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From The President:





Happy December everyone, I hope this newsletter finds everyone well. I hope everyone had a wonderful Thanksgiving, ours was very nice thank you.

Well, here we are nearing the end of a very full year. There was a lot of fun with all the V-8 tours this year, starting for us with the Black Bart Tour, which was a great time, we made it to Burney again this year, always one of our favorites. Julie and I hosted a tour to Fort Bragg this year which was a little bit of work but a whole lot of fun. We also hosted the Miranda Tour again this year, which also turned out well, at least that's what I heard from a few people. There were also quite a few one day tours mixed in throughout the year, including Lady Luck Garage Tour, the Lavender Bee Farm and Petaluma Creamery Tour, The Skunk Train Tour, the Point Reyes Tour, Mike & Amy's Garage Tour, and the Calistoga Valley Tour. Plus of course we had to add in the food. We had the St. Patrick's Day Lunch, and the Turkey Trot, always good food to be had, they don't call us the V-Eaters for nothing. A big Thank You to everyone that hosted a tour this year as well as everyone that participated in the tours, they are a lot of work, but it is all worth it when the members turn out and have fun at these events.

This year also saw the final Swap Meet for our club held in Petaluma, I still have mixed feelings, sad to see it end, but I certainly will not miss all the work putting that thing on. A big thanks to Dave Peterson for his work over the years as well as a big thanks to all the members over the years that put the time in year in and year out to make the Swap Meet a huge success. Also, our Regional Group received our 55 Year Charter award, seems this chapter has been for around for a while, great job everyone for keeping this group thriving for so long. However, even with all this fun, we did have some heartache with the passing of several prominent club members, Dan Pallo, Dennis McIntosh, Dave Trabucco, and Jerry Williams, these men will certainly be missed as well as their contributions that have affected all of us.

Up next, the Christmas Brunch, hope to see you all there.

Happy Motoring

Steve McClain

REDWOOD REVIEW MONTHLY MINUTES

Minutes of General Meeting: Tuesday, November 11, 2025

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 pm by our President Mike Buegeleisen

The Minutes of Meeting: The minutes of the last month's meeting were approved with no corrections.

Members in attendance: 41

Treasurer's Report: Denise gave everyone our monthly treasurer's report. We are in good standing.

New Members and Guests: None

Birthdays: November Birthdays: Gene Kirkeby, Rich Castle, Guy Hamilton & Dave Rasmussen. Dave won the prize.

Business: Mike reported on the Turkey Trot Potluck held on Sunday, Nov. 9th. We had fewer people this year but all had a great time and wonderful potluck food to share. The Club collected 140 pounds of food and \$1150.00 to donate to the Redwood Empire Food Bank. Tickets are being sold for a box Frank Wheeler made and donated to the club, money raised will be donated back to the Club.

Tours and Events:

Nov 17th Ford Chick's luncheon, La Strada Restaurant, 6240 Hwy 29, American Canyon 11:30 am RSVP to Sharon Lawson or Yvonne Westberg

December 7th Annual Christmas Brunch & Installation of Officers. Wedgewood Banquet Center at Foxtail Golf Course, 100 Golf Course Drive, Rohnert Park. Bring 1 wrapped Christmas item per couple for gift exchange and 1 unwrapped item for a school age child to be donated if you want to. RSVP to Carol Rasmussen by November 25th.

December 8th Ford Chick's luncheon, Mi Pueblo Restaurant, 7384 Commerce Blvd., Cotati at 11:30 am RSVP to Donna Fredrick

Sunshine Lady: None

Cars and Parts for Sale: None

Club Cars Driven to the Meeting: 4 old cars were driven to the meeting. Danny Dortch won the prize.

Membership Attendance Drawing: Julie McClain won the prize

Carol's Carload of Fun: We played a Tom Turkey Takes a"RIBing" game, finding the answer to a question with the word RIB in it. Carol also passed out little bags of candy with one marked bag to win a decorated pumpkin that Loretta Kirkeby made & donated. Jerry Mattos won the pumpkin.

Scholarship Raffle: There were 7 winners of raffle prizes and the Club collected \$110.00

The meeting was adjourned at: 7:45 pm

Minutes submitted by: Beverly Tamagno

RERG #27 CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR DECEMBER/ JANUARY

For more information: Charlene 707-539-2867 or text Patty 703-402-2097, jrgplg@aol.com

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RERG #27 CHRISTMAS BRUNCH - 10 am to 2 pm Brunch Served at 11 am Wedgewood Banquet Center at FOXTAIL Golf Course 100 Golf Course Drive Rohnert Park



**** RERG #27 Monthly Meeting – NO MEETING IN DECEMBER ****

8 RERG #27 "Ford Chicks" Lunch - NEW DATE!!!, 11:30 a.m., Mi Pueblo, 7384 Commerce Blvd., Cotati. Please RSVP to Donna Fredrick, 707-588- 9987 (home) or 415-810-5347 (text).

JANUARY

- RERG #27 Monthly Meeting @ Round Table Pizza, 2065 Occidental Rd, Santa Rosa, 7 p.m
- 19 RERG #27 "Ford Chicks" Lunch 11:30 am, Olive Garden, 6430 Redwood Road, Rohnert Park, Carol & Charlene

<u>UPCOMING EVENTS TO PUT ON YOUR CALENDAR</u>

FEBRUARY – Tour to Sacramento Train Museum - TBA – Ortega's **MARCH 15** – St. Patrick Corned Beef Lunch – more info forthcoming

CARS AND COFFEE SUNDAYS

- 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
 Sonoma Devil's Darlin's, East side of Sonoma Plaza, 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., 8 10 am

CRUISE-IN

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

2nd Sunday - Rohnert Park – Cruisin' North Car Club's Cruisin' Hooters, 6099 Redwood Drive, noon - 3 pm 2nd Sunday & 4th Sunday - Santa Rosa – Acme Burgers, 1007 W. College Avenue, 6 pm



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DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

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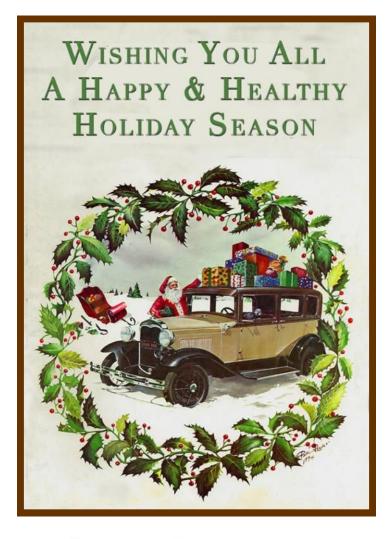
If I say Duncan Hines you probably think cake mix, but in the 1930's and 40's, Hines is credited with a raising expectation of travelers, a transforming the hospitality industry in the United States. He began by including a list of restaurants in



his Christmas cards which he turned into an annual edition, publishing also Lodging for a Night, and Duncan Hines Vacation Guide. The highest compli-

ment a restaurant or motel could receive would be "Recommended by Duncan Hines." In 1935, his Adventures in Good Eating: a Guidebook to the Best Restaurants along America's Highways actually outsold the Michelin Guide. His books were trusted A because he refused to accept advertising or pay- & ment from any of the establishments that he recommended. In 1939 he listed a place called ξ "Sander's Café", a lunch room behind a gas station in Corbin, Kentucky as a great place for food especially its southern fried chicken, the beginning of "Kentucky Fried Chicken". Hines is celebrated with an annual festival each year in Bowling Green, Kentucky and with an 82-mile route which runs through & Warren and Edmonson counties.

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TURKEY TROT - NOVEMBER 2025

About thirty of the Ford Faithful gathered at the Seven Flags Mobile Home Park Clubhouse in Sonoma to celebrate our annual Turkey Trot and food collection for the Redwood Empire Food Bank. It was a beautiful sunny day so many drove their cars for a pleasant drive. We arrived with trays, bowls, casseroles and plates of food in hand. After our usual socializing, Mike asked for the groups' attention and pointed out where the food and checks or cash were being collected and also told us about the raffle tickets and how we could benefit the club by buying a ticket for \$5 or 5 for \$20 and win a beautiful wooden box made by Frank Wheeler. We then grabbed our plates and proceeded down the buffet line. Everyone outdid themselves with the selections of foods available, from appetizers, to salads and sides, meats and right down to the vast collection of desserts. No one could go home hungry. Folks lingered over the dinner and after more conversation and camaraderie everyone pitched in and we cleaned up quickly and set about for the ride home. Rick gathered up the items for the Food Bank and took them over. We collected 140 pounds of nonperishable items and \$1150.00 Not bad.

John & Patty Gírman



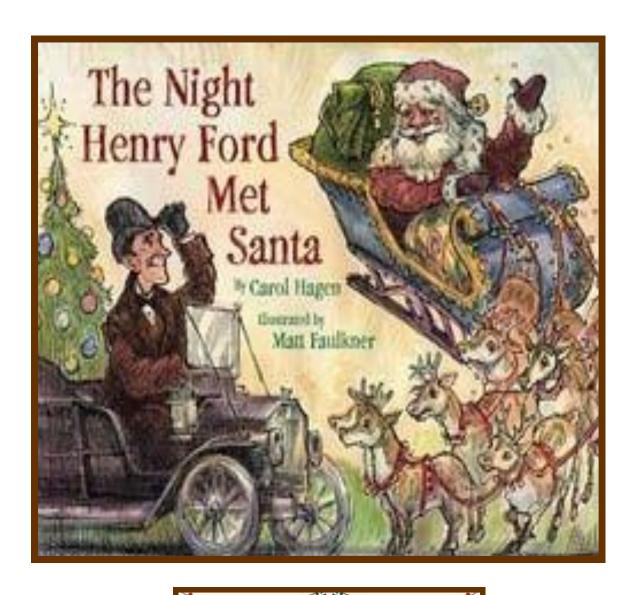




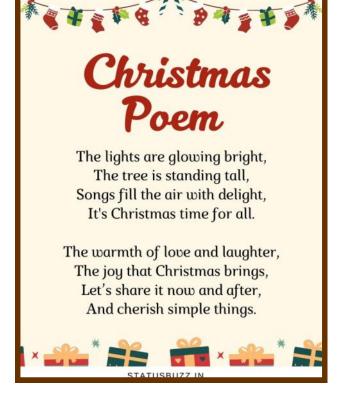


























On Monday, November 17, Sharon Lawson and Yvonne Westberg were the host for the Santa Rosa Ford Club car chick

It was held in Napa at the LA STRADA restaurant which has great atmosphere as well as many beautiful hand painted murals.

There were 18 ladies who had a great time visiting and enjoying great food

Our waitress was Monica, who happens to be the manager and the owner's daughter

We are all looking forward to meeting there again and in 2026



CHRISTMAS CRACK CHEX MIX

- 2 cups mini pretzels
- 2 cups Rice Chex cereal
- 1 cup Cheerios
- 2 cups Bugels chips
- 1 cup roasted peanuts
- 2 cups M&M candies
- 24 ounces white chocolate
- **Sprinkles**

Instructions

- In a large bowl, mix the Chex, Cheerios, pretzels and M&M's.
- Place the white chocolate in a microwave safe bowl.
- Microwave for 1 minute. Stir and then melt in 30 second increments. Make sure you stir in between. (stirring in between).
- Be careful not to overcook.
- Pour the melted chocolate over the chex mix and stir until well coated.
- Then pour the chex onto a piece of wax or parchment paper and allow to set until hardened (at least 15 minutes).
- Store in a zip top bag or covered container. Store on the counter for 3 days or in the freezer for 3 months.

2026 DUES NOTICE

It's that time of year again, so let's get the REDWOOD EMPIRE REGIONAL GROUP #27 off to a good start in 2026. Dues are \$25.00 per year (single or couple). Please make your check out to **RERG #27** and mail to **RERG #27**, **9760 Brooks Road South, Windsor, CA 95492** (As a reminder, you are required to be members of the National Early Ford V8 Club - for membership information refer to www.earlyfordv8club.org).

Also please note below any changes you may have for the 2026 Roster/FastFinder (email, cars, cell phone, etc.) and send this along with your check, or email your changes to Patty Girman, jrgplg@aol.com.

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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 Newsletter 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's email: Chelsea970@aol.com
Juanita's email: buffet55@comcast.net

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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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