



ROSIE'S MAIL CALL

Let the Good Times Roll! ARRA Convention 2018 in New Orleans!

*You are cordially, definitely, lovingly, enthusiastically invited
to celebrate ARRA's Twentieth Anniversary
at our 2018 Convention!*



June 1-3, 2018

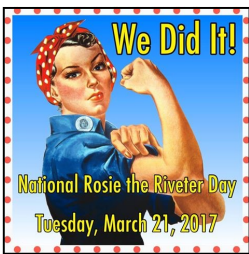


*Hampton Inn Convention Center New Orleans
A beautifully renovated 1903 factory warehouse
in the historic downtown New Orleans Warehouse District*

Join us for great fun and fellowship as we gather with other Rosies, families, and friends from across the U. S. You'll be so glad you did! At our 2017 convention, we had participants from 23 states—and nobody knows how to make a good time better than our Rosies!

Save the date now, and watch for more information in the next issue of *Rosie's Mail Call* and on our website at www.rosietheriveter.net. Registration will be opening soon!

Join Our National Rosie the Riveter Day Campaign



Perhaps you have heard about the wonderful National Rosie the Riveter Day that the U. S. Congress declared this year on March 21, 2017. It was a touching and fitting tribute for all of our Rosies who worked on the home front during WW II.

This designation was for the 2017 year only, but we think that it should be a permanent day! ARRA's national President, **Jean Ousley** (GA), is asking everyone to write to your U. S. Senators, Representatives, and even the President, encouraging them all to support a permanent National Rosie the Riveter Day. Contact information for all who serve in the U. S. Congress can be found online at <https://www.congress.gov/members> under "How To Contact Your Member." Contact information for the President can be found at www.whitehouse.gov/contact.

Help Congress and the President to understand how truly significant the contributions of the Rosies were—and continue to be. Rosies, be sure to tell what you did during the war! Rosebuds and Rivets, tell what your Rosie did. Try to send your letters and emails by January 15, 2018.

Two Rosie ARRA members have already been working hard to help Congress understand the importance of a nationally recognized day for Rosies. **Mae Krier** (PA) and **Phyllis Gould** (CA) began many years ago to work with their Congressmen on this project. It was largely due to their efforts that the 2017 national day was passed in Congress.

Let's join together to help carry the torch for this project!



Mae Krier



Phyllis Gould

Change in ARRA Presidency

With regret, **Jonnie Melillo Clasen** (Rosebud, GA) has submitted to the Executive Committee her resignation as national President of ARRA. Jonnie is heavily involved in another WW II-related organization as the liaison officer for the Merrill's Raiders Proud Descendants, and her love for our Rosies and ARRA led her to agree to also accept the national Presidency. However, it soon became apparent that the high demands of the two organizations would cause both to suffer, and rather than let that happen, Jonnie felt she must resign as ARRA President.



Jonnie Clasen

In her letter of resignation, Jonnie stated, "I feel privileged to have had a glance at the huge national ARRA network of passionate volunteers. Your boundless dedication is inspiring. My heart-felt thanks to all of you—I have truly felt honored." Jonnie will continue to serve ARRA as President of the Columbus, GA/ Phenix City, AL Chapter and as Georgia State Director.

Immediate Past President **Jean Ousley** (Rosebud, GA) has graciously agreed to step in and accept the Presidency for this year. Jean served as ARRA national President from 2015-2017, and as national Treasurer from 2013-2015. She also serves as President of the Atlanta, GA Chapter of ARRA. Jean is already hard at work, in spite of her busy schedule. She says, "I am honored to be President in our 20th Anniversary year, and look forward to seeing everyone in the great city of New Orleans!"



Jean Ousley

Sun City Belles of the Ball



On October 14, 2017, members of the Sun City, AZ Chapter were honored at the Phoenix, AZ Navy Ball. It was a most memorable evening as WW II veterans, civilians who worked in the war effort, and warriors returning from deployment gathered to celebrate the 242nd birthday of the U. S. Navy. Pictured are Rosie **Connie**

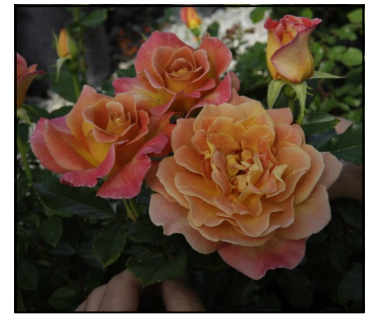
Laabs and Rosebud **Dana Stone** enjoying the evening.

Also, the story of Rosie **Fran Ellis** of the Sun City Chapter will be included in an upcoming new book by an Arizona author. Congratulations to all!

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

Rosie the Riveter Memorial Rose Gardens

Everything's coming up Rosie the Riveter Roses—all across the U. S.! Or least, it will be soon. And *you* can be part of it. In a few short weeks, the newly patented rose that is named for our beloved Rosies will be available for planting. Plans are already underway to place these roses in—well, in any place *you* can think of!



That's right, you can look around your community to find a park, museum, WW II memorial, senior living community, botanical garden, or other strategic spot. Talk to the appropriate persons there about planting two or three Rosie rose bushes, or maybe a whole garden. Let the owners or community leaders know that they will be part of a national network of gardens known as the Rosie the Riveter Memorial Rose Gardens, sponsored by The Spirit of '45, one of ARRA's partner groups. The goal is to have at least one Rosie the Riveter Memorial Rose Garden in every Congressional district in time for an international commemoration of the end of WW II, planned for August, 2020.

Add a weather-resistant plaque to your Rosie garden, letting everyone know that it honors the millions of women who worked on the WW II home front. You'll have a perfect place to host ceremonies that honor Rosies and their legacy, such as on National Rosie the Riveter Day, as well.

This rose is a beautiful old-fashioned floribunda, and is orange-gold suffused with pink. You can *pre-order* your bushes now. Tell your nursery that the Rosie the Riveter Rose is grown by Weeks Roses of California. Don't be surprised if they haven't heard of it yet—it is that new! But thousands of plants are currently growing in the fields. They will be ready to ship to your part of the country in early 2018, when the best month for planting arrives in your growing zone. Southern zones may be able to plant as early as January, 2018. A ballpark price range is \$25-\$30.

One ARRA member, Rosie **Elinor Otto** (CA) is already busy publicizing the memorial gardens. Elinor, who just turned 98, worked as a riveter until age 95 when the Boeing plant in Long Beach, where she worked, was shut down in 2014. Now Elinor travels the country representing The Spirit of '45 and Rosies, and feels that the rose gardens are one way that "our example can educate and inspire future generations, especially young girls."

So jump in and plant a rose garden! Let ARRA know when your garden is in place. Take a photo and send it to *Mail Call* Editor Nell Branum (see contact information, this page at left). The Spirit of '45 is planning a future website, where you also will be able to register your garden as a location on a U. S. map.

For more ideas and information, contact our ARRA Rose Garden Chairperson, **Dr. Yvonne Fasold** (OR), at telephone (541) 343-4223, or email: fasold@uoregon.edu.

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Dear ARRA members,
Thanks! to all those who have sent me such great materials for our ARRA Archives. I have received pictures, clippings, interviews, obituaries, stories, and much more. All of this helps to preserve for posterity the legacy of our Rosies and our association. In addition to the current information that members send, our Archives includes documents and records, such as those from the

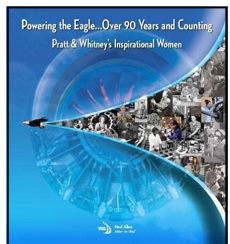
founding of our association, conventions, and Chapters, as well as membership and officer information.

If you have news about yourself or your Rosie—a clipping, a story, a picture, etc.—please send it to me for Archives! Be sure names, dates, sources, etc. are clearly marked. Chapters, please send event programs and other artifacts from your activities. Consider designating a Chapter officer who can keep an eye out for Rosie publicity and pass it on to Archives. Send to: **ARRA Archives, c/o Dr. Fran Carter, 209 University Park Drive, Birmingham, AL 35209.** Thanks to all, and Happy New Year!

*Fran Carter (Rosie, AL)
 Your Executive Director*

New Pratt & Whitney Book

During the war, thousands of Rosies worked at the Pratt & Whitney Aircraft Factory in Kansas City, MO, where Wasp airplane engines were built. As a matter of fact, the company has a rich history that has included valuable women employees for decades.



This fall, they released a new book called *Powering the Eagle...Over 90 Years and Counting: Pratt & Whitney's Inspirational Women*, and several of our ARRA Rosies are featured in it! On the Acknowledgements page, the editors expressed appreciation to ARRA's Treasurer, Rosebud

Jody Valet, for her help in working through our organization to locate and interview Rosies who worked at Pratt & Whitney. Thanks to all for this valuable resource!

Honor a Deceased Rosie

Many deceased Rosies are enrolled as ARRA members by their families. It may sound strange, but actually, it is a wonderful way to honor your Rosie's legacy. It enters her name and place of work into our database, as a record of her service, and you receive a lovely keepsake certificate. It also enables us to connect Rosebud and Rivet members with their Rosies. The one-time membership for a Rosie is only \$10.00.

If you haven't joined for all the Rosies in your family tree, please consider doing so now. You may use the application form on page 7, or join online at www.rosietheriveter.net.

It's a New World Record!

You may not know that there is a Guinness World Record for the "Largest Gathering of People Dressed as a Rosie the Riveter," but quite a rivalry has sprung up around it!

The original record of 786 was set by a group at the Yankee Air Museum near Ypsilanti, MI in 2014. Then, in 2015, that record was topped by a group at the Rosie the Riveter/WW II Home Front National Historical Park in Richmond, CA. By August, 2016, after the MI group won it back . . . and then the CA group won it back again . . . the record stood at 2,229.

On August 12, 2017, the Rosie National Park in CA held their third annual Rosie Rally. The hundreds and hundreds of attendees had a fabulous time honoring Rosies, though they didn't quite break their own record.

Then on October 14, 2017, the MI group and participants from many states gathered in the Eastern Michigan University Convocation Center basketball court in Ypsilanti to give it a try. Whole families participated, with lots of kids, even babies. The result was a whopping **3,755** and a new record!

Congratulations to both groups!



Scenes from MI: Top left: ARRA Rosebuds **Angie Timan (IN)** and **Jeannette Gutierrez (MI)**. Top right: **Rosie Iva Davies** was one of about 50 original Rosies who participated. Bottom: New world record—3,755!

Spreading the Word in Georgia

Rosebud **Jonnie Clasen** (left), Georgia's State Director and President of the Columbus, GA/Phenix City, AL Chapter,



enjoys helping people understand the Rosie legacy by setting up Rosie displays at various living history events in GA. From June to October, 2017, she made a presentation or had a display at seven events. Rosebud and professional storyteller **Carol Cain**



(right) has also been busy setting up displays and giving her Rosie presentation. Way to spread the Rosie legacy, ladies!

2017 Ring a Bell for Rosie

On Labor Day, September 4, 2017, groups and individuals across the country honored and thanked Rosie the Riveter by ringing bells of all descriptions in the second annual Ring a Bell for Rosie celebration. This emphasis is sponsored by Thanks Plain and Simple, a non-profit organization in West Virginia that honors Rosies and is one of ARRA's partner groups.

Rosie enthusiasts gathered in many locations for programs and bell ringing, and individuals rang bells, too. Wherever they were, at 1:00 p.m. Eastern time, all rang their bells to honor Rosies and the freedoms we hold dear. Here are some ARRA members who sent their pictures to us. Also see the Thanks! website at thanksplainandsimple.org/labor-day.php.



Left to right, top row: (1) Rosie Sarah Shepherd and daughter, Rosebud Kay Fleming, rang their bells in Grove, OK. Note the photo of Sarah's great-granddaughter, Collins, in Rosie attire. (2) The Laurel, MD Chapter met for lunch at a local restaurant, then rang their bells as everyone applauded. (3) The Boston, MA Chapter met at the Church of Presidents in Quincy, where Presidents John Adams and John Quincy Adams are interred. (4) Angie Timan rang her bell in IN. Bottom row: (5) The Stratford, CT (Corsair) Chapter gave out bell keychain reminders, so many could participate. (6) The McKenzie, OR Chapter met at Cottage Grove United Methodist Church. (7) Maria Edwards and Becky Russell rang their bells in Bedford, IN.

THE ROSIE BOOK SHOPPE Order Form

(Add to Rosie Shoppe Order Form on page 5.)

Check out these books by our amazing Rosies—and note the special pricing for sets, and for school & public libraries! Prices include shipping.



| Quantity | Item | Amount | Total |
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| | Book: 103 Rosie the Riveter Stories | \$17.00 | |
| | Book: 104 More Rosie the Riveter Stories | \$17.00 | |
| | Cookbook: 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 | |
| | Book: Rosie the Riveter Stories: How They Did It! | \$17.00 | |
| | Picture Book: R is for Rosie the Riveter (hardback) | \$20.00 | |
| | Picture Book: R is for Rosie the Riveter (paperback) | \$15.00 | |
| | Set of 6 books (1 each: 103, 104 More, Romances, Legacy, How They Did It, Cookbook) | \$98.00 | |
| | Set of 5 story books (1 each: 103, 104 More, Romances, Legacy, & How They Did It) | \$80.00 | |
| | Any 1 story book shipped directly to a library | \$12.00 | |
| | - Circle which book: 103 104 More Romances Legacy How They Did It Celebration Cookbook shipped directly to a library | \$15.00 | |
| | Hardback R is for Rosie sent directly to a library, or several to one ARRA Chapter | \$18.00 ea | |
| | Paperback R is for Rosie sent directly to a library, or several to one ARRA Chapter | \$13.00 ea | |

Address of library (obtain librarian's permission first, to ensure that book is kept) or ARRA Chapter:

Sub-total page 4: _____
(Complete order form on page 5)



THE ROSIE SHOPPE Order Form



You won't believe all the new products we've added!

*Rosie items
make great
holiday gifts!*

View these products at www.rosietheriveter.net/rosie-shoppe. Prices include shipping!

| <u>Quantity</u> | <u>Item (circle size or type where applicable)</u> | <u>Amount</u> | <u>Total</u> |
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| | 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" | \$20.00 | |
| | Uncle Sam Tote Bag, sturdy cotton - "Uncle Sam—I Want You" | \$12.00 | |
| | Rosie T-Shirt Classic—white shirt <i>with classic</i> "We Can Do It" front Size: S M L XL | \$20.00 | |
| | <i>*NEW!*</i> Rosie T-Shirt Navy—navy heather shirt w/ <i>white</i> "We Can Do It" S M L XL | \$17.00 | |
| | <i>*NEW!*</i> Rosie T-Shirt Red—red heather shirt w/ <i>white</i> "We Can Do It" S M L XL | \$17.00 | |
| | 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 Hair Bow, red w/ white polka dots, 4" grosgrain ribbon, lined alligator clip | \$7.00 | |
| | <i>*NEW!*</i> Rosie Headband (Adult), red w/ white polka dots, soft stretchy cotton | \$7.00 | |
| | <i>*NEW!*</i> Rosie Headband (Child, age 0-5), red w/ white polka dots, soft stretchy cotton | \$6.00 | |
| | Rosie Socks (size 9-11, women's shoe size 6-10) Circle: Yellow or Black | \$10.00 | |
| | <i>*NEW!*</i> Rosie Nightlight, 4" x 3" Tuftop tempered glass | \$18.00 | |
| | Rosie Counted Cross Stitch Book Mark Kit, makes bookmark 3¼" x 11" | \$8.00 | |
| | <i>R is for Rosie</i> Book Cover Counted Cross Stitch Kit, frame not included, 3" x 6" | \$15.00 | |
| | Rosie Book Mark with gold plate charm, 2¼" x 6½" | \$7.00 | |
| | Rosie Key Chain Circle size: Large -3" x 1¼" OR Small -1¾" x 1 3/8" | \$6.50 | |
| | <i>*NEW DESIGN!*</i> Rosie Metal Snack Box, 7¾" x 6¾" | \$25.00 | |
| | <i>*NEW!*</i> Rosie Cutting Board, 11½" x 15½" Tuftop tempered glass | \$37.00 | |
| | <i>*NEW!*</i> Rosie Trivet, 6" x 6" Tuftop tempered glass | \$15.00 | |
| | <i>*NEW!*</i> Rosie Coasters, 4" x 4" Tuftop tempered glass, set of 4 | \$24.00 | |
| | Rosie Tin Sign, 16" x 12" | \$25.00 | |
| | Rosie Refrigerator Magnet, 2¼" x 3¼" | \$6.00 | |
| | <i>*NEW!*</i> Rosie Chunky Wooden Cutout Refrigerator Magnet, 4" x 3½" | \$8.00 | |
| | Uncle Sam Refrigerator Magnet - Uncle Sam design | \$4.00 | |
| | <i>*NEW!*</i> Rosie Ceramic Ornament | \$13.00 | |
| | <i>*NEW!*</i> Rosie Pewter Ornament | \$17.00 | |
| | Rosie Stamp Pin, 1⅝" x 1⅜" | \$5.00 | |
| | Rosie Button, 3" diameter, metal | \$3.00 | |
| | Rosie I. D. "Dog Tag" | \$8.00 | |
| | <i>*NEW!*</i> Rosie the Riveter Puzzle, 1,000 pieces, finished size 27" x 20" | \$25.00 | |
| | Rosie Bronze Grave Medallion, 2" diameter, includes priority mail shipping | \$65.00 | |
| | <i>*NEW!*</i> Rosie Sun Catcher, 4" diameter, Tuftop tempered glass, includes suction cup | \$15.00 | |

(To order books by our amazing Rosies, see page 4! One combined check can be written for orders on pages 4 and 5.

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

Enclose check or money order made payable to ARRA. **Prices include shipping!**

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

Name _____ Telephone (____) _____

Address _____

E-mail _____

ARRA Student Grants

One of our most exciting missions in ARRA is to help the next generations discover the Rosie legacy. So we are proud of **Rachel Caulfield**, a high school Rosebud from Stratford, CT, who was the winner of our 2017 Student Grant. Rachel's grant report states that she first made a PowerPoint presentation about her Rosie great-grandmother's work at Chance Vought Aircraft, and presented it to a children's group. Then she and two high school friends dressed as Rosies and performed a 2-hour riveting demonstration at the Captain's Cove Seaport in Bridgeport, CT. The CT Air and Space Center loaned tools and an airplane door for the event, and trained the "Tribute Rosies" in riveting and bucking ahead of time. Rachel also talked with the crowd about her great-grandmother's work and women's recruitment posters during WW II. These high schoolers are all active in the newly-formed Stratford, CT (Corsair) Chapter of ARRA, which Rachel serves as President and her mother, Gretchen, serves as Secretary.



"A Riveting Experience"

Tell the high schoolers in your life that ARRA is now accepting applications from students in grades 9-12 for this year's \$100 Student Grants. Students must create and present *at least two times* a factual presentation about Rosies, which could include a family member. Presentations could be for school, a National History Day project, or other purposes. To request information and an application, contact Grant Chairman **Carol Cain** at carolcain007@gmail.com or **112 Sunny Point Circle, LaGrange, GA 30240**. Completed applications are **due March 1, 2018**.

A Busy Willow Run Chapter



In August 2017, our Willow Run (MI) Chapter participated in the Ypsilanti Heritage Festival. For the first time ever, WW II Rosies were on hand at a "Rosie Meet and Greet" in the riverside gazebo to greet the public, answer questions, and pose for pictures. For two hours, a steady stream of festival-goers approached to greet and chat with the Rosies. What a special afternoon!

And you can be sure the Willow Run Chapter was front and center in a big way for the Guinness World Record event in Michigan on October 14 (see page 3). Many from the Chapter were part of the group, including some WW II Rosies. The Rosies pictured below (front row, left to right) are **Barbara Medwedeff, Loriane Osborne, Jean Zaranko, Lillian Corcoran, Theresa Clegg, Almyra Roarke, and Cookie Garza**. Looking good, ladies!



Indiana Shares the Rosie Legacy

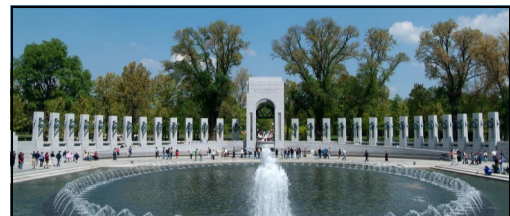


In September 2017, Rosebud **Angie Timan**, President of our newly formed Lawrence County, IN Chapter, presented a booth spotlighting Rosies and ARRA for two days at a Labor Day weekend event at the Indiana Military Museum in Vincennes. More than 2,000 people stopped by the Rosie booth to

learn about the Rosie legacy. She also encouraged people to Ring a Bell for Rosie on September 4, and many did. In October, Angie busily enlisted Hoosiers and others to participate in the Guinness World Record event in Michigan (see page 3), but still found time to present a Rosie program for the Ladies of the Round Table in Bedford, IN. Check out our Indiana Chapter's Facebook page at [facebook.com/www.IndianaRosies](https://www.facebook.com/www.IndianaRosies).



WW II Memorial Registry



Did you know that Rosies are listed along with veterans at the World War II Memorial's Registry in Washington, D. C.? If you (or your Rosie or your veteran) isn't yet listed there, you can fill out a simple form to record your work.

There are two ways to register. You can fill in your information online. Go to www.wwiimemorial.com/Registry and click on "Register An Honoree." Or you can fill in a paper form, but you will need to print it out online at www.wwiimemorial.com/Registry/3804RegistryForm.pdf.

There is no charge to list someone's name and record of service, but if you would like to include a photo, there is a \$10 fee. Also, when you register, you may purchase a Registry Certificate, suitable for framing, for a \$5 processing fee.

AMERICAN ROSIE THE RIVETER ASSOCIATION Application for Membership

Reproduce a form for each applicant. Forms may also be downloaded from the website, www.rosietheriveter.net.

Membership type (check one):

Rosie: Working woman of World War II (includes volunteer worker)

Rosebud: Female descendant of a Rosie

Rivet: Male descendant of a Rosie, or spouse of a Rosie or Rosebud

21st Century Rosie: Currently doing "man's work" or retired from such work

***Rosebud Friend** _____ or **Rivet Friend** _____: No ancestral requirement, but by marking this blank, Friend pledges to promote the purpose of the American Rosie the Riveter Association (see Purpose, below)

PLEASE PRINT IN CAPITAL LETTERS

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

Name: _____
First Middle or Maiden Last

Address: _____
Street, RFD, or Box Apt. No.
City State Zip code

Telephone: (_____) _____ E-mail: _____

May we send your Newsletter via e-mail? (yes _____; no _____)

Type of work done by Rosie. If applicant is a Rosebud or Rivet, give type of work done by your Rosie; if applicant is a 21st Century Rosie, give work in which you are currently engaged or from which you retired:

Approximate dates of work _____

Name of company or companies _____

Location of company or companies _____

Rosebuds: Give name and relationship of your Rosie _____

Rivets: Give name and relationship of your Rosie or Rosebud _____

Is your Rosie living? _____ Is (was) your Rosie a member of ARRA? (yes _____; no _____; joining now _____)

Rosie's date of birth (month, day, year) _____ (We send birthday cards to members age 90 and over).

**Enclose application with check payable to ARRA, and mail to:
Stephanie Davis, 8336 Valley Oaks Drive, North Richland Hills, TX 76182.**

| Lifetime membership fees (no annual dues currently) | | | |
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| Rosies | \$10.00 | 21 st Century Rosies (Auxiliary) | \$50.00 |
| Rosebuds | \$20.00 | Rosebud Friends (Auxiliary) | \$30.00 |
| Rosies outside U.S. | \$20.00 | Rivet Friends (Auxiliary) | \$30.00 |
| Rosebuds outside U.S. | \$30.00 | Rivets (Auxiliary) | No fee |

*** Purpose of the American Rosie the Riveter Association (ARRA):** To recognize and preserve the history and legacy of working women, including volunteer women, during World War II; to promote cooperation and fellowship among such members and their descendants; and to further the advancement of patriotic ideals, excellence in the workplace, and loyalty to the United States of America.

For more information about ARRA, call 1-888-557-6743
 or email americanrosietheriveter2@yahoo.com
 or visit ARRA's Web site, www.rosietheriveter.net

*"One thing life has taught me: if you are interested, you never have to look for new interests.
They come to you." - Eleanor Roosevelt*



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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

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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, let us know, then send one to a friend, especially a prospective member!

Invitations to Rosie Events

May 26, 2018

The Norman Rockwell Museum in Stockbridge, MA is hosting an event to celebrate the 75th anniversary of the celebrated artist's painting of Rosie the Riveter. Everyone is welcome, but the museum has extended a special invitation for all Rosies and their families to be part of this exciting day of festivities that will include a ballet, a presentation by ARRA member **Bertha Glavin** (Rosie, MA), and more. For more information, contact **Tom Daly**, the museum's Curator of Education, at (413) 931-2252 or by email at tdaly@nrm.org. Tom is excited about this event, and wants to hear that you are in the area and can participate!



Bertha Glavin with Tom Daly and Rockwell's Rosie

July 14-15, 2018

Oatlands Historic Mansion and Gardens near Leesburg, VA, a property of the National Trust for Historic Preservation, is hosting its third annual WW I and WW II Commemoration, titled "From Front Lines to the Home Front." The two-day event features living history military groups, vintage vehicles, presentations by historians and authors, participation by veterans and museums, entertainment, and more. Everyone is welcome, especially Rosies, and organizers would like to hear from Rosies who would be willing to share their experiences. For more information, contact **Doug Ahlert**, Oatlands Education & Programming, (703) 787-7437, or email ahlertdoug@hotmail.com. Doug would love to know that you can come!



Out and About in Connecticut

In September, 2017, one of our newest Chapters, the Stratford, CT (Corsair) Chapter, presented a display booth promoting Rosies and ARRA at the Corsair Restoration Benefit Car Show, which was sponsored by the Connecticut Air and Space Center (CASC). At this event, they were able to connect with several Rosies and their family members and make arrangements to conduct interviews to preserve their Rosie stories. In October, they presented about Rosies to the Milford Kiwanis Club, and also participated in the 2017 Connecticut Massing of the Colors in New Canaan.



The Chapter has three very active high schoolers who dress as "Tribute Rosies" for events, and they were thrilled when the CASC embroidered the girls' overalls with the vintage WW II-era Chance Vought Aircraft logo. Find our new Connecticut Chapter at [facebook.com/ConnecticutRosies](https://www.facebook.com/ConnecticutRosies), or email: CTstratfordchapterARRA@gmail.com.

