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Coming to the Convention?

Really, you've just gotta come! Come and stay in the Imperial Palace Hotel in fabulous Las Vegas. There's still time to register but you can't wait too late to get a room at the special discounted price for ARRA members! See pages 2 and 3 for instructions.

Here's what we'll be doing . . . Come on in!

Note that some items have changed since the last issue of the newsletter.

It will be great if we can all wear something "Rosie," like a T-shirt or polka dot head scarf or Rosie pin on Friday morning, when the mayor will proclaim "Rosie the Riveter Day" in Las Vegas.

Thursday, June 18, 2009

Note that Registration for the Convention will not open on Thursday.

- 10:30 a.m. Executive Committee meeting—emphasis on long-range planning
- 2:00 p.m. Board of Directors meeting—emphasis on bylaws & other business
- 6:30 p.m. Meet to go to "Legends in Concert" floor show, including Elvis. Meet at Concierge Desk in hotel lobby.

Friday, June 19, 2009

Bring memorabilia for display or donation to Archives.

- 8:00 a.m. Registration opens
Rosie Shoppe opens, Pacific Rooms 1 and 2
- 9:00-10:45 First General Session
- 11:30 a.m. Lunch (Program: Recognition of all Rosies present by Rivet John Carter; "On Becoming a Rosie" by Vera Green, Opal Nelson, and Rosemary Lynch)

- 1:00 p.m. Nellis Air Force Base tour (transportation provided)
- 6:30 p.m. Dinner (Program: "A 1942 Riveter Returns to School 60 Years Later" presented by Rosebud students from a Las Vegas high school)

Saturday, June 20, 2009

- 8:30 a.m. Registration opens
Rosie Shoppe opens
- 9:00-10:15 Second General Session including plans for growth and expansion, convention business, election of officers
- 10:15 a.m. Break
- 11:00 a.m. Lunch (Program: Installation of newly elected officers by Elizabeth Tucker, WW II Homefront National Park, Richmond, CA; "Looking to the Future"; presentation by President
- 12:00 p.m. Convention adjourns

Those who elect to stay over may join national Vice President Carol Peters on a Father's Day tour of Hoover Dam on Sunday, June 21, 2009.

A Message from Our President



For your President, these last two years have been a wonderful adventure. The opportunity to meet so many of the women who selflessly gave their time and effort to help this country in its time of need is priceless. Each moment is filled with memories, and I would just like to share a few:

Opal, for being the first to welcome me as your President. . . Mary Lou and Happy, who have always been ready to help answer students' questions about "What did you do in the War?" . . . The Southern hospitality of the Birming-

ham, Alabama Chapter. . . A Las Vegas lady I met in the lobby of the Atlanta Convention hotel, who has become a dear friend . . . Dorine for spunk and her winning smile. . . Rosanne, whom I met briefly in Baltimore; sorry I didn't have the opportunity to know her better . . . Sunday morning would not be Sunday without Carol's calls . . . And finally, GG and my family for always being here in support.

This has been a "riveting experience" and has provided a lifetime of happy memories. In the words of a wise Rosie, "Do What Makes You Happy."

Donnaleen Lanktree
National President



Surprise!!

Rosie Agnes Siemens was delightfully surprised when she opened a Christmas present last December and found her author's copy of ARRA's latest book, *Rosie Romances and Other Rosie the Riveter Stories*. Agnes's story appears on page 149 of the book. Her daughter, Rosebud Linda Prindle, surprised her with the book at a Christmas party at Agnes's assisted living facility near Ft. Worth, Texas, and what fun it was to share her story! Congratulations to Agnes, and to the other Rosies and Rosebuds who contributed their stories to the book! (To order your copy of *Rosie Romances* and other books containing Rosie stories, see page 5.)

Oops! Someone goofed!

Call it a computer glitch. Somehow, the contract publisher who prints and prepares *Rosie's Mail Call* for mailing failed to include the "last name" field in addressing the last issue. Most everyone got the paper, anyway, but we're so-o-o sorry it happened. The publisher promises it won't happen again.

Let's Have Rosie Day!!

May 23, 2009 has been declared National Rosie the Riveter Day by President Donnaleen Lanktree. Recognize yourself or your mother or your grandmother on that day by wearing your red and white polka dots and your Rosie T-shirts, badges, and pins.

If you know someone who might have been a Rosie or Rosie Volunteer, thank her for what she did. It would be especially fitting if you would show your appreciation by giving her a membership in the American Rosie the Riveter Association on this special day, as a gift from you. See page 6 for a membership application. And don't forget... if you need a T-shirt or badge, the Rosie Shoppe has one-stop shopping! See page 5 to place your order.



Convention Hotel Information

Self-parking is free for overnight guests (valet parking with requested tip). The parking charge is \$10 per day if not a registered guest.

Rooms may be cancelled up to 72 hours before the scheduled arrival date. If cancelled less than 72 hours ahead, one night's lodging will be charged.

Check-in time is 4:00 p.m. Check-out is 11:00 a.m. At check-in, a \$100 returnable deposit will be charged to cover incidental charges such as meals, movies, etc.

The shuttle from the airport to the hotel is \$6.00 per person one way (\$11 round trip). Catch the shuttle outside exit 13.

See additional information on page 3.

Registration Form

2009 ARRA National Convention/Reunion

June 18-20, 2009 (Thursday, Friday, Saturday)

Imperial Palace Hotel, Las Vegas, Nevada (located in the center of "The Strip")

Mail this Registration/Food Package form to: Mrs. Mabel Myrick, P.O. Box 188, Kimberly, AL 35091.

By each name, indicate (Ro) for Rosie, (Rb) for Rosebud, (Ri) for Rivet, (R21) for 21st Century Rosie, or (G) for Guest.

Name of person making reservation: _____

Address _____

Street Address City State Zip code

Telephone(s) _____ E-mail _____

Names of others on this registration _____

	<u>Postmarked</u> <u>June 5 or before</u>	<u>Postmarked</u> <u>after June 5</u>		<u>Total</u> <u>amount</u>
Registration fee, full convention	\$10.00	\$15.00	X number registering =	_____
Registration fee, one day only	\$ 5.00	\$ 10.00	X number registering =	_____
Food package (Fri. lunch, Fri. dinner, Sat. lunch; includes program at each meal)	\$88.00	\$96.00	X number purchased =	_____
If food package is not bought, individual meals may be reserved:				
Friday lunch	\$27.00	\$30.00	X number purchased =	_____
Friday dinner	\$42.00	\$45.00	X number purchased =	_____
Saturday lunch	\$27.00	\$30.00	X number purchased =	_____
Thursday evening floor show, "Legends in Concert" with Elvis	\$40.00 per adult		X number purchased =	_____
	\$35.00 per child under 12		X number purchased =	_____
Friday afternoon escorted tour of Nellis Air Force Base	\$7.00		X number purchased =	_____
Total payment enclosed (make checks payable to ARRA)				_____

Note: Registrations and meal reservations received after June 5 and "walk-ins" who have not pre-registered will be accepted on a space-available basis. Requests for refunds must be received by Mabel Myrick by June 12. Dinner on Thursday evening and breakfast on Friday and Saturday are on your own. Buffet meals are available at the hotel.

Hotel room rates at the Imperial Palace Hotel for 1-4 persons per room (2 double beds) will be:

Thursday, June 18: \$49 + tax, per room Friday, June 19: \$75 + tax, per room

Make your hotel reservations directly with the hotel by calling 1-866-523-2781. Be sure to ask for the special American Rosie the Riveter Association rates and give Code Number **SIARTR9**. Reservations must be made before May 19, 2009 to obtain the special Rosie discount. To pick up floor show tickets, meet at the Concierge Desk (near front desk in the lobby) at 6:30 p.m. Thursday. No floor show reservations will be accepted after June 5. Please see other hotel facts in "Convention Hotel Information" on page 2.

Sun City, Arizona Chapter Receives Honor

On July 25, 2008, the Veterans of Arizona saluted women who served in WW II. This included Rosies, as well as American Red Cross and Civil Defense volunteers. They provided two buses and drove the ladies to the VA Medical Center in Phoenix. After refreshments, Col. Strickland gave each lady a beautiful coin. One side of the coin depicted the American and Arizona flags, and the other side contained a quote by George Washington.

Next, the Buffalo Soldiers Motorcycle Club escorted the buses to the US Airway Center to see a Women's Professional Basketball game between the Phoenix Mercury and the Seattle Storm. Two rows of female Service personnel stood at attention, waiting for the ladies to walk down the line. As the ladies passed, everyone clapped and cheered for them. A Service girl

escorted them to their seats for the game and to the bus for the return trip home. What a wonderful honor!



Rosies attending the day of honor were (left to right) Happy Sargol, Arizona State Director; Bonnie Smith, Sun City Chapter Vice President; Arkie Huffman from Peoria; and Wilma Rees, Sun City Chapter Secretary.

Rosie Books For Your Library

In this issue, we add the name of Vice President Carol Peters to the list of members in nine states who have ordered ARRA Rosie books for libraries. Carol ordered a set of four books to be sent to San Marcos (TX) High School. For the special price of \$12 each, postage paid, you may order books to be sent directly to a school, college, church, or other library. Each book will contain a book plate giving your name as the donor. These books need to be in *hundreds* of libraries throughout the land! Can you help? See book ordering information on page 5. Be sure the librarian knows the books are coming, and you'll need to give us the address for shipping.

Welcome To These New Members

who have joined since our last issue of *Rosie's Mail Call*

Please send any corrections to Jo Thomas,
1975 Cahaba Valley Road, Indian Springs, AL 35124, e-mail: cahabathomas@gmail.com

<u>Name</u>	<u>State</u>	<u>Type of Member</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>State</u>	<u>Type of Member</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>State</u>	<u>Type of Member</u>
Linda Swinford Herring	OK	Rbud 1	Iris Parker Tucker (deceased)	GA	Rosie	Monika Katherine Larsen	IL	Rbud 4
Marie Patricia Ponce	NC	Rosie	Bailey Grace Taylor	AL	Rbud 2	Emmie Mae Ohgami	Sweden	Rbud 4
Ruth M. Heeler	AZ	Rosie	Alice Lay Stone	GA	Rosie	Margaret Ann Ohgami	Sweden	Rbud 3
Carolyn J. Adams	AZ	Rbud 1	Helen Baggett Marcotte	OK	Rosie	Högman		
Ethel Irene Giberson	OR	Rosie	Sandie Clayton Wein	OK	Rbud 1	Stella Gianca Högman	Sweden	Rbud 4
Betty J. Rahal	GA	Rbud 1	Jeanett Clayton Head	TX	Rbud 1	Kirsti Ayn Houser Ekeholm	CO	Rbud 3
Mildred C. Berg	AZ	Rosie	Ralph Jones	AL	Rivet	Lesley Lynne Gragg Wagner	IL	Rbud 3
Mabel M. Haley	OK	Rbud 1	Amelz Kizer Dearthunt	NE	Rosie	Tessa Lynne Wagner	IL	Rbud 4
Heather Alice Morton	FL	Rbud 2	Linea Anderson Schultheis (deceased)	CO	Rosie	Stephanie Rae Gragg Adamich	WI	Rbud 3
Michelle Grisham Dobson	TN	Rosie	Betty Matousek Dmytryk	GA	Rosie	Grace Adelyn Adamich	WI	Rbud 4
Carolyn Gillespie Grisham	TN	Rosie	Yvonne Marie Riddle Fasold	OR	Rbud 1	Jennifer Lauren Johnson	WI	Rbud 3
Brany Gillesie	TN	Rosie	Valerie Johnson Lazerus	IO	Rbud 1	Allison Ann Johnson	WI	Rbud 3
Peggy Wallace England	TN	Rosie	Madison Renee Henry	WA	Rbud 3	Amy Elizabeth Larsen	MI	Rbud 3
Linda Darlene Hyland	OR	Rbud 2	Susan Silvas Itiguera	AZ	Rbud 1	Susan Jane Schaeffer	MI	Rbud 2
Tamra Jill Fields	OK	Rbud 1	Eva Ulrich	GA	Rosie	Tiffany Noelle Schaeffer	MI	Rbud 3
Emily Cargill Starek	OK	Rbud 1	Marie Mezewski Rupp	MD	Rbud 1	Isabella Sophia Larsen	IL	Rbud 4
Virginia Springs Cook	GA	Rbud 1	Doris Ogle Hubbard	OK	Rbud 2	Vivienne Elise Larsen	IL	Rbud 4
Hilda Marie Oker	AZ	Rosie	Kimberly Dawn Hubbard	TX	Rbud 3	Julia Daniel Chapman	OR	Rbud 2
Angie Roger Whitman	AL	Rbud 2	Katherine Jane Larsen	IL	Rbud 3	Jennifer Rose Chapman	OR	Rbud 2
Helen Davis Kirch	GA	Rosie				Rubie Rose Crossman	OR	Rbud 3

THE ROSIE SHOPPE Order Form



These items may be ordered from:

ARRA c/o Mabel W. Myrick, Treasurer, P. O. Box 188, Kimberly, AL 35091, 205-647-9233

*****All prices include shipping!*****

<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Item (circle size or type where applicable)</u>	<u>Price</u>	<u>Total</u>
	Rosie poster, 20" x 28"	\$13.00	
	Rosie stickers, 3½" x 2½" (package of 5)	\$2.50	
	Rosie picture post card, 4" x 6"	\$.75	
	Rosie note cards with envelopes (package of 10)	\$7.00	
	Rosie afghan/wall hanging, all cotton, 48" x 58"	\$65.00	
	Rosie tote bag, sturdy cotton, 18" x 19" x 4½" - large	\$16.00	
	Rosie tote bag, sturdy cotton, 14" x 14" x 3" - small	\$14.00	
	Tote bag, sturdy cotton - Uncle Sam OR Soldiers Without Guns - specify which	\$14.00	
	Rosie T-shirt (circle size) S M L XL	\$18.00	
	Rosie T-shirt XXL	\$21.00	
	Rosie sweatshirt (circle size) S M L XL	\$27.00	
	Rosie sweatshirt XXL	\$29.50	
	Rosie night shirt (one size fits all)	\$23.00	
	Rosie head scarf (triangular shape, long end = 36")	\$8.00	
	Rosie scarf for blouse (45" – ring not included)	\$8.00	
	Rosie coffee mug	\$15.00	
	Rosie tin sign, 16" x 12"	\$20.00	
	Rosie counted cross stitch kit (makes picture 7½" x 10") frame not included	\$17.00	
	Rosie counted cross stitch book mark kit (makes bookmark 3¼" x 11")	\$6.00	
	Rosie luggage tag, 4" x 2½"	\$6.00	
	Rosie book mark with gold plate charm, 2¼" x 6½"	\$6.50	
	Rosie key chain (circle size) large-3" x 1¾" or small-1¾" x 1 3/8"	\$6.50	
	Rosie metal snack box, 7¼" x 5" x 3"	\$12.00	
	Rosie water bottle	\$14.00	
	Rosie coasters (set of 4), 4" x 4"	\$8.00	
	Rosie night light, includes bulb	\$4.00	
	Rosie refrigerator magnet, 2¼" x 3¼"	\$5.00	
	Rosie stamp pin, 1 5/8" x 1 3/8" (circle type) bar clasp or tie tack clasp	\$4.00	
	Rosie car tag (license plate type), black and white, sturdy plastic, 12" x 6"	\$5.00	
	Rosie button, metal, 3" diameter	\$2.00	
	Book: 103 Rosie the Riveter Stories	\$17.00	
	Book: 104 More Rosie the Riveter Stories	\$17.00	
	Book: Rosie the Riveter Celebration Cookbook	\$20.00	
	NEWBook: Rosie Romances and Other Rosie the Riveter Stories	\$17.00	
	SPECIAL - Set of 4 books (1 of each)	\$68.00	
	SPECIAL - Set of 3 story books (1 each of 103, 104 More, & Romances)	\$48.00	
	SPECIAL - Set of any 2 story books plus Celebration Cookbook	\$50.00	

TOTAL _____

Unless otherwise indicated, all products feature the classic "We Can Do It" design used in WW II.

Please enclose check or money order made payable to ARRA. *Prices include shipping.*

Name _____ Telephone () _____

Address _____

E-mail _____

American Rosie the Riveter Association®

(Working Women of World War II)

WHAT IS ARRA? The American Rosie the Riveter Association is an organization established to honor the contribution of women workers on the home front during World War II and to promote patriotism and responsibility among all Americans.

WHO MAY BELONG? Women whose work was designed to contribute to the war effort (including women who did volunteer work) and their female descendants are eligible for active membership. Spouses and male relatives may become auxiliary members by attending an official local or national meeting of the Association. Women in occupations today that, prior to World War II were considered to be “men’s work,” may join as **21st Century Rosies**.

Women who performed the work are known as **Rosies**. Their female descendants are known as **Rosebuds**. Male auxiliary members are known as **Rivets**. A woman is eligible for membership as a **Rosie** if her work or volunteer services occurred during 1941-1945 and consisted of **any one** of the following:

1. Employment of any sort in an industry or government agency that was directly related to the war effort, **or**
2. Employment (or self-employment) in a capacity usually held by a man, thus releasing a man for military duty, **or**
3. Participation on a sustained basis in one or more volunteer activities related to the war effort.

Examples of qualifying work are: work in any

capacity in a munitions plant, airplane manufacturing plant, shipyard, etc.; work for the Department of Defense, local rationing board, etc.; work as a truck driver, service station operator, etc.; independent work, such as farming; or volunteer work, such as collecting critical materials, rolling bandages, serving with USO or Red Cross, etc. Work that was customarily done by women and was not related to the war effort does not count.

Rosebuds are eligible for membership if their mother, grandmother, etc., was eligible to be a Rosie, no matter whether she is living or deceased, and regardless of whether she was a member of the Association or not.

WHAT DO MEMBERS DO? Members are **not** required to attend meetings or pay annual dues. They are invited to attend a national Reunion/Convention each year, and they may attend meetings of a Chapter in their locality. Rosies are invited to share their experiences both verbally and in written form, to become a part of the legacy of the working women of World War II. Members receive newsletters about the Association’s activities on a regular basis.

All members are awarded a **certificate** honoring working women of World War II.

HOW MAY I JOIN? Rosies and Rosebuds complete and return the form in the next column. Rivets join by attending a meeting and filling out the form. Rivets pay no membership fee.

AMERICAN ROSIE THE RIVETER ASSOCIATION® MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

(Please reproduce a form for each applicant)

Membership type (check one):

- Rosie: Working woman of World War II
 Rosebud: Female descendant of a Rosie
 Rivet: Male relative: date of meeting _____
 21st Century Rosie: Currently doing “man’s work”

PLEASE PRINT IN CAPITAL LETTERS:

Circle one: Mrs. Mr. Miss Ms. Dr.

Name _____
First Middle or Maiden Last

Address _____
Street, RFD, or Box Apt. No.

City State Zip

Telephone () _____

E-mail _____

Type of work or volunteer work done by Rosie. If applicant is a Rosebud or Rivet, give type of work done by your Rosie (mother, wife, etc.). 21st Century Rosies give work you are currently engaged in.

Approximate dates of work: _____

Location of work: _____

Rosebuds: Print complete name of your Rosie:

Your relationship with Rosie: ___ daughter;
___ granddaughter; ___ great-granddaughter, etc.

Is your Rosie living? ___ yes ___ no

Is your Rosie a member of ARRA? ___ yes ___ no

Rivets: Print complete name of your Rosie or Rosebud _____

Rosies, enclose check for \$10; Rosebuds \$20; Rosies outside U.S. \$20; Rosebuds outside U. S. \$30; 21st Century Rosies, \$50. Make payable to ARRA and mail with application to: Ms. Doris Adamson, Membership Coordinator, 312 La Prado Circle, Birmingham, AL 35209.

Revised April, 2009

Local Chapter Data—in Chronological Order of Chartering

This is information about ARRA Chapters that was available as of April 18, 2009. Please send any changes to Fran Carter, 209 University Park Drive, Birmingham, AL 35209, telephone 205-822-4106.

1. Sun City, Arizona

State Director/Chapter Advisor:
Happy Sargol
Chartering date: October 21, 1999
President: Arlene Crary
Vice President: Bonnie Smith
Secretary: Wilma Rees
Treasurer: Fran Ellis

2. Baltimore, Maryland

State Director/Chapter Advisor:
Chartering date: August 8, 2001
President: Elsie Arnold
Vice President: Mary Nichols
Secretary: Camille Hinmon
Treasurer: Camille Grant

3. Birmingham, Alabama

State Director/Chapter Advisor:
Jo Thomas
Chartering date: December 1, 2001
President: Nell Branum
Vice President: Gloria Parvin
Secretary: Bee Atkinson
Treasurer: John Powell

4. Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

State Director/Chapter Advisor:
Kate Grant
Chartering date: June 18, 2002
President: Elizabeth Ward
Vice President: Gayle Kulhaby
Secretary: Marcia Casebolt
Treasurer: Marcia Casebolt

5. McKenzie, Oregon

State Director/Chapter Advisor:
Opal Nelson
Chartering date: July 25, 2002
President: Nora Willis
Vice President: Rosie Mock
Secretary/Treasurer: Shiela Johns

6. Choctaw, Oklahoma

State Director/Chapter Advisor:
Kate Grant
Chartering date: May 23, 2003
President: Jean Brown
Vice President: Gracie Clark
Secretary: Frances Dorsey
Treasurer: Ed Womack

7. Dayton, Ohio

State Director/Chapter Advisor:
Mary Talley
Chartering date: August 9, 2003
President: Phyllis Mayne
Vice President: Cindy Talley
Secretary: Elaine Porter
Treasurer: Lois Howe

8. Sweet Home, Oregon

State Director/Chapter Advisor:
Opal Nelson
Chartering date: May 15, 2004
President: Janet Bankshire
Vice President: Salley Craig
Secretary/Treasurer: Eleanor Benner

9. Cincinnati, Ohio

State Director/Chapter Advisor:
Mary Talley
Chartering date: May 27, 2005
President: Donna Spillman
Vice President: Mary Womack
Secretary: Linda Ipp
Treasurer:

10. Clarksville, Georgia

(The Rosies of Habersham County)
State Director/Chapter Advisor:
Nell Young
Chartering date: August 27, 2005
President: Sandy Reid
Vice President: Lois Heaton
Secretary: Angela Yong
Treasurer: Floraine Justus

11. Caldwell County, Texas

State Director/Chapter Advisor:
Carol Peters
Chartering date: March 12, 2006
President: Maebeth Molberg
Vice President: Annie Munk
Secretary/Treasurer: Ruth Crockett

12. Roseburg, Oregon

State Director/Chapter Advisor:
Opal Nelson
Chartering date: October 13, 2007
President: Bette Gulliford
Vice President: Maxine Durrand
Secretary: Sally Lancaster
Treasurer: Pauline Clark

13. Columbus, GA/Phenix City, AL

State Director/Chapter Advisor:
Nell Young
Chartering date: April 5, 2008
President: Jonnie Clasen
Vice President: Barbara Jordan
Secretary/Treasurer: Becki Hill

14. Neal, Kansas

State Director/Chapter Advisor:
M. E. Yeager
Chartering date: May 27, 2008
President: Rosaline Henderson
Vice President: Meryl Sanders
Secretary: Dorine Hamilton
Treasurer: Judy Eberly

15. Wichita East, Kansas

State Director/Chapter Advisor:
M. E. Yeager
Chartering date: June 15, 2008
President: Mary Enstrom
Vice President: Linda Sanders
Secretary: Jolynn Berk
Treasurer: Dorine Hamilton

16. Atlanta Area, Georgia

State Director/Chapter Advisor:
Nell Young
Chartering date: June 28, 2008
Presidents: Billie Ruth Bird and
Nancy Klotz
Vice President: Donna Brockman
Secretary: Kathy Lyle
Treasurer: Jean Ousley

17. Dallas/Fort Worth, Texas

State Director/Chapter Advisor:
Carol Peters
Chartering date: April 12, 2009
President: Linda Prindle
Vice President:
Secretary:
Treasurer:



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Note: In most cases, only one copy of the *Mail Call* is being sent to each household, so **we hope you'll let everyone read it before you file it away.** If you get more than one copy, how about sending one to a friend, especially a prospective member?

Membership Update

If you have moved or if you know a member who is deceased, will you please give us the information? Please print carefully in CAPITAL letters.

Name of member _____

New address _____

Old address _____

Current E-mail _____

Current telephone _____

OR

Deceased member's name _____

State of last residence _____ Date of death _____

Send ALL information to: Mrs. Jo Thomas, Database Administrator, 1975 Cahaba Valley Road, Indian Springs, AL 35124;
Email: cahabathomas@gmail.com

News Wanted—About You!

The editors of *Rosie's Mail Call* feel sure there is a lot of news out there about our members and Chapters, so send it in! Try to write about 150 words or so, and send pictures if you have them. Mail to Fran Carter, 209 University Park Drive, Birmingham, AL 35209, or email to fran.carter@juno.com. Here is the schedule for deadlines:

First quarter: Send by January 1

Second quarter: Send by April 1

Third quarter: Send by July 1

Fourth quarter: Send by October 1

Remember, it's not much of a newsletter without news!

Doris Likes to Stay Busy . . . You Can Help Her!

Doris Adamson is the Membership Coordinator for ARRA. She is the one who receives all the new member application forms. First, she checks to make sure all the information is complete (and legible) and that the applicant qualifies for membership. Then she records everything in tabular form and makes copies of the original applications to send to four other officers. Lucy Lewis, the Awards Chairman, makes the membership certificates and sends them to the new members. Jo Thomas, the Database Administrator, copies all the information into the national database. Mabel Myrick, the Treasurer, records and deposits the checks. Fran Carter, Executive Director, files the original application in the national office. (And, by the way, all of these officers are volunteers!)

So processing new member applications is a rather complex operation. It keeps Doris busy . . . but she likes it that way! You can help Doris and the other officers by recruiting at least one new member during 2009 and sending the application form on page 7 to Doris Adamson at 312 La Prado Circle, Birmingham, AL 35209. Doris asks us to please be sure the information on the application form is printed in capital letters, so it can be easily read. If the name and address are hard to read, Lucy might misspell the name on the certificate, Jo won't be able to type it into the database correctly, the certificate might go to the wrong address, etc.

And one more thing . . . Please ask new members who are married to use their maiden name as their middle name. This helps in family identification.

Statistics show that WW II veterans are dying at the rate of about 1,000 a day. Rosies must be following a similar pattern. Please help find them and preserve their legacy by enrolling them in ARRA before they leave us.