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Rosie the Riveter!

WWII
Home
Front
National
Historical
Park



The World War II Home Front is a significant chapter in America's history. Fully engaged in winning World War II, American women, minorities, and men worked toward a common goal in a manner that has been unequaled since. Women affectionately known as "Rosies" helped change industry and had sweeping and lasting impacts. Richmond, California played a significant and nationally recognized part in the World War II Home Front. The four Richmond shipyards, with their combined 27 shipways, produced 747 ships, more than any other shipyard complex in the country.

Richmond was home to 56 different war industries, more than any other city of its size in the United States. The city grew nearly overnight from 24,000 people to 100,000 people, overwhelming the available housing stock, roads, schools, businesses and community services.

The above is reprinted from the Rosie the Riveter / WWII Home Front National Park Website, <http://www.nps.gov/rori/index.htm>

FROM THE PRESIDENT

By Mid Dornan

A second historical plaque has been placed by the Point Richmond History Association on the site of the first religion in Richmond. A site between the present brick Methodist Church and Our Lady of Mercy Catholic church on West Richmond Avenue.

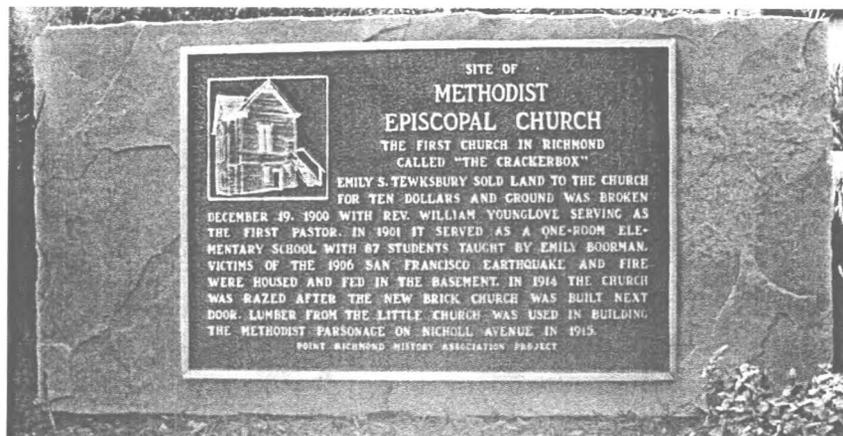
Placing this bronze marker required a lot of assistance and we are grateful to Martin McNair who graciously donated his time and truck to pick up the large Arizona Step Rock which was donated by American Soil & Stone Products in Richmond. It was a welcome volunteer, Blyth Nelson, who prepared the site for the rock, installed the plaque on the rock and with the assistance of Martin McNair, three valuable firemen, and Sy Siatos managed to set the heavy rock on the prepared base.

Of course, we are thankful to the Pride Fund Committee for the funds. A special dedication of the plaque was held on Sunday, January 18th by members of the First United Methodist Church who expressed appreciation to the Point Richmond History Association for this recognition. The plaque can be seen just above the newly installed Peace Pole and is in the recently dedicated Memorial Garden and Labyrinth which was the original site of this first church.

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This is our second plaque. The third one is to be the newly restored Bank of Richmond building on Washington & West Richmond.



Thank you members for your renewal:

Linda & Robert Drake
Royce Ong
K. Patrick O'Higgins
David T. McCarthy
Arlene Rodini Hartman
Jerry & Theresa Daniel
Dixie L. Mello
Lucretia Edwards
Stella Giovannini
Thelma Harvey
Alyce Williamson
Wilma Winter
Martha Bielawski
Rita Hansen
Toni Cannizzaro
Jean Moyle Spiersch

*And a warm welcome to the following
new members:*

Wendy Nelson
Claire, Jason & Zachary Crowson
Hannah Edwards

THANK YOU!
SANTA FE MARKET
AND
POINT RICHMOND MARKET
FOR SELLING
"THIS POINT.....IN TIME"
FOR US.

Thanks to the Volunteers who open and close our history museum on Thursday and Saturday:

Betty Dornan (Director)
Bruce and Ann Bartram
Pat Pearson
Mid Dornan
Bonnie Jo Cullison
Dody Perry
Anita Christiansen
Sonja Darling
Betty Dornan

Museum Hours:

Thursday 11:30 am to 2:00 pm
Saturday 11:30 am to 2:00 pm

Thank You!
Special Supporters!

History Makers

Sherri Mertle

Doug & Rosemary Corbin

Mohamed & Sheba Warith

Linda & Robert Drake

History Preservers:

Royce Ong

Kathe Kiehn

Edward J. McGarvey

EDITOR'S NOTES

Gary Shows (510-235-1336)

For our out of town members and those who do not have internet access and just because it is so exciting, I decided to dedicate part of this issue to the new Rosie the Riveter Park.

Thanks to our regulars for being a little more timely than usual, it made my assembly of this issue quite easy. I am still hoping for more participation, more historical stories, more calendar input, etc.

Thank you to Maria Inchauspe Smith for preparing Allan Smith's article, saved me a lot of typing time! She did a great job. I did miss the supply of images that often accompanies Allan's contribution.

I am slowly getting our photo collection on our website. Probably have about 75% of our collection available for you to see there. As I scan them I am keeping high resolution available (600dpi) available. In fact I recently supplied the image of the huge "Richmond" floating sign. It is

displayed in the new City Hall. We are given full credit for supplying the image. My next web project will be to standardize and bring up to date the posting of this publication.

The deadline for the February/March issue is Friday, March 19, 2004.

The December/January issue assembly crew was:

Jerry Cerkanowicz
Gary Shows
Mid Dornan
Bruce Bartram
Ann Bartram
Sonja Darling
Betty Dornan
Bonnie Jo Cullison
Pam Wilson



*Rosie the Riveter Trust Board of Directors:
Mendell Penn, John Gioia, Diane Hedler, Tom Butt
and Rosemary Corbin.*

The Cover:

*America has new national park right here in our city!
Known as the "Rosie the Riveter/WWII Home Front National Historical Park" it honors
the working women and men of World War II and tells their stories to generations to
come.*

For more on the park see page 18

A-MID TRIVIA

Mid Dornan (510-234-5334)

Question: If the food can was invented in 1810, when was the can opener invented?

Answer at end of Trivia

This is the Chinese year of the Monkey. If you were born in 1908-1920-1932-1944-1956-1968-1980-1992-2004 then you, in today's parlance, are a swinger. And because of our flair for decision making and surefooted feel for finance, you are certain to climb to the top.

FORWARDED: "Did you know you can't send mail to Washington?"

"Why not?"

"Because he is dead.

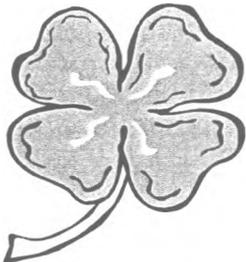
But you can send mail to Lincoln."

"But he's dead too."

"I know -- but he left his Gettysburg Address."

Did you know there was a real St. Valentine? Yes, two in fact, according to legend: a priest and the bishop of Terni. Both were martyred on February 14, which became the Feast of St. Valentine.

February is a short month, just about right to pay the Christmas bills, send a valentine and oil those tools for spring.



A 100-year-old reed 'pipe' organ arrived in December in time for the Messiah given by the choir of the Methodist Church. On long term loan by Emmet Zediker, the organ fits so well in the church choir loft it might seem to a stranger to have been put there a 100 years ago! Stop by to see this incredible instrument of music! The church now has a Baldwin Organ, Grand Piano and now the reed Organ making music a dominant part of worship.

A two-alarm fire on January 17th destroyed a house being remodeled at 439 Golden Gate Avenue and seriously damaged two neighboring homes, forcing one family to move. The fire burned the siding and blew out windows of neighboring houses and took about 90 minutes to control. No one was injured. The first fire engine arrived at 2:42 a.m.. Neighbor Ben Epperly praised the firemen calling their swift actions heroic. The cause of the fire remains under investigation, but is considered suspicious. The house was being remodeled after a fire about six months ago. Firefighters estimated the damage at between \$750,000 and \$1 million.

Breaking a hip isn't a good way to begin a new year! A fast recovery is wished Nellie Giovanni.

Long time residents, Ed and Bessie Squires have quietly moved to Porterville where they will be nearer their twin daughters, Dianne and Suzanne. They are selling their hilltop home on Belvedere with spectacular views of the Bay. The home was built by Ed and some of the building materials came from trees which Ed had cut, cured and prepared.

Their next door neighbors, Ellie and Bob Strauss, have also sold their home with captivating

views and have relocated in Cloverdale. Both Bob and Ellie have been active volunteers in Richmond where Bob served on the Planning Commission as well as the Richmond Historical Preservation Advisory Committee. Ellie is chairperson of the Save the Plunge Committee.

Sympathy is extended to the Rev. Dan Damon on the death of his father in December. Dan and his daughter, Heather, flew to Rapid City, South Dakota for his services. Memorials may be sent to the Music Fund of the Methodist Church.

Get Well wishes are sent to Edna Wickersheim Hathaway in Hanford after her recent surgery.

Chosen 2004 Sweetheart of the Year, Frances Smith will be honored with a dinner celebration on February 12th, at the Point San Pablo Yacht Club, proceeds benefiting the historic First United Methodist Church in the Point. Long an advocate, Fran is a quilter, crafter, former Camp Fire Leader and Executive, and has long led successful fund raisers for many community events. Reservations must be confirmed by February 9th, 234-5334.

Linda Andrews-Marshall, her husband, Hal, and twin sons, Aaron and Michael, enjoyed the past holiday season visiting family in Southern California and then traveled on to Phoenix and the Grand Canyon.

20-20 Patient:

"Doc, I'm a mess. My jowls are sagging, my face is full of blotches, my hair is falling out and I feel ugly. What is it?"

Doctor: "I don't know, but your eyesight is perfect."

Pat Pearson and Mid Dornan are looking forward to seeing the Aurora Borealis in Iceland.

Blessed are the map-makers. They are the only people that can draw nations close together.

Hortense McGee, Vallejo, is thanked for the scrapbooks on World War II kept by her mother, Goldy Gnaga, as well as old issues of "Point Counterpoint". She informed us husband Al qualifies for that exclusive 90 year old club! Al taught in the Richmond schools until retirement.

Fran Smith's broken right arm isn't slowing her down too much and she is anticipating having the cast off before the dinner honoring her on February 12th.

Patrick: "Knock, knock"

Ryan: "Who's there?"

Patrick: "Irish"

Ryan: "Irish who?"

Patrick: Irish you a happy St. Patrick's Day.

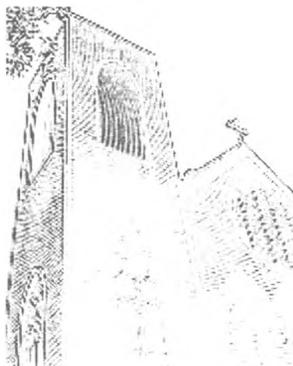
The Zip Code for Love is 80537 - which is Loveland, Colorado but isn't Valentine, Nebraska as appropriate?

REMEMBER YOUR FAVORITE VALENTINE!

Answer: The can opener was invented 48 years later in 1858 and for the years in between, food cans were opened with hammer, chisel and a great deal of cussing!



CHURCH NEWS



Our Lady of Mercy Church

*By Dee Rosier
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We begin a new year with renewed anticipation for a bountiful new one. Last year passed much too quickly. It is time for making and breaking resolutions. Resolve this year to enhance your spiritual life by joining our faith community.

The holiday is always a special time. This year two additional Masses were celebrated and well attended. The 5:00 PM Mass on Christmas Eve was dedicated to the children of the Parish. Several weeks before, I invited my Grandson to attend. He was true to his word and also brought his Mother and Dad. Since he was the only child present, he had the honor of assisting Father O'Rourke in placing the Christ Child in the manger, as well as assisting Father on the altar. It was a memorable moment for the Rosier family.

Father O'Rourke has taken on a new role as horticulturist. He has expertly pruned the existing roses as well as planting a new row. The new

plantings are dedicated to the memory of Tony Ferriera. His labor of love afforded him the opportunity to converse with all who passed by and commented on his hard workmanship. We will all benefit when they bloom. He did manage to take some time off and visit his brother who lives in the East. A recent article in the Catholic Voice praises his talents as a writer, canonist, counselor and Priest. We are very fortunate to have him as our spiritual leader.

The antiquated electrical wiring in the church has been replaced and is now free of fire damage. Repair work was also done on the heating system, which we rely on these cold winter days.

Edwina Murray will be the Souper Kitchen coordinator. During the holidays her children and grandchildren lent a hand.

The anticipated wine and cheese evening to be held at Brickyard has been cancelled until a future date. Mike and Betty Lambert are chairmen of this event. The Lamberts reside in Sacramento and Pt. Richmond and are active members in our Parish

A special account for the Roof Fund has been set up in the Diocese. All donations will be deposited directly into the fund.

The 2004 calendars are now available. They are late in arriving due to a glitch where we received calendars for Our Lady of Grace in Sacramento. Weekly donation envelopes are also available. If you are not presently listed and desire the envelopes there is a sign up list located in the back of the church. A new schedule for Lay Ministers can also be found in this same area. We always welcome parishioners who would like to become Lay Ministers. A class for Lay Ministers is planned. The date will be announced in the Sunday bulletin.

We are a Mission – we aren't a Mission????
The latest on the status of our Parish is that we are officially a Parish and Father O'Rourke is our Administrator. Good news!

Father O'Rourke will give a Parish retreat in support of family life sometime during the first week of Lent (March). A formal schedule is forthcoming. Father has been leading these retreats in other parishes for the last ten years.

The Richmond Branch of the ICF will hold its quarterly Communion at Our Lady of Mercy on February 22.

Get well wishes to Theresa Meneghelli who is now at home recuperating after having hip surgery not once, but twice. Dorothy Neely was a holiday visitor at Dody Perry's. Dorothy now resides in Florida. Dai, Susan and Patrick Meagher from Grass Valley were holiday visitors to our Parish. Brenda McKinley will soon return after a three-week stay in New Zealand. We say good-bye to Ellie and Bob Strauss who have moved to Cloverdale. Ellie will remain active in the fundraising for the Plunge. Dr. Michelle Healy was home for the holidays. She has taken a year off from her practice and is teaching in Torrance. It is a delight to see those that we knew as children achieve their goals in life.

Remember in your prayers the homebound that were once active participants in our Parish. Also remember the Healy's great granddaughter, Mercedes Johnson, who is in Children's Hospital with a serious illness.

Condolences:

To the family of Benny Garcia. Benny and his wife were parishioners until their move to Galt.

To the family of Kelly Bates. A memorial was recently held for her at our Parish.

To the families Shaughnessy/Olivero.

Father Jim Clift was our Pastor from 1989-2000. Until the time of his death he resided in a retirement home for Priests in Oakland. When it came to homilies – he was the King. To quote Stanley Toledo in our Centennial Book, "Father Clift delivered homilies at Our Lady of Mercy and, as far as the parish community was concerned, the saints themselves would have been hard pressed to do better." Services for Father Clift were held at St. Cornelius where he had been Pastor before his assignment to Our Lady of Mercy.

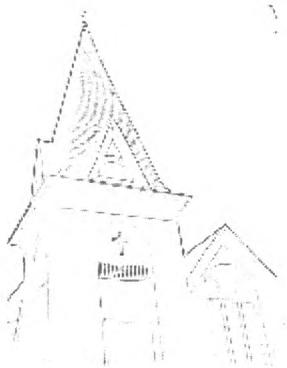
Do you know what the word FAMILY means:

F = Father
A = And
M = Mother
I = I
L = Love
Y = You

What do you do on a cold, rainy day? You go to the movies. Was quite surprised to see as many as I did who braved the weather. Met one of our readers and on departing, she said to me, "See you in church." So Dixie –

See you in church.





POINT RICHMOND METHODIST CHURCH

by Jean Reynolds

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We joyfully received the long-term loan of a 100-year-old reed organ from Emmet Zediker. Bill and Liam Thompson, Aaron and Michael Marshall, Sy Siatos, and Pastor Dan Damon journeyed to Dixon to bring it back in time for the *Messiah* concert. Three well-muscled firefighters from the Point Richmond Station 61 provided the extra lift to position it into the choir loft. The sanctuary and organ are the same vintage: they look and sound like they belong together. In addition to its beauty, the new organ boasts a whole range of bass the Baldwin organ lacks.

Special worship services during Advent included the Lessons and Carols concert on November 30, Handel's *Messiah* concert on December 21, and the Christmas Eve Jazz service on December 24. Eileen Johnson and Dan Damon

provided scripture and music for musing for Lessons and Carols.

The Joyful Noise Choir, Linda Andrew-Marshall, Dan Damon, Gill Stanfield and Jean Reynolds sang selections from Handel's *Messiah*, directed by Eileen Johnson. Jane Carnall ably accompanied our rehearsals, and George Peter Tingley played the new reed organ during the performance. The Orchestra included Brooke Aird, Violin, Doralyn Poirier, Violin, Sue Nelson, Viola, Helen Loudon, Cello, Kurt Ribak, Bass, and Jab on Trumpet. We were grateful for support from our wider community: Liz Engan, Sandra Wilson, Sallie DeWitt, and Brian Steen added their clear voices to the choir for this concert.

Jazz Christmas Eve has been a Point Richmond tradition for the past nine years. Highlights this year included Lavinia Karl, harpist; Luke Karl on violin; the Angel Choir; the Christmas story from Luke read by Liam Thompson, and solos by Paula Helene, with guitar by Dave Tattershall. Lillian Karl, our youngest Angel Choir member sang the first verse of "Silent Night". The Dan Damon Trio with Kurt Ribak, bass, and Kevin Mummey, drums, plus Jab on the trumpet, made for a glowing, memorable Christmas Eve service.

The church sponsored its second annual holiday bake sale on December 20 at Interactive Resources in Point Richmond. This event is the darling of Point Richmond party-goers. It is the perfect place to get cakes, cookies or other baked goods to give as gifts or bring to holiday gatherings.

The United Methodist Women pot-lucked and partied at Helen Valentine's home on December 18. Members brought gifts for the Contra Costa County Rescue Mission. After a delicious dinner and Helen's Christmas cookies and homemade candy, we wrapped and labeled Christmas gifts for guests and clients of the

Rescue Mission.

Our newest member is Pat Nelson, sometimes Masquers' director, musician, and talented alto in the Joyful Noise Choir. At the risk of sounding like a bean counter, I am pleased to announce our membership, as of December 21, now totals ninety-one!

On Sunday, January 18, worship ended in the garden on West Richmond Ave. where we dedicated a new historical marker denoting the site of the first church in Richmond. American Soil and Stone Products donated the stone on which the plaque is mounted. Martin McNair transported the not-so-light marker and helped install it in the garden.

On the Calendar:

February 12, Thursday, **Sweetheart Dinner** to honor Frances Kinter Smith: 6:00 p.m. at the Point San Pablo Yacht Club, 700 W. Cutting Boulevard. Tickets for \$27 cover the cost of dinner, live music, humor and memories.

February 20, 21, Friday and Saturday, 7:00 p.m. **Gospel Music Workshops** with Bobby and Pamela Hall

February 22, Sunday, 5:00 p.m. **Gospel Concert** featuring Bobby Hall and Friends plus workshop attendees. Donation \$10.

April 4 **Palm Sunday Feast** 12:30 to 2:30 p.m. after 11:00 worship. A delicious holiday dinner for all. Join us for ham, scalloped potatoes, other delicious food and good company!



Point Methodist Church History

Mid Dornan

Church history is rich with contributions of women. One church group in the 1920's was the SOCIAL LEAGUE of the First Methodist Episcopal Church whose history is reflected in their minutes printed below and taken from the canvas covered, red leather cornered notebook which cost \$1.15. The minutes are printed as written.. This is the 64th installment

May 3, 1927.

The meeting of the Social League was called to order by the President in the church parlors. Mrs. Redman and Mrs. Adams presiding as hostess for the afternoon. Meeting opened by repeating the Lords Prayer in unison. 19 members responded to the roll call and the League also had the pleasure of entertaining two visitors for the afternoon.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. Moved and seconded that the donation of \$10.00 for insurance on church be paid immediately. Also moved and seconded that a donation of \$5.00 be sent to the Richmond Red Cross for the benefit of the 'Flood' sufferers! Moved and seconded that the proceeds from luncheon go into treasury of League Mrs. Doney an Mrs. Robbins appointed on entertainment committee for next meeting to be held May 17.

Moved and seconded that 30 cents be paid Mrs. Glennice for purchase of Treasurers book.

No further business the meeting adjourned.	
Previous Bal	29.49
Silver offering	1.60
Organ fund	2.50
	\$33.59
check for insurance on church	10.00
" " Red Cross	5.00
" " Organ fund	2.50
" " Treasurer book	.30
	\$ 17.80
Previous balance	\$33.59
Checks	17.80
	\$15.79 total

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE CHURCH and READING ROOM

by Jo Bycraft

Part One

First Church of Christ, Scientist, Richmond will be moving into our new Point Richmond location on January 29 - 31. Our first church service will be held on February 1st upstairs at #112, and our Reading Room will open on Tuesday the 3rd downstairs at #114.

The Christian Science Church has been a part of the Richmond community since the early 20th century. Our Church and Reading Room have occupied several different locations in this city. Since the late 1950's we have owned and occupied our church building at 2417 Barrett Avenue. Our Reading Room has also been at different locations, most recently at the Barrett Avenue address. This

property has recently been sold, and now belongs to the Lao Rattanaram (Buddhist) Temple.

All are welcome to attend our Sunday Services at 10 AM. At these Services, there will be prayer, hymn-singing, a solo, and readings from the Bible and from our textbook, *Science and Health With Key to the Scriptures* by Mary Baker Eddy. Child care will be provided downstairs in the Sunday School area of the Reading Room. Those unable to manage the stairs may see, hear, and participate in the Church Service electronically downstairs in the Reading Room.

Sunday School will be held in the Reading Room location at 10 AM, and children and young people up to the age of 20 are invited to come and learn about our Father-Mother God and our relationship to Him/Her. Among the "First Lessons" taught in the Sunday School are: The Lord's Prayer, the Ten Commandments, and The Sermon on the Mount.



GROUNDHOG DAY Feb 2nd!

The groundhog made his first official prediction in Punxutawney in 1886. Phil and his mate Phyllis are kept in groundhog comfort. Their home is complete with a burrow, a tree, a running stream and heat - allowing human observation when most groundhogs are hibernating in the frozen ground.

How did a furry brown creature who weighs from 4 to 10 pounds and raids vegetable gardens in the summer become an oracle of spring? Groundhog Day is a symbol of rebirth, of regrowth, a celebration of coming into daylight. Groundhogs live an average of 3 to 5 years and are found from Georgia to Nova Scotia, and as far northwest as Alaska.



COMING NEXT!



APRIL 2 - MAY 8

Set in 1937, the depression-era in St. Louis, **The Glass Menagerie** is a "memory play" based on dreams of happiness and what we all are striving for—The American Dream. Tom, the narrator of the play, is an aspiring poet who works in a shoe warehouse in order to support his mother, Amanda, and crippled sister, Laura. Tom's father left the family years before and hasn't been heard from since. *Tennessee Williams'* writing comes alive through the words and poetry he has given these three characters. A play that everyone must see at least once in their lifetime. Director: Rene Echavez.

POINT RICHMOND PROGRESS

Meet Mr. Bernes -

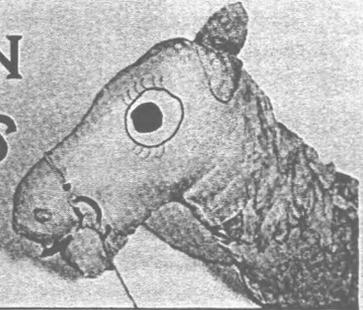
Today we pay our respects to another of Point Richmond's outstanding business men, Mr. Louis Bernes, proprietor of the Richmond French Laundry. Establishing his place of business on Standard Avenue in 1912, Mr. Bernes has insisted on maintaining the highest quality of workmanship throughout the plant. Almost without exception, wives of the leading executives of the Standard Oil have sent their laundry here, even after having moved to Mira Vista, and yet laundry cost is surprisingly reasonable. While perforce much of the business of the Richmond French Laundry comes from down town Richmond nevertheless Mr. Bernes and his splendid family and employees, who are Point Richmond folk, deserve and should get practically 100 per cent patronage from our neighbors on the West Side.



The MASQUERS PLAYHOUSE

Presents ALAN AYCKBOURN'S

TEN TIMES TABLE



Director: ANGELA MASON

A hilariously funny comedy about an inept group of villagers trying to organise a commemorative pageant about the "Massacre of the Pendon Twelve," a tenuous event from the seventeenth century. Left wing and right wing factions clash and the event turns into a violent confrontation between the two extremes with cataclysmic results. Police intervention brings matters to a relatively quiet conclusion. But, already another pageant, Romans vs. Britain, seems an attractive possibility.

THE CAST

Marti Baer • C Conrad Cady • Michael Clark • Pamela Ciochetti
Ann Homrighausen • Norman Macleod • Simon Patton
Pat Steavens • Robert Taylor • Loralee Windsor

January 23 to February 28

Box office opens half hour before curtain

Fridays and Saturdays at 8:00

Sunday matinees at 2:30

on Feb. 1, 8 & 22

All seats \$13

For reservations call 510-232-4031

All tickets must be prepaid by cash, check or credit card. All sales final.



Dinner at the Hotel Mac and *Ten Times Table*
on Thursday, February 26th for only \$35.
Call 510-232-4031 for reservations.

Louis' son, Bernard Bernes is an active member who is in our nineties club.

LOCAL NEWSPAPER CLIPPINGS, 1913-1932

I have this ring-binder that is full of yellowed original clippings from old newspapers. The hand inscribed front cover says "Local Newspaper Clippings-Richmond - 1913-1932". It has a documenting problem as that most of the clipped articles do not give credit to the source, most however seem to be from the "Richmond Herald-Record". I do not know who put it together. Allan Smith thinks it's the work of Don Church, he is probably correct. They are, however old, hand dated and interesting reading, spelling errors are not corrected here is installment #17 and probably the last. Gary Shows

NEW LAW FOR AUTOMOBILISTS GOES INTO EFFECT ON JULY 22

June 18, 1919

Salient points of the new auto law are as follows:

"Jay Walkers" (persons who cross the streets between blocks) will be prosecuted.

When cars are sold there will be no refund of State License money. The buyer and seller must adjust that between themselves.

Plates must be changed annually, but when a number is once affixed to a car it cannot be changed. The registration year begins February 1 of each year instead of January 1.

No machine can be wrecked or dismantled without notifying the police, or in a county, the sheriff.

The glare must come out of the headlights. This is to be done by requiring manufacturers to put their headlights through an official test.

Men under the influence of liquor or drugs, who drive machines, are liable to from six months

to one year in jail, and from \$50 to \$1,000 fine.

If a driver of an automobile or truck cannot see to the rear, he must have a mirror in front which will enable him to do so.

"Joy riders" who "borrow" machines will be liable to from one to five years in the penitentiary.

On a clear road the maximum speed for motors is thirty-five miles an hour.

The new law will go into effect on July 22 of this year.

EARLY BLAZE MENACES POINT

July 26, 1922

A fire that originated in the lavatory on the second floor of a three story frame building at 146 Washington avenue, discovered at 1:15 this morning, periled the lives of the Bottrom family, but a neighbor detected the fire, turned in the alarm, and the fire department personally directed by Fire Chief Lemoin soon had the fire out.

The loss is estimated at \$150.

But for quick and effective action, Chief Lemoin told the Record-Herald that the entire block from Richmond to Cottage avenue probably would have gone up in flames.

The building is occupied by Bottrom, his wife and several children.

CHOPS OFF HIS HAND WHILE WALKING ASLEEP

February 19, 1915

The inquest held over the remains of John Muller yesterday at Concord by Coroner C.L. Abbott brought to light the facts that the aged farmer had arisen from a deep sleep at 5:00 o'clock in the morning and walking into the yard had taken a wood hatchet and while still under the somnambulistic influence chopped off his right hand as a result of which his death came an hour later.

Dr. G. McKenzie corroborated the testimony as give by C. L. Muller, son of the late farmer in that he said while an effort was being made to check the flow of blood, that he was pursuing imaginary enemies and that in striking at what he supposedly thought was a foe proved to be his hand.

Accidental death was the verdict as rendered by the coroner's jury.

WEST SIDE HILLS TO BE BEAUTIFIED

February 18, 1915

Soon the west side hills will blossom out in glaring red and green verdure, for the members of the West Side Improvement club will, the latter part of this week commence their work of planting red geraniums over all the hillside streets and terraces.

All of the brown hill grass is to be burned away and in its place will shoot up green tendrils of the garden grass together with evergreen geraniums.

The committee appointed a the last meeting of the club to handle this work is composed of Mrs. T.T. Carmer, chairman; Mrs. J.F. Eaton and Mrs. R.L. Adams.

WEST SIDE HILLS COVERED WITH POPPIES

March 2, 1915

"Copra De Oro" as the early Spanish settlers first called them, meaning "cups of gold," or the California wild poppy as they are known nowadays, have blossomed out on all of the west side hills and with their blossoming have brought the first hint from Mother Nature that spring is here.

ROOM THIEF IS ARRESTED; FEIGNS SLEEP WHEN POLICE LOCATE HIM

January 5, 1915

Police after a search of the Hotel Richmond at 2 o'clock this morning placed John Gibson under arrest on a charge of room pilfering.

Gibson was feigning asleep in the main hallway of the hotel.

Latches of doors to more than a half a dozen rooms and hallway transoms were discovered by the police to have been freshly loosened.

In his pocket at the time of being placed under arrest by Inspectors Eigenman and Betts, Gibson had a bunch of keys and a combination pocket knife and screw driver.

Manager Barbikas of the hotel was notified by several guests of someone attempting to get into their rooms.

WASHINGTON AVE. WILL BE PAVED WITH 20 FT. STRIP

March 26, 1916

Plans will be prepared this week in the city engineer's office for a twenty-foot paved strip on Washington avenue from Richmond avenue to Crest avenue.

The improvement of Washington avenue was urged by several members of the council board last evening. The improved strip will run through the center of the street.

AUTO STRIKES BOY IN QUEER MANNER TODAY

February 14, 1917

Alfred Hoffman, 10 years old, was the victim of a queer accident at San Pablo this morning which resulted in his receiving medical attention from Dr. C.E. Camp.

The boy was sitting on a fence, shooting sparrows when a runaway automobile in charge of H.E. Honmeyer of Pinole, leaped the road and struck the post hurling the boy to the ground. His injuries according to Dr. Camp consisted of bruises about the face and body.

ELECTRIC IRON CAUSES A BAD FIRE THIS MORN.

January 30, 1917

Fire starting from an electric iron did \$500 damage at the home of L. Johnson, 238 Standard avenue this morning. Papered walls and heavily battened partitions threw out considerable smoke causing the firemen much annoyance.

ALLAN'S POINT AND HIS SPORTS MEMORIES

By Allan Smith

I should be writing about Pt. Richmond sports history but I am running out of “ammunition.” I’d love to have sport memories dating from 1900 to 1930, I can cover the rest. The only persons I know who could supply that information would be Jim Kenny, Bernard Bernes and J.A. Vincent. These people are members of Gary Shows famous Point Richmond Exclusive Over 90 Club. Out of 23 members of this Club, only three are men.

I’ve heard that a member of the pioneer Bono family of Point Richmond, was an excellent baseball player but I have no further information. Caesar Frosini was a good athlete in those early years as was his brother Al, who still lives in the Point with his wife Helene. Al Frosini must be all of 87 and is still active working out in his garage gym that is always open to interested boxing

enthusiasts. I wonder why Al gave up water skiing; he was just getting started after winning a world title last year? When did the pioneer Frosini family come into Point Richmond? The Smiths came in 1916.

I should be writing about football, as the 38th Super Bowl will take place February 1, 2004 in Houston, Texas. The New England Patriots and the Carolina Panthers will go at it. The Bay Area is well represented in their game, as the Quarterback for the New England Patriots is 26 year-old Tom Brady. Brady attended Serra High School in San Mateo. This is the same school where the NFL Hall of Famer Lynn Swann and San Francisco Giants Barry Bonds also began their careers.

Do you realize that next month the professional baseball pitchers and catchers will start getting ready for the coming baseball season? Speaking of pitchers, I went to Dave’s Dougout in Albany looking for some baseball cards to give my 11 year-old grandson, Julian, for Christmas. He has an extensive collection and like the Smith family is crazy about baseball. I looked at one card that cost \$50 and it was a Warren Spahn card. Spahn was an all-star pitcher and started playing pro-ball in 1942. Later in that year he enlisted in the military for four years. While serving in the Army as a Platoon Sergeant he fought in the Battle of the Bulge receiving a Bronze Star and the Purple Heart. Warren Spahn returned to the U.S.A. in 1945 and went on to be a Hall of Famer baseball player who won more games than any other left-hander in history. Unlike many pitchers, he could



also hit that ball. His National League record of 35 Home Runs by a pitcher still stands. Spahn threw no-run-no-hit games in 1960 and 1962 and played 21 years in the Big Leagues for the Boston Braves. Did I buy that \$50 Warren Spahn for my grandson? – No, I found an excellent card for \$2. I forgot to mention that Warren Spahn, the all-star pitcher, narrowly escaped death while serving the Army in Germany. He was involved in a bridge battle that collapsed under heavy German air and artillery fire killing 28 U.S. soldiers. Warren Spahn died in 2003 at the age of 81.

In a previous article, I wrote about pitchers throwing their 90-mile per hour fastball at batters. Well, in 1942, manager Casey Stengel ordered Warren Spahn to “brush” back the Brooklyn Dodgers’ Pee Wee Reese during a game; Spahn refused, so Stengel sent him back to the minor leagues. Stengel later called that move the worst mistake of his managerial career.

Hey, you guys! Do you have some old baseball cards hanging around or like me do not know what happened to them? John DeFabio, of the baseball playing family of Richmond, has a huge collection of cards. He once brought them to show me when we were on a Chevron Tree-planting mission to the mountains. I, in turn, showed him a No-run-no-hit engraved baseball that my brother Frank earned when he was playing pro ball. It is a very elaborately engraved ball. Maybe, Frank will give it to our Point Richmond Museum?

A member of a Point Richmond pioneer family has returned to our Point living in the family home on Western Drive. Jeri Janes has opened a Real Estate office on West Richmond Avenue, next to the Santa Fe Market. I faintly remember her grandfather, David Janes and her uncles Harry and Kenneth. They were all much younger than I but all were buddies of my younger brothers. Brother Dean did not

remember when Kenneth Janes had his Florist Shop in Point Richmond. It was located on Park Place where the Interactive Resources are now. Kenneth had the first Florist Shop in the Point.

My age group all remembers the cousins of the younger Janes. We were raised with Melvin (Swede) Janes and his brother Sam. I forget where their house was located on Golden Gate Avenue. I just talked to my brother Bill and he went through school with the younger Janes brothers. One thing he remembers is his last night on the town before entering the U.S. Army he went out with Harry Janes and Bob Antaki. They all got back in time to put Bill on the Army bus. He admitted later that he took my car that night without permission. I wondered what happened to all my gas?

Dean Smith relates that at times the gang would meet at his house and head through the tunnel to Keller’s Beach. Then walk along Kozy Kove towards Cappy’s Beach but first stopping at friend Andy Brown’s house. Andy’s mother would treat them all to refreshments before they left for Cappy’s Beach and Winehaven. Ah, so

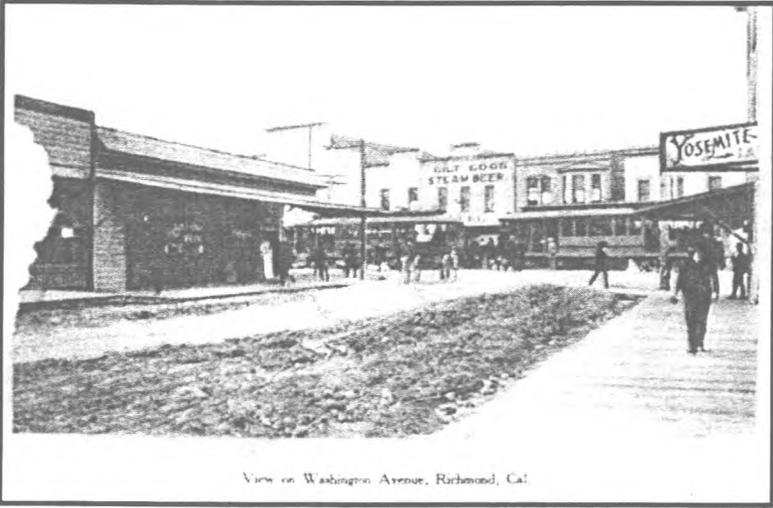


were the Point Richmond early boyhood memories! Andy Brown's mother was the Cub Scout Troop's Den Mother. This "gang" was the young pre-teen kids in the Point at the start of World War Two and what stories they can tell. Their big thrill was to attend the daily launching of Liberty and Victory ships that were built in the four Richmond shipyards.

On page 10 of the December/January 2004 issue of This Point in Time there is a column titled "Older Than Dirt Quiz." To our editor Gary Shows – "Where did that come from and who wrote it?" I'm older than dirt! Like my education career, I could never get a 100 percent on a quiz. I missed on No. 9 the P.F. Flyers – What were they? No. 6 was Home Delivery in glass bottles

with cardboard stoppers. Well, we would get the stoppers which were the size of a silver dollar and gamble with them by throwing them against the wall. The closest to the wall won all the stoppers. No. 21 - was the Roller Skate Keys. You needed the key to tighten the skate clamp that was the toe part of the roller skate. They would always come off. Our mother was never too happy to see how the skates and the clamp ruined the shoes.

Did you read the article that Point Richmond native Charlotte Kermabon wrote where she mentions the Municipal Natatorium? She called the swimming pool the "Bathhouse." That's the name we always used and still do. Why was it called the Bathhouse? Tune in for further information!!!!



View of Washington Avenue, Richmond, Cal.

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Did you know that you can now view a large number of our photo collection online at pointrichmondhistory.org?

Recent Donations

From Mark Howe - A large leather 1912 Ledger from the Old Bank Building along with a box of correspondence from that era that needs to be examined and/or scanned He will donate boxes and boxes when we have space available.

From the Douglas Salmi Family - A portrait painting of Dottie Hale by Hazel Salmi who was the Founder and Director of the Richmond Art Center for many years. She lived at 411 Western Drive and passed away in 1985.

WWIC ACTIVITIES

Alyce Williamson

The Women's Westside Improvement Club gathered at the Baltic Restaurant December 2, 2003 for our Christmas Luncheon. There were 30 members and guests present.

The tables were beautifully decorated with holiday center pieces created by Anita Christiansen. The Baltic had a lovely small fibro optic Christmas tree at the entrance of our dining room.

We enjoyed 45 min to an hour for cocktails, socializing and picture taking after which we were served a delicious lunch of our choice by the Baltic staff.

President, Margaret, gave each attendee a

Christmas token of gaily wrapped candies.

We concluded the afternoon with Anna Schwartz and her "trusty" accordion leading us in the singing of Christmas Carols. A good time was had by all and it was a festive way to begin the holiday season.

Regular meetings will resume Tuesday, Feb. 3, 2004. It will be business as usual.

See you there. Bring a guest and or a new member.

May the new year 2004 bring good fortune, health & happiness to all our members and all readers of "This Point"!!!

Nichol Nob Report

By Bruce Beyart

As most of you know, the Nicholl Knob Committee of Point Richmond Neighborhood Council has been working for many years to improve 371-foot high Nicholl Knob as the crowning jewel of Miller/Knox Regional Shoreline.

Thanks to major capital investments by EBMUD, City of Richmond and Contra Costa County, the water reservoir and emergency services radio equipment have been under grounded with the necessary exception of antennas, which were consolidated on a new monopole. East Bay Regional Park District followed up this year with installation of a picnic table and three nicely-located viewing benches.

Just before Christmas, East Bay Regional Park District staff took the final step in restoring the top of Nicholl Knob by sowing seeds of native perennial bunch grasses (red fescue, blue wild rye and California brome), California poppies and Douglas iris. They also covered the top of the Knob with a mulch of native grass straw (creeping wild rye and nodding needlegrass) to help the seeds germinate.

Please tread gently on top of Nicholl Knob as the seeds germinate and grass begins to grow. Watch this spring as the top of Nicholl Knob turns green again decades after being scraped level and bald for radio equipment.

FAQ's About Our New National Park



What Is the Rosie the Riveter Memorial?

The Rosie the Riveter Memorial: Honoring American Women's Labor During WWII, is the first national monument to celebrate and interpret women's crucial contributions to the World War Two Home Front. It is located in Richmond, CA, in Rosie the Riveter Memorial Park at the site of the former Kaiser Shipyards, which were the largest and most productive of World War II.

What Does the Memorial Commemorate?

The Memorial commemorates and interprets the important contributions that women made to the war effort as increasing numbers of men joined the armed services. Over 6 million women from all backgrounds, and



from all over the country, worked at industrial jobs that challenged traditional notions of women's capabilities and ensured American productivity that helped to win the war. The sight of women outfitted in overalls and wielding industrial tools became an icon that was popularized in the 1942 song, "Rosie the Riveter," providing a nickname for all women who worked in wartime industries. Across the nation women worked in defense industries and support services including shipyards, steel mills, foundries, lumber mills, warehouses, offices, hospitals and daycare centers.

Why Is the Memorial in Richmond, CA?

Wartime upheaval affected all of the U.S., but changed California and the San Francisco Bay Area profoundly. Some historians have called the WWII-era California's "Second Gold Rush" for its role in transforming the population, economy and even physical landscape of the state. No city felt these effects more than Richmond, which went from a small town to a booming city hosting the largest number of defense industries and war housing projects in the country. To fill these industrial jobs, employers needed to hire a broader range of workers, including women and people of color. Women of all ages and ethnicities came to Richmond to find new, better-paying jobs throughout the war. Their labor on "Liberty" and "Victory" ships played a role in America's remarkable productivity during the war years.

How Many Women Worked at the Richmond Shipyards?

At the height of the war, women made up approximately 27% of the 100,000-strong Richmond Kaiser shipyard workforce. In other industries, women made up to 80% of the workers.

There are no remaining employment records of all of the Kaiser shipyard employees. We are working to create a list of women who worked at the Richmond Kaiser Shipyards and currently have a database of over 200 names of women who worked as welders, drafters, truck drivers, first aid nurses and other jobs.

Who Designed the Memorial?

The Rosie the Riveter Memorial was designed by the San Francisco-based artist team of Susan Schwartzenberg and landscape architect Cheryl Barton. Schwartzenberg and Barton were awarded the commission following a competition open to artists throughout the West Coast.

Who Sponsors the Memorial?

The Memorial was commissioned by the Richmond Redevelopment Agency for the City of Richmond, California.

What is the "Rosie the Riveter National Historical Park?"

Inspired by the Rosie the Riveter Memorial, the National Park Service has developed a "Rosie the Riveter WWII Home Front National Historical Park," making Richmond the premier site for commemorating and interpreting this important chapter of American history. Legislation authorizing the Park, authored by Congressman George Miller and supported by Senators Barbara Boxer and Dianne Feinstein, was passed and signed by President Bill Clinton on October 25, 2000. The Park will encompass the Rosie the Riveter Memorial, Shipyard #3 (the single remaining shipyard in Richmond), a Home Front Visitor's and Education Center in the nearby Ford Assembly Building, and other structures remaining from the period, including daycare centers, war workers' housing and the Kaiser Field Hospital.

What is Currently Open to the Public?

- Rosie the Riveter Memorial in Marina Bay Park: The first national Memorial to honor and interpret American women's contributions to the WWII home front. The memorial is in a public park and is open every day during daylight hours.
- "Shipyard Stories" in Barbara & Jay Vincent Park: An artwork using historic photos and oral histories to illustrate daily life for Richmond shipyard workers.
- S.S. Red Oak Victory: Built at Kaiser Shipyard #1, this 455-foot long ship carried munitions and cargo during WWII. Named after the Iowa town that lost the highest percentage of its sons on the battlefield, the ship is being restored by the Richmond Museum Association. The ship is open to visitors during certain hours and by appointment. Directions and contact phone numbers can be found on the website <http://www.redoakvictory.org/>.
- John J. Sheridan Observation Point: This observation point is adjacent to the Ford assembly Building and the entrance to Harbor Channel. Richmond Shipyard No. 3 is across the channel.

The following sites are not open to the public. Interpretation is under development.

- Ford Assembly Building: During WWII, this vast building converted from automobile to tank production. The WWII Home Front Visitor/Educational Center, to be housed in the waterfront portion of the building, will provide orientation and education programs and exhibits about Richmond and other home front sites around the United States.
- Shipyard No. 3: The only Richmond shipyard built as a permanent facility, Shipyard No. 3 currently includes five historic buildings (machine and sheet metal shops, general warehouse, cafeteria, and first aid station) and five graving/dry docks.
- Kaiser Field Hospital: This building was used for health care for workers. One of the lasting programs in Kaiser's efforts to boost worker productivity and retention, the pre-paid health plan that became Kaiser Permanente was established here in Richmond.
- Maritime and Powers Child Development Centers: These structures were originally built to serve families working in Richmond's home front industries and have been in continuous use as daycare facilities since the war.

Information from the Rosie the Riveter Trust, see www.rosietheriveter.org.

90 YEARS AGO

(Richmond Daily Independent, Dec.27, 1920)

“Washington Street hill, in front of the City Hall, has been a favorite stomping ground for the ‘Coaster Kiddies’ since the recent visit of Kris Kringle. “The local children, on their new coasters, fly down the hillside street. Recently a five year old Standard Avenue boy suffered a fractured shoulder blade while playing with a group of children in this area. It is a dangerous sport and there have been numerous complaints to the police department. “Chief of police Arnold decided that he would have to either arrest the juveniles or place an officer stationary on the corner. The last course was adopted.”

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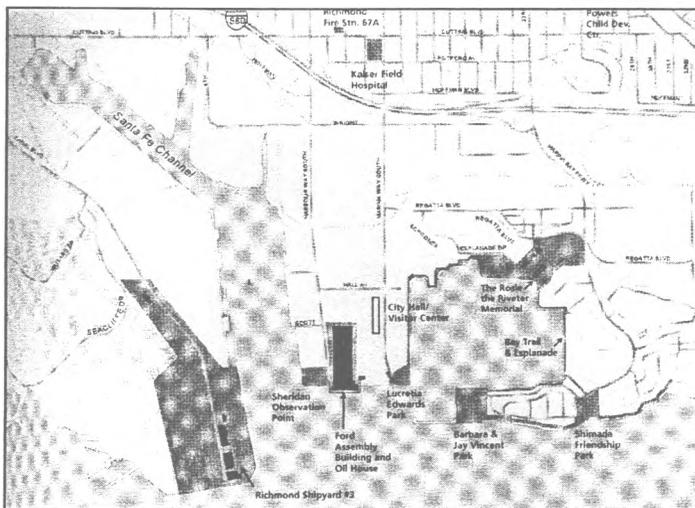
BAY MARE TRIES TO GET ON KEY BUS TO ESCAPE ROOKIE PATROLMAN FAY HAWKINS

*From “Richmond Independent”
June 27, 1946*

A large bay mare yesterday usurped the privileges of the local police department by acting as a traffic cop at the intersection of Pullman Ave. and Cutting Blvd. As the law approached to investigate, Madame Horse was standing with the bus passengers as if she were waiting to board the next Richmond bound bus to escape from the clutches of the law.

Unfortunately for the horse, Sergeant Harry Ritz and Officer Fay Hawkins were detailed to investigate complaints about the puzzled horse that was snarling traffic at the bus intersectionOfficer Hawkins is one of the six new officers recently appointed to the Richmond police force.

Mid



The Rosie Park Map

CARDS, LETTERS & E-MAIL

Dear Pam:

I wanted to re-acquaint you with our family with a piece from our annual letter to family and friends.

"It's been an interesting year. In June, Robert & I returned to our Victorian house in Point Richmond and it was like going back home. Hana, our ancient black & white cat instinctively found her spot near the wood stove. I'm enjoying Robert's stories of his childhood pranks in the hills of Point Richmond while we take our evening walks. We found our old home town to be more densely populated with people, BMW's and art galleries. The Point is still a friendly community and it's nice that people remember us. Max, Melissa, Johnny, Kiki and Naliah visit often so we get a chance to try the restaurants, go to the park and just hang out when we can.

Robert and I really have been blessed this year. Our family is happy and healthy. We have found great joy in being grandparents to Naliah and parents to such great sons. There is a fabulous year ahead of us.

Johnny returned to college this year majoring in Real Estate while pursuing his career as a broker. Johnny's wife Kiki successfully continues her good work in social services in West

County. Naliah will be three years old in April and started Montessori pre-school this last fall. To our delight, we attended her first Christmas event. She was so precious. Robert and I found it hard taking her picture while the tears kept coming to our eyes. Naliah sang her little heart out. It brought back the days when Max & Johnny were in Montessori pre-school

Max has been successful in building his clientele and will venture into owning his own business this coming year. Melissa is completing her undergraduate studies at Hayward while working fulltime at a labor trust company. Max and Melissa will be announcing their wedding day this year. We had the opportunity to meet Mayda, Melissa's mother and Alex, Mayda's husband while they were visiting from Boston. We enjoyed them and shared some great holiday dishes_ from Puerto Rico."

ROBERT & LINDA DRAKE
Point Richmond



DEATHS.....

Kelly Anne Bates died in a helicopter crash on December 23, 2003, at the age of 38 while on an emergency medical transport mission. Beloved fiancé, devoted daughter, loving sister and favorite aunt. Born in Concord, Kelly was raised in Walnut Creek, graduating from Ygnacio Valley High School and later from the School of Nursing at California State University, Chico. After graduating she worked as a nurse at Dominican Hospital in Santa Cruz and then at Stanford Medical Center in Palo Alto. In 1999, Kelly joined Redwood Empire Air Care Helicopter (REACH) as a nurse, later rising to medical crew supervisor. It was at REACH that she met and fell in love with fiancé Brad Jensen. The two lived together in Point Richmond with two well-loved cats. Kelly loved children, she was devoted to her nieces and nephews and the three children of her fiancé. Thus it was natural that she took charge of the launch of REACH's neonatal transfer program, where premature newborns are taken to emergency care. Kelly is survived by her father Thomas Bates, mother Judith Louro, brothers Brent Bates and Chris Sizemore, nephews and nieces Jett, Maddy, Blake and Grace, fiancé Brad Jensen and his children Kai, Cassandra and Isabell. Kelly will be greatly missed by friends and family. There was a REACH memorial service on Friday, January 2 at 1:00pm in Santa Rosa, CA at the Luther Burbank Center. Another memorial service for family and friends will be held at a future date. Family requests donations, in lieu of flowers to the Kelly Bates Neonatal Emergency Transport Memorial Fund with REACH at 5010 Flight Line Dr, Santa Rosa, CA 95403 or to your favorite charity.

Published in the Contra Costa Times on 12/31/2003



Stan Price died on January 21, 2004 in North Leggett Heights, California at the age of 63. Stan and his wife, Bev, when living on Tunnel Avenue in the Point were active in the Baptist Church, Scout Troop 111, Girl Scouts and the Washington PTA. Stan retired from Safeway and moved to North Leggett Heights where they operated the Price Peg Store, a successful short stop and deli. He is survived by his wife Bev, daughters Anne and Becky, and sons Michael and Dennis.



BIRTHDAYS

February

Mark M. Gebhart
Sarah Wilson
Hortense Gnaga McGee
Mary Shur
Steven Mertle
Fred Beesley
Dixie Copeland
Billy Bob Karl

Allan Smith
Doug Busby
Chris Rotting
Mitzi Kruse
Bessie Squires
Walter MacMillan
Barnaby Edwards
Connie Healy

Helen Valentine
Marcos Rotting
Arlene Rodini
Ladow Howe
Rowene MacMillan
Dody Perry
Ethel MacMillan
Kim Ward

BOY SCOUTS OF
AMERICA
Velma Healy
Anne Brussok-Roth
Adele Bruno Waymire
Lupe Padilla Lopez

March

Sheba Warith
Karolyn Macdiarmid
Dale Hawkins
Virginia Cherniak
Carol Paasch
JoAnn Bray
Carol Darling
Jim Morrison
GIRL SCOUTS
Dolly Frosini
Carl Paasch

Reba Downs
Rich Schuldt
Allan Smith, Jr
Phyllis Feyder
Kathe Kiehn
Janice Jones
Jean Knox
Marie Wilson-Dietz
Lavinia Karl
Avis Blanchette
Delphina Franco

CAMP FIRE GIRLS
Brian Richardson
Ben Bray
Alexandra Gautraud
Susan Berman
Mary Valenzano
Delphina Franco
Tawney
Brian Richardson
Rachel Elizabeth Palfini
Myron Pestana

Elizabeth Buhler
Lorna Huffstetter
Lucile Cottingham
Meyer
George LeRoy Williams
Isobel Folsom
Edwin Loux
Claire E. Crowson

Exclusive - Over 90 Club

*An impressive list! And it grows
each month!*

Mae Mandl
Pina Barbieri
Ruth Wood Mullen
Mark Gebhart
Bernard Bernes
Anna Schwarz
Romilda Burress
Jim Kenny

Thelma Hecker Harvey
Jay Vincent
Alice Helseth
Jean Moyle Spiersch
Rena Cairo Gonsalves
Anne Hanzlik
Dulcie Johnson
Lupe Padilla Lopez
Louise Hammond
Goldie Mobley
Anita Brougham

Ethel Schumacher
Dorothy Rudnick
Al McGee *(we just learned that
Al reached this milestone more
than a year ago)*
*We have an even more exclusive
club.*
100 YEAR OLDS:

Bonnie Kirkman

Have we missed anyone?

CALENDAR

GOLDEN STATE MODEL RAILROAD MUSEUM AND EAST BAY MODEL ENGINEERS SOCIETY

900 Dornan Drive, Miller/Knox Regional Park. Interested in Museum Membership? Museum is open to the public Saturdays and Sundays and July 4th and Labor Day noon to 5 pm. Business Meetings and Workshop on Friday's 7-10 PM. 510-234-4884.

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Quality productions, Fridays and Saturdays at * pm, Sunday Matinees at 2:30 pm. Tickets are \$13, cash check or credit card. Reservations and program, 510-232-4031.

Dinner at the Hotel Mac and the play on Thursday, for only \$28. Call 510-232-4031 for reservations.

POINT RICHMOND ASSOCIATION OF MOTHERS (PRAM)

Mondays at 7 PM, Methodist Church, 201 Martina Street. Information on meetings call 273-9959.

POINT RICHMOND BUSINESS ASSOCIATION

Meets 2nd Wednesday each month, Hotel Mac Banquet Room, 12-1:30, Lunch Reservations \$11. Contact: Paula Aasmus, O.D. 510-235-5228.

POINT RICHMOND COMMUNITY CENTER/FIELD HOUSE & PLUNGE

Info: 233-6881

POINT RICHMOND HISTORY ASSOCIATION

Museum at 139½ Washington Avenue, open Thursday's and Saturday's, 11:30 to 2:00
The deadline for the April/May issue of TPIT is Friday March 19, 2004.

POINT RICHMOND NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL

Meets last Wednesday each month, Pt Richmond Community Center; 7:30 P.M Contact: Don Woodrow, President, 234-3107.

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The REDF is a non-profit corporation dedicated to ensuring that future development here is well-planned, sensitive to the environment and in compliance with city, state and federal laws. Citizen support is encouraged. Further information, call 510-215-6100. General membership public meetings are held monthly. Details of current meetings are available by calling 510-232-0405.

WASHINGTON SCHOOL

Contact: Miss Jones, Secretary 510-232-1436.

WOMEN'S WESTSIDE IMPROVEMENT CLUB

Contact: Margaret Morkowski , President.



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