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The Amazing Days of Atlanta!

ARRA's 18th Annual Convention, June 10-12, 2016





This lovely group of 20 Rosies attended this year's ARRA Convention in Atlanta!

<u>Left to right, back row:</u> Caroline Holben (PA), Bertha Glavin (MA), Mabel Myrick (AL), Fran Carter (AL), Adeana James (NC), Rose Penrod (IL), Milka Bamond (FL), Emma Newland (MO), Florence Carter (AZ), Constance Negrotto (LA), Jackie Ramsbacher (AL), Sybil Hill (GA), Jane Tucker (GA), Mae Krier (PA). <u>Front row:</u> Iris Kleintop (FL), Wilma Foster (MD), Louise Unkrich (IA), Fran Ellis (AZ), Hughlene Stokes (TX), Mildred Sharpe (NC).

Twenty Rosies, along with more than three times that many Rosebuds, Rivets, other members, friends, and guests made their way from 21 states to Atlanta, GA for three spectacular days on June 10-12, 2016. It was wonderful to greet old friends and meet new ones.

At Friday's dinner, the Color Guard from Dobbins Air Force Base presented the colors, and Rosebud **Jema Settles** (IA) sang the National Anthem. The Freedom Belles, a professional ladies' trio, sang our favorite songs from the 1940's, then **Richard Harker** from Kennesaw State University told us about their Rosie history project.

During Saturday's business, we heard reports from national officers, our Chapters, and special projects. We enjoyed more 1940's music by Rosebud Gloria Parvin (AL), and heard from Rosebud Nell Branum (AL) with the help of our Founder, Rosie Fran Carter (AL), how ARRA began in 1998. At lunch, we heard from Sgt. Major (Ret.) Scarlett Williams, an Army veteran who now volunteers with the Atlanta USO, as well as Lt. Col. (Ret.) Edgar Lewis, a veteran of the Korean conflict, and Maj. (Ret.) Dr. Hillard Pouncy, with Tuskegee Airmen.

Then we traveled to the Atlanta History Center, where the staff treated us to a tour and a display of WW II items. Many local families came to mingle with the Rosies at a reception. Then the whole group moved into a

full auditorium for a panel discussion led by Rosies Bertha Glavin (MA), Mabel Myrick (AL), Fran Carter (AL), Mae Krier (PA), and Adeana James (NC). And what a tremendous hit they were! At Saturday's dinner, we enjoyed the National Anthem by Rosebud and ARRA Student Grant recipient Melanie Wood (GA), and music by the mother-daughter team of Jema and Joanna Settles (IA). We were thrilled to see the dramatic Rosie the Riveter presentation by Carol Cain (GA), the same presentation that helped spark Fran Carter's interest in starting ARRA years ago.

Sunday morning's meaningful Memorial Service for Rosies who have passed away was led by Chaplains **Trish Woepking** (IA) and **Julia Unkrich** (CO). In business, we passed one amendment to our Bylaws (see page 6). And a highlight of each session was hearing from several of our magnificent Rosies, who shared their stories!

Many, many thanks to our National President, Rosebud **Jean Ousley** (GA) who worked so tirelessly, and the many others who worked alongside her to make this convention a rip-roaring success.

So mark this down as fair warning—next year's 19th Convention in Kansas City, MO in June, 2017 will be equally as wonderful! Come and join the fun—you'll be glad you did!

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ARRA President's Message

We were thrilled to have 89 members and guests (including 20 Rosies) join us in Atlanta for our 18th annual Convention. Several people have commented that the Convention had such a "good spirit" and many factors contributed to the

spirit and the fun. The Dobbins AFB Honor Guard opened the Convention with a wonderful presentation of the colors. Our Chapters and State Directors took much pride in telling us about their activities. **Nell Branum** took us back in time to the history of our great organization. Our tiara-wearing Rosies and many Rosebuds told us touching stories.

The Freedom Belles trio poured their hearts in 1940's and patriotic songs. The Director of the Kennesaw Museum of History and Holocaust Education donated their wonderful traveling exhibit and gave an inspiring talk. Gloria Parvin, Melanie Wood, and Joanna and Jema Settles provided great musical interludes. A retired Army Sergeant-Major called us to volunteerism with stories about the Atlanta USO. Zellie Orr brought us both a decorated Korean war veteran and a Tuskegee Airman. Jonnie Classen related stories of her recent celebration of Rosies at Fort Benning and brought along a charming Italian military liaison.

Carol Cain entertained us with her amazing onewoman show featuring many Rosie personalities. The Atlanta History Center did an incredible job with special exhibits and museum tours, a reception, our Rosie panel, and the signing of a plane fuselage! Our Memorial Service this year, presented by Trish Woepking and Julia Unkrich, was especially well done.

I want to thank Yvonne Fasold, Mabel Myrick, Marilyn Drake, and Pam Belrose for their assistance with the Silent Auction; Susan Byrd, Virginia Cook, and Madisen Alford for registration help; the Birmingham Chapter for table decorations and yummy handouts; Susan and Russell Teagarden for setting up and manning the Rosie Shoppe; Jody Valet for registration and pre-convention help, scrounging up many door prizes and silent auction items (including those wonderful Bobbleheads); Jonnie Clasen and Mabel Myrick for writing and sending out press releases; Dignity Memorials for a generous contribution; my two sons and husband for their technical assistance, musical help and "toting" skills; Fran Carter for just being herself; and the Holiday Inn for being so accommodating with extra needs and pricing.

All in all, it was a wonderful experience. We should be proud that after 18 years, "we are still doing it!"

Jean Ousley (Rosebud, GA) ARRA National President

Got News? Send your news and photos for *Rosie's Mail Call* (ARRA-related news only, please) to Editor **Nell Branum**, <u>nellbran@yahoo.com</u>, 745 Country Club Trail, Gardendale, AL 35071.

ARRA Goes to School

Wouldn't it be great if school children in your area knew the Rosie legacy? Many of our members and Chapters are making concerted efforts to infuse Rosies, our Rosie books, lesson plans, and resources into schools. If you are interested in serving on a new task force to explore ways ARRA can do this even more effectively, contact Jean Ousley at chessone@charter.net or (770) 972-8339.



Write Your Rosie Story For Book #6!

ARRA is publishing a new book of Rosie stories, and we need *yours*! ARRA has published four books of Rosie stories and a cookbook, but there are still many more stories that haven't been seen. So ARRA is planning a new book!

We need 100 stories before we can send the book to press. We'd really like to have those 100 stories by **October 1, 2016**. That isn't far away, but We Can Do It!

So Rosies, use the Checklist on page 3 and write about what you did during WW II in 400-475 words. Rosebuds and Rivets, you can also write the story about your Rosie, even if she is deceased. Rosies who have a story in one of our other books may also contribute a story to this book, but it should be a different story—one or two anecdotes that you did not tell before—and the photos should be different.

Send one or two photos, but we will keep them for our Archives, so please don't send originals. Copies must be sharp and clear. Photos from the 1940's are especially fun.

Rosies and authors (if different) must be members of ARRA, but of course you can join if you haven't already!

So check out the checklist at right, and tell your story! Why not get started today? Because remember that pesky deadline—*October 1!*



New ARRA Grave Medallion

In response to many requests, ARRA is pleased to an-



nounce a new product — a beautiful bronze cast medallion that can be permanently attached to a headstone or grave marker as a lovely Rosie tribute. The medallion is 2 inches in diameter and features the Rosie logo in bronze, with "American Rosie the Riveter Association" and "We Can Do It" in raised bronze letters on a blue background. A color photo can

be seen on our website at <u>www.rosietheriveter.net</u>. Instructions for applying the medallion to the surface are included. The price is \$65, which includes priority mail shipping. See page 5 to order, or order directly from our website.

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Send In Your Story!

ARRA is publishing another book of Rosie stories—our sixth book—and we need your story! Our story books are not only entertaining, they are also valuable ways to preserve important history. The books that we have published to date are in homes and libraries across the country, as well as the National Archives in Washington, D. C. Along with your story, please complete and send the following checklist. Put an X in each block to indicate that you have complied with each requirement. Send this sheet with your story. We cannot accept your story for publication until we have everything on the checklist. Questions? Contact Editor Nell Branum, nellbran@yahoo.com, (205)706-3447. Thanks for sharing your Rosie legacy!

Charlist for Submitting Story

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1.	Title of story:
2.	Author of story:
	Name of Rosie who is featured in the story:
	Her name then
	Her name now
4.	If the author is not the Rosie, give relationship of the author to the Rosie:
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	Is the author a member of ARRA? yes no
	Rosies (and authors, if different) must be members of ARRA. If you are not, join today at www.rosietheriveter.net
<u> </u>	returned, so please do not send your original. How long is your story (number of words)? words Stories must be between 400 and 475 words. A word is anything surrounded by white space. If your story is too long or too short to fit attractively in the allotted space, the editor may have to condense it or send it back to you to adjust the length.
8.	Is your story typed and double-spaced between lines? yes no
	Address of the author:
	Telephone: Email:
	This information will not be given in the book, and will only be used if we need to communicate with you. The city and state of the Rosie <i>will</i> be given. Write the Rosie's city and state here:
<u> </u>	Your signature is required: I give ARRA permission to copyright and publish this story in a book of Rosie the Riveter stories and on the ARRA website:
	(signature of author)
	Send this form with your story and photo(s) by <u>October 1, 2016</u> to: Mrs. Lucy Lewis, 1314 Liberty Park Loop, Vestavia Hills, AL 35242.

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Hello Everyone,

ARRA's 2016 National Convention was wonderful. Wow! Many thanks to all who made it so special. If you missed it, decide RIGHT NOW to catch our 19th convention in June, 2017, in Kansas City, Missouri.

Did you know this fact: Some Rosies/Rosebuds have joined for all of their family members and have 20-30 ARRA members in their fami-

ly circle! Want to try doing that? What about joining for everyone in your family online at www.rosietheriveter.net, or you can duplicate the application form, which is also found online, and mail it in.

Let's do that! Join for everyone in your family as a birthday gift, and honor your Rosie for her WW II service before she grows older.

Keep Rosie-ing! *Fran Carter* (Rosie, AL)
Your Executive Director

Rosie Honor Flight Takes Off



On March 22, 2016, 31 original Rosies flew from MI to Washington, D. C. on the first-ever Rosie the Riveter Honor Flight. The ladies received a hero's welcome when they landed. They made their way to the steps of the Capitol, where they were joined by several Congressmen and women for a photo opportunity, then were treated to an elegant luncheon at the Library of Congress.

Their next stop was the WW II Memorial, where well-wishers lined up to greet them, then they moved to Arlington National Cemetery for a special message from Brigadier General **Wilma Vaught** at the Women in Military Memorial that included a presentation to three of the women who were also veterans. After a send-off at the airport by swing dancers and many others, they returned home and were met by over 1,000 cheering fans.

See more at http://savethebomberplant.org/first-ever-rosie-the-riveter-honor-flight-to-washington-dc/.

Student Grant Awarded



Congratulations to **Erin M.** of WI for being ARRA's second Student Grant Recipient for this year! For a National History Day project, Erin did extensive research to create a display and drama portraying Rosies.

Erin presented on her local and state levels, and won, so she advanced to the national competition in the

Washington, D. C. area this past June, where she received rave reviews for her presentation. Way to go, Erin!

Call for Student Grant Applicants

ARRA is now accepting applications from students in grades 9-12 for this year's \$100 Student Grants. Students may use books, the Internet, personal interviews, and other sources to research the contributions of Rosies—perhaps including a family member—during WW II. The presentation could include drama, displays, music, *original* video, PowerPoint, or other multimedia methods, etc. It should be presented *at least two times* to groups such as a history class, civic club, senior center, National History Day contest, etc. Each grant recipient will receive half the grant when his/her application is accepted, and the remaining half when the final report is received.

To request an application, contact Carol Cain at <u>carolcain007@gmail.com</u>, or write to 112 Sunny Point Circle, LaGrange, GA 30240. Make your request right away—completed applications are <u>due March 1, 2017</u>.

Recognizing Baltimore Rosies

In May, 2016, the Baltimore ARRA Chapter planted a dogwood tree to honor Rosies in Aero Acres, the site of the first community built to house Glenn L. Martin Company workers during WW II.

Museum volunteer

Beth Porter donated the
dogwood tree in honor of
her mother, Bertha

Vondracek, who served as
a Rosie at Eastern Aircraft.
Chapter members Grace
Henninger, Ideliah Johnson, and Milly McDaniel

(Rosies) and **Debi Wynn** were joined by members of the community for the ceremony.

Members of the press became so interested in the Rosies that later,

they interviewed them again and also covered their participation in the Towson Fourth of July parade. See more at http://foxbaltimore.com/news/cover-story/marylands-rosies-take-part-in-towsons-independence-day-parade.

Rosies are online! Did you know that you can see news, photos, Rosie stories, membership applications, the Rosie Shoppe, and more on our website at www.rosietheriveter.net? Send news for the website to Jody Valet at jhvalet@aol.com. And to post Rosie news on Facebook, contact Karen Hicks at hicksters13@aol.com. We'd love to see photos of your family members dressed as Rosie on Facebook, and also news about how you are sharing Rosie in schools!



We Can Do It!

THE ROSIE SHOPPE Order Form



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Share your Rosie spirit!

	Pictures of items are available on our website at www.rosietheriveter.net.		Rosie spirit!
Quantity	Item (circle size or type where applicable)	Amount	<u>Total</u>
	Rosie poster, 20" x 28"	\$20.00	
	Rosie stickers, 3½" x 2½" (package of 5)	\$3.00	-
	Rosie picture post card, 4" x 6"	\$1.00	
	Rosie note cards with envelopes (package of 10)	\$12.00	
	Rosie afghan/wall hanging, all cotton, 48" x 58"	\$65.00	
	Rosie tote bag, sturdy cotton, 10.5" x 14" x 4"	\$16.00	
	Tote bag, sturdy cotton - "Uncle Sam—I Want You"	\$12.00	
	Rosie T-shirt (circle size) S M L XL	\$20.00	
	NEW Rosie reversible ribbon badge (reverse side is black for memorials)	\$20.00	
	Rosie head scarf (triangular shape, long end = 36")	\$12.00	
	Rosie rectangle scarf (3" by 36")	\$8.00	
	Rosie counted cross stitch kit (makes picture 7½" x 10") frame not included	\$17.00	
	Rosie counted cross stitch book mark kit (makes bookmark 31/4" x 11")	\$8.00	
	NEW! R is for Rosie book cover art cross stitch kit (3" x 6") frame not included	\$15.00	
	Rosie apron	\$20.00	
	Rosie book mark with gold plate charm, 21/4" x 61/2"	\$7.00	
	Rosie key chain (circle size) - Large-3" x 1¾" OR Small-1¾" x 1 3/8"	\$6.50	
	Rosie metal snack box, 71/4" x 5" x 3"	\$17.00	
	Rosie tin sign, 16" x 12"	\$25.00	
	Rosie refrigerator magnet, 2½" x 3½"	\$6.00	
	Refrigerator magnet - Uncle Sam design	\$4.00	
	NEW! Rosie ceramic ornament	\$13.00	
	NEW! Rosie pewter ornament	\$17.00	
	Rosie stamp pin, 1 %" x 1 %"	\$5.00	
	Rosie button, metal, 3" diameter	\$3.00	
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	Rosie pot holder	\$7.00	
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Massachusetts Proclamation

May 21, 2016 was proclaimed Rosie the Riveter Day by the Governor of MA, and the Boston Chapter of ARRA held a ceremony at Quincy's WW II Memorial Park, near



dogwood trees the Chapter had previously planted in honor of Rosies. The event was led by Rosie Bertha Glavin. Rosebud Danielle Kempe read the proclamation. Way to share the Rosie legacy!

Rosie Rally in Birmingham

On May 21, 2016, the Birmingham ARRA Chapter participated with the Southern Museum of Flight in a Ro-



sie Rally to honor Rosies and help celebrate the museum's 50th anniversary. More than 650 people, including many children and teens, attended the family event. A panel of Rosies answered

questions about their experiences, including Rosies Doris Adamson, Fran Carter, Virginia Dyer, Lucy Lewis,

Mabel Myrick, and Jackie Ramsbacher from Birmingham, and Verna Hambley from Georgia.

The Chapter was also excited to learn recently that the Governor of Alabama had proclaimed "Rosie the Riveter Day." Pictured with the proclamation is Rosie **Virginia Dyer.**



See more Convention pics and upload the ones you have at www.rosietheriveter.shutterfly.com!



Rosie Graduates High School



At age 92, Rosie Marilynn Jean White graduated from Central Valley Academy in Ilion, NY with the class of 2016. Marilynn left school at 16 and moved to Seattle, WA where she got a job as a bucker at Boeing Aircraft. She met her husband and began a family, and life got in the way of her finishing school. Her diploma was awarded in recogni-

tion of her service to her country and community. A fund has been established in Marilynn's honor, so that "The Rosie the Riveter Award" will be presented each year to a senior girl pursuing a career in engineering or the trades. At right, she is presenting the very first award to this year's recipient. Congratulations, Marilynn, you are an inspiration!



Nebraska Update

Rosebud Jeanne Goetzinger, owner of The Olde Main

Street Inn in Chadron, NE, recently honored Rosies with an Open House. Pictured (left to right) are Rosies Betty Waltman, Carole Dailey, Louise Unkrich, Evva Gore, and Lou Taylor. What a very lovely group!



Play Ball, Rosie Fans!

Rosie Alma Richards (OK) wrote to tell us about the softball team of her great-granddaughter Rosebud, Brenley—they are Rosie look-alikes! Here they are dressed for a tournament. Keep up the good work, girls, the Rosie spirit looks *great* on you!





Bylaws Change

During the 2016 ARRA Convention, the following change to Article III, "Membership" was approved: that the names of the membership categories "Rosebud Partner" and "Rivet Partner" be changed to "Rosebud Friend" and "Rivet Friend." The change was made to avoid confusion, since for many years, ARRA has cooperated with other organizations that support the Rosie cause; these are called our *partners*.

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On Sunday morning of our 2016 Convention in Atlanta, we shared a meaningful Memorial Service honoring Rosies and other members who have passed away. 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* (see page 8).

These are ARRA members whose families notified us of their deaths, June 2015 through May 2016:

Jeffrey Alan Stone, Rivet, AL Callie M. Vinson, Rosie, AL

Helen Edna Ryder Brandenberger, Rosie, AR Mary Frances Carter, Rosie, AR Ruth E. White, Rosie, AR

Eldora Rohwer Agena, Rosie, AZ Helen Catherine Coyte, Rosie, AZ Blanche Muscarelli Pacheco, Rosie, AZ Manuela Rojas, Rosie, AZ

Genevieve Lou Alsup, Rosie, CA Gene Swing Castillo, Rosie, CA

Margaret Elizabeth Worden, Rosebud 1, CO

Lila Lee Martin, Rosie, FL Geraldine Aldrich Percy, Rosie, FL Jennie Travisano Truncale, Rosie, FL

Kathleen Crowe Bice, Rosie, GA Virginia Tipson Collins, Rosie, GA Leona L. Daniels, Rosie, GA Willadean Pope Day, Rosie, GA Anna Hull Drake, Rosie, GA Reba L. Flanagan, Rosie, GA Lanelle Nation Frost, Rosie, GA Ruth O. Parker, Rosie, GA Miriam B. Wright, Rosie, GA Nell Pelham Young, Rosie, GA

Virginia Peters Anderson, Rosie, IN

Alice Nolan Miracle, Rosie, IN

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Mary Denton Banahan, Rosie, KY

Margaret Jordan Reeks, Rosie, LA

Ruby Eversole Bowerman, Rosie, MD Helen Zebetakis Di Leonardi, Rosie, MD Chestilie Todd Farthing, Rosie, MD Margorie Reeb Gallun, Rosie, MD Corine Raymond Gantt, Rosie, MD Lois Jean Hausmann, Rosie, MD Margaret Jane Klavuhn, Rosie, D Joan Evans Maloney, Rosie, MD Margaret Gwin Wilkins, Rosie, MD

Gloria Ann Clement Dyal, Rosie, MI Bonnie M. Gifford, Rosie, MI Mary Harper, Rosie, MI Germaine Marie Hosta, Rosie, MI Martha Muczynski, Rosie, MI Virginia Rosmys, Rosie, MI

Mary Wulfert Aull, Rosie, MO Viola Gertrude Rector Edwards, Rosie, MO Gladys Irene Helm, Rosie, MO

Caroline Leonard Sellers, Rosie, NC

Sylvia R. Nelson, Rosie, NE

Babara Geib Blackburn, Rosie, NJ

Margaret Such Fiala, Rosebud 1, NV Rose C. Gaber, Rosie, NV

Jean Yoho George, Rosie, OH Merle Dunlap Schwitzgable, Rosie, OH

Lois McKelvey Hutchens, Rosie, OK Jeanne Isaac, Rosie, OK Beulah O'Dell Wright, Rosie, OK

Kitty Giordano, Rosie, OR Betty Ashenden Glenn, Rosie, OR Thelma Morey Haskin, Rosie, OR Patricia A. Harbour Morris, Rosebud 1, OR Margaret Scott Thompson, Rosie, OR Billie Riley Weber, Rosebud 1, OR Helen Ilene Wells, Rosie, OR

Louise Preziosa Wallace, Rosie, PA

Evelyn E. Stibral, Rosie, SD

Mary Dillard Caldwell, Rosie, TN

Novella Scott Baker, Rosie, VA

LuVerda "Billie" Fisher, Rosie, WA Victoria M. Vallier, Rosie, WA

Marcella Streckert Rosa, Rosie, WI

Rosie Documentary



Our Kansas City Rosies, under the direction of ARRA National Treasurer and Rosebud **Jody Valet**, have created a documentary featuring eight Rosies who worked across the country, called *We Can Do It: Stories of Rosie the Riveter*.

You can order a discounted copy from the film company's website at www.abruptedgemedia.com. Enter the coupon code ROSIE to receive a 20% discount. Teachers, contact Jody Valet at jhvalet@aol.com for even deeper discount info.

Rosie On the Ice

One of the charter franchises in the newlyformed National Women's Hockey League hails from Brooklyn, NY. Their name? The New York Riveters, and Rosie is their mascot! Good luck, ladies!

Chapter and State Updates

Ann Marie Miller, ARRA's National VP for Expansion, would like for all Chapters and State Directors to contact her at <u>annmarie1st@hotmail.com</u> or (301)498-3397 to update current information. And if *you* are interested in starting a Chapter or serving as State Director, contact her also — she will send you information and help you get started!

Twilight Wishes Granted

Rosie Margaret Werren of CA has received a gift from The Twilight Wish Foundation. The gift was originally to be used to attend the ARRA Convention in Atlanta, but Margaret's health prevented her trip. She is improv-



ing every day, though, and plans to use the gift to attend an ARRA Chapter meeting in OR in September. Margaret worked in a munitions plant in CA during WW II. She volunteers at a local rescue mission and a senior resource center, and also stays busy giving Rosie presentations to schools and community groups. Congratulations, Margaret!

Rosie Mae Krier of PA received a simi-

lar gift in 2015 to attend the ARRA Convention in Richmond, CA. Mae is also busy representing Rosie as she "just tells her war stories" to historical groups, Rotary Clubs, on television with her town's mayor, at two events

honoring Medal of Honor veterans, and more.

Find out more at <u>www.twilightwish.org</u>. Thanks, ladies, for representing Rosies so wonderfully!



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Membership Update

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. Send all update information to: Stephanie Davis, 8336 Valley Oaks Drive, North Richland Hills, TX 76182, or send email to: alanandstephanie@gmail.com.

Name of member
New address
Old address
Current E-mail
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Current telephone
<u>OR</u>
Deceased member's name
State of last residenceDate of death

Arizona Chapter Going Strong

In February, 2015, Sun City Chapter Secretary Carol Ruda and 16 Rosies participated in the Massing of the Colors



and Service Remembrance event in Surprise, AZ. In April, the Chapter received a document from the Governor of AZ proclaiming May 27, 2016 as "Rosie the Riveter Day." Also in April, five members traveled to the General

Patton Museum in Chiriaco

Summit, CA, to deliver memorabilia for the museum's Rosie display. And members have participated in Memorial Day and July 4 events. Busy folks! **Take note:** Rosies and others



across the country—we are all invited to the Patton Museum (Palm Springs, CA area) on Veterans Day, November 11, 2016, when this year's recipients of the annual Patton Award will be—all the Rosies! For more information contact Chapter President Linda Lundberg, cllfamily67@hotmail.com.

When Is Your Birthday?

ARRA sends birthday cards to Rosies who have reached age 90, but we may not know when your birthday is. So Rosies, please send your address and birthday (month, day, and year) to Jessica Sorvala, 1151 Adele Lane, San Marcos, CA 92078, or email jssorvala@gmail.com.

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Rome Rosies Make a Splash

Rosie Jane Tucker, President of the Rome (GA) ARRA Chapter, reports that Rosies from Rome participated in a Memorial Day event this past May, and they are also working with Kennesaw University's Legacy program to record their stories. They will participate this fall in an exhibit about Rosies and WW II veterans, and Jane has been on the radio recently, telling her Rosie story. Keep sharing that Rosie legacy, ladies!

Happy Birthday!

Congratulations to Rosies **Leonardine Forchione** (IL) on the left and **Bertha Glavin** (MA), who shared these multigenerational pictures from their 90th birthday parties!



