



REDWOOD REVIEW

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From The President:



Happy February everyone, I hope everyone is well.

Well, the new year is a little sparse of car events, seems like the Cars & Coffees are still going on but the last one I attended was rained out. We did have the Aguilar garage/coffee & doughnut tour a few weeks past, I heard it was a fun event with a good turnout. Unfortunately, I managed to catch a cold in the middle of January that hung on for over a week so we missed the January club meeting and the Aguilar Social. I was able to recover enough to make our trip to Alaska that was on Julie's bucket list to see the Northern Lights and well enough to make it to Pomona for the Grand National Roadster Show. We had quite the group this year.

Some sad news to report is that Terry Block has passed away, very sorry to hear that as he was a friend and a very active club member when he was able. He will be missed. I have not heard of any services planned as of this time.

I did get wind about an upcoming National Event coming in early August, it is a driving tour being put on by the Big Sky RG and will visit parts of Montana and Wyoming. Sounds like fun, more information is on the Early Ford V8 website, check it out and mark your calendars.

Well, not much else going on so I will keep this one short and try not to ramble on about nothing important, see you at the February meeting.

Steve McClain



REDWOOD REVIEW MONTHLY MINUTES

Minutes of General Meeting: January 13, 2026

The meeting was called to order at 7 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: We are in good standing.

New Members and Guests: None

Birthdays: December birthdays: Toni Labra, Sharon Cantarutti & Bev Tamagno Sharon won the prize.

January birthdays: Ray Swinehart Ray won the prize

Business: None

Tours and Events:

Patty Girman thanked Carol Rasmussen for her hard work putting on the Christmas Brunch. Linda Ortega won the Person of the Year award at the brunch.

January 17th Garage Social at the Aguilar's, 4400 Chico Ave., Santa Rosa 9 a.m. Coffee & Donuts served.

January 19th Ford Chick's luncheon, Olive Garden in Rohnert Park 11:30 a.m. RSVP to Carol Rasmussen or Charlene Trabucco

February 16th Ford Chicks luncheon at Tomatina, Santa Rosa 11:30 a.m. RSVP to Kathy Cahill or Denise Burns

February 21st Tour to Train Town Museum in Old Town Sacramento. Meet up in Cordelia McDonald's at 8:45 a.m. Museum opens at 10 a.m. Docent Tour starts at 10:30 a.m. Lunch at 11:45 a.m. Place to be chosen. Contact Linda Ortega

June 6th Save the date, Carol is putting on a fun day tour.

Sunshine Lady: None



Cars and Parts for Sale: None

Club Cars Driven to the Meeting: Rich Castle, Steve & Linda Ortega, Guy & Bonnie Hamilton, Danny & Sherry Dortch and Chuck Paul. Rich Castle won the prize.

Membership Attendance Drawing: None this month

Carol's Carload of Fun: We played a Happy New Year's matching the clues to the answer and a Coffee game. Bonnie Hamilton & Rich DeCroff won the prizes

Scholarship Raffle: There were 8 winners and the club collected \$125.00.

The meeting was adjourned at: 7:50 p.m.

Minutes submitted by: Beverly Tamagno

RERG #27 CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR FEBRUARY/ MARCH 2026

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

FEBRUARY

- 10 **RERG #27 Monthly Meeting @ Round Table Pizza**, 2065 Occidental Rd, Santa Rosa, 7 p.m.
- 16 **RERG #27 "Ford Chicks" Lunch** 11:30 am, **TOMATINA**, Montgomery Village, 2323 Sonoma Avenue, Santa Rosa, **cash only**, hosted by Kathy Cahill, 707-217-1672 & Denise Burns, 707-326-3525
- 21 **RERG #27 Tour to Sacramento Train Museum** - [See info in this newsletter for details](#)

MARCH

- 10 [RERG #27 Monthly Meeting @ Round Table Pizza](#), 2065 Occidental Rd, Santa Rosa, 7 p.m.
- 15 [RERG #27 Celebrate St. Pat's Day](#) weekend with Corned Beef & Cabbage Potluck
See info in this newsletter for details



SEVEN FLAGS MOBILE HOME PARK CLUBHOUSE

300 International Blvd., Sonoma



- 16 **RERG #27 "Ford Chicks" Lunch** 11:30 am, **SALT & STONE**, 9900 Sonoma Hwy. Kenwood, hosted by Sherry Dortch, 480-365-8590 & Oona Achard, 707-688-7003

UPCOMING EVENTS TO PUT ON YOUR CALENDAR

APRIL 17 to 19 – Black Bart

MAY 21 to 24 – Burney

NO SWAP MEET

JUNE 6 – Carol's Murder Mystery Tour

JULY 24-26 – Fortuna

AUGUST 2 TO 8 – Montana/Wyoming

National Tour

SEPTEMBER 18 to 20 - Miranda

NOVEMBER 8 - Turkey Trot Potluck

DECEMBER 6 - Christmas Brunch

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
Sonoma - Devil's Darlin's, East side of Sonoma Plaza, 8 - 10 am
- 2nd Santa Rosa – 358 Coddington 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 - Hooters, 6099 Redwood Drive, noon - 3 pm
- 2nd Sunday & 4th Sunday - Santa Rosa – Acme Burgers, 1007 W. College Avenue, 6 pm

GARAGE GET TOGETHER

Saturday January 17 with not much going on, the V8ers found the motivation to get together and have a few hours of car talk and socializing, while also getting a chance to get the old cars out for a drive.

We met at Ron and Zandra's house in west Santa Rosa at 9 a.m. Their garage is perfect for an event like this, as it has heat and a/c, a restroom just a few steps (stairs) away, and some car memorabilia to look at. What a great place to meet! Thanks Ron & Zandra for hosting us.

The club provided a variety of donuts, coffee, tea, and hot chocolate; and Ron even had cold milk set out to enjoy with our pastries.

We had a nice turnout with 16 cars and lots of fellow Club members. Everyone got to visit, lots of car talk for the guys, and lots of chit chat for the ladies.

This Saturday event seems to be pretty successful, as everyone seems to enjoy the relaxing environment and time schedule. We're hoping to keep it up, so if any member has a garage or just a backyard (weather permitting) where we can get together, please feel free to invite us over.

Submitted by Juanita Cooper



Photos courtesy of Mike!

ADDITIONAL EVENT PICTURES ARE ADDED
REGULARLY ON THE WEBSITE
"Redwood V-8" redwoodv8.net

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

Feb 04	Dianne Troya
Feb 05	Lori Penning
Feb 06	Jack Helmke
Feb 15	Tom Cahill
Feb 16	Donna Fredrick
Feb 23	Denise Burns
Feb 22	Jim Luce
Feb 26	Steve Mannwieler
Feb 27	Natalie Girman
Feb 27	Lee Godfrey
Feb 28	Patti Godfrey
Feb 28	Debra Stolp



"SUNSHINE LADY REPORT"

JANUARY 2026

This month we lost long standing member Terry Block. Terry succumbed to a debilitating illness on Jan 16, 2025. He will be missed.

Submitted by Loretta Kirkeby

RERG #27 St. Patrick's Day Lunch



Sunday, March 15
SIX FLAGS MOBILE HOME PARK
CLUBHOUSE
300 International Blvd., Sonoma



RERG #27 will sponsor a luncheon at noon, arrive at 11:30a.m. The club will provide the corned beef and cabbage and we ask that you supply the potatoes, sides, salad and dessert. The club will provide bottled water. Feel free to bring any other drink if you want something different. Please RSVP to Patty at jrgplg@aol.com or text her at 707-992-0730 or call Charlene at 707-539-2867 by **March 10.**



MONTANA DRIVING TOUR

Information and Registration for the Driving Tour to Montana in August, can be found on the Early Ford V8 Club of America Website. Check under Events

The date is August 2-7th 2026. The event is sponsored by the Big Sky V-8 Regional Group 153.

The tour will include parts of Montana and Wyoming!



VISITING MONTANA (taken from the Travel Guide)

July & August – Peak everything (crowds included)

This is when everyone comes. And I mean *everyone*.

Montana in peak summer is gorgeous – warm days, everything's open, trails are clear, Going-to-the-Sun Road is fully accessible, lakes are swimmable. This is the Montana of Instagram photos and vacation dreams.

It's also crowded, expensive, and requires strategy.

Glacier's parking lots fill by 7am. Popular trails feel like highways. Hotels book months in advance. Restaurants have waits. That small-town Montana vibe you're hoping for? You'll find it, but you'll have to work for it.

Here's what locals do: we go early or we go late. Early morning hikes before the crowds arrive. Weekday adventures when day-trippers are fewer. Dinner at 5pm or 8:30pm to avoid the rush.

If you come in July or August, you need a plan. Wing-it travelers get frustrated fast.

Who this works for: First-time visitors who want the full experience, families with school schedules, people who don't mind crowds if it means access, anyone willing to plan ahead and get up early.

Who should skip it: People who want solitude, budget travelers, anyone who gets anxious in crowds, spontaneous types who hate planning.



CORNER



LUNCHEON

The Ford Chicks had our January Lunch at the Olive Garden in Rohnert Park. We had a record attendance of 27 ladies. Charlene and Carol had a Snow Man theme with snowman decorations and Hershey Bars decorated as Snowman. With the cold weather it was the perfect theme. Charlene and Carol invited our daughters to attend. All the ladies had plenty of time to visit due to the time it took to deliver our lunches. Once delivered it was delicious. Wilma Lenz and her friend Donna traveled from the Bay Area to attend our lunch. Wilma was married to Bob Lenz the founder of the Early Ford V8 Club of America over 55 years ago. So fun to see and visit with our old and new friends.

Carol Rasmussen



California State Railroad Museum Tour

Saturday, February 21st



Everyone please feel free to carpool and/or bring regular cars. Some people will gather in Rincon Valley at the St. Francis Shopping Center to leave at 7:30 AM. Rick & Bev Tamagno will lead. You will probably pick up a few at Vineburg Deli on the way. Any Napa area folks will meet Carol & Dave Rasmussen. Please connect with them if you plan to meet up. We will get a tentative count at the meeting.

Everyone will proceed to I-80 and take exit 41 to McDonalds' (4400 Central Pl., Fairfield - where we meet for Black Bart) and proceed to the rear parking lot. We will meet about 8:30 AM and leave around 8:45 AM. More information will be provided here for the trip.

We'll head to the Railroad Museum, arriving about 10:00 AM. Parking is on your own. Admission is \$11 per person. We have a docent led tour scheduled at 10:30 AM that will last about 30-45 minutes. After the tour, you can explore the museum on your own. About 12:00 PM we will gather in the main lobby and walk to lunch at La Terraza, (1027 2nd St.) for Mexican food. There are lots of spots close by if you would like to go elsewhere. Please let Linda or Steve know if you do not plan to go to lunch at La Terraza.

Looking forward to having a wonderful tour!

Contact Steve or Linda Ortega at 707-477-1521.

Redwood Empire Regional Group #27

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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.

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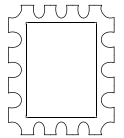
Meetings are held on the 2nd Tuesday of every month at 7 PM at Round Table Pizza- Exit Hwy 12 & Stony Point Road to 2065 Occidental Road, Santa Rosa. All interested V8-ers are invited to attend! This newsletter is a monthly publication of Redwood Empire RG # 27 of the Early Ford V8 Club of America. Other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



Getting the cars out to start a new year!

Irlene Duncan, Editor

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