

SEPTEMBER 1955

VILLA VOICE DINNER MENU

WE WILL BE FEATURING A HOT ONE DASH
DINNER IN THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER PART OF OUR
PLANNED ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION.

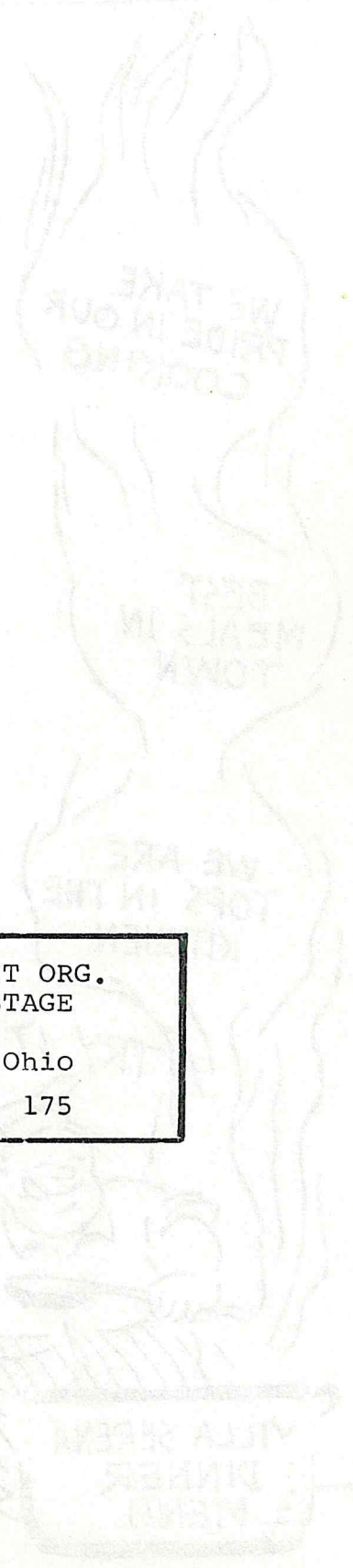
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 16TH

SPECIAL ANNIVERSARY DINNER

Appetizer
Hot Casserole
and all the trimmings
WITH SPECIAL

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JOIN US IN THIS HAPPY DAY.

VILLA SERENA DINNER MENU

SEPTEMBER, 1992

WE WILL BE FEATURING ONLY ONE GALA
DINNER IN THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER BECAUSE OF OUR
PLANNED ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 18th

SPECIAL ANNIVERSARY DINNER

Appetizer
Veal Cutlet Dinner

and all the trimmings

WITH SPECIAL

"ANNIVERSARY DESSERT"

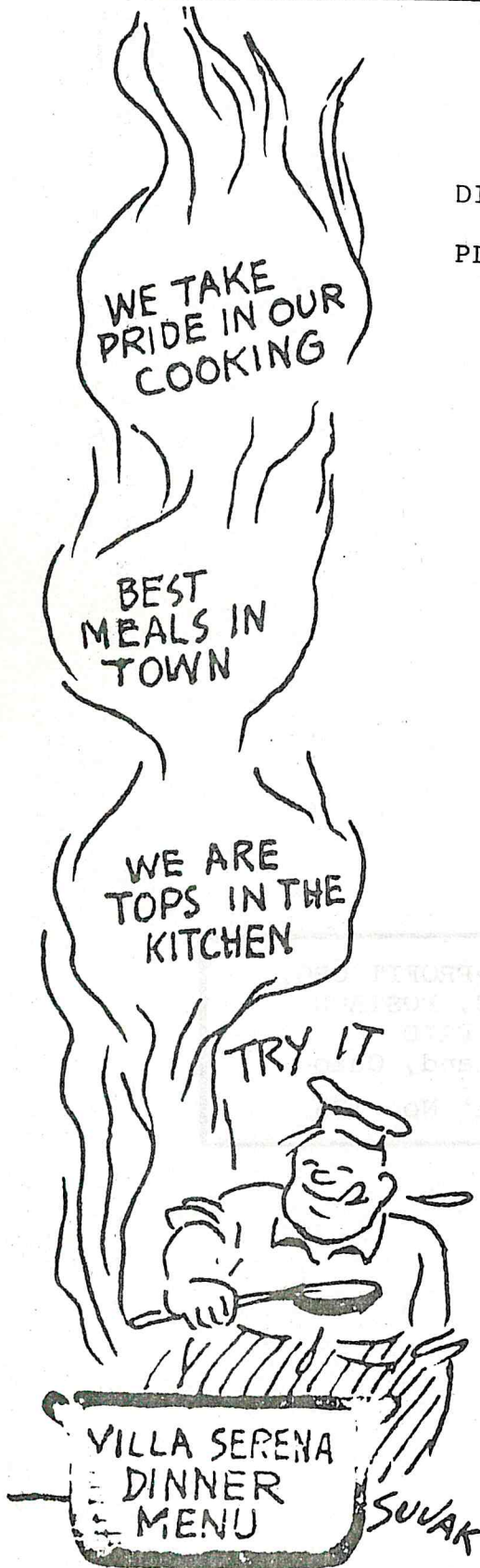
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SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20th

OPEN HOUSE CELEBRATION

1:00 P.M. - 5:00 P.M.

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WORDS FROM JOSEPHINE

I've not written for a couple of months and hope you've missed my chatter 'cause I've missed you. Two big things in my life came up recently. My mother is now living in a rehabilitation center. Lots of work for all of us emptying her apartment. It took us a month. Good report - she is adjusting very well being in a wheel chair. She appreciates the daily programs arranged for all of them. This morning I arrived when they were sitting with their coffee and listening to a rundown of the days news. They care for bodies and minds! I like that, don't you?

Good things happen here too. In July our children held a 50th wedding anniversary party for us at the Statler downtown. One of the best days I can remember! Tony's relatives and mine were there and had a great time. My brother and his wife came from San Francisco to join us and even wheeled our mother in to join us. Everyone, including our four grandsons celebrated with us. My son said they were all fortunate to be able to experience this joyful day.

The following week we attended a special mass at the Cathedral with Bishop Pilla as celebrant. Believe it or not, we were the youngest there. Six hundred and fifty couples married up to 71 years and wearing

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flowers and some smiles and tears, made up the procession. I wanted to share this with you.

I am glad to be back.

Josephine Gentile

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HILLCREST CONCERT BAND

We are so very fortunate to once again be able to have the Hillcrest Concert Band come to the Villa Serena for another exciting band concert.

It will be held on Tuesday, September 8th, at 7:45 P.M. Weather permitting, it will be held outdoors on our back lawn near the patio. Be there, you will enjoy the thrill of a truly old fashioned band concert.

They are fabulous musicians.

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Mary Werrlein Told me that she won first prize in a pie baking contest. Congratulations, Mary!

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Did you know that Benno Hentemann really has a green thumb? He picked a tomato from his garden and it measured 19 inches around! Can you top that?

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ME???

At one time, each of us was a "newcomer" at the Villa Serena. It's not fun feeling like an outsider. And it doesn't take much to get acquainted. But someone has to "break the ice". Say hello. Say something. Anybody can do it. Why not you?

As people move on, one way or another, lives change. Friends are lost. Sometimes an acquaintance turns out to be a friend. And that's something everyone needs. Friends. Look around. Make a friend. Be a friend. I have a plaque that says truly "Friendship is the wine of life".

Have a sip.

Ruby

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SHOW TIME AT THE VILLA SERENA

If you have not been to the movies in some time, now is your chance to see a great movie right here in the building. Yes, on Wednesday, September 30th, at 6:30, we invite all of you to join us in the Red Room to see a movie on the big screen.

There is no charge - just an enjoyable evening for you so come on down.

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COMING EVENTS

Tuesday, September 8th, 7:45, Hillcrest Concert Band
Friday, September 18th, 5:00 Dinner, 6:30 Entertainment
Sunday, September 20th, 1:00 to 5:00 Open House
Tuesday, September 22nd, 6:30 Super Bingo

MONDAY PINOCHLE WINNERS

July 27		
Margaret Rose	629	\$3.75
Vic DeBartolo	584	3.25
Rosemary Belz	547	2.75
Ed Mark	526	2.25
Barbara Rixie	521	2.00
August 3		
Marion Skarnus	600	4.50
Eleanor Kuskin	573	4.00
Frances Miskovic	554	3.50
Rosemary Belz	540	3.00
Carl Shock	527	2.50
Eddie Mark	524	1.75
Barbara Rixie	517	.75
August 10		
Carl Shock	602	4.25
Jean Amato	593	3.75
M. Stianche	592	3.25
Francis Mickovic	573	2.75
Gert Pierce	566	2.00
August 17		
Nancy Baker	570	4.50
Bill Dilley	553	4.00
Jennie Cellura	549	3.50
Barbara Rixie	543	3.00
Frances Mikovic	539	2.50
Edward Vojta	537	1.75
Bennie Hentemann	531	.75

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THURSDAY MORNING MINISTERS

We will have services on September 17 and 24 but at this time we do not have the names of the ministers. Please join the group for a bit of inspiration.

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HAVE YOU MET...

...Eleanor Kuskin has lived at the Villa Serena since June 1st. I first met her playing pinochle together. It was an opportune time to ask her if she would let me interview her. It is always pleasant to find people so amiable.

Eleanor's son and Ann Tracy's son work together and it is through this association that Eleanor heard about the Villa. She came to visit and Ann graciously showed her about. After two years of waiting she is delighted to be here.

Eleanor is of Polish descent and from the old Fleet Avenue area. In 1941 she married Walter Kuskin and was widowed in 1971. They were blessed with five children, three boys and two girls. The present family consists of eight grandchildren and two great grandchildren. They all live in and about the greater Cleveland area so they get together frequently. Holiday, birthdays and etc. are joyous occasions. Eleanor says you can't get lonely with such a loving family.

Eleanor at one time worked at Baileys and Halles. We were reminiscing about Halle's Tea Room. I'm sure many of you have at one time had lunch there.

Eleanor loves dancing. She and her friends often went to the Aragon Ballroom. In 1989 she had foot surgery and now her "dancing days" have been somewhat curtailed. Often on Sundays she meets with old friends and they enjoy playing cards

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Have you met... (Continued)

at various social functions.

Already Eleanor is participating in our Monday and Wednesday card parties and enjoying bingo. She is looking forward to our planned activities starting in September.

She still cooks cabbage rolls and pasta dishes on special request from her son and grandson. It takes a "big" kettle to make enough cabbage rolls for all!

If you meet a petite lady, blond hair, blue eyes and wearing a red blouse, it will be Eleanor. Red and blue are her favorite colors.

Welcome, Eleanor! We are happy to have you as our new friend and neighbor.

Thelma Olson

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WEDNESDAY CARD PARTY WINNERS

Aug. 5 winners were Pauline Kubik, Frances Mickovic, M. Stianche, Helen Lysko, Christine Stech and Margaret Rose.

Aug. 19 winners were Mary Fran Dunlap, Thelma Olson, Alma Reinke, Marie Verba, Pauline Kubik and M. Stianche.

Dates for September parties are the 9th and the 23rd.

Len Shoemaker

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Happy Grandparents Day to you on your dat, Sunday, September 11th.

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MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY



7	8	9	10	11
LABOR DAY	7:45 Band Concert	7:00 Cards		3:00 Communion Service
14	15	16	17	18
9:30-12:00 Ceramics 12:30 Bowling 1:00 - 3:00 Art 7:00 Pinochle	9 - 1 Sewing 1:30-2:30 Exercise 3:30 Rosary 7:00 Game night	10 - 12 Boutique 1 - 3 Boutique	10:00 Rel. Insp. 1 - 4 Needlework	1:00-3:00 Bridge 5:00 Dinner 6:30 Program
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VILLAGE SEERENA ACTIVITIES

SEPTEMBER 1 9 9 2

Happy Anniversary!

VILLA SERENA
CORDIALLY INVITES YOU TO
THE CELEBRATION OF OUR
25th ANNIVERSARY

On FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 1992, We will begin the celebration with a super anniversary dinner followed by dancing and fun, when we welcome back Chuck Tarantino and his outstanding musicians. (YOU MUST BE A RESIDENT OR A PAID MEMBER TO ATTEND THIS DINNER).

On SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20th, 1992, an open house will be held from 1:00 P.M. to 5:00 P.M. Everyone is invited to attend. At 2:30 P.M., we will have a special recognition ceremony to introduce our guests and pay tribute to the Villa Serena.

This will be a great opportunity for everyone associated with the Villa Serena to say "Happy Anniversary" to this grand edifice which has been a "home" for so many throughout the years and provided many happy years of "happiness and joy" to those who have come through its doors.

There will be refreshments during the entire afternoon together with entertainment by the wonderful and talented "Carmellina" and her fantastic musicians.

This special recognition day will be sponsored by the Order Italian Sons and Daughters of America and the St. Francis Foundation who have been our dedicated sponsors during these past 25 years.

On TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22nd at 6:30 P.M. we will culminate our celebration with a "SUPER SUPER" Big Bingo, with bigger games and more door prizes -- To add to all of our calorie intake, we will start the evening at 6:00 P.M. by serving good old American Apple Pie a la mode to everyone in attendance.

WHAT A WAY TO FINISH OUR 25TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION!!!!

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

SEPTEMBER 1992

SEPTEMBER

- 3 Emma Reinbrecht 527
Sophie Mazur 632
- 5 Eleanor Rafferty 724
- 6 Len Shoemaker 326
- 8 Pauline Kubik 532
Ann Madachy 509
- 9 Bernard Savickas 321
- 10 William Dilley 812
- 12 Victor DiBartolo 428
John Freyhauf 201
Margaret Vargo 617
- 13 Eleanor Wolff 315
- 18 Dorothy Penkava 716
Joseph Rossi 517
- 20 Thelma Lilje 821
- 24 Josephine Giotta 823
- 25 Jack Max 222
- 27 Faye Ghelman 310
- 28 Mary Clark 402
- 30 Meyer Tucker 531

ANNIVERSARIES

SEPTEMBER

- 7 Mr. & Mrs. John Kerek
- 12 Mr. & Mrs. Salvatore Gumina 307
- 15 Mr. & Mrs. Charles Cordaro
- 22 Mr. & Mrs. Anthony Silla
- 25 Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Nagy

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY.

SEPTEMBER

- 1 Sarah Belfer
Minnie Novel
Mary Meanza
- 2 Rosalyn Kaufman
Anne Marie Panichi
- 5 John Barber
Elizabeth Greenwald
- 6 Norma Rasoletti
- 7 John DeSantis
Jeanne Reynolds
Pearl Robinson
- 8 Tina LaMacchia
- 9 Madeline Miller
- 10 Alex Drosick
Irene Persky
Florence Treichel
- 11 Norma Coughlin
Marie Germano
- 12 John Pitrone
- 14 Irene Latukka
Margaret Silla
- 15 Mildred Abraham
Phyllis Agresta
Mike Betti
Katherine Patti
- 17 Roberta Evans
Helen Fazekas
- 20 Ann Liccardi
- 21 Dagmar Collova
- 23 Lee Corica
- 25 Ann Laurienzo
Pete Petrone
- 26 Josephine Beerli
- 27 Rose Farron
- 29 Frank Reminick
- 30 Joy Davis
Joseph Kovach
Margaret Barise

HAPPY BIRTHDAY.

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BEGINNING A NEW SEASON

It seems as if we are always using that almost worn out expression, "where or where did the time go"?

September has rolled around all too soon. Some of us never did any of the things we said we were going to do this summer before summer even started and here we are already into the autumn season.

Well here at the Villa Serena it only means that we will once again get to see our dear friends we have not seen during

lull and that is always something nice to think about.

A very stimulating article was written sometime ago by Leo Buscaglia called "Living and Loving" who also wrote a book called "You May Die Waiting Around to Really Live". In this book he stated that many people are forever looking into the future in the vague hope that they will find joy for today, and always putting off until tomorrow to do the things that today would bring us happiness.

Therefore, it becomes more important for us to make every day count. How nice it would be to know that each day we have smiled at a new face. At the Villa Serena, we have had many new faces this past year and they would certainly welcome a smile.

As we begin our classes again this year, we hope that those of you who have not availed yourselves of these stimulating and enjoyable classes will come down and participate, you will be surprised at the good times you will have.

You can play cards, enjoy bingo and try some of the classes. You may find you have a hidden talent. You have a choice - ceramics, needlework, art, boutique and sewing. We will also endeavor to have more movies on our big screen television.

Join the exercise class. It has always been a lot of fun and certainly good for your bodies.

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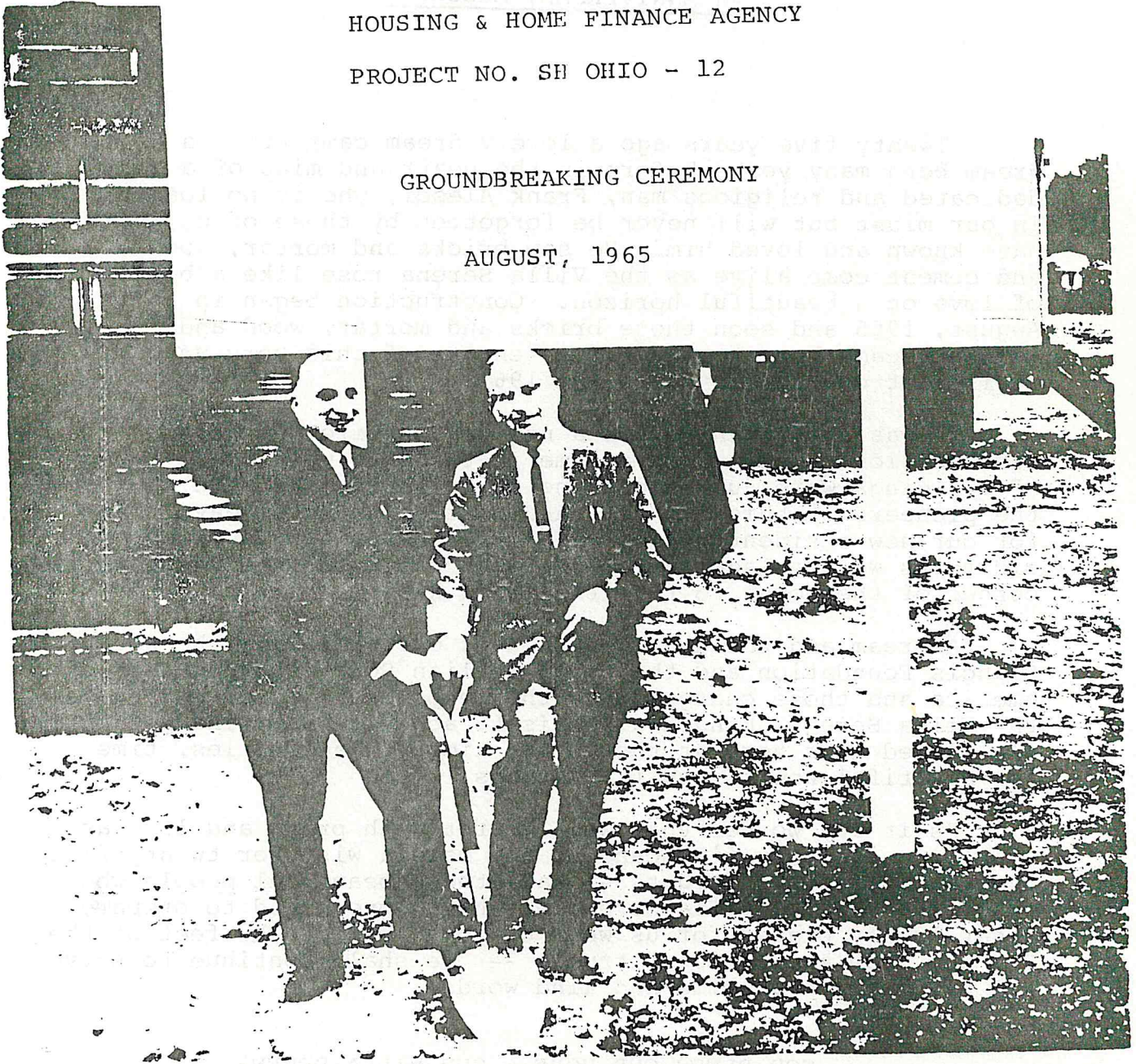
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AN ANNIVERSARY MESSAGE

Twenty-five years ago a lovely dream came true, a dream born many years before in the heart and mind of a very dedicated and religious man, Frank Alesci, who is no longer in our midst but will never be forgotten by those of us who have known and loved him. He saw bricks and mortar, wood and cement come alive as the Villa Serena rose like a beacon of love on a beautiful horizon. Construction began in August, 1965 and soon those bricks and mortar, wood and cement became home to the first tenants of this very unique retirement complex in February, 1967.

It was the beginning of a new way of life for those first senior citizens, at a time in the past when these types of buildings were just beginning to be known. We were the pioneers of this new life and what a wonderful day it was for our new resident pioneers who remembered the days when old folks were relegated to a rocking chair in some inconspicuous corner of the house to rock the years away.

A dream and the determination of our sponsors, the St. Francis Foundation and the Order Italian Sons and Daughters of America and those charged with the responsibility of caring for the Villa Serena changed all this to active, busy, independent, fun filled days here at the Villa, time for activities, time for beautiful new formed friendships.

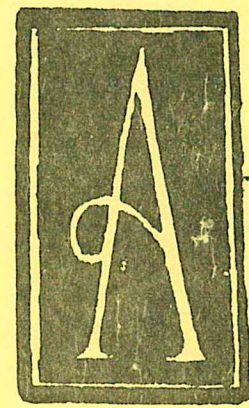
Is it any wonder that we'll burst with pride and love as we blow out twenty-five candles and make a wish for twenty-five more. And lest we forget -- all those beautiful people who once lived at the Villa Serena who have gone ahead to prepare other lovely places for us when we join them at the feet of the One who made a dream come true. -- We shall continue to serve all of you with a smile and kind words.

GOD BLESS OUR HOME - OUR VILLA SERENA

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On our 25

Anniversary

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