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THE BIRTH OF OUR SCHOOL



Photo courtesy of Kingston Local History website

At the beginning of 1924, a new district high school for the boroughs of Mordialloc and Carrum commenced its foundation year in temporary accommodation at the Mordialloc Mechanics' Institute in Albert Street (pictured above).

On 18 February 1924, the local paper reported a sea of "bright-faced happy children" at the Chelsea and Edithvale stations eagerly awaiting the 8.44am train to take them to their new high school. Cr George Beardsworth, one of the pioneering campaigners for the

local school, was given the honour of officially opening the new Mordialloc District High School at its temporary location. He said:

"...it was a red-letter day in the history of the municipalities of Carrum and Mordialloc. The long looked-for high school was declared open and commenced in real earnest, the business of educating pupils."

This first year saw an enrolment of 148 students, in grades six, seven and eight. However, one sour note on this opening day was criticism of the

decision to name the school Mordialloc District High School – the residents of Chelsea were upset that the name did not include them. Consequently, in August 1924, the name was changed to Mordialloc-Carrum High School. In the century that followed, this would not be the last time the school's name was changed.

By 1925, the school was already outgrowing the temporary space at the Mechanics' Institute, so a decision was made to lease additional premises.

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Alumni notes



2023 Committee

The Committee for this year remains unchanged except for the addition of new member Judith Haskins. We welcome her aboard and look forward to a busy year in anticipation of the centenary year in 2024.

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Welcome To Our New Members

We extend a warm welcome to these new members:

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PRINCIPAL'S REPORT



BY MICHELLE ROBERTS

We're already well into the 2023 school year, with 218 Year 7 students (making a Middle School of 658 students). With 242 students having moved into Year 10 from Year 9, we

also now have a Senior School of 576 students. This brings our total school enrolment this year is 1,234 students. We had to knock back 40 out-of-zone applications for Year 7 for 2023 as we had reached our enrolment capacity.

We look forward to all students continuing their positive attitude throughout 2023, and staying focused on achieving their personal best and striving to improve. I am proud to be the Principal of Mordialloc College, and I hope that everyone is proud to be a part of the Mordialloc College community. I am looking forward to the rest of the year and have faith that, once again, all students will make the most of the opportunities and challenges that are presented to them.

EXCELLENT YEAR 12 RESULTS AND DUX 2022

I am pleased to report that in 2022, Mordialloc College students achieved an excellent success rate in completing their VCE studies.

Some of the highlights include:

- ◆ 14 students achieved an ATAR in the 90s (12.5% of the cohort, 20 students in the 80s which is 17.9% of the cohort, (30.4% of the cohort above 80) and 22 students scoring in the 70s which is 19.6% of cohort, and 50% of cohort above 70. **Thus, 50% of our cohort were in the top 30% of the State!**
- ◆ A median study score of 30.
- ◆ 82.7% of our cohort applying for a tertiary placement, with 100% being successful.

This is a truly outstanding set of results and a credit to all staff and students who have worked so hard to achieve so much – not only last year, but over the course of their six-year journey.

In addition, congratulations go to all our Year 12 VCAL students for completing all their course requirements and receiving offers to complete diplomas, traineeships, and apprenticeships.

All of our Year 12 students can all be very proud of their achievements. Special mention also goes to our very high achievers who scored in the 90s. I am proud to be able to list these outstanding students below (I was able to contact 13 out of the 14, so cannot mention one student without their permission).

Congratulations first to our **DUX for 2022, Aaliyah Zaph** achieving an ATAR of 99.45 – an absolutely sensational result to make it to the top 1% of State results. Aaliyah scored a perfect score of 50 for Health and Human Development! She plans to study a Bachelor of Fine Arts at Melbourne University.

I would also like to congratulate the following students:

In the top 3% of the State: **Tristan Cox** achieved an ATAR of 97.3 and plans to study Neuroscience at Melbourne University; **Max Telfer** achieved an ATAR of 97.25 and plans to study Computer Science at Monash University; and **Tim Whitford** achieved an ATAR of 97.05 and plans to study Science at Monash University.

In the top 4% of the State: **Jade Goodman** achieved an ATAR of 96.1 and plans to study Science at Melbourne University.

In the top 5% of the State: **Tamsyn Russell** achieved an ATAR of 95.55 and plans to study Commerce/Science at Monash University.

In the top 7% of the State: **Tom Krivacevic** achieved an ATAR of 93.35; **Lachlan Tomlinson** achieved an ATAR of 93.35 and plans to study Commerce at Monash University; **Beth Rowland** achieved an ATAR of 93.3, **Indiana Tsiros** achieved an ATAR of 93.25 and plans to study Arts at Monash University; and **India Thomas** achieved an ATAR of 93.25 and plans to study Journalism or Psychology.

In the top 8% of the State: **Jeneya Tran** achieved an ATAR of 92.95 and plans to study Law at Monash University;

In the top 10% of the State: **Emma Schultz** scored an ATAR of 90.1.

On a subject level, we achieved excellent results far exceeding the State average, including for English, Biology, Business Management, Product Design, Food Studies, Japanese, Physics, Visual Communication and Studio Arts.

While we celebrate individual student success stories, it is important to remind everyone that your final ATAR score does not define you as a person. In the end it is a rank for tertiary admission.

It won't necessarily determine where you go in the future or how happy you will be. All students should feel proud of their efforts and be satisfied they have given their personal best.

BUILDING PROGRAM UPDATE

We are very excited that after many delays, our new plexipave outside basketball and netball courts were ready for student use from Monday 27 February (pictured below).

We have had a new electronic front sign installed – you may have noticed that our current electronic sign stopped working during Term 4 last year (not surprising, given it was over 10 years old).

I have approved the schematic designs with the DET-appointed architects for the replacement of our balcony and lower back wall facing the courtyard, as well as the windows in the two-storey building at the front of the school.

These plans include enclosing the balcony upstairs to protect it from the weather, in particular rain which led to damage and leakage issues.

This will make it safer, provide carpeted break-out spaces outside of the classrooms upstairs and will overall produce a more user-friendly space.

It is anticipated that these works will be completed in the middle of the year, during the school holiday break.




2022 SCHOOL TOUR

We had a terrific turnout of past students across all decades for our annual Past Students and Staff School Tour. The eldest member of the tour was the amazing Mavis Angliss (née Park) who remembers her time at MCHS in the early 1940s vividly. Another highlight was having the company of several teachers who commenced at the school in the 1970s.

It was a fast-paced tour with our tour leader Principal Michelle Roberts, but it was hard to resist going 'off course' with two former science teachers who were still just as fun and adventurous as they had always been.

Reunions between our teachers on the tour and their past students (some of whom are now teachers at the school) provided some special moments. Loretta Ilott and Ariana Nickou are now teachers at our school and were delighted to meet up with their past teachers. We feature Ariana and Loretta and their happy memories on pages 7 and 8 of this issue of *Ventured*.



 Trevor Smith and Ian McDonald, two of the school's longest-serving teachers, pictured back in their old science staff room. Oh, the stories they can tell (and they did!).

CLASS OF 1992 REUNION

On Friday 11 November, the Class of 1992 celebrated their 30-year reunion at Mordy HQ. 1992 School Captains Marnie Froling and Craig Nugent addressed the happy reunited group, where there was a lot of love in the room and each and every person was genuinely happy to see one another again. There was talk around the room about having a yearly get-together.

The night was a great success – congratulations to organisers Marnie Froling, Helen Browne, Kerry Frankland, Pippa Hanson, Michelle Meredith, and Simone Howard. Simone Howard and Vince Paterno are pictured on the right modelling the Mordialloc-Chelsea uniforms of their time at our school. Well done Simone and Vince, you look amazing – bottle green still suits you!





↑ Former teachers Kay Mahlook, John and Jenny Hendry, Les Clement, Trevor Smith and Val Gaskell (Ian McDonald is MIA in the foyer having a bit of a chat...).

➔ The intrepid tourists about to embark upon a trip down memory lane and learn about the updates to our school.



THE BIRTH OF OUR SCHOOL (CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1)

In 1927, the building of the new school commenced in accordance with plans prepared by the Public Works Department.

The plans show a two-storey building with administrative office, entrance hall and chemistry and physics rooms on the ground floor. A cookery room complete with fuel, gas and electric stoves, sinks and tables, pantry and scullery with an adjacent dining room was also on this floor, plus an art room and boys' and girls' common room and library. The second floor had seven classrooms, three of which were divided by accordion screens to make one large assembly hall.

A separate block accommodated a manual training centre with sheet metal room, smithy and woodwork room completely fitted up for trade work.

The building was of brick with a colour blend tile roof and included a septic tank installed for sewerage purposes.

The contract price was £20,990 with Messrs R L Phillips and Son of Murrumbeena being granted the contract.

The building was completed in late 1927, and the official opening was conducted by the Minister of Education, Mr J Lemmon, in March 1928.

The images of the architect's plans were photographed by Archival Access at the Public Record Office and provided to the MCAA. We extend a big thank you to Mark Grealy for his help and generosity.

Information in this item was sourced from the research of Graham Whitehead and Rod Gaskell, for which we're very grateful.



WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

*Past President and Life Member of the former MCHS ex-students association, Hugh Macphee, has over many years been initiating annual reunion lunches for students from the 40s/50s era.**

At the luncheon held in November 2022 at the Cheltenham RSL, it was fantastic to welcome Lesley Colsey (née Fletcher) accompanied by her husband Bob, who both travelled from Adelaide especially for the occasion.

Lesley's sister Pam Nisbet (née Fletcher), also a past student, came along too.

Both sisters pursued singing careers after leaving school and we persuaded them to give us a brief update on where life took them after leaving Mordy High.

Everyone is welcome to the regular past students' lunches. Please contact Hugh if you would like to join with the crew – email hmacphee@ozemail.com.au or phone **0458 687 879.*



LESLEY COLSEY (NÉE FLETCHER), MCHS 1947-1948

Lesley's singing took a classical direction, and she joined choirs, including a festival choir in South Australia, as well as the London Philharmonic Orchestra under the baton of Sir Malcolm Sargent. Wonderful experiences!

A great thrill was joining the World Festival Choir, with choristers from all over the world. Pavarotti was the star attraction – of course – and it was exciting to be part of it, says Lesley.

As a member of the choir she sang Verdi's *Messa di Requiem* twice –

in Verona's Arena (Italy) and in Melbourne, Sydney and Brisbane.

"The Australian choir had fewer singers, whereas overseas we had nearly 1,000 voices – exciting!"

Lesley almost made it to Japan with the World Festival Choir, but Pavarotti "pulled the pin". Although disappointed, she travelled to Japan independently at a later stage.

Lesley will turn 90 this year and enjoyed meeting fellow ex-students. She was especially excited to reunite with Patricia Sweetser (née O'Connor), who she sat with at school for two years.



PAM NISBET (NÉE FLETCHER), MCHS 1952-1953

Between the ages of 8 and 12, Pam was attending Eisteddfods, and with her grandmother in tow, won quite a number of them. At 14, she became the resident singer with the Mentone Town Hall band. After success in several radio competitions she was asked to join Swallows Juniors, a popular talent show, until she turned 16. Pam takes up the story...

"Radio was a wonderful experience for me, as it enabled me to get a job singing at Leggetts Ballroom twice a week.

"I continued working at a lot of other venues like Ziegfields, Hawthorn and St Kilda Town Hall dances and many more.



Lesley with the great Luciano Pavarotti

“At 16, I was lucky enough to be invited to the Channel 2 studios to perform in a weekly show called *Variety Review*. This show ran for six weeks and that was my first introduction to television, where I learned techniques for performing in front of a camera. Another ABC show was *Old Time Ballroom* – also a six-week period.

“In 1960, Channel 9 had a show called *Toddy Time*, for up and coming entertainers. I was lucky enough to win, which gave me my introduction into IMT with Graham Kennedy. From then on, my life changed completely, with me travelling all over Australia performing at clubs, hotels and on local TV shows.

“In 1962, I was offered a three-month contract to perform doing floor show and band work for the Cockpit Hotel in Singapore – a great experience for me. I returned the following year for another three months. While I was there, I did some singing commercials and performed at the opening of their first television station, making me the first European ever to perform on their television network. A fascinating experience!

“Other career highlights were performing at Government House for the Bicentennial Ball with the Max Causon Big Band, being the supporting act to Shirley Bassey and Warren Mitchell (Alf Garnett).

“I continue singing, but these days it is all for charity. A group of us perform under the title of ‘Merry Melodies’, for church groups and retirement places. We all get a lot of enjoyment seeing people come alive to music. It really is great medicine for a lot of lonely people.”



Above left: Pam performed at the Cockpit Hotel in Singapore in 1962/63 and again 1963/64.

Above right: Pam is pictured rehearsing at Melbourne's Hotel London in 1966.



ARIANA NICKOU, MCHS 1998-2003

“I was at Mordy from 1998-2003, after which I went on to study Science at Deakin University in Geelong. After that, I took a year off to travel and then came back and did my undergraduate in teaching.

“I eventually moved back to this side of the Bay and returned to Mordy, but this time as a science teacher. I’ve taught chemistry, VCAL and some maths, and I am now teaching Year 7-9 science.

“My greatest memories of school – and likely my inspiration – are Mr Mac and Mr Osborne, my chemistry and biology teachers. I remember sitting in my VCE science classes being wowed by the things we were learning and wanting to know more, and I try to incorporate that feeling into my science classes now to help foster that love for learning that I had and continue to have.”

The photo above shows Ariana and Ian McDonald (MCHS teacher for 30 years from 1974 to 2004) pictured at the November 2022 school tour. It was a brilliant moment in time to be able to capture this wonderful reunion.

THE CLASS OF 2003 20-YEAR REUNION

Ariana is assisting with organising the 20-Year Reunion of the Class of 1993.

If you would like more information, please contact Ariana via email at ariananickou@gmail.com.

A Facebook group has also been established which you can join to keep up-to-date with the reunion plans: **Mordialloc College Class of 2003 Reunion**.

WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

LORETTA ILOTT (NÉE BEDDOWS), MCHS 1985-1990

When I was a student from 1985 to 1990, the school changed its name from Mordialloc-Chelsea High School to Mordialloc Chelsea Secondary College, and in 1990 we received our Victorian Certificate of Education (up to that point known as the HSC – Higher School Certificate).

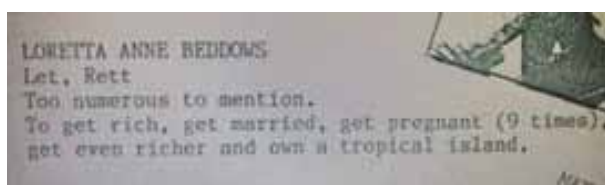
After leaving Mordy, I worked locally at Doyles Deck & Bistro, and then spent a year overseas before returning to study Travel & Tourism at Box Hill TAFE. After that, I worked in the travel industry for seven years.

My first employer was at Traveland Heidelberg, before I moved a little closer to home at Crown International Travel in Highett.

Working in the travel industry had its perks; I had the opportunity to experience some wonderful adventures within Australia and in the US, Turkey, New Zealand, Vietnam, Thailand, New Caledonia and Borneo.

From driving rental cars along Route 66, bungee jumping off the Kawarau Bridge and hiking Mt Kinabalu, working in travel was a dream come true. One of my English teachers, Bill Norris, inspired me to travel. His travel stories had always fascinated me.

My other dream was to have a large family – I'm pretty sure there's a quote in the 1990 *Venture* magazine that I wanted to have 10 kids!



Indeed, in the 1990 Venture magazine, Loretta did state her maternal ambitions!



Loretta is pictured here with MCHS/SC friends Vanessa Kupsch, Marla Beddome, Nicci Brown, Carolyn Dennison, Natasha Dobbie and Kate Lambert

Fortunately, sanity prevailed and my husband Matt and I have three children. Matt also grew up in Aspendale, going to St Louis PS and then St Bede's College. We've stayed local and our kids are now aged 21, 19 and 17.

When my youngest child started kindergarten, a friend asked me to cover someone's long service leave at Gleneagles Secondary College in Endeavour Hills, working as an Education Support Officer in the classroom. This led to permanent work for several years.

During this time, I also worked at Patterson Lakes PS, and 10 years ago an opportunity arose at Mordialloc College.

Over the last 10 years, our team of two has become a team of 20+ working in the classroom, supporting students to access curriculum and any additional needs that they may have.

Matt and I have been involved in a range of roles across our children's sporting endeavours. I've managed various teams, coached a girls' footy team and been a member of several sporting and school-related committees. These roles within our community have been extremely rewarding.

Having grown up in Aspendale, one of my favourite things to do is walk along our beautiful beach with my Golden Retriever, Larabee. I also started cold water dipping 18 months ago and join a group of friends at 6.30am most mornings to brave the icy waters.

ALUMNI COMMUNITY NEWS

I am fortunate enough to have had two experiences at Mordialloc College: as a student and as an employee. I have many wonderful memories, especially of the friendships forged over the 16 years. My best friends in high school are still my best friends; we've been having a ball over the last year celebrating our 50th birthdays.

It was lovely to see Les Clement when the last Alumni school tour came through – another amazing teacher – and I still have the typewritten reference he did for me in 1990!



Loretta and her former teacher Les Clement are reunited at the November 2022 Past Students and Staff School Tour



1990 SRC Reps – Loretta is pictured with Niki Gibbon

We are delighted to have been inundated with milestone occasions and more will be celebrated throughout the year – watch this space!

If you would like to have a celebration included in future editions, please get in touch. Just contact us at admin@mordialloccollegealumni.org.



JOAN CURNOW (NÉE TEMPLETON), MCHS 1940-1944

👉 A huge cheerio to Joan who is one of our oldest and dearest Alumni members, and recently celebrated her 93rd birthday. Joan was surrounded on her special day by her many family members who also attended our school – a Curnow dynasty! Pictured above celebrating the happy occasion is Joan's family and our MCHS past students:

Back row: 2nd from left Colin Round, 4th, 5th & 6th from left Anne Round (née Curnow), Sue Redpath (née Curnow), and Linnie Curnow;
Front row: Robbie Curnow and the birthday girl Joan.

All are having birthday fun with confectionary teeth!

MARGARET MILNE (NÉE BROWN), MCHS 1945-1946

➡ Marg is a long-time attendee of 'The 49ers' luncheon group. Her 90th birthday was recently celebrated with an exhibition of all the wonderful garments she has designed and fashioned over the years. Marg worked with Prue Acton and this was a very happy time in her career. Prue helped to celebrate Marg's 90th and don't they both look fantastic!



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MORE COMMUNITY NEWS

ALUMNI COMMUNITY NEWS CONT...



JIM DOWLING, MCHS 1944-1948

Former President and Life Member of the previous ex-students' association, past member of MCHS Advisory Council and current Alumni member, Jim Dowling recently celebrated his 90th birthday. The 'Festival of Jim' as the family called it, consisted of two parties. The first was held with his golfing buddies at Woodlands Golf Club, Mordialloc, where he has been a member for 65 years and still plays two or three times a week. The second was a garden party at his home for his extended family of four children, 13 grandchildren and 8 great grandchildren. They paid tribute to Jim by wearing T-shirts with a photo of his younger self on the front and the number 90 on the back. Also present was his life-long friend Hugh Macphee (with wife Fay) who was also a past President and Life Member of Mordy High 'exies'.



DONNA SAUNDERS (NÉE REIFFEL), MCHS 1975-1978

We wish a very happy birthday to Donna who recently became a member of 'Club 60' and celebrated with a lovely family gathering in Brisbane. Photo shows Donna (pictured back left) with her classmates and one of the school's visiting canine friends in about 1978.

BRIAN DRISCOLL, MCHS 1975-1979

Born 60 years ago in Kenya! We wish Brian a very happy birthday, and thank you for your support and generosity to the MCAA. The day was spent celebrating at the idyllic Coffin Bay in South Australia. We are hoping to hear more from Brian about his dream job at 3RRR and his many vivid memories of MCHS days. Photo shows Brian on the right (with Paul Tresidder left) showing off his wall ball skills outside the science block in 1978 (photo courtesy Neil Winstone).



MARGARET TABERNER (NÉE MARR), MCHS 1954-1957

Happy birthday, Margaret, on the occasion of your 80th. Margaret celebrated her birthday with family and friends including old MCHS pals. Over the years, Margaret and Lorraine Jones (née Barlow, MCHS 1954-1956) have travelled the world together and we look forward to hearing news of their future adventures. Margaret is quite the champion lawn bowler, so we'll be following up with her about her many successful achievements in this field.



PAUL MCMILLAN, MCHS 1965-1969

Congratulations to Paul on your 70th in November. He celebrated with Lee – his lovely wife of 47 years – and his three children and six grandchildren with "a few good reds". His milestone birthday was quickly followed by the annual family Christmas party which he and Lee host each year with 65-70 guests! After a banking career spanning nearly 50 years, Paul is now retired and enjoys gardening, golf, time at their Inverloch beach house, helping the kids, poker with old bank mates every month, and catching up with friends in Victoria and interstate. We are looking forward to hearing about Paul's memories of his time at MCHS.



A gathering of MCHS Class of 80 lovelies: Sandra Makin (née Clarke), Belinda "Zypp", Jennifer Alessio (née O'Halloran), Bernadette Davey (née Murphy), Jayne Simmonds (née Gibbon) and Kerrie von Menge (née Norman)

BELINDA VAN DER ZYPP, MCHS 1975-1980

↑ Happy 60th to our beautiful and generous BvdZ, philanthropist and fundraising powerhouse. At an early age, our Ms B was the pioneer of the 'gap year' taking off to ski the Swiss Alps and revisit her cloggy heritage, and returning to MCHS with a double-bunger tan. Your enthusiasm and zest for life is contagious! Thanks for everything you do to support the MCAA and the broader community. Photo shows Belinda at MCHS in 1980.



BRONWYN BLACKBURN (NÉE JOHN), MCHS 1975-1977

↑ Congratulations on your 60th birthday, Bronny! Instrumental in the rejuvenation of our past students and staff group, Bronny is our MCAA immediate past Secretary. Bronny's father is the late Mr John, a highly-esteemed bandmaster and music teacher at MCHS.

When not applying herself to a multitude of needlework and textile creations, Bronny is heavily involved with the scouting movement. She is Scouts Vic Group Leader for 1st Langwarrin Scout Group and also Assistant Cub Scout Leader with Bailey Reserve Scout Group in East Bentleigh.

Bronny is a legend at her workplace and is Facilities Site Co-ordinator – one guess where the above photo happened to be taken...



JANINE WYNWOOD (NÉE HOPKINS), MCHS 1965-1970

↑ Happy 70th, Janine! Thank you so much for this fantastic photo of you and the Class of 70 gals back in the day – we haven't yet established where it was taken! Stay tuned for more Class of 70 news!



IAN FIEGGEN, MCHS 1977-1980

↑ Happy 60th to our 'Professor Shoelace'. Famous all around the world for his shoelace expertise, Ian also helps us out behind the scenes in many ways. Thanks Ian, for all your quiet achievements and your loyal commitment to your friends and old Mordy. Ian is pictured with his partner Inge.

PAULA MCCARTHY, MCHS 1975-1979)

↓ On a beautiful, made-to-order sunny day earlier this year, Paula celebrated her milestone 60th birthday. Family and friends were treated to a wonderful celebration at the Beaumaris Motor Yacht Club, with the magnificent view of Ricketts Point as the backdrop.

Paula and husband Derek entertained with a "How Well Do You Know Paula?" quiz.

Among other things, we now know that: as a teenager, Paula was paid \$5 by the parish Priest at St Nicholas Mordialloc to ring the church bells at weddings; she almost set fire to the Chelsea Library; as a Rotary Exchange student, was once retained at the Mexican border after proudly announcing that she was Australian, thus enabling border officials to discover she had neglected to bring her appropriate immigration paperwork with her; and she and Derek once helped serve wine tastings at the cellar door of a Hunter Valley winery owner who had forgotten that a bus load of tourists was due any moment. Word is that his sales had never been so good! Congratulations and happy birthday, Paula!

SUE CALLAGHAN (NÉE WALKER), MCHS 1975-1980

↓ Happy 60th to Sue (School Captain 1980). After MCHS, Sue followed a career as a clinical biochemist and currently manages global clinical trial contracts. Highly organised and with keen attention to detail, Sue was the natural choice to adjudicate old chum Paula's 60th birthday quiz as described above – and it was probably no surprise that she also won it! The two birthday ladies are pictured below at MCHS back in 1978. Many happy, eventful and wonderful years of cherished friendship that all started at Mordy High.




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