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The Perpetual Light

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**THE GREAT QUEST is almost over for
OLPH CLASS GRADUATION PHOTOS**

Three years ago a mission began to acquire all of the graduation photos from Our Lady of Perpetual Help School going back to 1940. With the help of numerous OLPH Alums, we have been able to accumulate all of the class photos, with the exception of 1942, for Alumni Hall. Thank you to all who have helped.

We now need your help in matching up names with some of the pictures. The following classes need to be labelled: **1962, 1965, 1968, 1970, 1972, 1973, 1976, 1977, 1978, 1981, 1982**, 1983 and 1984****. The class of **1949** is missing 3 individual photos from the composite--does anyone from '49 have a copy of the graduation photo?

Please contact us if you think you can match the names with the faces in your grad picture. We will provide you with a copy of the class attendance roster to help you. Ask a couple of your classmates to come with you and make a mini-reunion out of it. We need your help!!!

**NEED formal graduation pictures rather than casual dress pictures.

**VISIT OLPH WEBSITE
WWW.OLPHDC.ORG
New Feature "Newsletter Archive"**

† IN MEMORIAM †

Ronald Brugioni '55
Brother of Bob '53

Mary Louise Ferrari
Mother of Cathy '70, Jayne '72, John '76, Caren '78

Lawrence Kane
Father of Lawrence '55 and William '58

John D. Mahoney
Father of John '56 and Ed '61

Mary Elizabeth (Kerr) Gordon
Mother of Father Joseph Gordon '59

William C. Kleinheinz
Father of Linda '65 and William '66

Eugene Udovich
Husband of Sharon and friend of OLPH

Parents of Alumni please forward this newsletter if your son or daughter no longer maintains a permanent residence at your home. Please notify the Development Office of the new address.

Thank You!

The Perpetual Light

Presented to graduates, friends and supporters of Our Lady of Perpetual Help School

A Matter of Principal By Bill Kovacich



In September of 1952, a young mom took her little boy by the hand to his first day of kindergarten at Our Lady of Perpetual Help School. The boy was not afraid, because his big brother already attended OLPH. His teacher was Sr. Hortense Marie, and although the little boy thought she had a funny name, everything turned out fine and before he knew it, the year was over and he and his classmates moved on to first grade. Despite missing 25 1/2 days that year, he received all A's and B's --the only blotch on his record being a D in handwriting. Other than the ever present C in Art and Handwriting, this young man earned A's and B's his jr. high years, and participated in extra activities especially athletics and student government. In the eighth grade he was elected class president. After OLPH, he attended Riordan High School and then completed his college years at the University of San Francisco where he earned his BA and acquired a teaching credential. He planned to teach, but a part time job at Safeway became full time. This led to various promotions and, eventually, a position with the grocery workers union. He never looked back until his early retirement a few years ago. Who would have ever thought that after 40 years, he would finally become employed in a school, ironically at the school where it all began? Ed Mahoney was returning to OLPH.

I had called Ed back in the Spring of 2004, to ask his advice on starting a Development office here at school. My two year plan for an alumni list, newsletter, capital improvements and scholarship programs sounded ambitious, especially for a part time job. I was stunned by Ed's response. "Let me talk to my wife, I might take that job." What a lucky day for me, when, Ed Mahoney, agreed to become the first Development Director of Our Lady of Perpetual Help School. Because of dedication, hard work, personality and contacts, Mr. Mahoney was able to accomplish all our lofty goals and much more in just three years. At OLPH, we now have an alumni list of over 1,200 people. We have refurbished and completed the renovation of the cafeteria/theatre. The missing names and pictures of all the graduates dating back to the 1930's grace the walls of the renovated cafeteria/theatre now known as Alumni Hall. The hall has a new floor, new windows, new fluorescent lights and a trophy case. Through the efforts of Ed's family, we have established the Mahoney Family Scholarship which this coming year will help support families going to OLPH School. His communication with alumni has led to the re-lighting of every classroom in the school. Now, we are spearheading a drive in conjunction with the 75th anniversary of the school. We will be kicking off a \$75,000 Diamond Jubilee Campaign for scholarships. Without Mr. Mahoney's work, leadership and love of Our Lady of Perpetual Help School, none of this would have been possible. We are proud to award the 2007 OLPH Community Service Award to Mr. Ed Mahoney.

**OLPH 75-YEAR "DIAMOND JUBILEE" EVENTS
1933 - 2008**

Saturday, January 26, 2008 ~ Alumni Open House and Mass
Saturday, March 1, 2008 ~ "Diamond Jubilee" Auction Dinner-Dance



**L to R: Cathy '70, John '76,
Louise Ferrari, Caren '78, Jayne '72**

FERRARI FAMILY TURNS ON THE PERPETUAL LIGHT

The Our Lady of Perpetual Help Community acknowledges the recent passing of Mary Louise Ferrari, wife of Andrew Ferrari and Mother of four OLPH graduates: **Cathy '70** (Steve) Lagomarsino, **Jayne '72** (James) Ferrari, **John '76** (Natalie) Ferrari and **Caren '78** (Scott) Severi. She was also the cherished Nonnie to Theresa, Jimmy and Daniel Lagomarsino and Nicole (Craig) Uhlenkott, Victoria, Christina and Gianna Ferrari and Claudia and Dominic Severi. Bis-Nonnie to Ava Uhlenkott.

Mrs. Ferrari was a familiar figure at OLPH throughout the 60's and 70's as all four of her children worked their way through the grades. Always available as a volunteer, she was a constant, warm and friendly presence at the Top of the Hill.

In Louise's memory, the family decided to forgo donations of flowers in favor of donations to the OLPH Capital Campaign and Building Fund. Directly as a result of the over \$6,000 raised from generous Ferrari Family and friends, we were able to purchase three display cases which are now installed in Alumni Hall.

A plaque in Mrs. Ferrari's honor has been placed above the cases with an inscription that reads:

In memory of Mary Louise Ferrari 1934 ~ 2007

She believed the O.L.P.H. community provided a caring and teaching environment where our children would receive a religious education, be able to shape their minds, and develop friendships that would last a lifetime. Always remembered, never forgotten.

Andrew S. Ferrari, Cathy '70, Jayne '72, John '76 and Caren '78

During the course of the collaboration between OLPH and the Ferrari's, the Family decided to elevate their generosity to another level by replacing all of the outdated incandescent school lights with brand new fluorescent fixtures and bulbs, thereby saving the school thousands of dollars for materials and installation, as well as untold long-range savings in energy costs.

Our Lady of Perpetual Help School is extremely fortunate and eternally grateful to the Ferrari Family for their devotion and unselfish contributions to our school's future.

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Mary Louise Ferrari

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Students of OLPH



Rome, Sweet Rome

—a BorKov Production

Forty-nine students and 14 adults were involved in the annual OLPH Jr. High play, *Rome, Sweet Rome*, an original comedy co-written and directed by principal Bill Kovacich.

OLPH STUDENTS CARRY ON 21 YEARS OF TRADITION

Good Friday Stations of the Cross A Major Event

This past Good Friday, OLPH school presented the dramatization of the Stations of the Cross for the 21st straight year at St. Mary of the Assumption Cathedral in San Francisco. The students offered a meditation and a prayer at each station, applying the mystery of the Station to their life in today's world. The same cross and crown have been used for the duration of OLPH's participation in the event.

Joan Martin, a former OLPH parent and retired primary aide, made the Crown of Thorns from a vine she had growing in her garden. The signatures of each boy who has assumed the role of Christ are on the cross. The 21 OLPH 8th-grade gentlemen chosen to represent Jesus Christ in the Stations of the Cross ceremony have been:

1987 Ivan Morales	1997 Christian Tarusan
1988 Jameson Parada	1998 Charles Volbrecht
1989 Moises Osorio	1999 Ryan Nagar
1990 Aaron Perez	2000 Vincent Concepcion
1991 John Cayamanda	2001 Kevin Brown
1992 Alan Abar	2002 John Castillo/Justin Enriquez
1993 Mark Guiriba	2003 Joseph Darza
1994 Alberto Cazares	2004 Chester Tarusan
1995 Michael Jenks	2005 Manuel Najera
1996 Kenneth Nagar	2006 Michael Tugade

2007 Dillon Guadamuz

MACARONI AND CHEESE DRIVE

—A WELL-CRAFTED SUCCESS

1200 packages of Macaroni and Cheese were gathered by the students of OLPH and donated to the Daly City Food Pantry. The Food Pantry is a non-profit organization whose sole purpose is to feed the needy in Daly City.



OLPH Alumni Win 2007 Archbishop Riordan High Awards

Mark Estigoy '03 (senior) *Life Member CSF, High Honors B of A Achievement Award in Science, National Honor Society, Academic Excellence in Social Science*

Nathaniel Villegas '03 (senior) *2007 Valedictorian, Life member CSF, High Honors B of A Achievement Award in Science, B of A Achievement Award in Fine Arts, National Honor Society, Academic Excellence in Social Science, Academic Excellence in Comp Technology*

Kristoffer Liwanag '03 (senior) *Academic Excellence in Art*

Christopher Alcairo '03 (senior) *Academic Excellence in Video Production*

Christopher Espineda '04 (junior) *Math Award*

Class of 1948 SIXTY YEARS and GOING STRONG!

Six decades have passed and the OLPH Class of 1948 friendships are solid as a rock.

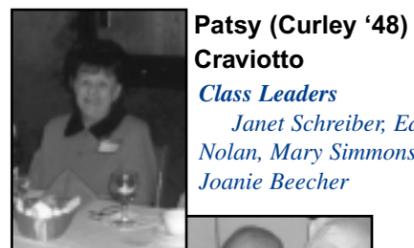
Some people are sensitive to the phrase "old friends," preferring to refer to themselves as "long-time" or "established" friends. Not so with the members of the OLPH Class of 1948, because to them "old" is just a state of mind--and they all may as well be 14 again whenever they see each other at their yearly gatherings.

Growing up during the years after the Great Depression, and during and after World War II, this hearty band of friendly people don't have time to dwell on uninteresting things like their age or their weight. They've got too much else to talk about.

"We were the first class to graduate out of the "new" school (80 Wellington Ave. opened in 1947-48) and everything we had was new--the desks, the books, actual bathrooms, a stage and a cafeteria! We felt like the Chosen People," says **Marion (Elliott) Oakley**, who has been the reunion organizer and prime mover behind the remarkably close contact this group has kept over the years. "We were 'special,' in a day when that meant something else."

Marion's annual luncheon gatherings at Nick's Rockaway in Pacifica have reinforced the wonderful bonds between these former OLPH classmates. This past May, 13 grads showed up for the occasion, short of the usual average of 16. **Marion's** address list consists of 22 people and, if all conditions permitted, every one of them would be in attendance every year, coming from as far away as Omaha, NE (**Mary Simmons**). These people really like each other! Add to this the fact that some have married OLPH grads from other classes, and you have quite a Daly City get-together!

Memories of the Old School: behind the Church, separate buildings; 1st and 2nd in building next to sacristy, 3rd and 4th - stand-alone building; Sr. Jacquelyn-4th, Sr. Christina-5th, Sr. Ignatius-6th; "scary" bathrooms, separated from other buildings, door held open with a rock; "little cabins"; no kindergarten; drafty, damp and cold. Sr. Rita Marie, Sr. Leo, Sr. Grace Marie-7th; the "clickers" the nuns used to tell us to sit and stand; the annual picnic; hats and scarves for the girls in church (no pants); **The New School:** 8th grade-Sr. Alphonse; folk dancing once a week (thanks to **Rosemary Moudy**), kick-ball team (**Barbara Stein**), school play with **Alice Aguirre** and **Mike Saunders**; **Events of the Time:** The War, rationing, blackouts, air-raid drills; "A.P. Giannini visiting school in a big limo with his black top hat and overcoat, handing out passbooks to teach us to turn our pennies into dollars." "...seeing a blimp with a rope hanging from it flying just above the roof tops and crashing into the hills. Also, I heard a sputtering motor of the plane that crashed into a house on Bellevue Avenue. I was at my Aunt's house on Templeton Street." **Shirley Milano's** formal party; **"Top of the Hill"**: Our "downtown" with my favorite places: Milo's Market, Central Creamery, Daly City Library and, across Mission St., the Relish Bakery (originally owned by **Jackie Frellson '48's** grandparents James and Clara Poket), Warshawsky's Dry Goods, McGraw's Drug Store; the "turnaround" for streetcars and buses at the Bank of America building.



Patsy (Curley '48) Craviotto
Class Leaders
Janet Schreiber, Ed Nolan, Mary Simmons, Joanie Beecher



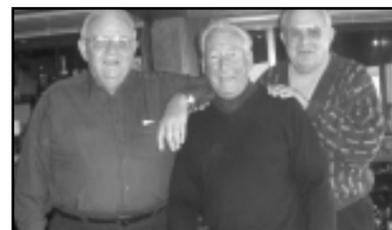
Marion (Elliott '48) Oakley, Aileen (Greer '48) Hogue, Gert (Greer '50) Piazza



Gert (Greer '50) & Joe Piazza



Margaret (Aguirre '48) Melgarejo, Ed Aguirre '48 (twins)



Ed Cereghino, Jim Reardon '48, Mike Saunders '48



Alice (Aguirre '48) Vargas, Betty (Curtin '48) Cutietta

Class Clowns
"All the boys, and some of the girls!" *Joe Bacigalupi, Joe Cruz, Mike Saunders, Jimmy Reardon, Joe Langensand*



Males in back row from left: **John Borg, Hank Castruita, Ed Mahoney, Mike Saunders, Jim Reardon, Ed Cereghino** Females from left: **Gerda (Greer) Piazza, Liz (Fenton) Borg, Jackie (Frellson) Castruita, Janet (Schreiber) Cereghino, Patsy (Curley) Craviotto, Margaret (Aguirre) Melgarejo, Marion (Elliott) Oakley, Betty (Curtin) Cutietta, Aileen (Greer) Hogue, Alice (Aguirre) Vargas.** (Missing from photo: **Ed Aguirre**)

A Night in Paradise

Our 3rd auction/dinner fundraiser held March 3, 2007 had a tropical theme with lovely Polynesian decorations crafted by vice-principal and 7th grade teacher, **Sheila Ortega**, and her student-volunteers. Students also acted as hosts for the evening, presenting each of the guests with their own leis and a very warm "Aloha." Attendance was great and profits totalled \$14,000 — enough to put us over the top of our \$90,000 goal for the Capital Campaign. Thank you to all!



Jim and Arleen (Kordoules '53) Russi



GRAND PRIZE RAFFLE WINNERS (\$1000)
Jolene Kleinheinz, **Bill Kleinheinz '66, Linda Kleinheinz '65** with **Ed Mahoney '61**



Judy (Menicucci '49) Murolo, Al Menicucci '45 and Cecilia (Drury '56) Smith



Rhody (Sutherland '43) Valente, Janet Leaskou (former OLPH secretary) and Kris Guevel

Karena Mahoney, Aiko Sato, Judy Sato Cairo, Marcela Comstock, Tom Graves

OLPH TEACHERS:
Sande Chan and Terry Keller



THE MCGUIRE TABLE: John McGuire '70, William "Red" McGuire, Jim McGuire '65, Mrs. McGuire, Chuchi Pustelnik and Dennis Pustelnik '69



OLPH TEACHERS REUNITE:
Linda (Molini '61) Parini, who taught in the 70's, hugs **Mary Lucett**, 8th-grade teacher for 25 years.



75 Years! Be A "DIAMOND" DONOR

1933 2008

Our Lady of Perpetual Help School will be 75-years old in 2008. To mark this occasion, the Development Department is kicking off a new campaign aimed at bolstering the student tuition assistance and scholarship fund. We need 100 people, or groups of people, to donate \$750 each, thus providing a total of \$75,000 which will be placed in an endowment designed to help future OLPH students meet the demands of tuition and fees.

"Diamond Donors" will be listed on a perpetual plaque displayed in Alumni Hall and forever acknowledged for their contributions. Individuals, families and classes are all invited to participate. Donate a total of \$750 over the course of the 2007-2008 school years. Start now to gather your donor groups together. Send in your check for \$750 to: **OLPH Development Diamond Donors 80 Wellington Avenue, Daly City, CA 94014**

1946 Betty Geoghegan Smith saw the March 2nd article about OLPH Alumni in the Catholic Weekly newspaper and wrote in to say that she attended from grade 1 through grade 3. "It's so long ago that I don't remember much, but I think my 2nd grade teacher was Sr. Consalata--her name always fascinated me." Betty grew up on Shakespeare St. and remembers Kathleen Curtin and William Aceves.

1955 Jack Lewis wrote recently from Utah, upon hearing of the death of his childhood classmate **Ron Brugioni '55**: "Ron and I grew up on the same block, started Woodrow Wilson together, then we both transferred to OLPH for the 5th grade, on to Riordan. In 1965, my wife's family had a 65th birthday party for her Mom at the Italian American Social Club in San Mateo and we ran into Ron and **Lenny Lamendola '55** there. It was the last time we saw each other."

1956 Adrienne (Arroyos) Collins e-mailed her regret at not being able to attend the March 3rd auction/dinner, because of arthro-plasty surgery on her right thumb. She was surprised and saddened to hear of the death of her classmate, **Gail (Smith '56) Radulovich Foster**.

1961 Barry Morgan writes from Carson City, NV to inform all of his classmates and friends that he is still alive. He is currently "writing a book" and, although he has completed only one chapter, it has provided him with a convenient cover to avoid answering further questions about what he is doing in retirement. Those activities include "doing nothing some days," which is "just fine" with Barry. He remembers not only the baseball card games, but also the little plastic bowling set that would be assembled in the church archways.

1968 David Allen sent an e-mail to express his appreciation for receiving the OLPH newsletter. He wrote a touching letter to Sr. Rita Marie, Principal when Dave attended OLPH, and made a generous contribution in her name and dedicated to the Sisters of St. Joseph of Orange for the OLPH Capital Campaign and Building Fund. Dave and **Diane, '64**, are both doing well and living in the Bay Area with children of their own.

1970 Janine (Mignault '70) Greenwald sells Mary Kay Cosmetics as a sideline and made a very generous donation for the auction of a set of Asian motif collector plates valued at \$500.

1974 Heidi (Belli) Caparro and Corinne (Francisco) Bosa collaborated to produce the long sought-after 1974 graduation picture, complete with the names of all their classmates. Thank you, Heidi and Corinne, for helping to complete the task of displaying all of the OLPH graduation pictures in Alumni Hall! Heidi is living in So. San Francisco with her daughter Akayla, who just turned 13 and will graduate from Mater Dolorosa School in June 2008. She is currently employed by Equinix, Inc. in Foster City as Senior Contracts Manager and continues to travel and golf as much as possible.

1983 Beatriz Castillo is in Technical Support for Taleo Corporation in Dublin, an HR Software company. She married in 1999 and moved to Pacifica. Bea has a 7-year-old son and a 5-year old daughter. As a sideline, Bea sells Mary Kay Cosmetics, donating a "pampering session" as a prize for the 2007 auction/dinner.

1999 Melissa Castillo, daughter of John and Arlene Castillo, OLPH School Secretary, recently received her Bachelor of Science degree in Biology with an emphasis on Biomedical Sciences from Santa Clara University.

1999 Johanna Cantos-Perlas, daughter of OLPH 4th grade teacher, Amelia Axler, graduated from St. Mary's College in Moraga with a degree in Business Administration.

2002 John Castillo completed his first year at UC San Louis Obispo with a 3.5 GPA and still managed to find time for some very competitive intramural football.

Upcoming REUNIONS

Class of 1958 "Golden" 50th Contact Mike Stanley (XSteamerX@aol.com) or Charleen Hurton (gigandpat@digitalpath.net) Date will be September, 2008

Class of 1961 is planning a "60th Birthday for Boomers" Reunion Party in August 2007 at a location TBD. Contact Gerry Nolan at gerryolan@aol.com for details. Special surprise guest is promised!

Class of 1973 is having a pre-reunion gathering on October 20, 2007 at Vilma Carballido's house in Petaluma. Contact Doug Clark at Doug.Clark@AlaskaAir.com or Tim Brown at a035649@Allstate.com

Class of 1995 Isela Gallard and Elijah Alaimo are working to make it happen, reunion-wise, for their class. Contact Isela (415) 724-4948



2007 May Queen Janet (Schreiber) Cereghino and three of her "Attendants" **Jackie (Frellson) Castruita, Betty (Curtin) Cutietta** and **Liz (Fenton) Borg**



1948 May Queen Janet Schreiber makes her way to the church assisted by her youthful attendants, preparing to place the crown on the Blessed Virgin Mary.



1948 "Ladies-in-Waiting" Mary Simmons, Shirley Milano, Jackie Frellson, Betty Curtin and **Liz Fenton**

OLPH and MY BASEBALL CARD ADDICTION by Mike Stanley '58

Growing up in Daly City brings back lots of memories. Marchbanks Park, Relish Bakery, Top of the Hill, Serra Theater to name a few. Attending OLPH also has its memories: Father Bergin walking back and forth in the archways saying his prayers, the big line in the playground that separated the girls from the boys.

The archways: This was a neat place to hang out because at each arch you could don't mean poker or blackjack but trading cards. Leaners, Topsies. The boys recess or lunch break. The game was to lean a card up against the church wall a certain line in the cement and snap the card towards the leaner; if you knocked on the ground. The crisper the card the better accuracy of the aim and ultimately down the leaner. I would take the 25 cents my mother gave me for lunch money market and buy five packs of baseball cards. You got five cards and a stick of bubble gum in a pack for a nickel. I would immediately remove the cards and throw the gum and wrapper

On lucky days, I'd win a bunch of cards, place the cards in the back pocket of my gray home. I never put the cards in numerical sequence, I didn't collect the cards, I just used cards. I needed new cards each day. I would spend my lunch money on new cards and unless it was Ann Drury's hamburgers. I was possessed by trying to get as many cards remember having 14 Mickey Mantle rookies. Today in Mint condition they would bring When my grades started slipping my father burned all my cards. I still have recurring nightmares seeing these cards turning to ashes in the fireplace. My mother used to tell me that the baseball cards were a communist plot, getting young boys to buy these cards for which the money was used to build bombs and rockets for war against the United States. So every time I bought a pack of cards I was supporting Russia. I remember going to confession and telling the priest that I bought five packs of cards. His response? Did you find any Jackie Robinson's?

After graduation from grammar school, I sort of lost interest in cards and turned to girls and rock-n-roll music. It was not until 1986 that my brother told me he had seen a note on the bulletin board at Electric Boat in New London, Connecticut that said: **BASEBALL CARDS FOR SALE 1965-1970 SETS COMPLETE MINT CONDITION. MUST SELL.** My brother answered the ad and found out the owner had to pay for his wife's funeral. So my brother, feeling grief for this individual, offered him a sum never discussed for the cards. When he told me about it, I got the itch and started collecting again, this time I was going after complete sets. I amassed a collection over a million cards total. When I was done I had completed all Topps brand sets from 1959-2004. All good things come to an end. Probably due to the fact that card companies were inserting special cards with low mintage figures that caused the retailers to raise the price for a pack of cards to a ridiculous price of \$100.00 per pack. One card came with a chance to get a swatch of Babe Ruth's uniform. It took the little guy collector out of the hobby. My interest faded and the entire collection was sold to one dealer. The cards are gone but the memories remain.

(Editor's note: Before Mike sold his collection last year, he was kind enough to donate to the OLPH Auction/Dinner several items worth in excess of \$1,800, including a baseball signed by the entire 1993 Giants team, which won a total of 103 games that season!)

"THEY LIT UP OUR LIVES!"

— OLPH graduates

6 electricians from Daly City's ASF (**Andrew S. Ferrari**) Electric who finished installing fluorescent fixtures for the entire school in just 4 days. *Thanks, Guys!*



L to R: Ferrari Electricians - Thomas Lujan, Steve Lagomarsino, Anthony Zoph, Jim Lagomarsino, Andy Ferrari, Chris Nichols

Louise Ferrari Memorial Trophy & Display Case



Thanks to donations made in the memory of Mrs. Mary Louise Ferrari, OLPH now has a brand-new, 3-part trophy and display case permanently installed in Alumni Hall. If you have kept any trophies, plaques, pins, certificates or team pictures from your days at OLPH, please send or bring them in to the OLPH Development Department. We will be happy to display them for all to see, along with awards won by recent students.

Fr. Joseph Gordon '59 and Sister Rita Marie Kropp, OLPH, teacher from 1939-1943 and Principal from 1960 through 1966, reunite at the sad occasion of the passing of Joe's Mom, Marian Gordon in May, 2007

