

# ***THE VILLA NEWS***

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## *EVERYONE NEEDS SOMEONE*

~ Helen Steiner Rice

People need people and friends need friends,  
And we all need love for a full life depends  
Not on vast riches or great acclaim,  
Not on success or on worldly fame,  
But just in knowing that someone cares  
And hold us close in their thoughts and prayers—  
For only the knowledge that we're understood  
Makes everyday living feel ***wonderfully good***,  
And we rob ourselves of life's greatest need  
When we "lock up our hearts" and fail to heed  
The outstretched hand reaching to find  
A kindred spirit whose heart and mind  
Are lonely and longing to somehow share  
Our joys and sorrows and to make us aware  
***That life's completeness and richness depends***  
***On the things we share with our loved ones***  
***And friends!***

My friends, while we celebrate Valentine's Day this month,  
it is also National Friendship Month.  
Reach out to someone you don't know that well and  
make a new friend!