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## FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

# TWO GOOD PROJECTS TO BUILD OUR PARK

The Trust is currently raising funds for two highly important projects: The first is a Challenge Grant goal of \$20,000 set by an anonymous donor who has offered to match all general purpose gifts up to \$10,000. The second project funds acquisition of a unique collection of more than 2,000 WWII Home Front artifacts that the Trust plans to donate to the Park for display in the Visitor Education Center.

The Home Front period of WWII was rich in social contradictions and innovations, inspiration and change. Its history can inspire us to new heights today. The artifacts collection will enable us to illustrate this history with items like ration cards and creative recipes for limited ingredients, factory identification badges, war-themed toys, Civil Defense and labor recruiting posters, and more. "Sneak previews" of this collection are already on display.

Raising Challenge Grant funds will magnify our ability to tell many compelling Home Front stories through a variety of public education programs that detail personal and historic stories from the Home Front.

Please see the box in this newsletter for details about how you can help achieve these crucial goals by making your year-end 2013 gift to one or both of these campaigns!

—Marsha Mather-Thrift



## HOME FRONT FESTIVAL 2013

Shutdown? No way! At Rosie, we were not daunted. The Home Front Festival was an enormous success, with more than 3,500 attending, children's games and activities, the YMCA Fun Run, and a wonderful variety of live music performers, among the events on Saturday, October 12th.

It took a lot to keep things rolling, but the Trust and volunteers who have supported the event and Park since the National Park Service originated the Festival, met the government shutdown with a "We Can Make It Happen!" response. Rosie the Riveter would have been proud!

Festivities began when former Rosies and Home Front workers, well into their 80's and 90's began to arrive to enjoy the Festival, along with families and the hundreds of children who formed the other primary focus of this year's intergenerational event. Home Front workers and Rosies overcame fears and more to take on essential war-time jobs ranging from aircraft and ship fabrication to resource conservation and medical support. More than twenty came to enjoy the day. Most brought families and friends to celebrate (including a 91st birthday party). They proudly took part in the annual photo, along with television interviews, receiving small gifts and large recognition.

With Superintendent Tom Leatherman absent due to the shutdown, Trust Executive Director Marsha Mather-Thrift read the statement he had crafted describing the astonishing Park contributions made by this year's Home Front Award winner, Rosemary Corbin. She also noted Rosemary's outstanding service on the Trust Board of Directors, and her new career as a Park docent. The lengthy government shutdown did put a large dent in gift store and other Trust revenues that support Park programs, but we made up some of the loss with lively Festival sales. There was no replacing the National Park Service staff, however, and they were badly missed!! \*

## CALL FOR ENTRIES -

# WWII HOME FRONT QUILTS CHALLENGE

Deadline For Submission January 15, 2014.

Do you quilt? Are you inspired by Home Front history? Up to 80 quilts will be chosen and a portion exhibited at a major Bay Area quilt event, *Voices in Cloth* on March 22 and 23rd at the Craneway Pavilion in the Ford Assembly Plant, in Richmond California.

This challenge theme was chosen to celebrate the Rosie the Riveter/WWII Home Front National Historical Park as a national site to honor the ordinary extraordinary people of the entire United States WWII home front. The challenge is focused on the period between 1941 and 1945. Quilts inspired by any aspect of civilian life across the U.S. during WWII can be submitted. The WWII Home Front Quilts Project is a collaboration of San Francisco Bay Area quilt enthusiasts, arts organizations, museums and historical associations and the Rosie the Riveter Trust and National Park Service staff and volunteers.

Go to <http://www.wwihomefrontquilts.com> or contact us at [2013challenge@wwihomefrontquilts.com](mailto:2013challenge@wwihomefrontquilts.com).

Quilts will be exhibited at other locations through 2014 to help spread the word about our Park!



## In Their Honor...

From: J.R. Lockhart-Lawson  
*In memory of Sarah McCarty, a genuine Riveter at Portland, OR*

From: Donald Ippolito  
*In memory of Ina F. Mauck 9/21/21 to 9/26/13. A Rosie the Riveter*

From: Ken Wright  
*In memory of Betty Wright, a Rosie, passed away 12/26/12*

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From: Mary Ellen Ariani  
*In honor of mother, Rose May Freeland*

From: Ron Sundergill  
*In honor of Mary Gamble*

## WE CAN DO IT!

Make your tax-deductible year-end gift(s) to one or both of these exciting campaigns now!

**CAMPAIGN #1: CHALLENGE GRANT 2013.** Your gift will help us Match a \$10,000 gift offered by an Anonymous Donor and reach our goal of raising \$20,000 to expand our public education efforts to people across the Bay Area and U.S., bringing many more visitors to the Park. We are more than halfway there!! Please help us reach our goal by December 31st, 2013.

**CAMPAIGN #2:** Your gift will support acquisition of a large and unique Home Front Artifacts collection -- the most significant museum collection of Home Front artifacts in the U.S. Make a gift now to ensure that the entire collection will reside at the Rosie the Riveter/WWII Home Front National Historical Park for researchers, and exhibits for the enjoyment of all.

Go online to [www.rosietheriveter.org](http://www.rosietheriveter.org) or mail your gift to Rosie the Riveter Trust, PO Box 71126, Richmond CA 94807-1126.

# MARITIME VICTORY GARDEN

Victory Gardens in the U.S. pre-dated Alice Waters' inspiring re-invigoration of locally sourced healthy eating. They are a proud tradition for the Rosie the Riveter/WWII Home Front National Historical Park and part of several important educational and health-promoting projects for youth and adults.



Rosie's Girls in the Victory Garden at the Maritime Child Development Center.

Several new Victory Gardens are now sprouting at Park sites in Richmond, including gardens planted near the Visitor Center by the new Ford Building restaurant, Assemble. But the best is the Grandpa Allen Learning Garden planted by a team at the Maritime Child Development Center site by and for the benefit of the Richmond College Prep School. A recent day long planting project to put in vegetables, native plants and more included school staff, board and families, Park Ranger Lucien Sonder and a group from the 2013 Rosie's Girls summer camp, middle school girls who came to volunteer to help the community.

A special thank you to Watershed Nursery in Richmond, specialists in California native plants, who donated to the bee and butterfly area that will adjoin vegetables, and grace this garden. ★

FROM THE PARK SUPERINTENDENT

Normally at this time I would be talking about what a great time I had at the Home Front Festival and thanking all of the partners for making it happen. This year I have to give an extra special thank you to everyone for making it happen without us. The government shutdown did not allow National Park Staff to participate this year, but the Trust, the Chamber of Commerce, the Craneway, the City of Richmond and all of the other partners proved that "We can do it...Today!" It is especially disappointing that I could not give Rosemary Corbin her Home Front Award in person, but I thank the Trust for stepping in and presenting it on behalf of the Park. Thank you all for your continued support of the Park and the Trust and I look forward to more great events and programs in 2014.



Rosemary Corbin receives the Home Front Award at the Home Front Festival.

-Tom Leatherman

## We Can Do It... Today!

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### National Park Visitor Center

Hours are EVERY DAY, 10:00 am to 5:00 pm  
(Closed Thanksgiving, December 25th, & New Years Day)  
1414 Harbor Way South, Ste. 3000 (Oil House)  
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### Maritime Child Development Center

1014 Florida Ave, Richmond, CA 94804

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# THE RIVETER

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## DAILY TOURS

Led by a ranger or docent at 2 PM at the Visitor Education Center.

### Tuesdays and Saturdays

Ranger Betty Soskin discusses her experience as a young African American woman during WWII.

### Thursdays

Docent Flora Ninomiya shows "Blossoms and Thorns", and shares her childhood experiences in a WWII internment camp.

### Sundays

Ranger Raphael Allen's program, "Women, Get a War Job!" explores the media campaign that called women to "do their part."

## SPECIAL TOURS & EVENTS

### Dogs for Defense

**Mondays: 12/2, 12/9, 12/16**  
(2 PM)

Learn about how thousands of American families not only lent a hand to the WWII war effort,

but lent four paws as well, by donating their family dogs to assist soldiers on the front lines and on the home front.

### Pearl Harbor Anniversary Event

**Saturday, December 7 (9:55 AM)**

On December 7, the Visitor Center will open at 9:00 AM to participate in the Pearl Harbor Commemoration Ceremony at the USS Arizona Memorial in Hawaii. The ceremony will be broadcast at our park, so you can experience it as if you were at the live event yourself!

Reservations required: please call 510-232-5050 x0.

### Holidays on the Home Front

**Saturday, December 7 (1 PM-4 PM)**

Enjoy free snacks, holiday stories, wintery arts and crafts and festive songs by members of the Contra Costa Chorale. Everyone is invited to bring two dozen homemade holiday cookies for a cookie swap. Fun for all ages! This program will take place at the Maritime Center: 1014 Florida Avenue, corner of Harbour Way.

### Rosie the Riveter Memorial

**Sunday, December 8 (11:30 AM)**

Meet a ranger at the Rosie the Riveter Memorial in Marina Bay Park for a 45-minute program exploring civilian contributions to the WWII American Home Front.

### Bus Tour

**Wednesdays: 12/11 and 12/18**  
(10 AM-12:30 PM)

On 12/11, ranger Raphael Allen and docent Pat Dornan co-lead a tour, "Richmond: The City That Won the Purple Heart," on a new route through Richmond and Point Richmond, exploring how WWII affected local life and work. Stops include Ferry Point, the old train station, Shipyard 3, and a visit to the Maritime Child Development Center.

Board the bus with ranger Betty Soskin to visit key Park sites on 12/18 while reflecting on African American home front experiences.

Space is limited on all bus tours: call 510-232-5050 x0 for reservations.

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**Rosie the Riveter Trust** is the nonprofit membership organization dedicated to building a community to preserve

Park historic sites and to honor the women and men of all backgrounds who labored on the Home Front, inspiring some of the most profound social changes in our history.

510-507-2276 [www.rosietheriveter.org](http://www.rosietheriveter.org)

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### The Rosie the Riveter/WWII Home

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WWII Home Front  
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available at the  
Visitor Center!



# winter events 2013