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Oh My, Omaha!!

What a spectacular time we had at the 2014 ARRA Convention/Reunion!

At least 74 Rosies, Rosebuds, Rivets, and guests gathered on May 30– June 1, 2014 for a fabulous time of fun, fellowship, sharing stories, and discovering new things about World War II. Twenty of these were Rosies! The group gathered from 18 states: Nevada, Arizona, Iowa, California, South Dakota, Kansas, Pennsylvania, Texas, Maryland, Illinois, Ala-



bama, Nebraska, Oregon, Oklahoma, Colorado, Michigan, Washington, and Minnesota! Read more about it from two

eyewitnesses in the articles below, and then turn to page 3 to see more photos of what a great time we had!

So start making your plans now to be at the next Convention in Richmond, California, June 12-14, 2015! Hope to see YOU there!

What a lovely group of Rosies!!

My First ARRA Convention

by **Sara Ferwerda**, Rosebud, Minnesota

When I got an invitation to attend a Rosie convention in Omaha, I was very interested. I had always heard about how my Grandmother worked as a welder in Tacoma, Washington during the war and considered it sort of a bragging right! The invitation said I was to join my mother, **Corolene Corriea**, and her three sisters, **Ardyce Wallace**, **Irene Jeffryes**, and **Yvonne Fasold**, at the Embassy Suites Hotel in Omaha, Nebraska. OK, so... fancy hotel, exciting city, Aunties. What's not to like about that!?

Well, I did enjoy my Aunts, the hotel, and the zoo a great deal. But the thing that I enjoyed the most was visiting face to face with women who made history. At this convention, many of the Rosies were aircraft workers. I soon found out that there were women who took over as crane operators, bus drivers, chauffeurs, uniform makers, clerical workers, and other areas where men were traditionally employed. These women had stories that were absolutely fascinating. And when we toured the Strategic Air and Space Museum, their accounts really came to life for

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Convention Wrap-Up

By **Trish Woepking**, Rosebud, Iowa

We are proud of our Rosies! The 16th Annual ARRA Convention/Reunion was held at the Embassy Suites Hotel in Omaha, Nebraska on May 30 to June 1, 2014. Twenty Rosies and over fifty of their family members (Rosebuds and Rivets) enjoyed sharing memories and meeting new friends.

Our President, **Dr. Yvonne Fasold**, presided over the convention. **Lu Kizer**, her brother **Doug Kizer** and his wife, **Vickie**, with the help of the whole Kizer family, had the weekend superbly organized. We thank them for all their work.

Our founder and Executive Director, **Dr. Fran Carter**, and her daughter, **Nell Branum**, presented a tribute to Fran's husband, **Dr. John Carter**, who we lost this past spring. He was instrumental in helping Fran start and organize ARRA.

The Heartland of America Brass Ensemble from Offutt Air Force Base entertained us Friday night. Our speaker was **Kitty Williams**, a Holocaust survivor, who shared

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ARRA President's Message

Our Omaha Convention was remarkable! Thank you, thank you, to all who made it so warm and welcoming. Thank you, **Lu, Vickie, and Doug Kizer** and your friends and family, for all of your planning, scheduling, and creating a delightful atmosphere.

Thank you, Registrar **Julia Unkrich**, for registering participants, even during the weekend, and **Susan Teagarden** for setting up the Rosie Shoppe. Thank you to our Co-Chaplains **Wilma Rees, Amelia Kizer** and their families for our Sunday Memorial Ceremony. Thank you to my sisters and niece for their help and support. Thank you to all team members and officers, who worked hard all year, during our convention, and are continuing. Thank you to members who volunteered for projects and positions for the coming year. Your energy inspires me!

Thank you, **Donnaleen Lanktree**, for showing us ways that we can share our Rosie stories, and to **Dr. Fran Carter** who inspired us to share our legacy. What a joy to receive special gifts: books by **Amelia Kizer, Dr. John Carter**, and the Rosie A-Z book by **Dr. Fran Carter** and daughter **Nell Branum**.

As we look toward next year, let's continue to invite people to membership, network with other groups who want to join us in honoring the Rosies, and ask community groups for donations to "send a Rosie to Richmond" in 2015 to see their own Rosie the Riveter memorial. My heart is filled with gratitude and joy for every ARRA member, as we honor women and preserve history.

Sincerely,

Dr. Yvonne Fasold
ARRA National President
Rosebud, Oregon

Honor Your Rosie!

To add your Rosie to the plaque at the Yankee Air Museum, Belleville, Michigan, send a check for \$25 (payable to ARRA), with the following information, to **Donnaleen Lanktree**, 1133 Marquette Court, Rochester Hills, MI 48307. This plaque was unveiled at ARRA's 2013 Convention, and will be displayed permanently. Each 3-line name plate contains the Rosie's name, where she worked, and her type of job. For more information, contact Donnaleen at (248) 917-1227. Please print *clearly*:



- First name, maiden name, married name of Rosie
- Her date of birth
- Name of company for which she worked
- Type of work she did
- State in which Rosie currently resides, if living
- Your name, address, email, for acknowledgement

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me. Their eyes lit up when they saw the aircraft on which they had worked all those years ago.

We enjoyed some engaging speakers. **Sally Ganem**, Nebraska's First Lady, honored members with a proclamation from the Governor. Historian **Jim Griffin** talked about the canteen in North Platte, Nebraska, which was a regular rail stop during the war. Over a five-year period, volunteers fed thousands of service men each DAY, funded by private donations. Holocaust survivor, **Kitty Williams**, gave a sobering personal account of her experiences. She thanked the Rosies for helping bring WW II to an end and said they might well have saved her life!

It was very clear that ARRA volunteers put their best foot forward in organizing every detail, from the table decor to the speakers to the Rosie Shoppe. Nice work!

On the last day, there was an announcement that the 2015 convention will take place in Richmond, California, home of the Rosie the Riveter WW II Home Front National Historical Park! Count me in, and my membership dues are in the mail! The legacy of these Americans who contributed so much to the war effort will be preserved, thanks to ARRA. To that end, near the end of the convention, there was a touching Memorial Service in which the names of deceased members were announced and white roses given to those who knew and loved them. I admit to tearing up when I received a rose as the name of my amazing Grandmother, **Alice Elizabeth Riddle**, was mentioned. She was a Rosie and passed away this year.

Editor's Note: Sara's grandmother, Alice Riddle, who passed away in August, 2013, was also the mother of our National President, Yvonne Fasold, and her sisters. Our thoughts and prayers go out to their family and to all who have lost family members. (See list on page 7.)

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her experience. Saturday morning we were greeted by Nebraska First Lady, **Sally Ganem**. The business meeting was followed by group photos of the Rosies. Then we took a bus to the Strategic Air and Space Museum. A columnist from the *Omaha World-Herald* was there to photograph the Rosies. Two of the Rosies had helped build Boeing B-29's at the Omaha Martin Bomber Plant. Rosies **Evva Gore** and **Louise Unkrich** were elated to climb into a Superfortress like the ones they riveted!

Saturday evening, we heard from the Buckle Up quartet, and **Jim Griffin** of the Lincoln County Historical Museum told us how the local women fed all the soldiers that stopped at the North Platte Canteen. On Sunday our Co-Chaplains, **Wilma Rees** and **Amelia Kizer**, and their families led a Memorial Service for our deceased members. Music was provided by Maryland members, Rosie **Wilma Foster** and her daughters **Ann Marie Miller** and **Margie Streicker**.

Next year we will celebrate the 70th anniversary of the ending of World War II!

Convention Photos — Omaha 2014!



See more pictures at <https://rosietheriveter.shutterfly.com/>!

They Broke the Record!

On March 29, 2014, 776 people, all dressed as Rosie the Riveter, gathered at the Willow Run Airport in Michigan. Their purpose was not only to break the Guinness World Record for The Largest Gathering of People Dressed as Rosie the Riveter, but also to raise awareness of fundraising efforts to save a portion of WW II's Willow Run B-24 Bomber Plant. They did both! Nineteen actual Rosies participated, and ages of participants ranged from 3 months to 97. During the war, more than 40,000 workers from across America worked at the Willow Run plant, building more than 8,600 B-24



airplanes. The portion of the building saved will become the new home of the Yankee Air Museum, which presents extensive displays about Rosie the Riveter. Pictured are four lovely Rosie look-alikes who participated: ARRA Past President, **Donnaleen Lanktree**, with family members who joined in the fun! Congratulations to all!

This Year's Grant Recipient

Melanie W., a ninth grader from Georgia, was awarded an ARRA Student Legacy Grant and is now delivering her excellent program entitled "Who is Rosie the Riveter?" to senior centers in her area. Melanie is using a display board and computerized videos to supplement her oral presentation. Here are a few excerpts from Melanie's report:



"Who were these women who went to work? They were mothers, sisters, grandmothers, aunts, daughters... the women of America united and joined the work force. Women were working in numerous jobs including munitions and aviation, both of which did not have many women working in them until WW II.

"Women discovered a new sense of pride, dignity and independence in their work and their lives. . . . The face of Rosie is the face of millions of women, and Rosies still live today. In fact, my grandmother and her sisters, although only young girls at the time, lived on the Gulf Coast of Florida and helped in the efforts by watching the shoreline."

Congratulations, Melanie, for a job well done in preserving the history and legacy of the Rosies!

Students in grades 9-12 are encouraged to apply for this year's grants! To receive a \$50 grant, the student agrees to research the roles and contributions of Rosies during WW II, then prepare a presentation and present it at least two times to groups such as a history class, civic club, senior center, etc. To request an application and guidelines, contact **Marge Streicker** at marge1st@comcast.net. But act fast! The deadline to return applications is November 1.

And Speaking of Willow Run...



ARRA has a new chapter there! Around 50 people (they just kept coming and coming, so a final count was a little difficult!) gathered for a first meeting of the Willow Run Chapter of ARRA in June, 2014. The group is planning for regular meetings in the future. Welcome!

CARTER'S O R N E R



First, my family and I want to express heartfelt thanks to those who knew about the passing of my dear husband, John, and expressed your condolences through your prayers, notes and cards, phone messages, and more. My son and daughter, their families, and I have been overwhelmed with your expressions of tenderness and kindness.

John loved you all, and he worked tirelessly for ARRA! He was such a good secretary that I started taking him to lunch on Secretary's Day.

John always said, "I want to live 'til I die," and that was so. He wrote a book in 2013, even after he had a stroke. The book is called *Some Side-Lights of Operation Dragoon*, and includes stories about his time as a paratrooper in the 1944 invasion of southern France. If your family, particularly those who served in WW II, would like a copy, we would like for you to have one. Just send me a note at 209 University Park Drive, Birmingham, AL 35209. We will be happy to send you one as long as the published copies last.

Thinking along these lines, I also want to encourage you regarding the idea of our *legacy*. What *is* a legacy? That word is used in our purpose statement: "To recognize and preserve the *history* and *legacy* of working women, including volunteer women, during WW II..."

Melody Bonnette Swang wrote about this idea in the *Daily Guideposts* devotional book on May 30, 2014, the day that ARRA's National Convention began in Omaha. Melody's friend had shown her a new piece of china, and told her how that particular china pattern was a legacy in her family, as three generations of women had chosen it. Then she asked if Melody had such a legacy.

"Oh, no," replied Melody. She explained how her mother and grandmother had never owned any china, but had worked hard and struggled their entire lives just to make ends meet. "My mom quit school when she was a teenager to keep her family going. When she became a single mom with the five of us, she worked two jobs."

"No legacy?" said her friend. "It sure sounds like your grandmother and mother worked very hard, sacrificed a great deal, and did whatever they had to do to keep the family going. If you ask me, that's a pretty awesome legacy."

So, Melody, perhaps you have helped us to change the question, "What *is* a legacy?" to "What legacy are we building and passing on through our thinking, doing, and being? In our relationships with God? Self? Others? And ARRA?"

We *are* building a legacy.

With love,
Dr. Fran Carter, your Executive Director
Rosie, Alabama

A Tribute to John Carter



*Dr. John T. Carter
1921—2014*

If you have ever been to an ARRA Convention before last year, you probably met **Dr. John Carter**, beloved husband of Dr. Fran Carter, ARRA's founder and Executive Director. If you have read the *Mail Call*, you have read many articles that he typed, proofread, or, on occasion, wrote. If you received one of the four-generation certificates that ARRA prepared in recent years, John created it by hand. In fact, everywhere you look in ARRA, you can see the fingerprints of John Carter, whether you knew it or not, as he worked for the organization constantly alongside Fran.

John passed away on March 2, 2014, at the age of 92. He and Fran were two weeks shy of being married for 68



years. John volunteered for the Army Paratroops, went into southern France in 1944 on a glider plane, and was in the Battle of the Bulge. He returned from the war to marry Fran, then after college, they earned their Masters degrees together at the University of Tennessee, and their doctorates together at the University of Illinois. In 1956, they both joined the faculty of Samford University in Birmingham, where they taught for 30 years, and John retired as Dean of the School of Education in 1987. Along the way, they had 2 children, 7 grandchildren, and (soon to be) 11 great-grandchildren. They were active in Civil

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Rome Rosies Met with Vets

In March, Rosies from the Rome, Georgia chapter presented a program for the "Jake" Puryear Detachment of Marine veterans in Rome. They showed their documentary called *Rosie Stories from the Home Front*, a DVD



produced by Brian Armstrong of Georgia Highlands College. The 37 Marines who were present obviously enjoyed the program, as they asked lots of questions

and gave the Rosies a standing ovation. "It was an unforgettable and humbling experience," said **Jane Tucker**, Chapter President. Others who attended were Rosies **Tooken Cade**, **Lou Jordan**, and **Bettye McCubbin**, as well as Rosebud **Janie Cromer**, who represented her mother, Rosie **Mary McJunkin**. Well done, ladies!

"I want to live 'til I die." — John T. Carter

THE ROSIE SHOPPE Order Form



Share your Rosie spirit! Shop for yourself or someone else!

<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Item (circle size or type where applicable)</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Total</u>
	Rosie poster, 20" x 28"	\$20.00	
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	Rosie tin sign, 16" x 12"	\$25.00	
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	Rosie counted cross stitch book mark kit (makes bookmark 3¼" x 11")	\$8.00	
	NEW! Rosie apron	\$20.00	
	Rosie book mark with gold plate charm, 2¼" x 6½"	\$7.00	
	Rosie key chain (circle size) - Large -3" x 1¾" OR Small -1¾" x 1 3/8"	\$6.50	
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	Rosie button, metal, 3" diameter	\$3.00	
	Rosie I. D. "dog tag"	\$8.00	
	Rosie the Riveter puzzle	\$10.00	
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	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	
	Book: Rosie Romances and Other Rosie the Riveter Stories	\$17.00	
	Book: Rosie the Riveter Stories: The Legacy Lives On!	\$17.00	
	SPECIAL - Set of 5 books above (1 of each)	\$83.00	
	SPECIAL - Set of 4 story books (1 each of 103, 104 More, Romances, & Legacy)	\$64.00	
	NEW! Picture Book: <i>R is for Rosie the Riveter (hardback)</i> - see page 6 for specials!	\$20.00	
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Enclose check or money order made payable to ARRA. **Prices include shipping!**

Send to ARRA Rosie Shoppe, 950 Irving Street, Vandergrift, PA 15690.

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Still a Busy Gal!

Just because she went out of office doesn't mean that our Past President, **Donnaleen Lanktree**, stopped working for Rosies. She has been busy, as her report for this year shows!

- She has given at least 15 talks for groups this year, with more scheduled into 2015.
- She has added names to the Rosie Honor Roll plaque at the Yankee Air Museum. Donnaleen photographs each name plate and sends the photo and a thank you to each woman or family. (See information, page 2.)
- She is collecting information about individual Rosies in a notebook. You can send information to her at 6nanaleen@gmail.com.
- She worked with the Yankee Air Museum and the Willow Run Save the Bomber Plant effort, including helping them set a Guinness World Record. (See article on page 3.)
- She sewed countless Rosie scarves, and made Rosie Roses and Ribbons as gifts for Rosies.
- She is excited about helping with the creation of a new ARRA chapter in Michigan.
- She and other Rosies and veterans participated in a Spirit of '45 event at Willow Run, and helped plan and participated in a Gala event in Florida and a Victory Canteen event in Columbus, Ohio honoring veterans and Rosies.
- She sent letters to Governors asking them to proclaim May 24 as "Rosie the Riveter Day."

Donnaleen wrote in an email, "I love my Rosies, and it is my pleasure to continue working to serve and honor them." Donnaleen, we *thank you* for all that you do on behalf of Rosies across the United States.

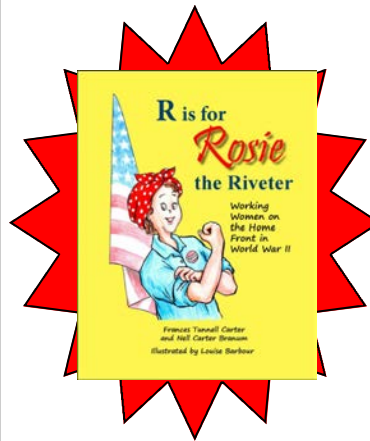
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Air Patrol, Freedoms Foundation, and Silver-Haired Congress. In retirement, John and Fran led multiple teams of teachers to conduct workshops in China, Indonesia, and Russia, and participated in medical mission trips to Honduras and Mexico, well into their 80's. John was Executive Director for a national organization, Fellowship of Baptist Educators, matching around 20,000 Chinese high school students with young people in the U.S. through his pen pal project. He and Fran shipped thousands of English books to schools around the world, and built a library/community center at a rural school in Liberia. They gave more than 250 programs as "Rosie and Her Paratrooper" in 17 states, with Fran in her Rosie coveralls and John in his original paratrooper uniform. John taught Sunday School until he was 91, and ushered until 3 weeks before his death. What a lot of living!

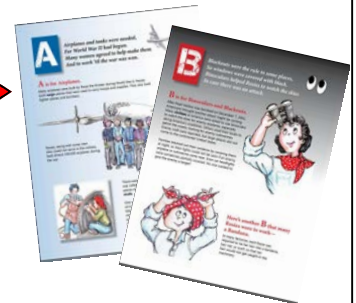
California Rosies Visit VP

Six Rosies who worked at the Kaiser shipyards in Richmond, California made a special trip to Washington, D. C. in March—by special invitation from Vice President Joe Biden! Rosies **Phyllis Gould**, **Marian Sousa**, **Priscilla Elder**, **Agnes Moore**, **Marian Wynn**, and **Kay Morrison** were invited to meet with the VP after more than a decade of writing letters, asking for an invitation.

The Rosies received personal tours of the White House, the Vice President's residence, Capitol Hill, and the Pentagon. They also met top members of the Cabinet, and members of Congress from California. They were interviewed for the *Good Morning, America* show, and had a meal with VP Biden. An extra special moment came during the White House tour, when President Barack Obama made a surprise visit that resulted in a hug and even a kiss! Way to go, ladies! You're an inspiration to us all!



Rosie for the Younger Set!



Announcing a new picture book about Rosie called *R is for Rosie the Riveter!* This ABC introduction to Rosie has been co-written by our founder and Executive Director, **Dr. Fran Carter**, and her daughter, Rosebud **Nell Carter Branum**, an elementary school librarian. It was illustrated by Birmingham native **Louise Barbour**.

Order one for yourself or for the young ones in your family—and honor your Rosie by asking for a special free name plate label to go in the front that reads:

"In honor of _____, our family's Rosie!"

The Eugene, Oregon Chapter plans to give these books to local schools, accompanied by an offer for a free visit from a Rosie! What a great way for students to learn about Rosie's legacy! And it's a great informational text to fit into WW II curriculum. ARRA Chapters may order these for a special price of \$18 for hardback and \$13 for paperback (several sent to one address).

Why not give one to a local library? Have it shipped *directly to the library* (clear it with them first!) for a special price of \$16 for hardback and \$12 for paperback.

See page 5 to order, and don't forget to mention these special offers when you send your order!



In Loving Memory



Listed below are the names of ARRA members whose families have notified us of their passing since the 2013 Convention, or who were already deceased when family members joined for them. Even in the midst of our sadness for letting them go, we celebrate the lives and accomplishments of these precious ones, and their example to all of us.

A Memorial Service was led by the Kizer and Rees families on Sunday morning, June 1, 2014, during the ARRA Convention in Omaha, Nebraska. As each name was read, a flower was placed on a table, and anyone who knew the deceased stood in his or her honor and received a white rose. Members who expire are retained permanently in a special category of the ARRA membership roster. Family members are asked to notify ARRA of the death of any member by using the membership update form found in each issue of the *Mail Call*.

Carolyn J. Adams, Rosebud 1, WI	Evelyn Sledge Harbaugh, Rosie, MD	Mary Patton Phillips, Rosie, PA
Alma Miller Allen, Rosie, MI	Dorothy Skinner Harris, Rosie, MI	Willie Mae Greer Pirtle, Rosie, GA
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Mary Briganti, Rosebud 1, OH	Leah Jacobs, Rosie, OR	Mary Lora Reed, Rosie, MO
Dixie Faulkner Brown, Rosebud 1, GA	Bertha E. Merfeld Janssen, Rosie, IA	Ora (Peggy) Hughes Reese, Rosie, MI
Leona Fraley Brown, Rosie, WV	Gladys Marley Jayme, Rosie, CA	Emily Benson Rice-Spahn, Rosie, OK
Julia Regina Bruno, Rosie, NY	Nellie M. Johnson, Rosie, CA	Alice Elizabeth Riddle, Rosie, OR
Hedwig Bednarczyk Bryja, Rosie, MD	Edna Lula Jones, Rosie, MI	Meldred Verna Rieger, Rosie, OR
Lillian Piotrowski Cachel, Rosie, IL	Helen Kaye, Rosie, FL	Caroline (Carrie) Katherine Riley, Rosie, KS
Audett Canter, Rosie, FL	Eva L. Talbott King, Rosie, OR	Elizabeth Sanchez Romero, Rosie, AZ
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Santina Brancato Catalina, Rosie, MO	Edith Jane Kolehmainen, Rosie, MI	Elizabeth Bowersox Rudy, Rosie, PA
Rhoda Marie Christy, Rosie, NE	Rose M. Wilson Lane, Rosie, MI	Alice C. Ryan, Rosie, MA
Flora Rene Weathers Clark, Rosie, AL	Louise M. Langellotto, Rosie, MD	Ruth Williams Sadler, Rosie, TX
Phyllis J. Colagross, Rosie, AL	Agnes Davis Lanzendorfer, Rosie, PA	Ethel Litowitz Schwartz, Rosie, WA
Elizabeth White Cole, Rosie, NC	Mary Virginia Pierson Larson, Rosie, MI	Hannah Eleanora Groce Scott, Rosie, PA
Kitty Chacakis Colzani, Rosebud 1, CA	Toni Kimble Larson, Rosie, GA	Jewell Merle Linebarger Self, Rosie, MO
Mabel McLean Cowan, Rosie, MI	Theresa Thurman Lassetter, Rosie, GA	Anna Stephen Fox Seritt, Rosie, GA
Jimmie Russell Crawford, Rosie, KY	Louise O. Laws, Rosie, KS	Jeanette W. Simmons, Rosie, GA
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Dorothy Lucille Woodruff Delahoy, Rosie, NY	Lynnita Gifford Marion, Rosie, WA	Ella May Swartz, Rosie, OH
Rosalie Peeler Denny, Rosie, OK	Dorothy G. Ludwig McCauley, Rosie, NJ	Kathryn Marie Swope, Rosie, MD
Lee Esposito Ellis, Rosie, AZ	E. Irene McKenzie, Rosie, OH	Frances Crenshaw Taylor, Rosie, SC
Katherine J. Annastasia English, Rosie, NY	Blanche R. Berkey Mericle, Rosie, MI	Alma Marie Thompson, Rosie, OK
Mary Agnes Greenmore Evans, Rosie, MI	Barbara L. Miller, Rosebud 1, CA	Dolly Robertson Tone, Rosie, NE
Vera Life Farley, Rosie, MI	Marilyn Mahan Morrow, Rosebud 1, AL	Amelia Lang Van Allen, Rosie, NJ
Harriet Frankel, Rosie, GA	Mary Gordon Dunham Nichols, Rosie, MD	Lavert A. Via, Rosie, VA
Mary W. Funderburg, Rosie, AL	Margaret Colestock Niebuhr, Rosie, MI	Stella Isabel Waites, Rosie, AL
Fotica Christ George, Rosie, MI	Rose Schmidt Nilson, Rosie, CO	Zola Mae Walton, Rosie, OK
Joy L. Gifford, Rosie, WA	Marie Berner Normington, Rosie, OR	M. Jane White, Rosie, AZ
Francis R. Gorman, Rivet, SC	Esperanza Lopez Norris, Rosie, CA	Katherine Rose Willett, Rosie, MO
Letha A. Gorman, Rosie, IL	Avona Edna Nolde Noyes, Rosie, OR	Pearl Davis Winebarger, Rosie, VA
Pearl Goldsmith Greashaber, Rosie, MI	Elizabeth J. Nunnelle, Rosebud 1, AL	Bonnie Fay Wolfe, Rosie, MO
Vera Janet Green, Rosie, MD	Maxine Johnson Parvin, Rosie, AL	Lucille Dube Wood, Rosie, NY
Jean Madelyn Frayne Greenfield, Rosie, NJ	Ruth O'Quinn Petty, Rosie, FL	Dolores Kafman Wynn, Rosie, MD
Catherine Gualtier, Rosie, OH	Blanche C. Johnson Philbrick, Rosie, IL	Adeline Krupa Zdral, Rosie, MI



Rosies in Richmond!

Rosies, come to see YOUR memorial! You and your families are invited to ARRA's 2015 Convention in Richmond, California at the Rosie the Riveter World War II Home Front National Historical Park, June 12-14, 2015! Plan to stay a week to visit San Francisco and the California wine country while you are in the area. Check the ARRA Web site for details!



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We want to keep our mailing list up to date. If you have moved, or know any member who is deceased, or if you would prefer to receive your newsletter by email, please let us know. Please print carefully in CAPITAL letters. Please do not telephone it in, as that increases the likelihood of an error. Send all update information to: Lu Kizer, Database Administrator, 12 South 65th Street, Kansas City, KS 66111. Email: LuKizer@level5tools.com.

Name of member _____

New address _____

Old address _____

Current E-mail _____

Prefer to receive newsletter by email? _____

Current telephone _____

OR

Deceased member's name _____

State of last residence _____ Date of death _____

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?

Welcome, New Members!



In the last four months, we have added 187 new members. Of this number, 105 have been Rosies while 63 have been Rosebuds. We welcome all these, including the new Partners and Auxiliary members! If you are a Rosie and you have daughters, granddaughters, etc. who have not joined, we hope you will encourage them to do so. We need them to help our organization to be ongoing!

If you are a Rosebud or perhaps an Auxiliary member (Rivet) and your Mom or Grandmother is eligible but has not joined, please talk with her about her WW II experience and ask her to join. If your Mom or Grandmother is deceased but was eligible to join, you can still have her name added to our Registry along with a record of the work she did. We want to acknowledge all women who worked to help win the war. If you need an application form, contact me at (205) 647-9233 or by email at mm041926@aol.com, or find it on our Web site at www.rosietheriveter.net.

- Mabel Myrick, VP for Membership
Rosie, Alabama

Congrats, Laurel Ladies!



In May 2014, the Laurel, Maryland ARRA Chapter participated in the Laurel Main Street Festival Parade—and they won *First Place!* Rosies **Wilma Foster, Lorraine Miller, and Rena Van Buren** rode in a 1947 “Rosie the Riveter” Ford coupe that was designed, owned, and driven by Wayne Barnes of Hanover, Pennsylvania. The theme for the day was Mardi Gras, so masks were worn by all and red, blue, and silver beads were thrown. What a fun way to represent Rosie! **Ann Marie Miller** is Chapter President.



Our New Boston Chapter!

Many thanks to **Bertha Glavin** who has not only started a new Chapter in the Boston area, but has been able to recruit a number of new members there. We welcome you all!

