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Christmas Faces

This year we did photo Christmas cards again and from the looks of the crowd, it was successful. Six cards with envelopes to say to family and friends, "Hello at Christmas" compliments of The Granada.



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I am an American

Blietek Velazquez Villegas, our assistant manager-ess, is from Mexico City; she moved to San Francisco on September 27, 1997. After several years of filling out all the right paper work and waiting in long lines at the INS on Washington Street to apply for the citizenship, Blietek and her sister Teozin became permanent residents on November 2004. They were given 100 questions to learn on American History and were told that they had to learn them all because during their interview they were going to be asked some of the questions. At the end of her interview, Blietek was asked to wait for a few minutes until the result of her test came back. Within five minutes a gentleman came out and gave her the great news, she passed!! On September 27th, 2006 Blietek and her sister became U.S. Citizens. They celebrated by going out to eat at IL Forniao Italian restaurant. Congratulations!



Blietek Velazquez Villegas

The Housekeeping Staff



(left to right) Juan Utreka, Leticia Cruz, Carmen Tung, Claudia Munos, Marcos Filho, Veronica Delgado, Christina Orozco and Riquelme Trujillo of housekeeping.

When I heard someone say "my maid, this or that," I was always very impressed, figured that person had it made.

And now, I could ask every resident in The Granada, "what's your maid's name?"

The Granada is ten stories of "service" due in great part to the housekeeping staff. Your room maid visits you *five days* a week, changing towels, making beds, cleaning, vacuuming and making sure you have what you need, that's all 200 residents.

The housemen are busy with washing of the sheets and towels, moving furniture, changing ceiling bulbs, vacuuming hallways, cleaning the common toilets, emptying large trash bins, shampooing rugs as well as being porters and also cleaning the immediate outside areas.

Delia Sadun, the head housekeeper, runs a good team that you can see daily, helping us through our day.

*May Peace, Joy, Hope and
Happiness be Yours
throughout the
New Year*

*Tony
and the Management
and Staff of The Granada*

LIQUEURS AND PETIT FOURS



Christmas Celebration 2006 with Saint Mary's Cathedral Choir entertaining us with a their special brand of Christmas cheer but before the entertainment, the refreshment: liqueurs and petit fours.

Deck the Halls



The Granada Della Robbia Christmas Wreath was donated by Bill and Florence Waldrop.



Our beautiful Christmas tree has a story or two to tell about Christmas past and present. As Tony explains "one Christmas Eve about 10 years ago, the fire inspector told me to remove the tree because of the dryness;" that was the bad news, the good, the tree was replaced by the original vendor, Merry Christmas. Now when The Granada buys a tree, in our case from Delancey Street, we also receive a "Certificate of Flame Resistance." All this was news to me, so I found it a Christmas story of interest but what really topped it off was when I was entering our lobby, the same day, I saw our tree with something blue underneath it which turned out to be another fire inspector. "You want to see the certificate," I said knowing the story, a few minutes later he left smiling, leaving the tree. Next we wanted to decorate our fine tree, so we had a party. As you can see from the pictures above, all hands were busy from top to bottom and in between trimming the tree, oh, we did have a few Jameson Irish Coffees too. Holiday Cheers! Ed.



Birthdays January

RESIDENTS

- 1 Nerces Sarkissian
- 1 Estella Ramirez
- 5 Harry Martin
- 9 Charles Miller
- 11 John Fleckenstein
- 14 Lillian Young
- 15 Raymond Tovar
- 18 Sarah Howe
- 18 Frescia Dume
- 19 James Pinkham
- 21 Judith Viar
- 25 Gary Kindsvatter
- 26 Bruce Bain
- 26 Kathleen Frereborn
- 27 Andrew Massarella
- 27 Richmond Gocheco
- 29 Frances Raab
- 31 Karina Schmidt
- 31 Sirri Lee

EMPLOYEES

- 7 Rita Ang
- 11 Carmen Tung
- 15 Victor Jose Dieguez



Tony Davidauskis, manager

It started with the Christmas photo cards, I believe 32 residents got their photographic portrait put on Christmas cards compliments of The Granada, then the Cable Car Carolers came on Sunday afternoon the 10th, motorized cable car and all singing their hearts out. The Christmas tree arrived on monday and tuesday we had a tree trimming party, we served Irish Coffees with or without Janeson's Irish Whiskey. The Jewish Family and Children Services brought their Chanukah Program with 8 teenage songsters with plenty of spirit, followed tuesday by Rabii Eric Weiss presenting his wonderful Chaunakah program refreshments included the traditional potato latkas with apple sauce and sour cream and apple juice. The Christmas celebration with Saint Mary's Cathderal Choir pleased everyone, so did the those liqueurs, Godiva White Chocolate, French blackberry liqueur and Harvey's Bristol Creme and tasty, colorful petit fours. The Christmas Dinner is always special with all the trimmings. Yes, all is calm, all is bright.

Thank You.

JANUARY 2007

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 10:00 Exercise 5:00 ESPN Football * Nerea Sarkisian * Estella Ramirez	2 7:00 Bingo	3 6:00 MOVIE	4 7:00 Bingo	5 10:00 Exercise 4:00 HAPPY HOUR 6:00 MOVIE * Harry Martin	6 1:30 Bingo 6:00 HBO
7 7:00 60 Minutes	8 10:00 Exercise 5:00 ESPN Football	9 9:00 MASS 7:00 Bingo * Charlie Miller	10 6:00 MOVIE	11 10:00 Library on Wheels 7:00 Bingo * John Fiedlerstein	12 10:00 Exercise 4:00 HAPPY HOUR 6:00 MOVIE	13 1:30 Bingo 6:00 HBO
14 2:15 Ice Cream Social 7:00 60 Minutes * Lillian Young	15 10:00 Exercise 5:00 ESPN Football * Raymond Tovar	16 BIRTHDAY PARTY DINNER 7:00 Bingo	17 6:00 MOVIE	18 7:00 Bingo	19 10:00 Exercise 4:00 HAPPY HOUR 6:00 MOVIE * James Pinkham	20 1:30 Bingo 6:00 HBO
21 10:00 SPCA Pub 7:00 60 Minutes * Judith War	22 10:00 Exercise 5:00 ESPN Football	23 9:00 MASS 1:30 Granada Tour 7:00 Bingo	24 6:00 MOVIE	25 7:00 Bingo	26 10:00 Exercise 4:00 HAPPY HOUR 6:00 MOVIE * Bruce Bain * Kathleen Freiborn	27 1:30 Bingo 6:00 HBO * Richmond Gochea * Andrew Mascarella
28 2:15 Ice Cream Social 7:00 60 Minutes	29 10:00 Exercise 5:00 ESPN Football * Francis Raab	30 7:00 Bingo	31 6:00 MOVIE * Marina Schmidt * Siri Lee			* Birthday Penan

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