



# REDWOOD REVIEW

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## From The President:



Dear Members,

December 2023

As we close the year, I want to thank everyone for all the support and help that was offered to make this year super fun. It was great to see our club also grow in membership. A huge thank you to Patty and Charlene for all the great ideas for tours and keeping us all informed of what car shows and outside events we could attend. I hope all of you will take the time to participate in our club tours and events next year.

We had our election of officers at our last meeting and Mike Buegeleisen will be taking over as President. I will serve as the Vice President, Bev Tamagno will take the position of Secretary and Denise and Bill will continue at Treasurer. A huge thank you for members to step up and help out. The Board of Directors will remain the same with the exception of Rich DeCroff stepping down. We appreciate all his years of service.

The Ford Chicks group has really taken off this past year. I am so excited to see so many of our ladies attend the lunches planned. We will have a sign up at the December Lunch for the 2024 year. It works best to buddy up with a friend. No expectations, just a restaurant that serves lunch. Our lunches are scheduled on the Monday after our regular club meeting. Check the Car Chick page for Date and location for our December lunch.

The Turkey Trot was amazing with so many members attending and delicious food to enjoy. A huge thank you to Dan and Wendy Pallo for hosting the event. We were able to collect 85 Pounds of food and with Frank Wheelers donation from the raffle of the wooden carved pumpkins we able to donate \$955 dollars in cash. A big thank you to all the people who helped make this event so successful.

The 2023 year is coming to an end, I am excited to get ready for the New Year. So many events and tours are already in the planning. Dave and I are excited about the plans to attend the Central National Meet in June. The National Meet will be in Auburn, Indiana. If this sounds like something you would be interested in just let us know.

Enjoy the Holidays and we will see you all in January.

Carol

*Merry*  
*Christmas*  
& **HAPPY NEW YEAR**



**Minutes of General Meeting: November 2023**

**Tuesday November 14, 2023**

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: 50

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

New Members and Guests: No one new tonight.

Birthdays: Dennis McIntosh was tonight's winner, and the members sang Happy Birthday to the other November Birthday members in attendance, Dave R, Gene K, Dennis R, Steve M.

Business: Dave Peterson gave everyone an update of the status of the Petaluma Fairgrounds, it is in a state of flux at the moment and the status of the swap meet is uncertain at the moment. The majority of the club member are in favor of continuing to keeping the swap meet going.

The new officers were introduced by the nominating committee, (Patty Girman), Mike Buegeleisen will be the new President, Carol Rasmussen will be the new Vice President, Bev Tamagno will be Secretary, and the Burns will remain the treasurer.

We are one of the largest Regional Groups in the V-8 Club.

Dues for 2024 are now due.

Tours and Events: The Turkey Trot was a huge success, we collected 259 pounds of food, \$ 955.00 in donations, plus Frank Wheeler collected \$ 290.00 with his wooden pumpkin raffle, Densie and Loretta were the winners, there were 55 members in attendance.

John G has the Holiday Brunch under control.

Ford Chicks is Dec. 11<sup>th</sup> at 11:30.

There is no Monthly meeting is December.

Sunshine Lady: Nothing to report.

Hard Luck: Frank Wheeler had problems with his door latch springs in his 39 Woody.

Tech tips: None reported.

Cars and Parts for Sale: None reported.

Club Cars Driven to the Meeting: None tonight due to the rain.

Membership Attendance Drawing: Jim Taylor won \$ 30.00 tonight.

Carol's Carload of Fun: Carol had a fun Thanksgiving puzzle game. Gloria M, and Dave T. were tonight's winners.

Scholarship Raffle: There were 12 winners tonight and the club collected \$ 150.00 For the scholarship fund.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:59.

Minutes submitted by: Steve McClain

# REG #27 CALENDAR OF EVENTS & TOURS

For more information: Charlene 707-539-2867 or Patty 707-992-0730, [jrgplg@aol.com](mailto:jrgplg@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.*

## DECEMBER

- 3 RERG #27 Christmas Brunch and Installation of Officers – 10 a.m. @Foftail Country Club. Contact John Girman, [jrgplg@aol.com](mailto:jrgplg@aol.com) or 707-992-0730
- 11 NEW DATE!!! RERG #27 “Ford Chicks” Lunch 11:30 a.m., Mi Pueblo, 7384 Commerce Blvd., Cotati. Please RSVP to Donna Fredrick, 707-588- 9987 (home) or 415-810-5347 (cell).
- 12 NO MONTHLY MEETING

## JANUARY 2024

- 2 RERG #27 Board Meeting via Zoom, 7 pm
- 9 RERG #27 Monthly Meeting @ Round Table Pizza, 2065 Occidental Rd, Santa Rosa, 7 p.m.
- 15 RERG #27 “Ford Chicks” Lunch 11:30 am, TBA

## CARS AND COFFEE SUNDAYS

- 1<sup>st</sup> - 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 - The Devils Darlin’s Cars and Coffee on the east side of Sonoma Plaza, 7:30 am
- 2<sup>nd</sup> - Santa Rosa – 358 Coddington Center near Starbucks, 8 - 10 am  
Napa - Premium Outlet Mall, 629 Factory Stores Dr., 8 - 10 am
- 3<sup>rd</sup> - Petaluma – 389 S. McDowell near Peet’s Coffee, 9 - 11 am
- 4<sup>th</sup> - 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



**DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS**

- Dec Brian Wright
- Dec 03 Gail Wyss
- Dec 06 Sharon Cantarutti
- Dec 12 Roger Acquistapace
- 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



I would like to say "Thank You" to Dan & Wendy for creating a great door prize that we were lucky enough to win. We love it!

Mike and Amy

**SONOMA COUNTY REFLECTIONS**

A daily slice of life written by our staff and our readers.

**Art leads to \$200,000 in food for families**

It has been about 16 months since I wrote about a Santa Rosa man who quietly crafted scores upon scores of fine woodwork — in the shape of trains, and cars, and bowls. He doesn't sell these coveted pieces, but instead offers them in exchange for a donation. Not to him, but to The Redwood Empire Food Bank.

By July of last year, Frank Wheeler had given \$30,000 to the food bank. By mid-October, that number hit a mindboggling \$50,000. Officials at the food bank say they are able to parlay each donated dollar into \$4 in food for families in need.

That means that Frank Wheeler, a master craftsman and a quiet fundraiser extraordinaire, is responsible for donating the equivalent of \$200,000 for local families in need in just more than three years.

Extraordinary indeed. If you'd like to volunteer or donate to The Redwood Empire Food Bank this holiday season, go to: <https://refb.org/>

—Kerry Benefield



39 Ford Deluxe woodie station wagon for sale. Built by Frank Wheeler. LT1 V8 with auto trans, TCI chassis with power steering, four wheel disk breaks, AC, electric windows, power seats, It has been driven very little and stored most of it's life in dry storage. The owner is in Huntington Beach but If you or any else is interested contact Frank 707 546 7556 Asking price \$85000.00

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### TURKEY TROT 2023

We started our visit at the Pallo's home as club members began arriving at 10:30 a.m. and sat down to eat at 11.

We all enjoyed the different breakfast dishes which everyone brought and enjoyed sitting around and telling stories about what they have done this past year.

Our President, Carol Rasmussen, passed around a fun game and the winners got bags of candy. Dan had made an awesome sculptured metal door prize and it was won By Mike Buegeleisen. Denise Burns and Loretta Kirkeby won the raffle prizes that Frank Wheeler donated; they were beautifully handcrafted wooden bowls in the shape of pumpkins.

Some of the men and ladies walked out to the shop and looked at items that Dan has collected over the years. The weather was nice so most of the Club had driven in their classic vehicles. Special thanks to Rick Tamagno and Sterling Cousins for bringing out the tables and chairs, and to the teamwork the ladies did to make the tables look so festive.

Dan and Wendy Pallo

*Photos taken  
By  
Loretta Kirkeby*





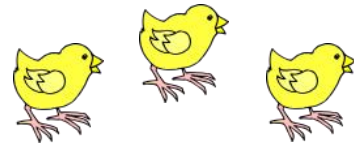
# TURKEY TROT BRUNCH (continued)



**Carol handed out "Hide and Seek" word games for everyone with a Turkey print to color. One more game was played before we left for home. Such a fun relaxing Sunday at Dan and Wendy's place!**



# CORNER



## NOVEMBER FORD CHICKS LUNCHEON

Nineteen Ford Chicks and Arturo (Carol's grandson) met at the Red Lobster for an afternoon of fun, food and friendship. Wendy Pallo had the tables decorated with autumn leaves and lights in no time and the goodies were in abundance. Denise Burns made jelly from pomegranates that came from Charlene Trabucco's tree. Carol Rasmussen made up candy bags and Patty Girman had a box filled with candied nuts and leaves and acorns (all edible). There were gnomes and decorative pumpkins to take home. Teamwork at its finest. Carol's idea of having this group get together each month for lunch has certainly brought about a bonding of the women in the RERG #27 club. Next month will be a special way to extend the holiday spirit with the group meeting at Mi Pueblo in Cotati. Call to let Donna Fredrick know if you are coming.



# 2024 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 2024. Dues are still \$20.00 per year (single or couple). Please make your check out to RERG #27 and mail to RERG #27, P.O. Box 3302, Santa Rosa, CA 95402 (As a reminder, you are required to be members of the National Early Ford V8 Club - for membership information refer to [www.earlyfordv8club.org](http://www.earlyfordv8club.org)).

Also please note below any changes you may have for the 2024 roster (email, cars, cell phone, etc.) and send this along with your check, or email your changes to [Patty Girman, jrgplg@aol.com](mailto:jrgplg@aol.com).

<b>RERG #27 MEMBERSHIP FORM</b>	
(RERG #27 P.O. Box 3302, Santa Rosa, CA 95402)	
NAME _____	
Your Birth Date: Month _____ Day _____	
PARTNER _____	
Spouse Birth Date: Month _____ Day _____	
Address _____	
City _____ State _____ Zip _____	
Phone _____ 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

### 2023 Officers

President:	Carol Rasmussen	(707) 226-5256
Vice President:	John Girman	(707) 992-0730
Secretary:	Steve McClain	(707) 575-3504
Treasurer:	Bill & Denise Burns	(707) 938-4429

### Committee Members

Tour Coordinators:	Charlene Trabucco	(707) 539-2867
	Patty Girman	(707) 992-0739
Swap Meet Chairman:	Dave Peterson	(707) 527-9183
Historian:	Mike Buegeleisen	(707) 217-8751
Sunshine Lady:	Pam Johnston	(707) 255-1230
Newsletter Editor:	Irlene Duncan	(707) 484-0982
Roster:	Patty Girman	(707) 992-0730
Club Clothing:	Mike Buegeleisen	(707) 217-8751

### Board Members

Charlene Trabucco, Steve McClain, Rick Tamagno, Sterling Cousins, Richard DeCroff, Ron Mollo, John Girman, Kim Williams

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](mailto: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:

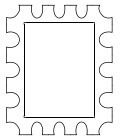
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**REDWOOD EMPIRE RG # 27 IN SONOMA, MARIN & NAPA COUNTIES DECEMBER 2023**  
Meetings are held on the 2nd Tuesday of every month at 7 PM at Round Table Pizza- Exit Hwy 12 & Stony Point Road to 2065 Occidental Road, Santa Rosa. All interested V8-ers 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.

**Irlene Duncan, Editor**

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