

Regional Group #27
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From The President:



Dear Members,

Happy New Year, Looks like you are stuck with me for another year. I am excited to lead our club this next year. I hope all of you have had a wonderful holiday. Dave and I had all the family here and enjoyed being together. We think back 2 years ago when our Christmas was celebrated using Zoom for the family members that were sick with Covid. Thank goodness no one in our family was sick this year. Yea! We had Tom from Oregon here the week before Christmas helping Dave to get closer to finishing up the 37. It's running and with a few little details we will be on the road. While Dave is working in the shop I have been busy watching grandkids and helping our Granddaughter Sara get moved into her first apartment.

It's time now to get ready for the amazing tours and activities planned this year for our club. Patty and Charlene have been working to make this year the best ever. I am excited to get the New Year off to a good start with having a free pizza meeting this month. So mark your calendar for January 10th for our first club meeting of the year.

The Ford Chicks lunch will be Tuesday, January 17th at Red Lobster in Rohnert Park at 12:00. Please let me know if you will be able to join us.

I did not get a chance to formally thank Dan and Wendy Pallo for welcoming us to their home to enjoy our annual Turkey Trot in November. A huge turn out and the pot luck dishes were all amazing. We were able to collect a lot of canned goods and cash that were donated to the Redwood Empire Food Bank.

It was so fun to see so many of our members that attended our Holiday, Installation Brunch this year. Patty and John did such an amazing job putting together the event. The food was excellent and the service was above perfect. A big thank you goes out to all that helped to make this a great event.

I was able to hand over all the children's gifts along with money donated to the Napa Language Academy to be distributed to the families that needed help this year. I was able to be a part of the distribution and could see how much the gifts were appreciated. Thank you again for the donations.

Unfortunately many of our club members have gotten sick over the holiday and I wish all of you a speedy recovery. We have things to do and places to visit in our old V8's.

Looking forward to seeing you all at our first meeting Tuesday the 10th at Round Table Pizza on Occidental Road, Santa Rosa. Meeting will start at 7:00 but plan on arriving early for Free pizza Night.

Carol

RERG #27 CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR 2023

For more information: Charlene 707-539-2867 or Patty 707-992-0730, irgplg@aol.com
If you have any further information on events that should be in this calendar or find anything incorrect, please contact one of us. We can always use your help.

JANUARY

- 3 RERG #27 Board Meeting via Zoom 7 pm
- 10 RERG #27 Monthly Meeting@ Round Table Pizza, 2065 Occidental Rd., Santa Rosa, 7 pm Free Pizza Night!!!
- "Ford Chicks" Lunch 11:30 am, Red Lobster, 6440 Redwood Drive, Rohnert Park, please let Carol know if you are coming, she needs to make reservations, V8accessories@gmail.com or 707-256-4158

FEBRUARY

- 14 RERG #27 Monthly Meeting@ Round Table Pizza, 2065 Occidental Rd., Santa Rosa, 7 pm
- 18 RERG #27 President's President Day Tour to Blackhawk Car Museum in Danville. Docent-led tour followed by lunch @ Fat Maddie's Blackhawk (More info in next newsletter). Carol needs a <u>tentative</u> count for the restaurant. A sign-up sheet will be passed around at the January meeting. If you think you <u>might</u> go, but can't make the meeting, please RSVP <u>V8accessories@gmail.com</u> or 707-246-4158
- TBA "Ford Chicks" Lunch 11:30 am, date and location TBA

MARCH

- 7 RERG #27 Board Meeting via Zoom
- 14 RERG #27 Monthly Meeting Round Table Pizza, 2065 Occidental Rd., Santa Rosa, 7 pm
- 18 RERG #27 Celebrate St. Pat's Day weekend with a corned beef & cabbage Potluck @ the Pallo's (More info in next newsletter)
- 20 "Ford Chicks" Lunch 11:30 am, location TBA
- 25-26 Good Guys Car Show Alameda Fairgrounds, 4591 Pleasanton Ave., Pleasanton, CA

CARS AND COFFEE SUNDAYS

1st - Novato - Vintage Oaks Shopping Center, 132 Vintage Way near Starbucks, 6:30 -10 am

Santa Rosa - Montecito Shopping Center, 560 Montecito Rd., 8 - 10 am

2nd - Santa Rosa – 358 Coddingtown Center near Starbucks, 8 - 10 am

Napa - Premium Outlet Mall, 629 Factory Stores Dr., 8 - 10 am

3rd - Petaluma – 389 S. McDowell near Peet's Coffee, 9 - 11 am

4th - Penngrove - 10070 Main St., 9 am

Last - Rohnert Park - 459 Rohnert Park Expressway, Starbucks near Target, 8 -10 am

WEEKLY CRUISE-IN

Fridays - Santa Rosa - Machado's Burgers, 406 Larkfield Center, 4 - 7 pm

Minutes of General Meeting: November 2022

Tuesday November 8, 2022

The Meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by our President Carol Rasmussen.

The Minutes of Meeting: The minutes of last month's meeting were approved.

Members in attendance tonight: 38

Treasurer's Report: Denny gave everyone our monthly treasurers report, we are in good standing.

New Members and Guests: New member Ken from Castro Valley was in attendance tonight along with our guest Mitch Utsey, the Santa Rosa Hight School Auto Shop teacher.

Birthdays: Dave Rasmussen was tonight's winner, and the members sang Happy Birthday to him and the other November Birthday members in attendance, Dennis, Ron, Denny & Steve.

Business: There were no new candidates for President, Vice President and Secretary, so Carol Rasmussen is staying on as President for another year, as well as John Girman as Vice President, and Steve McClain as Secretary, the job of Treasurer will be covered by Bill & Denise Burns. Thanks to all the officers for their hard work.

The Christmas Brunch will be held on Dec 4th from 10:00 to 2:00 at the Foxtail Golf Course, please RSVP to John Girman by Nov. 20th, there will be a new variety and better food this year, please bring a gift for the Christmas Raffle, and an unwrapped toy for the toy drive. Hope to see everyone there.

Frank Wheeler will have an appearance on "Eye on The Bay" for his continuing donations to the Redwood Empire Food Bank, Congratulations Frank.

Mitch Utsey, the Santa Rosa High Auto Shop teacher, brought letters of thank you from his students and himself for the scholarship donations the club has provided the past few years, they had been damaged by rain, but were still appreciated.

Jim Spero sends his hellos from Kelseyville, and apologizes for not making it to the meetings, it is too big a drive from Kelseyville at night to make it down.

There will be no club meeting in December, as we have the Christmas Brunch.

Patty Girman needs any changes to the Roster sent to her ASAP.

Tours and Events: Carol is hosting the Ford Chicks Lunch on Nov. 14th at the Red Lobster in Rohnert Park. And on Dec 8th at the Olive Garden in Rohnert Park. Both at 11:30.

Redwood Empire Turkey Trot on November 20th at the Pallo's. Please bring g a Pot Luck dish to share.

Tom Johnston talked about the Burney tour, this next year will be the 20th.

Sunshine Lady: None reported.

Hard Luck: None reported.

Tech tips: None reported.

Cars and Parts for Sale: None reported.

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Club Cars Driven to the Meeting: No club cars tonight as it was a very rainy night.

Membership Attendance Drawing: Patty Girman was tonight's winner, she received \$ 40.00.

Carol's Carload of Fun: Carol had a trivia question, and handed out candy to everyone tonight.

Scholarship Raffle: There were eight winners tonight and the club collected \$ 112.00 For the scholarship fund.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:55

Minutes submitted by: Steve McClain

DECEMBER & JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

DECEMBER

Dec	Brian Wright	
Dec 03	Gail Wyss	

Dec 06 **Sharon Cantarutti**

Dec 12 **Roger Acquistapace**

Dec 13 Jim Spero

Dec 14 **Beverly Tamagno**

Dec 15 Tom Hickman Dec 15 Camille King

Dec 16 **Jerry Williams**

Dec 18 Norma Santillan

Dec 21 **Carol Hendricks**

Dec 26 **Sharron Singleterry**

JANUARY

Jan 30



Jan 04 **Bill Pate** Jan 13 Joe Rodota Jan 22 Eli Qvist Jan 22 **Cynthia Radoumis** Jan 24 **Phyllis Wheeler** Jan 30 **Brian King**

Jan Nahmens

Sunshine Lady Report for January 2023

Three of our members are having a tough time.

Jan Kibler has suffered a stroke and is having therapy at Kaiser-The Meadows located at 9325 East Stockton Blvd., Apt. 131, Elk Grove, CA 95624. She is slowly improving. Cards would be appreciated.

Steve Castelli had an accident resulting in a fall down some stairs which caused him to have a broken neck. He is being cared for at home and would appreciate cards from us giving him our thoughts and prayers.

Theresa Long is starting Chemo treatments for Cancer and would also appreciate hearing from club members. 1571 Baywood Lane, Napa, CA 94558

Pam Johnston



FUN TIMES AHEAD (WITH YOUR HELP)

Charlene Trabucco and Patty Girman will be the new chairs for Event and Tours. And although they have a few ideas as to what this means, they are counting on club members to help them out. The <u>first</u> way you can help is by participating in club activities. Since the pandemic began and we switched to online connections with each other, many members have not come back in person to the level of participation before this all happened. We want to offer some fun activities that can be done in person and that you will want to take part in.

When was the last time you saw those beautiful cars at the Blackhawk museum in Danville? How about a leisurely drive up to Ukiah on the back roads and a docent lead tour of Sun House followed by burgers, fries and their really yummy milkshakes at the Be Bop Diner? Have you ever been to the Nike Missile Site in Marin or had lunch on the patio of the Geyersville Inn? There are many things the club could do and here is a <u>second</u> way you can help. Take an idea and make it happen. Or team up with another member. A tour could be as simple as a drive through the countryside to a picnic destination or restaurant. Charlene and Patty will be in the background to help and provide ideas to share if needed.

We want to bring in some new things to do, but also make sure the things that are working keep going like Burney, the Turkey Trot and our Christmas Brunch. The club could bring back some events like the Ford Family Picnic, which may be in a little different format. We are all aware that the club seems to really enjoy that relaxed getting together atmosphere. Can the club make this happen?

<u>Third</u>, we also need your help to keep us abreast of activities in Sonoma and Napa counties such as the Cars and Coffee get togethers on weekends, the Sonoma 4th of July cruise and also those events that may be of interest to club members that are a little further away.

So let us hear from you. We welcome comment on what you think is working and what you think may need some tweaking, or what you think is just a crazy idea. This club belongs to all of us, and what a great club it is.

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Thanks from Students

The November meeting had a special guest from the Santa Rosa High School automotive dept. Mr. Mitch Utsey is the instructor in the auto classes at SRHS and stated that he has 120 to 130 students a year in his classes, about 20% which are female.

He explained a little about the function of the auto classes and what the students are learning.

Mr. Utsey was very appreciative of the V8 Club's donations to his class and brought along "thank you" messages written by his students. Some of his students stated that the auto class is the reason they attend school, others said it is their favorite class, and they all thanked us for the donations.

Their curriculum includes function of brakes, tire balance, knowledge of engines and transmissions, and learning to operate diagnostic equipment. The school has been able to purchase updated diagnostic equipment which will not be obsolete for many years.

After fulfilling this course, the students can better qualify for admission to the automotive program at Santa Rosa Junior College. It's nice to know our donated funds are being put to such good use in the auto industry.

Submitted by, Sterling Cousins

Ford Chicks

Once again, the Ford Chicks met for a special lunch with good conversation and plenty of laughter. By the way, we didn't talk about cars.

On Monday, November 6, we had our second Ford Chicks lunch; but had a big snafu before we even got started. We had planned to meet and eat at the Red Lobster in Rohnert Park, but upon arrival discovered that the restaurant had been burglarized the previous night and was being investigated by the police so was therefore closed for business. A true crime scene as they say.

Our ever resourceful and fearless leader Carol R quickly arranged an alternative spot at the Olive Garden Restaurant located right next door to our original site.

In all, 15 Chicks showed up, including 2 guests, Carol's daughter Erica and Irlene Duncan, our current newsletter editor.

After receiving party favors and gifts of chocolate, we all enjoyed a great lunch and lots of chit chat and laughs. Of course we had a raffle with seasonal gifts provided by Carol.

This was a fun time for all and a chance to get acquainted with other V8 Club ladies. Looking forward to next month's get together which will be sponsored by Donna Frederick and Cheryl Porter.

Submitted by Juanita Cooper





Turkey Trot Potluck Lunch

What a day it was: Beautiful weather, beautiful ride and beautiful home! We had it all. Thanks to Dan and Wendy Pallo for offering their home and hospitality for our V8 Club.

Most of us arrived by 10:00'ish to these beautiful surroundings and perfect weather. We tried to count how many of us were there but NO ONE would stand still long enough for a for sure count so maybe 50 (maybe not). I'll go along with what ever you say.

No wonder we are kiddingly calling the v-eaters. The food was incredible, so much and all so good. Hard to say what was absolute the best?? Ron and Rick both thought this was the best Turkey Trout ever, they didn't have to cook! The friendship was the best. \$1104.00 was collected along with 257 lbs. of food for Redwood Empire Food Bank!

Frank Wheeler told us he has raised more than \$37,000 for the Redwood Empire Food Bank making his incredible wood creations. He was interviewed by channel 5, that will air sometime after Thanksgiving.

Thanks to Carol our president for the fun activity to keep us interested and laughing. How in the world does Carol come up with all these fun things.

Submitted by Jan Taurian















TURKEY TROT (cont.)



















EVERYONE ENJOYING A FEW CRAFTS!







CRAFTING AND LAUGHING!



V-8 CHRISTMAS BRUNCH



President Carol welcoming the club members!







Patty Receiving "Member of The Year" Award











2023 OFFICERS

Bill and Denise Burns 1938 Ford Standard Coupe

In 1986 I bought a 1938 Ford Standard Coupe from a co-worker. The coupe was in pieces and not in running condition.

After bolting the fenders back on the car, replacing the starter and carburetor, the old Ford was up and running.

Denise and I would occasionally take short drives around town, when I could get the car started.

Over the next three years, I did a frame off restoration with all new drive train, added a back seat for our kids to travel with us. Paint and upholstery. All of the restoration except the upholstery was done in our barn/shop.

Since completion we have driven our old Ford all over the country logging a total of 80,000 miles.

Great memories with this car and more to come.









RERG #27 Renewal and Roster Information for 2023

Dues of \$20 (single/ or couple) are due on January 1st and must be received by March 1st. Please make your check payable to RERG #27 and mail to: P.O. Box 3302, Santa Rosa, CA 95402

Name:	Spouse or Partner Name:
Address:	
City & State:	Zip:
Your Cell Phone:	Partner's Cell Phone:
Home Phone:	Email:
Birthday (Month and Day only) Yours:	Partner's:
Car(s) owned: Year; Body Style	Check here if no changes for roster
You can also email Patty Girman by Ma	arch 1st with any changes for roster - irgolg@aol.com
c/o Cornerstone Registration, Ltd. P.O. Box available at www.earlvfordv8.org . Members	equired to join THE EARLY FORD V-8 CLUB OF AMERICA, 1715, Maple Grove, MN 55311. More information is ship in THE EARLY FORD V-8 CLUB OF AMERICA includes cles, lists national tours, and much EFV8 information.
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Please include this information sheet with y published in April 2023.	our membership dues payment. Rosters will be

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All Members are invited to attend the Board Meetings; call any of the above Board Members for dates, time and meeting place.





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My V8 by (club member)

We would like to feature your car in the Club Newsletter so would encourage you to write a short story about the car so we can share in the enjoyment of your V8.

You may include pictures, history of car, outstanding features of the vehicle and what you've been doing on it lately, and any other facts of interest to other club members.

You can also tell us about the work you have done on your car and the glitches you have overcome to fix these problems.

We are hoping to make this a regular feature in our newsletter so we do need input from our members.

For more information, please contact Juanita at 707 293 3945 (text) or email buffet55@comcast.net.

Articles for the V8 Club Newletter are due by the third weekend of the month and in the WORD format. Thank you, this will be a great help in putting the Newsletter together and getting it out on time.

Irlene @ Chelsea970@aol.com



REDWOOD EMPIRE RG # 27 IN SONOMA, MARIN & NAPA COUNTIES JANUARY 2023

Meetings are held on the 2nd Tuesday of every month at 7 PM at Round Table Pizza- Exit Hwy 12 & Stony Point Road to 2065 Occidental Road, Santa Rosa. All interested V8-ers are invited to attend! This newsletter is a monthly publication of Redwood Empire RG # 27 of the Early Ford V8 Club of America. Other Regional Groups may reprint material, provided proper credit is given.

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