



"History with its flickering lamp stumbles along the trail of the past, trying to reconstruct its scenes, . . .

Only a handful of true Wildwoodians can say. . .
"I'M A DR. MACE BABY!"



Dr. Margaret Mace Dec. 21, 1871 - Dec. 15, 1951

The Sun's 9th Annual 'Baby' Reunion

Dr. Margaret Mace graduated with her degree in medicine in 1905 from the Women's College of Medicine in Philadelphia. She began her practice in North Wildwood at 17th & Pennsylvania Ave., later moving her expanding practice to an office at Chestnut & New Jersey Aves. She opened her hospital, in which approximately 6,000 babies were born, on 25th & Atlantic in 1915. It remained in operation until 1950. Dr. Mace passed away at 81 years of age on December 16, 1951. At her first testimonial in 1929, Dr. Mace said, "There is no place on earth like my home town; no people like my home people; I came here when it was a wilderness; it is one of the finest places in the world; in my work I have tried to do my best, but I had help, helped by the hand of God." Mid-wife Hattie Long opened her maternity home located on Montgomery Ave., Wildwood in 1926, three years after her

husband's passing. For twenty years, Mrs. Long worked alongside four or more doctors, delivering around 515 babies. Although it has been sold many times, the maternity home still stands today, filled with many memories. Because we here at The Sun feel it is our duty as well as our privilege to celebrate our island's rich history, we happily gathered, on the bright and sunny morning of July 15th, 2013, 40 Mace babies, 17 Long babies and 3 home-delivered babies for the 9th Annual Baby Group Photo Reunion held in the courtyard of the Hereford Inlet Lighthouse with our "pioneer families" fondly recalling a time when our island was literally the wild woods. Our efforts would not have been possible without the help of dedicated Hereford Lighthouse "friends" Steve Murray, Betty Mugnier & Diane Maguire who have been a constant support of this annual event since its inception.

1. Ronald W. Griffith June 3, 1938
 2. Jack Matterna May 22, 1931
 - *. Rosalie Weatherby Paul May 30, 1942
 - *4. Suzanne Holt Sept. 16, 1947
 5. Gary Hendrixson May 3, 1946
 - *6. Elizabeth Cole Gargan Sept. 17, 1932
 7. Leah Laine Dare July 18, 1925
 8. Floss Jennings Oct. 30, 1924
 - *9. Bruce Hendrixson June 30, 1944
 10. **Marian Shivers Mouklas July 30, 1921**
(Our oldest baby with Dr. Mace's photo)
 - *11. Shirley Palmer Feb. 25, 1937
 12. Beverly Gross Clark Oct. 1938
 - *13. Charlotte Caterina Lauriello April 26, 1945
 14. George E. Anderson Sept. 4, 1943
 15. Ray Bierbrunner July 13, 1937
 16. William Bierbrunner Feb. 23, 1936
 17. Midge Lutz Boyd Aug. 17, 1944
 18. Janet Polis Blackmore Feb. 18, 1937
 19. Lana Turner MacDonald Nov. 15, 1946
 20. Carol Turner Leeper April 29, 1949
(Our youngest Dr. Mace baby)
 21. Adelaide Bierbrunner Mazza July 7, 1938
 - *22. Joyce Grosse Bramble June 16, 1944
 - *23. Robert Speigel Aug. 10, 1947
(Bonnie James Speigel Feb. 27, 1949)
 24. Patricia Greenfield Britt Jan. 18, 1946
 25. Marvin R. Tozer May 9, 1931
 26. H. Bergen Ellengsen Aug. 12, 1940
 27. Anna Bierbrunner Baker April 13, 1943
 28. Joan Prendergast Foley April 10, 1935
 29. Fred W. Neal July 3, 1929
 30. Harry DiSilvestro Nov. 9, 1941
(aka the Italian Superman)
 31. Ray Lindholm Oct. 7, 1936
 32. George Carlson May 1, 1924
 - *33. Dennis B. Reed Nov. 13, 1948
 34. George M. Thomas Feb. 20, 1936
 35. Leroy J. Thomas Feb. 20, 1936
 36. Harold Thomas March 10, 1928
 37. Bill Morey April 19, 1929
 38. Dr. Joseph Salvatore Aug. 29, 1930
 39. George Muller Feb. 2, 1939
 - *40. Angela DiMauro Sacchet Dec. 14, 1947
- There were a few missing babies:
- James Caferio Sept. 21, 1928
 - Larry Lillo Oct. 20, 1947
 - Adele Mangino Hunter Oct. 16, 1926
 - Louise Hand Mihalek Aug. 17, 1948
 - Margie Miller Patterson born Aug. 5, 1933 who remembers her sister Julia Miller Gates Jan. 17, 1932-2006

*Indicates those who attended for the first time.



. . .to revive its echoes, and kindle with pale gleams the passion of former days." ~Winston Churchill

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"WE WERE BORN AT HATTIE LONG'S!"



1. Edwin Nesbitt Oct. 2, 1940
2. Patricia Nesbitt Nagel Oct. 12, 1946
3. Cathy Nesbitt Smith March 25, 1944
4. Louise Bebler-Coront March 13, 1950
5. Karla Svard Frederick April 17, 1940
6. Inge Friesenborg Laine Aug. 2, 1939
7. Paul W. Dare Feb. 16, 1949
- *8. Mary K. Barber April 3, 1942
9. Florence Newmaster Turner July 19, 1941
- *10. Vicki Weatherby Bundschu March 15, 1949
- *11. George Bundschu June 8, 1948
12. Brook Koenke March 29, 1936
13. Ann Gaskill Rea Feb. 1, 1938
14. John (Jack) Long Aug. 5, 1929
15. Carol Tozour Lechner Dec. 14, 1941
16. Joyce Wilson Lamanna Feb. 13, 1941

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Only a handful of true Wildwoodians can say. . .
"WE WERE BORN AT HOME!"



1. Phyllis Barr Catanoso, Dec. 24, 1923
Delivered by Dr. Hornstein at her Grandmother Erma Cline's home at 109 W. 18th Ave., North Wildwood, NJ
2. Alarik (Gus) Laine, May 15, 1931
Delivered at home at 320 W. Walnut Ave., North Wildwood, by Dr. Wallen
3. Evangeline (Angie) Lebato Greenfield
Delivered on March 17, 1920 by a mid-wife at home at 4600 New Jersey Ave., Wildwood, NJ

Save the Date!
Monday July 14, 2014 10am
at the Hereford Lighthouse
PHOTO GATHERING REUNION
 • 10th Annual Dr. Mace Baby
 • 5th Annual Long's Maternity
 • 2nd Annual "Babies Born at Home in Wildwood"
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