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From The President:

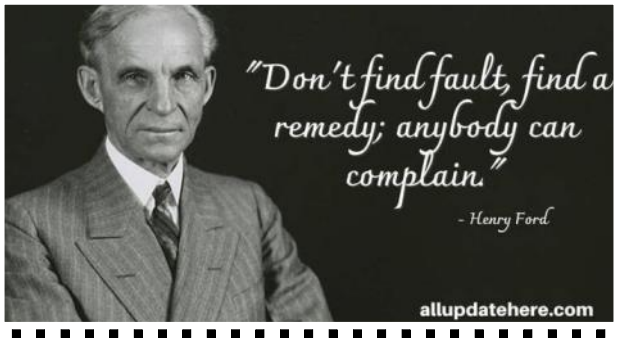
Happy April, I hope everyone is doing well. We had a good turnout at the meeting last month, thanks to everyone who showed up and for all who participate, it is good to see. Speaking of participating, there was a pretty good turnout at the St. Patrick's Day Corned Beef and Cabbage Brunch, held a new location this year out in Sonoma. Very nice place, lots of room and of course the food was awesome this year as in years past. A special thanks to Denise Burns for arraigning our new location and also for our entertainment this year, beautiful Irish dancing performed by her granddaughter and her friend, just wonderful. And a special thanks to all the members that cooked and or brought side dishes.

Well, things are ramping up as we get into Spring, we have the Skunk Train tour in early April, the Ortega's tour to Kelseyville, which Julie and I are unfortunately going to miss due to a scheduling conflict, the Goodguys mid-April, then Black Bart at the end of April, all of which should be a fun time. I am still working on the little projects for the 51 Victoria, waiting on parts as usual, but all should be good in time for the Skunk Train Tour (weather permitting). We are still working on plans for the Fort Bragg tour and should have if figured out soon, more info to come, stay tuned.

Thanks to everyone that is hosting and helping with the tours this year. If you have ideas or want to host a tour, get in touch with Patty and Charlene to get on the calendar, it's fun to get the old Fords out and the people aren't bad either.

See you at the meeting. (or on the road)

Steve McClain



REDWOOD REVIEW MONTHLY MINUTES

Minutes of Board Meeting: Date: March 11, 2025

The meeting was called to order 7 pm by our Co- President Mike Buegeleisen .

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

Members in attendance tonight: 41

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

New Members and Guests: None

Birthdays: Linda Ortega, Danny Dortch, Louie Cantarutti, Chuck Paul & Zandra Aguilar. Chuck won the prize.

Business: The Central V8 Meet in Springfield, Illinois in June are selling raffle tickets, need not be present to win. Tickets are $10.00 each or 3 for $20.00. Prizes are a Stromberg carburetor, a Genuine Ford carburetor and a 22 inch neon sign. Contact Steve McClain to purchase tickets. The National V8 Club sent an award to our club for being 55 years old. In the future we will be planning a celebration, maybe a picnic. Carol Rasmussen will come up with something fun. Patty passed out our new 2025 Rosters to people at meeting. Swap Meet flyers are available to pass out. We will contact someone with the American Graffiti Car Show to get them put in their goodie bags.

Tours and Events:

March 16th Corned Beef & Cabbage & Cabbage Potluck at Seven Flags Mobile Home Park Clubhouse, 300 International Blvd. Sonoma at 11:30 am. Bring side dish to share. RSVP to Patty Girman.

March 17th Ford Chick's luncheon. Olive Garden, Rohnert Park. 11:30 am RSVP to Jan Taurian, Sharon Cantarutti or Charlene Trabucco.

April 2nd Skunk Train Tour Meet in Healdsburg at Pepper's Restaurant Bring running board lunch. Contact Julie McClain for info.

April 12th Lucky Lady Garage Tour in Kelseyville. Meet in Healdsburg at Pepper's Restaurant at 8:30 am Contact Linda Ortega for info.

April 14th Ford Chick's luncheon at Union Hotel Restaurant, 280 Mission Blvd & Hwy 12, Santa Rosa at 11:30 am RSVP Sherry Dortch, Denise Burns or Linda Ortega.

April 25-27th Black Bart Tour to Murphy's Contact Carol Rasmussen

May 18th 50th Annual Swap Meet at Sonoma Marin Fairgrounds, Petaluma. Contact Dave Peterson

May 22 to 25th 23rd Burney Falls Tour. Contact Patty Girman for info.



June 17-19th Fort Bragg Tour Contact Steve McClain for info.

Sunshine Lady: None

Hard Luck: None

Tech Tips: None

Cars and Parts for Sale: Dave Trabucco has a 1940 coupe for sale

Club Cars Driven to the Meeting: 1 Chuck Paul won the prize.

Membership Attendance Drawing: Not present to win

Carol's Carload of Fun: Carol had us play a Lucky Shamrock put numbers 32 to 53 in boxes and she called numbers. Sterling Cousins & Mike Buegeleisen won the prizes.

Scholarship Raffle: There were 10 winners and the club collected $105.00

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 pm.

Minutes submitted by: Beverly Tamagno

RERG #27 CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR APRIL/MAY

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

APRIL

2 **RERG #27 Skunk Train Tour**, Steve & Julie McClain

8 **RERG #27 Monthly Mtg** @ Round Table Pizza, 2065 Occidental Rd, Santa Rosa, 7 p.m.

12 **RERG #27 Lucky Lady Garage Tour**, Steve & Linda Ortega – See Flyer

13 Cruisin' North Car Club Swap Meet - Vet's Memorial Parking Lot, 1381 Maple Ave., Santa Rosa. 6 am-1 pm, www.cruisinnorth.com

14 **RERG #27 "Ford Chicks" Lunch** – 11:30 am, Tomatina in Montgomery Village, 2323 Sonoma Ave., Santa Rosa. RSVP Sherry Dortch, 480-365-8590 or Linda Ortega, 707-477-1521 or Denise Burns, 707-326-3525



25-27 Black Bart Tour – Contact Carol, 707-246-4158

26 Healdsburg High School Auto Shop Car Show, 1024 Prince Ave., 10 am – 2 pm. Support Our Youth!

MAY

2-5 Sacramento Autorama @ Cal-Expo Race Track, 1600 Exposition Blvd., Sacramento

4 Spring Turlock Swap Meet, info 209-201-8491, registration@springturlock.com



5 **RERG #27 55th Anniversary Tour & Lunch** – See Flyer in this newsletter

10 The Rollin" Rosies Classic Car Show, Cotati, La Plaza, 15 W Sierra Ave., 2 – 6 pm

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

15-18 American Graffiti – Petaluma, http://www.americangraffiti.net, 707-762-3394

18 **RERG #27 SWAP MEET** – Info – Dave Peterson, 707- 527-9183 See flyer in this newsletter

18 -27 Hot Cars & Kool Nites, Redding, CA – https://koolaprilnites.com

19 **RERG #27 "Ford Chicks" Lunch** – 11:30 am, TBA. RSVP Carol Rasmussen, 707-246-4158 or Kinnie Gallegos, 707-815-2952

22-25 **RERG #27 Burney Tour** – Contact Tom Johnson (tour), 707-812-0747

UPCOMING EVENTS TO PUT ON YOUR CALENDAR

JUNE 22-26, 2025 - The 2025 Central National Meet
SEPTEMBER 19, 20, 21 Overnight Tour – Miranda – McClain's
DECEMBER 7 - Christmas Brunch – Carol Rasmussen

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 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

Sunday - Santa Rosa - Machado's Burgers, 406 Larkfield Center, 11 am – 2 pm

2nd Sunday - Rohnert Park – Cruisin' North Car Club's Cruisin' Hooters, 6099 Redwood Drive, noon - 3 pm

2nd & 4th Sunday - Santa Rosa – Acme Burgers, 1007 W. College Avenue, 6 pm



Wednesday April 2, 2025

SKUNK TRAIN TOUR

POSTPONED

Step back in time for a magical ride through the redwoods on the World-famous Skunk Train. We will embark on a scenic 16-mile journey to the highest point of the line to the majestic Wolf Tree. This takes about 2 hours. The train departs the Willits station at 10:30. We will have a picnic lunch at a park near the Depot about 12:45 or so. We will be meeting at Pepper's restaurant (formerly Adeles) in Healdsburg at 8:30 and leave at 8:45. The cost per person is $74.00, but if we get 20 or more riders that price will drop by 15% to $63.00. If you do decide to come with us, don't forget to pack a running board lunch to enjoy. There has been a sign-up sheet passed around at the meetings. If you were unable to sign up at the meetings and want to go on this tour, please contact Julie McClain – (707) 529-4169.



1970 REDWOOD EMPIRE REGIONAL GROUP #27

RECEIVES ITS CHARTER

"CELEBRATING 55 YEARS"

On Monday, 5/5, the RERG #27 V8 car club will tour to both the Milt Brandt Visitor Center and the Warm Springs Fish Hatchery at Sonoma Lake, 3227 Stewarts Point-Skaggs Spring Road, Geyersville. Here we will have a docent-led tour. The Visitor Center tells the story of Warm Springs Dam and focuses on the culture of the Pomo tribe of native Americans and their way of life, with particular emphasis on their basket making skills. Then after a short walk over to the Hatchery behind the Visitor Center, our docent will explain the operation of the hatchery and we'll see displays which describe the life cycle of the coho salmon, steelhead and chinook. The hatchery was built to replace and enhance salmon and steelhead spawning grounds. If we are lucky, we will cross paths with local school children who have been hatching salmon eggs and who will be there to release their fry (newly hatched salmon).

After the tour, we will head into Cloverdale for lunch at La Tequila Mexican restaurant, 134 N. Cloverdale Blvd., parking behind the restaurant. *After all it is Cinco de Mayo, too.* We should be there around noon if you can't make the tour and would like to join the group for lunch and anniversary cake.

We will start this tour at the at the Pepper's restaurant (formerly Adeles), 200 Dry Creek Road, Healdsburg. We will meet there at 9:15, leaving at 9:30. Rain or Shine. Please contact either Charlene, 707-539-2867 or text Patty, 703-402-2097, or email jrgplg@aol.com We will need to give a count to the docent and the restaurant for set-up.



RERG #27 St. Patrick's Day Lunch

St. Patrick was very kind to the group of over forty V-8ers as he kept the rain at bay and provided us with a fun luncheon to celebrate the day. This year the event was held at a new location and we have to thank Denise Burns for asking her friend, (since 2nd grade) Marilyn Meehan if she could sponsor our group for this event. Marilyn was kind enough to say yes and we thank her immensely for doing this. The facility worked out quite well. After unpacking our cars and with the help of Marilyn, John Girman and Mike Burns (the Burns' son), we all got busy decorating and setting up the coffee, plates, etc. Dave and Charlene led a group over and members started to show up. The cooks, Carol Rasmussen, Jerry Mattos, Charlene Trabucco, Jan Taurian, along with Denise and myself brought the main course to the kitchen. Ron Mollo and Rick Tamagno went to work demonstrating their carving skills on the corned beef. As always, everyone went over and above on the food. The club provided the corned beef, but the membership provided the potatoes, (I think I counted five different varieties) cabbage, carrots, many wonderful salads and sides and even soda bread. And, oh the desserts. It always amazes me how these things come together and everything was just right. So delicious, too. As an extra special treat, we had entertainment. Avery (the Burns' granddaughter) and Etta have been studying and competing in Irish dance for about ten years and put on a show for us that challenged River Dance, complete with their gorgeous costumes. The first dances were done with soft shoes. While they took a little break to change to their hard shoes, Joei, Avery's mom, used that time to tell us a little about the dance, the girls' history with Irish dance and the Keenan Dance School in Petaluma where they study this art under the tutelage of Fidelma Keenan. The girls came back with even more dramatic dances as the hard shoes hit the floor with a snap to emphasize the rhythm. It was amazing to watch the focus and energy that this took. Thank you so much, Avery, Etta and Joei for sharing this all with us. It was outstanding. After a little more socializing and cleanup, members started to drift away toward home. It was a very nice event and once again, thank you to Marilyn (and Denise for asking) for helping to make this happen. – Patty Girman











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



APRIL BIRTHDAYS

Apr 01	Jane Lester
Apr 02	Steve Vining
Apr 03	Don Singleterry
Apr 09	Shirley Pool-Smith
Apr 11	Michelle McFarland
Apr 12	Sharon Lawson
Apr 20	Kinnie Gallegos
Apr 21	Kim Williams
Apr 24	Darrel Billings









"SUNSHINE LADY REPORT"

Our Sunshine Lady had a lot to report this past month as we had several losses and illnesses.

Dave Rasmussen lost his beloved father, so we sent him our sincere condolences. He also lost his precious Yorkie who was his best buddy.

Rick Tamagno lost his loving mother at the age of 101. Condolences were sent to Rick and family

Get well cards went out to Julie McClain who was under the weather

Tom Cahill took a bad fall.

Bill Burns had a hip replacement.

Charlene Trabucco got into some Poison Oak

Thinking of you cards were sent to Terry Block and The Pallos, letting them know they are in our thoughts.

A Thank You note was sent to Denise Burns' friend Marilyn Meehan, who graciously secured a perfect venue for our St Patrick's Day Brunch.

Sunshine Lady, Loretta Kirkeby

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1940 Ford Coupe

Project car!

Call Dave

707 539-2867





Ford Chicks Luncheon Olive Garden March 17th

The Ford Chicks celebrated St. Patrick's Day in style. We met at 11:30 in Rohnert Park for a fabulous gathering and good food. We were so lucky to have had a room all to ourselves. Great accommodations. We were 20 girls that were able to make our date. I was told by a couple of the girls that the Olive Garden is truly their favorite place to meet. The waitress was so friendly and easy to work with. Along with plenty of parking, what impressed me was the manager even opened the side door for a couple of the girls to scoot out closer to their cars. Sharon and Jan enjoyed putting the luncheon together. Even after much worry and fretting we enjoyed it just as much as the rest of the ladies. – Jan Taurian









BUNNY TREAT RECIPE



Honey Nut Cheerios
Popcorn
Cashews or peanuts
Mini Pretzels or Pretzel Sticks
M&M Candy in Easter colors
Pastel Sprinkles (you can find them in Bunny shapes)
Small Chocolate Easter Eggs
Coconut Flakes
Mini Marshmallows
1 bag White Chocolate Melts or Chips

Mix all ingredients except M&Ms and sprinkles in a large bowl.
Melt white chocolate in microwave in 15 second increments until smooth.
Pour over dry ingredients and mix quickly.
Add sprinkles and M&Ms and transfer to parchment lined baking sheet.
Smooth mixture evenly.
Let set for 45 minutes. Break apart and enjoy!

Submitted by Easter J. Rabbit



Lady Luck Garage Tour

4010 Main St., Kelseyville, CA 95421

Saturday, April 12th

{Contact Steve Ortega 707-217-8222 or Linda Ortega 707-477-1521}

We will meet at Pepper's Restaurant (formerly Adele's) in Healdsburg at 8:30 AM, leave at 9:00. We are going to go across Hwy. 20.

We plan to arrive around 10:30 - 11:00. Look around, ask questions and check things out. The local Model A Club may come down and join us.

LUNCH: We can all go together, in groups or on your own at any time.

There are 2 places to go without having to move your car.

- **Pogo's Pizza (4015 Main St.), just across Main St. from Lady Luck – Pizza, Burgers, Salads, etc.**
- **Studebakers Coffee House & Deli (3990 Main St.) is just across the side street of Lady Luck – Sandwiches, maybe salads**

After the garage tour and lunch, you are free to return home in whichever direction you prefer at any time.

Thank you for planning to join us.

Steve & Linda

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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

REDWOOD EMPIRE RG # 27 IN SONOMA, MARIN & NAPA COUNTIES APRIL 2025

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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