Joseph D'Amato	#512
	6	Alice Milite	#526			Tony Gentile	
	7	Frances Balske	#330			Catherine Haggerty	
		Mike Ward	#713			Chester Oleksak	#629
	9	Theresa Yacobucci			22	Irene Doyle	#230
	10	Evelyn Bloom			23	James Jackson	#524
		Harris Rosewalter	#623			Norman Kobal	#318
		Ted Turlik	#503		24	Catherine Boothe	#630
	11	Albert Euse	#420		27	Frank Heinrich	
		Ruth Moye	#228			Michael Turocy	#217
	12	Frances LaSpina	#530		28	Elizabeth Pymn	#808
	13	Jennie Iannetta	#731		30	Ida Caruso	#613
		Mary Roberts				Margaret Harvan	#316
	14	Walter Haffey	#721				
	15	Laila Nagy	#831				
	16	Nina Guliev	#418				
	18	Lillian Hruska					
	20	Carmen Cortese	#304				

Anniversaries

November 28 M/M Paul Harvan #316

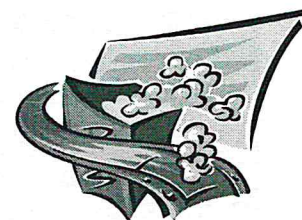
Lights, Camera, Action!!

Coming in November to Villa Serena's Giant TV, via the new Villa Serena DVD player: **MOVIE THEATER!**

Potential titles include:

- “**Rear Window**,” Grace Kelly, Jimmy Stewart, Hitchcock
- “**The Natural**,” Robert Redford, a greatly entertaining baseball story
- “**Gone With the Wind**,” 10 Academy Awards, Clark Gable and Vivien Leigh
- “**The Big Night**,” “Two very enthusiastic thumbs up” — Siskel & Ebert

Watch the bulletin boards for dates and times

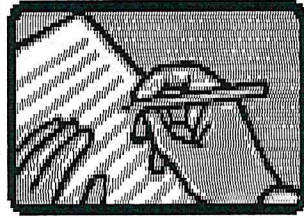


Monday Night Pinochle

<u>September 29</u>	<u>September 30</u>	<u>October 6</u>	<u>October 13</u>
Connie Nicolosi 572 2.50	Marcy Stianche 591 2.50	Ted Turlik 582 2.25	Mary Welker 634 2.50
Helen Syroth 548 2.00	George Seidel 536 2.00	Stella Benjamin 512 2.00	Nancy Menage 586 2.00
Agnes Puro 523 1.50	Stella Benjamin 534 1.50	George Seidel 510 1.25	Helen Syroth 515 1.50
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Jennie Cellura 513 1.00			Jennie Cellura 511 1.00

Rhyming Replacements

Each pair of words below will become a familiar phrase when you replace each word with a word that rhymes with it. For Example, *spies & therefores*, would be replaced by *whys & wherefores*, which rhymes with it. Watch out, though, because some may have spelling changes (*list* rhymes with *missed*, for instance).



1. When & Think
2. Fudge & Fury
3. Worst & Passed
4. Chafe & Round
5. Life & Stork
6. Cheer & Care
7. Fill & Pail
8. Rocks & Ponds
9. Dove and Parish
10. Stunt & Check

Answers

Answers:

1. Pen, ink
2. Judge, jury
3. First, last
4. Safe, sound
5. Knife, fork
6. Here, there
7. Hill, dale
8. Stocks, bonds
9. Love, Cherish
10. Hunt, Peck

Just For Laughs...

There is only one thing about which I am certain, and that is that there is very little about which one can be certain.— *Somerset Maugham*

Just because your voice reaches halfway around the world doesn't mean you are wiser than when it reached only to the end of the bar.— *Edward R. Murrow*

Glory is fleeting, but obscurity is forever.— *Napoleon*

Although prepared for martyrdom, I prefer that it be postponed.— *Churchill*

The higher a monkey climbs, the more you

see of it's behind.— *General "Vinegar Joe" Stilwell*

What a strange illusion it is to suppose that beauty is goodness.— *Tolstoy*

I hate the outdoors. To me, the outdoors is where the car is.— *Will Durst*

Nobody outside of a baby carriage or a judge's chamber believes in an unprejudiced point of view.— *Lillian Hellman*

If the Phone Doesn't Ring, It's Me — *Song title by Jimmy Buffet*

It isn't that gentlemen really prefer blondes, it's just that we look dumber.— *Anita Loos*

The Paradox of Our Time

The paradox of our time in history is that we have taller buildings, but shorter tempers; wider freeways, but narrower viewpoints. We spend more, but have less; we buy more, but enjoy it less. We have bigger houses and smaller families; more conveniences, but less time; we have more degrees, but less sense; more knowledge, but less judgment; more experts, but more problems; more medicine, but less wellness. We drink too much, smoke too much, spend too recklessly, laugh too little, drive too fast, get too angry too quickly, stay up too late, get up too tired, read too seldom, watch TV too much, and pray too seldom.

We've learned how to make a living, but not a life; we've added years to life, not life to years. We've been all the way to the moon and back, but have trouble crossing the street to meet the new neighbor. We've done larger things but not better things. We plan more but accomplish less. We write more, but learn less. We've learned to rush, but not to wait. We build more computers to hold more information to produce more copies than ever, but have less communication.

These are the times of fast food and slow digestion, tall men, and short character; steep profits, and shallow relationships. These are the days of two incomes, but more divorce; of fancier houses, but broken homes. These are the days of quick trips, disposable diapers, throw away morality, one-night stands, overweight bodies, and pills that do everything from cheer, to quiet, to kill.

The Thatch

Out alone in the winter rain,
Intent on giving and taking pain.
But never was I far out of sight
Of a certain upper-window light.
The light was what it was all about:
I would not go in till the light went out;
It would not go out till I came in.
Well, we should see which one would win,
We should see which one would be first to yield.
The world was a black invisible field.
The rain by rights was snow for cold.
The wind was another layer of mold.
But the strangest thing: in the thick old thatch,
Where summer birds had been giving hatch,
Had fed in chorus, and lived to fledge,
Some still were living in hermitage.
And as I passed along the eaves
So low I brushed the straw with my sleeves,
I flushed birds out of hole after hole,
Into the darkness. It grieved my soul,
It started a grief within a grief,
To think their case was beyond relief—
They could not go flying about in search
Of their nest again, nor find a perch.
They must brood where they fell in mulch and mire,
Trusting feathers and inward fire
Till daylight made it safe for a flyer.
My greater grief was by so much reduced
As I thought of them without nest or roost.
That was how that grief started to melt.
They tell me the cottage where we dwelt,
Its wind-torn thatch goes now unmended;
Its life of hundreds of years has ended
By letting the rain I knew outdoors
In onto the upper chamber floors.

Robert Frost

It is a time when there is much in the show window and nothing in the stockroom, a time when technology can bring this letter to you, and a time when you can choose either to share this insight, or just hit delete. *Geo. Carlin*

Villa Serena Offers

U. S. Post Office on Wheels

The Postal Service will bring the mobile substation to the front door on Monday, November 17 from 11:30 to Noon.

Services include:

- * Stamps
- * Packages
- * Priority Mail



We're in the Money

The anticipated COLA for Social Security has been announced. It is expected to be about \$19 a month (63¢ a day). I don't think it will change my lifestyle much.



Here's one I got a kick out of. - Ed

This story has run its course, but we loved it and thought you might have missed it. A few weeks back, Dave Barry, in the best tradition of cranky newspaper column-writing, published the phone number of the American Teleservices Association, the telemarketing lobby. Readers were encouraged to call and "tell them what you think." Said Barry: "I'm sure they'd love to hear your constitutionally protected views."

It struck a chord. Thousands of calls came in. The association was forced to stop answering its toll free-line. Complaining last week to the Associated Press, Tim Searcy, the executive director of the group, said, "It's difficult not to see some malice in Mr. Barry's intent." Showing off his legendary soft touch, Barry responded: "I feel just terrible, especially if they were eating or anything."

- From The Weekly Standard

From: Summertime Cooking,
published by the VFW

**Meatloaf with Roasted
Tomato Sauce**



- 1 tbsp. olive oil
- 1 cup chopped onion
- ½ cup chopped celery
- 2 tsp. chopped garlic
- 1 tsp. salt, divided
- 1 tbsp. chopped fresh parsley
- 2¾ lbs. unseasoned meatloaf mix
- ¾ cup fresh bread crumbs
- 1/3 cup ketchup
- 2 large eggs
- ¼ tsp. nutmeg
- 4 slices bacon

Sauce:

- 1 (28 ounce) can plum tomatoes in juice
- 1 tbsp. olive oil
- 1 large clove garlic, chopped
- ¼ tsp. salt
- ¼ tsp. red pepper flakes

Preheat oven to 350°. Heat oil in a large skillet over medium heat. Add onions, celery, and garlic and cook until vegetables soften, about five minutes. Stir in ½ tsp. salt and parsley. Remove from heat and cool.

Combine ground meat, bread crumbs, ketchup, eggs, remaining ½ tsp. salt, nutmeg, and sautéed vegetables until blended. Transfer mixture to a shallow pan and shape into a 9½" x 5" oval. Arrange bacon slices on top. Bake for 70 minutes or until meat thermometer inserted in center registers 160°.

While meatloaf is cooking, combine all sauce ingredients in a 9 inch glass dish, breaking up tomatoes with a spoon. Bake on lower rack with meatloaf until sauce thickens, 35 to 40 minutes. Serve with meatloaf. Yields 6 servings.

Bon Appetit

Hillcrest Hospital Senior Services

The Meridia Senior Circle of Care has many services available. Call **440-449-4804**.

Healthcare Counselors to help you with your bills. This service is free and available to seniors. Call for appointment.

Senior Circle Plus Supper Club.

Third Tuesday of every month in the hospital cafeteria, at 3:30 P.M. Cost, \$3.50. All meals include a salad, roll, dessert, and beverage. Tickets at the hospital cashier, on a first come, first served basis, in the Hillcrest Atrium Lobby 9:00-3:30 weekdays. Tuesday, November 18, Tossed Salad, Roast Pork, Whipped Potatoes, Green Beans, and Boston Cream Pie. ***Bingo*** sponsored by Home Instead Senior Care.

Free Healthcare Lectures. Free refreshments at 9:30 AM, lecture from 10:00 to 11:00. At Ross C. DeJohn Community Center, 6306 Marsol Rd. Reservations required in advance. Wednesday, November 12, "No More Homeless Pets: A talk about pet care and adoption," Geauga Humane Society, Rescue Village, Jeanne Dombic, Public Programs Director, **Reservations at 1-877-390-1732.**

Senior Fitness Programs. Low-impact aerobics classes are held at Our Savior Lutheran Church, 2154 SOM Center Rd., every Tuesday and Thursday from 9:30 to 10:30 A.M. Cost, \$2.00 per session. Call for information **440-449-4804.**

Line Dancing. Tuesday, November 25, 2:00 PM. Hillcrest Hospital Atrium, Ross Auditoriums A & B, no fee. A fun way to stay fit. **Call 1-877-390-1732.**

Thanks to Karla Lindsey

From the St. Francis of Assisi Bulletin

Life Is A Miracle

We expect to pay more for something that will last a long time. We value rare and unique items and great works of art can be extremely expensive. Yet our society seems to place little value on the one thing that is truly priceless — human life itself. If we compare human beings to things that we prize, by every measure human beings come out on top.

Durability. Human beings last forever. Everything on earth will pass away; the earth itself will pass away. But God offers each of us eternal life.

Uniqueness. Every human being is unique, unrepeatable and irreplaceable. Even identical twins have different fingerprints, facial expressions, personalities. Never in the history of humankind has there been another you, nor will there ever be.

Beauty. Is there anything more beautiful, anything you'd rather look at than the face of a loved one?

From the moment of conception, the awesome complexity of a new human life unfolds. Parents supply the 46 chromosomes, but God supplies the human soul to create the person He knew and loved from all eternity. Even before birth, human life is miraculous: the differentiation of cells, the development of organs with highly specialized functions, the maturing of the brain, the memory, and the senses. What is miraculous about human life is that we exist at all.

God created every human life in his image. You, me, unborn children, and their impoverished parents living in slums, people who struggle with disabilities, those with terminal illnesses, and convicts in prison. Each possesses inherent, God-given dignity equal to that of every other human being.

Greetings to all! I had a wonderful vacation in my native Italy, but it's great to be back home.

A special thanks to all who worked so diligently here at Villa Serena during my absence. I would also like to add that, contrary to popular belief, I had nothing to do with the blackout in Italy. Having gone through our own here, I dealt with the power outage there like a seasoned pro, calming the fears of the Italian people with a reassuring facility. I will most certainly pack candles next time.

It's funny how we appreciate something so much more when, all of a sudden, we don't have it; be it electricity, a friend or loved one, or even Channel 8 (for the V.S. residents). It's a distinctive part of human nature to sometimes take for granted the things that constitute our daily lives. We are almost programmed to believe that certain things in our lives are guaranteed. That small dose of reality, that sets in once we are without it, is a sometimes painful but essential part of

life. Essential in the sense that we hopefully realize that we shouldn't take anything for granted. That renewed appreciation that follows our loss should give us a wiser perspective on life. Our culture too often espouses and embraces the ideal of instant gratification. The "gotta have it now" mantra that is so prevalent in our society needs to be diminished by a sense of appreciation and understanding for the hard work and commitment that make those worthwhile things in life possible.

I would like to close with a small tribute to our maintenance man Al Mazzaro, who is retiring at month's end. On behalf of the Villa Serena Board, Al, we thank you for your many years of dedicated service. Enjoy your beautiful family and know that you're always welcome here.

Mille grazie!

Charlie

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Thanksgiving Dinner, November 21

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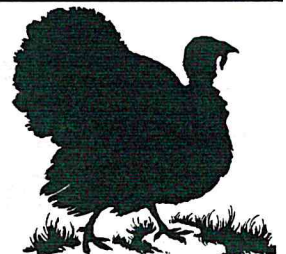
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