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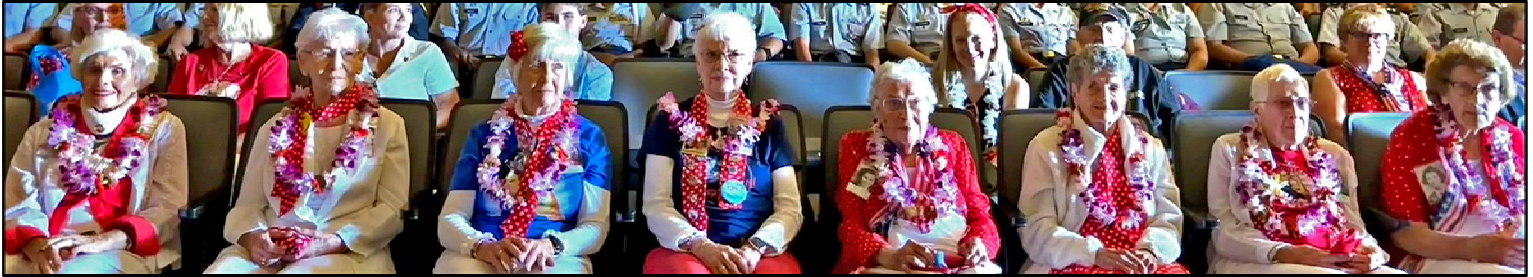
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Rosies Attend Pearl Harbor Remembrances in Honolulu



Rosies who attended events for the 82nd Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day (left to right): Cille MacDonald (HI); Clarice Lafreniere (OR); Caroline Kilgore (AZ); Dolores Leonard (AZ); Jeanne Gibson (CA); Delphine Klaput (MI); Virginia Basler (MI); Marian Wynn (CA)

During the week of December 7, eight original Rosies participated in remembrance events surrounding Pearl Harbor commemorations. They were joined by the



Yankee Air Museum's Rosie the Riveter Drill Team (left, top), who traveled from Michigan, and eight Tribute Rosies from Portland, Oregon's IBEW Local 48 (left, bottom).



The eight Rosies (pictured above) were **Lucille "Cille" MacDonald** (HI), who worked as a journeyman welder building ships; **Clarice Lafreniere** (OR), who worked as a welder and burner in a shipyard;

Caroline Kilgore (AZ), who worked as a bucker and riveter on C-47 Skytrain wings; **Dolores Leonard** (AZ), who gathered milkweed pods to be used in the making of life preservers; **Jeanne Gibson** (CA), who worked as a welder on Navy Destroyers; **Delphine Klaput** (MI), who worked in the tool crib and as a Classified Documents Clerk at an aircraft company; **Virginia Basler** (MI), who riveted B-24 Liberator bombers before she joined the SPAR Coast Guard Reserve; and **Marian Wynn** (CA), who was a pipe welder on Liberty Ships.

ARRA's Vice President for Membership, Rosebud **Jan Davis**, who lives in Hawaii, coordinated a full week of activities, beginning with the Pearl Harbor Aviation Museum's Gala on December 2, followed

by a poster-signing event at the Arizona Memorial Welcome Center. Approximately 450 Rosie fans were limited to asking for one Rosie signature per poster, or the Rosies would have been there for days! Rosie Cille, who is from Maui, invited the whole crew to Cheeseburgers in Paradise, where everyone enjoyed a meal and had a wonderful time visiting.

On December 7, everyone was up extra early for the 82nd Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day commemoration ceremony at 7:00 a.m. **Captain Ray Hower**, a Marine fighter pilot who is also the great-nephew of veteran **Lou Conter**, the last living survivor of the *USS Arizona*, gave a very moving speech expressing how important it is for future generations to understand that the "Legacy of Hope" (the theme of the event) was born out of the Greatest Generation. "As descendants of that generation," he said, "we bear a responsibility to honor it, respect it, and build upon it." After the service, a large group of JROTC students met with the Rosies. Then the Navy took the group to view the *USS Arizona* Memorial in the harbor—always a moving experience.



Rosies Virginia, Jeanne, Marian, Dolores, Delphine, and Cille

That afternoon the group participated in the Pearl Harbor Memorial Parade down Kalakaua Avenue. It was the largest parade in the event's history. The Rosies waved to their fans from a Waikiki Trolley and had so much fun! The parade audience brought the Rosies to their feet with their excited and enthusiastic cheers!



Rosies Cille and Delphine in the parade



Rosies Clarice and Caroline with Governor Josh Green

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From Our President



To Rosies, Rosebuds, Rivets, and Friends--Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

I had the wonderful opportunity to join eight of our Rosies in Honolulu for the December 7 Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day ceremony (see page 1). It was very humbling to be in the place of the tragic and heroic events that happened on that date in 1941 that "will live in infamy." During the ceremony, the WWII veterans and Rosies who were present were honored by name.

Later that day, I walked alongside the Rosies as they were celebrated like rock stars in the parade. It was so incredible to watch the parade-goers cheer for our Rosies, while the Rosies waved to their fans. I thoroughly enjoy being with the Rosies and getting to know them better.

I am looking forward to seeing all of you at the upcoming ARRA Convention in Nashville, TN, June 13-16, 2024. We are currently in the planning phase to ensure a great Convention. Check out the details on this page and in our next issue, and watch for info on our website at rosietheriveter.net.

Laura Wright (Rosebud 2, OK)
ARRA National President

Welcome, New Chapter!



We are pleased to announce that a new ARRA Chapter has been awarded their charter! Congratulations!

The Kent County, Michigan Chapter

Pictured (left to right):
Melissa Combs, Vice President
Mindy Thomas, President
Melissa Bauder, Treasurer
Skye Schader, Secretary

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It will be an exciting time of fun, fellowship, and honoring our Rosies. So put this date on your calendar and watch for more information, coming soon!



Student Grant Deadline

Have you let the students in your life know about ARRA's Student Grants? It's an exciting and fun way for students in middle school and high school to share the Rosie legacy, and maybe even receive prize money for a school assignment!



To qualify for one of our \$100 grants, a student in grades 6-12 must prepare and present at least *twice* an original, factual presentation about Rosies, such as for a school assignment, a National History Day project, a civic or senior group, or other gathering. The presentation could be about a specific Rosie, such as a family member, or about Rosies in general. Creative methods (*original* slide shows or videos, displays, skits, etc.) should be used.



Both girls and boys are eligible to enter.

The deadline to submit this year's applications is **March 1, 2024**, so request an application today! Contact Student Grants Chairman, Rosebud **Carol Cain**, 112 Sunny Point Circle, LaGrange, GA 30240, email carolcain007@gmail.com.



Let Us Know Your Plans!

If you have a broad-reaching event coming up that you would like to publicize through our website or social media, let us know! How about your plans for National Rosie the Riveter Day on March 21? Maybe a Chapter event, or an activity to honor a Rosie? Give it plenty of lead time, so the word can get out well, and send your announcements of upcoming events to President **Laura Wright** at presidentarra@rosietheriveter.net.

Busy Days in Oregon



On August 11, our McKenzie (OR) Chapter dedicated a beautiful new plaque at their Rosie the Riveter Rose Garden in Willamalane's Veterans Memorial Park in Springfield. Rosies present for the special ceremony were (left to right) **Florence Rexroad**, who worked

as a riveter in OR; **Dorothy Key**, who was a machinist in CA; **Gazena Dolphin**, who was a hemp comber for rope for the Navy in IA, and **Dolly Marshall**, who served as a plane spotter in NJ.

The Chapter was in the Albany Veterans Day Parade, with a special lunch afterwards for veterans and Rosies. Pictured is Rosie **Nita Eggers** with ARRA Past President **Dr. Yvonne Fasold**, ready to roll in a sporty 1930 Ford. Nita was a welder in the Portland Shipyards, then a riveter at Boeing in Seattle. Chapter members gave presentations for the Philanthropic Educational Organization and two senior centers, and had newspaper interviews at a local high school. They were honored at an all-school assembly, a lunch with veterans, and dinner with the Elks Club. At left, Dolly and Yvonne are presenting a Rosie scarf to a new Rosie friend, **Doreen Kilen**, whom they met recently while speaking at a senior residence. Doreen worked at Kaiser Shipyard in Portland. The Chapter was saddened to lose three dear Rosies this fall who were active participants in the ARRA Convention in Portland last June, but they remember their lives with joy. Our best to you all!



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Rosies Highlighted in Video

A remarkable new documentary video called *Home Front Heroines: A Great American Story* features interviews with four Rosies who attended ARRA's national convention in Portland (OR) in June 2023.

Featured (top to bottom) are Rosies **Clarice Lafreniere** (OR), who worked as a welder at Kaiser Shipyard; **Romaine Smith** (OR), who worked at Brewster Aircraft installing radio boxes and tubing for electrical wiring, then as a spot welder on large cargo planes; **Nita Eggers** (OR), who worked as a welder in the Portland Shipyards and a riveter at Boeing; and **Louise Unkrich** (IA), who worked as a riveter at the Martin Bomber Plant in Omaha.

ARRA's Past National President, **Dr. Yvonne Fasold** (OR) presents the video's introduction. Historian **Sig Unander** follows with a presentation about Rosies and their place in history, which is followed by interviews with the four Rosies. See it all and enjoy it for yourself at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=l4jjmFPEVGk>.



Rosies at Pearl Harbor (continued from page 1)

Some of the Drill Team members and Tribute Rosies who attended shared their thoughts about the experiences:

"The best part for me is just being around the Rosies."

"It's such an incredibly unique feeling to look up to and admire these women and then to have them so enthusiastically supporting us back. It's just out of this world."

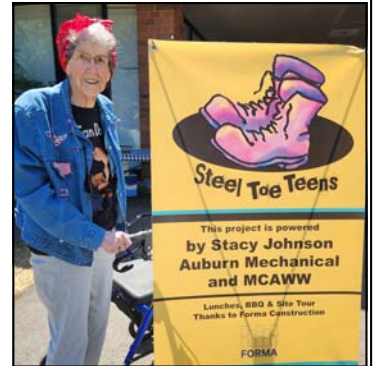
"I left Hawaii forever grateful for being part of a once-in-a-lifetime experience. They are a huge reason of why I get to be an electrician as a woman today. I built connections and began relationships that will last a lifetime."

Planning has already begun for next year's events, and we hope to have even more Rosies and Rosie enthusiasts participating. So stay tuned for updates and think about joining us next December! *Aloha and Mahalo!*



Teaching the Next Generation in Washington

In July 2023, Rosie **Doris Bier** (WA) was part of a unique event for middle-school girls, the first ever Steel Toe Teens Summer Camp sponsored by Washington Women in Trades. **Robin Murphy** of WWIT gave a brief introduction explaining who Rosie the Riveter was, then introduced Doris, who was a giant highlight as she gave a presentation about her work as a mechanic at Fort Lewis in Washington, where she assembled Jeep axles.



Throughout the day, Journey-level instructors taught hands-on sessions about sheet metal, electricity, carpentry, pipe trades, and masonry, and each camper created a take-home project from each trade. For more on this extraordinary day, check out <https://wawomenintrades.com/steel-toe-teens>.



Doris also signed vintage Rosie the Riveter calendars from 2014, the year she was featured in this series of calendars that was produced by WWIT.

What a great idea for passing the Rosie legacy to the next generations!



Photos by Julie McDonald Zander

Willow Run Chapter Doings

Our Willow Run (MI) Chapter has been busy! Again this year, they participated in the Rosie the Riveter Craft Show in Ypsilanti, as Rosies and other Chapter members greeted the public. Pictured at the craft fair (right) is Rosie **Gladys Trimper**, who knitted afghan squares for the troops as a child during the war. Gladys is with her daughter, Rosebud **Rosemary Meyer** (on right) and Chapter President **Jeannette Gutierrez**.



In addition, four Rosies and two WWII veterans from the Chapter attended the WWII Memorial Dedication in Royal Oak (MI). Chapter Rosebuds enjoyed a Rosebud Ramble for tea and shopping in Tecumseh, and paid an Honor Visit to Rosie **Stella Bochenek** for her 100th birthday. Stella worked at Cadillac making tank parts and at Hudson Motor Company making aircraft parts.

The Chapter also helped Rosie **Clara Doutly** (left) celebrate her 102nd birthday. Clara, pictured with Chapter members **Katie Moylan** and **Rose Davis**, worked as a riveter on B-29's at Briggs. And the Chapter helped Rosie **Delphine Klaput** celebrate her 99th birthday. Delphine worked as a Classified Documents Clerk at Glenn L. Martin.

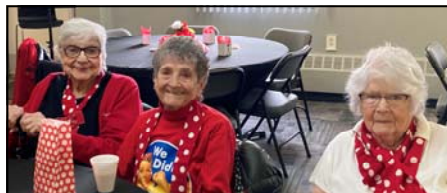


Labor Day found the Chapter dedicating a new Rosie Rose Garden in

Garden City, and celebrating with a fabulous outdoor luncheon. At right are Rosie **Emma Timmerman**, who worked in the Mail Room of Stinson Aircraft during the war, pictured with her husband, **Henry**, and WWII veteran **Cliff Alvira**.



The Chapter continued to have their regular Chapter gatherings. Pictured at one of those fun gatherings are Rosie **Virginia Rusch**, who soldered nose cones at Republic Aircraft during the war, Rosie **Delphine**, and Rosie **Joan Finlay**, who tallied ration stamps in her father's grocery store and did the paperwork.



Jeannette, along with Rosebud **Debbie Elson**, gave Rosie presentations to several groups. And Rosies rode in a Cadillac convertible in the Garden City Santaland Parade, accompanied by members carrying Rosie Honor banners, flags, and giant roses. Rosebud **Deb Lines** and her Michigan Pageant Queen friends made a special appearance to thank Rosies. Way to go, everyone!



Rosie Memorial Rose Gardens

Have you heard people talking about Rosie Rose Gardens, but wondered what they are all about?

Several years ago, a rose grower in California developed a brand new rose and named it the Rosie the Riveter Rose. It is a beautiful orange-gold floribunda, suffused with pink.



Soon, in coordination with one of our partner organizations called The Spirit of '45, ARRA members across the country began to work with WWII-related museums, airports, city parks, and other places to plant Rosie Rose Gardens. With their accompanying informational plaques and meaningful dedication ceremonies, these beautiful gardens help to raise awareness about Rosies.



Rosie Rose planted in honor of Angie Morthland's Rosie in MI

Would you like to plant a Rosie Rose Garden? For ideas, contact Rosebud **Dr. Yvonne Fasold** (OR), fasold@uoregon.edu.

On the Go in Cheboygan/ Emmett Counties, MI

Chapter President **Linda Rogers** and Vice President **Angie Morthland** of our Cheboygan/Emmett Counties (MI) Chapter are always on the lookout for educational and promotional opportunities that honor our WWII Rosies. Here's what they have been up to recently.

They maintain several Rosie Rose Gardens and received



the Keep Michigan Beautiful Award for their efforts to visually and verbally keep the spirit of Rosie the Riveter alive in northern Michigan. Recent speaking engagements included venues such as the North Central Michigan College lecture series, the Friendship Center in Petoskey, the Howard City Library, and the Golden Kiwanis Club of Southwest Grand



Rapids. They also read a story to children on the Children's Trail of Cheboygan during Halloween (top left), and co-hosted the end event for the Old U.S.-27 Motor Tour that ended in Cheboygan (left).

Continuing their ongoing partnership with the Icebreaker Mackinaw Maritime Museum, they participated in Ring a Bell for Rosie there and were volunteers for the annual Mackinac Bridge Walk on Labor Day. They are guest speakers on the Icebreaker every other Sunday. At Christmas time, they co-hosted a send-off event



for volunteers who helped load 1,200 Christmas trees onto the Coast Guard Cutter *Mackinaw*, bound for families in Chicago, and decorated a tree for the museum entrance in Mackinaw City.

Keep spreading that Rosie legacy!

Sharing the Story in Atlanta

In August, our Atlanta Area (GA) Chapter was invited to participate in a Veterans Benefit Fair sponsored by United Military Care. Rosie Earline Gaither, along with Rosebuds Judy Gaither and Jean Ousley, manned a table that was set up at the entrance of the Cobb Civic Center. Earline, whose Rosie job was oiling the guns on B-24 bombers, is pictured at left (top) with a Rosie fan who just wanted his picture taken with her!



The response was amazing, as they shared the Rosie story with many visitors. Many thanks to the event organizers, pictured at left with Earline. What a great way to jump in and share!



News from Our Rome Rosies

Our Rome (GA) Chapter met together on December 7 at the Brookdale Senior Living facility. They invited all residents of the senior community to view a documentary about Pearl Harbor on the 82nd anniversary of its bombing. About 25 people from the senior community were on hand for the viewing and refreshments. After the video, members from the Chapter met for a brief business meeting.



Pictured left are three Rosies who were in attendance: Barbara Esler, who lived in Detroit (MI) during the war and collected critical materials to turn in at her elementary school, which was a collection center; Bettianne Harris, who rolled bandages for the Red Cross in LaGrange (GA) as a project with her Girl Scout troop; and Montine Bartlett, who joined the Canteen Corps in Ocala (FL), which was set up by the Red Cross to distribute coffee, sandwiches, cookies, doughnuts, and pies to members of the armed services.

Pictured at right are the Chapter's Secretary, Rosebud Brenda Radke (left) chatting with new Chapter President, Rosebud Jennifer Kearns.



Way to commemorate this important day! And what a great idea to meet at a senior living facility and invite others!

More News From Michigan

On Veterans Day, the Yankee Air Museum in Belleville, MI officially opened its Rosie the Riveter Exhibit, and lots of people helped to celebrate! Seated at left are Rosies Virginia Rusch, whose job during the war was to solder nose cones at Republic Aircraft, Delphine Klaput, who worked in the tool crib and as a Classified Documents Clerk at Glenn L. Martin, and Frances Masters, who was a riveter at Willow Run. Standing are Congresswoman Debbie Dingell, and ARRA's VP for Expansion, Rosebud Bette Kenward.



Bette was also on hand to be a greeter for a veterans dinner in November, and was able to place a display there that honors Rosies (left).



In November, a group of Honor Rosies from the Eastern Michigan area marched in America's Thanksgiving Parade in downtown Detroit, carrying banners that honor many Rosies. Each banner bears a 1940's photo of a Rosie, along with her Rosie job, and where she worked. Beautiful tributes, all!

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Want to Honor Your Rosie?

You may know that there is no general list kept anywhere of all the Rosies who worked during WWII, like the military keeps for veterans. That's why we try to find as many Rosies as possible through word of mouth and add them to ARRA's database!



But did you know that you also can add your family Rosie to ARRA's Rosie the Riveter Honor Roll? It is a beautiful board hosted at the Yankee Air Museum in Belleville, MI and managed by ARRA's Willow Run (MI) Chapter.

This beautiful commemorative wall display honors each registered Rosie (living or deceased) with a personalized brass plaque showing her name, Rosie workplace, and job description. Adding a plaque costs only \$35. For more information and to receive an application form, email michiganrosies@gmail.com.

A separate place to record your Rosie's service is at the World War II Memorial Registry in Washington, D. C. When you create an online account at <https://wwiiregistry.abmc.gov/register-an-honoree/>, you can provide information and a photo about WWII veterans and Rosies (living or deceased). The Registry can also be searched to find information.

Many Ways to Join ARRA

Did you know that ARRA membership is for Rosies (who either worked for pay or were volunteers), as well as their descendants and other people who are Rosie enthusiasts? ARRA has a membership category for everyone!



ARRA's Founder, Rosie Dr. Fran Carter, passed away in 2021, but she made sure all her generations were members of ARRA. Here she is in 2013 with three generations of Rosebuds — daughter, granddaughter, and a brand new great-granddaughter who was already an ARRA member!

And did you also know that you can register Rosies in your family who are deceased? The family receives a certificate honoring their Rosie's service, and the Rosie is registered in our database.

And did you also know that you can join ARRA for all the members of your family who are descendants of Rosies, even children? So look upward in your family tree to find all your Rosies, then look down each branch to join ARRA for all the descendants of each Rosie.

But perhaps you have no way to find a genealogical connection to a Rosie in your family tree. Can you still join? Of course! ARRA's Friend of Rosies category is right for you!

See rosietheriveter.net/membership/ or contact ARRA's VP for Membership, **Jan Davis**, membershiparra@rosietheriveter.net.

Chapters Everywhere!

Rosie enthusiasts across the country are discovering an excellent way to focus and multiply their Rosie energy: They are starting ARRA Chapters!

Just look at Chapter news in each issue of *Rosie's Mail Call*, and you'll find ARRA Chapter members in places large and small, working together to find and honor Rosies. They are also partnering with other like-minded groups in their communities to help the public meet Rosies and understand the rich history of the Rosie legacy. You'll find



Rosies Doreen, Dolly, and Dorothy from ARRA's McKenzie, OR Chapter, accompanied by Rosebud Yvonne, being honored at a school assembly (see page 3)



ARRA's VP Bette presenting a Chapter charter to Mindy Thomas, President of ARRA's newest Chapter in Kent County, MI (see page 2)

ARRA Chapter members at schools, festivals, museums, senior centers, corporate events, and so much more!

If you are interested in turning your Rosie enthusiasm into a Chapter, you'll need four officers and a plan of projected activities/meetings. Sample bylaws are available for you.

For more info, contact ARRA's VP for Expansion, **Bette Kenward**, at expansionarra@rosietheriveter.net.

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	Set of 6 story books (1 each: 103, 104 <i>More</i> , <i>Romances</i> , <i>Legacy</i> , <i>How Did It</i> , <i>Stepping Up</i>)	\$96.00	
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Make plans now, and watch for more details!

Florida Rosie Honored

On August 7, Rosie **Rosa Nell Hammer**, who was age 103 at the time, was honored by her community of Miami Lakes, FL with ceremonies and a front-page article in *The Miami Laker* newspaper. Rosa Nell worked as a riveter in Ohio, building Navy Corsair fighter planes.



The festivities, which were sponsored by the Miami Lakes Veterans and Elderly Affairs Committees, began at Mary Collins Community Center, where several people spoke and shared about Rosa Nell's work during the war and her active life since the war, including continuing to sell real estate until age 100. Pictured (next column, top) are Rosa Nell and **Dottie Wix**, Chair of the Elderly Affairs Committee. Then the ceremony shifted to Veterans Park, where a live oak tree was



planted in Rosa Nell's honor, complete with a plaque bearing her name and a salute by a Young Marines Honor Guard.

On October 2, Rosa Nell was honored again with a fabulous 104th birthday party, organized



by **Alex Ruiz**, her longtime friend and former boss at the realty company where she worked. Some guests traveled long distances to be present, including Rosa Nell's son, **Harvey Hammer**, who came from Texas. Rosa Nell is pictured here with her friends Dottie, Alex (standing) and **Gary Snow**. The town is planning to co-name a portion of her street in her honor.

Congratulations, Rosa Nell!

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