



REDWOOD REVIEW

Regional Group #27

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From The President:



Happy New Year everyone, I hope this newsletter finds everyone well.

Well, we made it to 2026, congratulations, 2025 was quite the year with a lot going on, some good, some not so good, but I think everyone is ready for a good year in 2026. Well, we had a good turnout at the Christmas / Installation Brunch, the food was very good, lots of good stories going around with everyone mingling and having a good time. And of course, don't forget the cookies, thanks to all the members that brought them. We only had one change regarding the officers with Rochelle Berizzi taking over as Treasurer from Denise Burns who has done a wonderful job these past years, thank you Denise for your service. And thanks Rochelle for volunteering, it is very much appreciated. Mike and I will remain as Co-Presidents, Carol will remain as Vice President and Bev will remain as Secretary. And I believe all the Board Members will remain the same. Looking forward it seems we will have the usual tours again this year, with Black Bart, Burney and Miranda on the calendar. There are already a couple of new day tours being planned which is nice to see, plus I'm sure there will be more to come, and let's not forget the food, with St. Patrick's Day Corned Beef and Cabbage and the Turkey Trott. All good stuff. But first off for me, along with an ever-growing group of guys, is the Grand National Roadster Show in Pomona at the end of January. Really looking forward to this year as I had heard that John Thompson had been invited to bring his 36' to participate in this year's specialty building, featuring "Fat Fendered" vehicles from 1935 – 1948. So, I sent a couple pictures in and also received an invitation to bring my 41' pickup down and display it in the show. Very cool, as this building is by invitation only and I am honored to participate.

See you at the meeting, and let's have a great year in 2026.

Steve McClain

*Cheers to new
beginnings and
amazing adventures
in 2026!
Wishing you a prosperous
and joyful New Year.*



RERG #27 CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR JANUARY/ FEBRUARY 2026

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

JANUARY

13 RERG #27 Monthly Meeting @ Round Table Pizza, 2065 Occidental Rd, Santa Rosa,
7 p.m.

18 RERG #27 Garage Social 9:00 am @Ron & Zandra's, rain or shine, 4400 Chico Avenue, Santa Rosa, 707-327-9781. See article in this newsletter for more details 

19 RERG #27 "Ford Chicks" Lunch - 11:30 am, Olive Garden, 6430 Redwood Road, Rohnert Park, cash preferred, hosted by Carol Rasmussen, 707-246-4158 & Charlene Trabucco, 707-696-4880

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 
More information coming – Ortega's

UPCOMING EVENTS TO PUT ON YOUR CALENDAR

MARCH 15 – St. Patrick Corned Beef Lunch

APRIL 17 to 19 – Black Bart

MAY 21 to 24 – Burney

NO SWAP MEET

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



XMAS BRUNCH AND INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS 2025

It was a cold and blustery day when the cheerful V8ers gathered on Sunday, December 7th at the Foxtail Golf Course Banquet Center for the Club's annual Xmas brunch and installation of officers. This year our officers chose to keep their positions, except for our treasurers, Denise and Bill Burns, who turned their position over to Rochelle Berizzi. The 2026 officers were sworn in with a respectful tribute to Henry Ford, as always.

The atmosphere was cheerful, and Carol had done an amazing job with her table centerpieces for the event. On each table was a miniature white tree, Charlie Brown style, decorated with tiny ornaments. Included were V8 logos made from washers, tiny snowmen wearing teensy bows and made from washers also; the original Ford logo in a circular bezel; and an amazing array of actual old V8 automobile pictures, which were hand painted by Carol and shrunk into 1" hanging ornaments. Each tree also had a mini tree skirt and was sitting on a round mirror to reflect the lights on the tree.



After a bit of socializing with drinks (mostly coffee) and cookies, everyone was excited to get on with the food, then to the gift exchange. The food was good, as usual, and plenty of it.

The gift exchange was then started with Carol at the helm. As in years past, the gifts were interesting and some very unusual. A little stealing went on, and everyone had a good time and ended up with a fun gift.

Our new members, Guy and Bonnie Hamilton won the money in the lockbox and kindly donated it to the scholarship fund. Basil Scott's daughter won the beautiful wooden box donated by Frank Wheeler.

The toy donations were plenty this year and it was great to make this event an asset to the community.

A nice time was had by all and some of us can't wait for next year's event to see what exciting things are in store for us.

Submitted by Juanita Cooper



Christmas gifts for everyone!



Yummy brunch enjoyed by all!



XMAS BRUNCH AND INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS 2025, (continued)



RERG #27 OFFICERS



Linda Ortega member of the year!



Carol and Mike!



Gone but not forgotten!

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

Jan 02 Ray Swinehart
 Jan 13 Joe Rodota
 Jan 16 Irlene Duncan
 Jan 22 Cynthia Radoumis
 Jan 24 Phyllis Wheeler
 Jan 30 Brian King

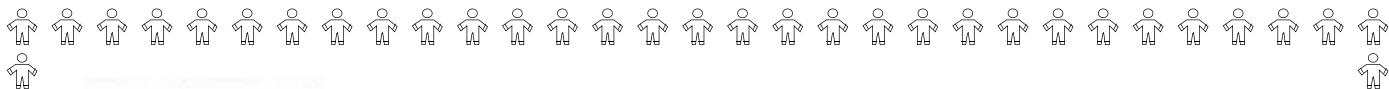


"SUNSHINE LADY REPORT"

DECEMBER 2025

A Sympathy card was sent to Bill and Gina Crackbon for the loss of Bill's mother. Our thoughts go out for the family at this time.

Submitted by Loretta Kirkeby



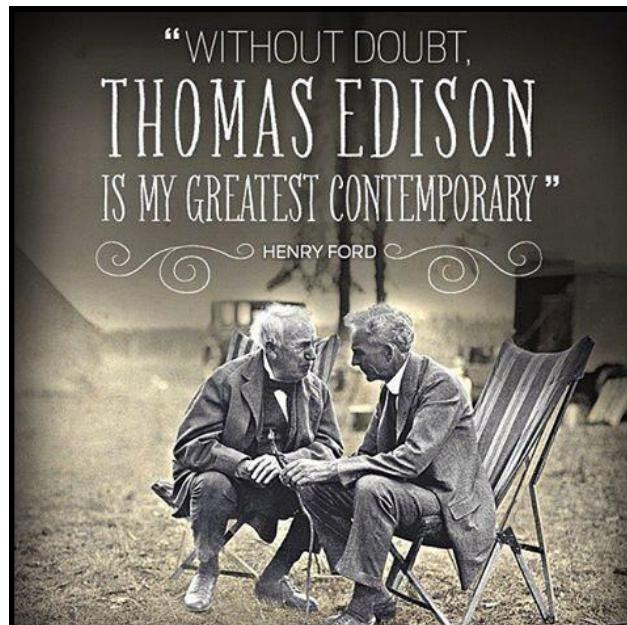
GARAGE SOCIAL

When – Sunday, January, 18, 9:00 am



Where – Ron & Zandra Aguliar
4400 Chico Avenue, Santa Rosa

Ron and Zanda will be hosting a Garage Social on Sunday, January 18, from 9:00 am until around noon. Come on out and enjoy socializing in and around the garage, rain or shine. This is for the women as well, and there will be chairs for everyone. Ron will have the garage heated if it gets too cold. There will be water, coffee (regular and decaf), hot chocolate & donuts to add to the hospitality. It's a time for just getting out and sharing the love of this hobby. Please let Ron know if you think you will be coming, 707-327-9781. There will also be a sign-up sheet at the meeting.



Happy New Year

Nubia Group
Nubiagroup.blogspot.com

Brush away old heartaches.
Learn from our mistakes.
Another year is finally over.
A new dawn awakes.

Let the old year out.
Welcome the new one in.
Bury the bad things of the past
As a new year now begins.

Make your New Year wishes
As simple as you can.
Pray for peace and love,
Not for wealth or fame.

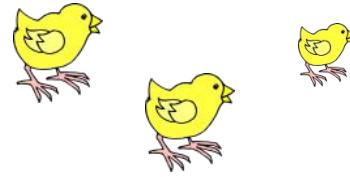
Pray for health and happiness.
Pray for your fellow man.
Pray for all the ones you love.
Pray for those who've lost their way.

As the midnight hour chimes,
We leave the old and embrace the new.
I wish the things you wish for yourself,
And may God's love stay with you.

~ Poet : © John P. Read



CORNER



The December Ladies Luncheon was held at Mi Pueblo in Rohnert Park again this year. We had a good turn out, but were missing a few of our friends as we only had 20 women this year. Donna, Cheryl and I were the Hostesses with the mostesses. The January luncheon will be hosted by Carol and Charlene and will surely be a well attended event to start the new year.

Yours truly - Julie McClain



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.

RERG #27 MEMBERSHIP FORM

(RERG #27, 9760 Brooks Road South, Windsor, CA 95492)

NAME _____

Your Birth Date: Month _____ Day _____

PARTNER _____

Spouse Birth Date: Month _____ Day _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home Phone _____

His Cell Ph # _____

Her Cell Ph # _____

E Mails _____

Early Ford V8'S You Own (Give Year, Model, Body Style and Engine Type)

(Attach additional sheets with V8 information as needed)

Redwood Empire Regional Group #27

2025 Officers

Co-President	Steve McClain
Co-President	Mike Buegeleisen
Vice President	Carol Rasmussen
Secretary	Bev Tamagno
Treasurer	Rochelle Berizzi

Committee Members

Tours & Events	Charlene Trabucco & Patty Girman
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Sunshine Lady	Loretta Kirkeby
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Scholarships	Rick Tamagno
Web Content	John Girman/Steve Vining
Social Director	Carol Rasmussen

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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

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REDWOOD EMPIRE RG # 27 IN SONOMA, MARIN & NAPA COUNTIES JANUARY 2026

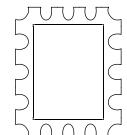
Meetings are held on the 2nd Tuesday of every month at 7 PM at Round Table Pizza- Exit Hwy 12 & Stony Point Road to 2065 Occidental Road, Santa Rosa. All interested V8-ers are invited to attend! This newsletter is a monthly publication of Redwood Empire RG # 27 of the Early Ford V8 Club of America. Other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



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