



# THE HEADLINER



CENLA OLD CAR CLUB

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## July Meeting

Tuesday, July 1st  
6:00 p.m.  
Golden Corral  
Alexandria, LA

## Upcoming Drive and Dine Schedule:

3rd quarter 2025  
Contraband

4th quarter 2025—Oct. 25  
Evangeline

1st quarter 2026  
Lagniappe

2nd quarter 2026  
Cenla

3rd quarter 2026  
Contraband

4th quarter 2026  
Evangeline

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

What better way to kick off the summer than with a picnic. We had a good time on June 7th at the La Region AACA Picnic hosted by James and Lesia Lass at Bayou Chico State Park. There were 34 who attended from Cenla, Contraband and Evangeline Clubs. Thanks to each of our 17 club members that brought and prepared the food to make this picnic so enjoyable. And how can you have a picnic without homemade ice cream! Thanks to Larry Rewerts from Contraband for bring the homemade ice cream. Can't wait for next year!

Make sure those cars are gassed up and ready to go to the Regatta Restaurant in Lake Arthur on July 12th as we celebrate the Collector Car Appreciation Day hosted by the Evangeline Club.

As we celebrate our nation's birthday on July 4<sup>th</sup> keep in mind our men and women serving in our military that are protecting this Great Nation.

Hope to see everyone on July 1st at our next club meeting at Golden Coral. If the weather is nice drive your classic car to the meeting.

COCC President

*Leo Dobard*

**CENLA OLD CAR CLUB June 3, 2025 —Golden Corral Restuarant**

Meeting called to order by Leo Dobard, President at 6:00 p.m. Clarence Filipi led opening prayer. Chris Stanley led the group in the pledge.

**Meeting  
Minutes**

**SECRETARY'S REPORT:** By Lesia Lass, motion to accept the minutes as published in the newsletter by Lori Stanley, seconded by Herb Comeaux. Approved by members.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** By James Lass, complete treasury report was given. Motion to accept by Madeline Hensell, seconded by Clarence Filipi. Approved by members.

**FAMILY NOTES:** Prayers requested for Willie Mae Mote's daughter-in-law who has cancer. Clarence Filipi asked for prayers for his brother-in-law who has cancer. Judy McClaran asked for prayers as she continues having heart issues. Bob Thomas is having cataract surgery.

**CLUB BUSINESS:**

***New Club Shirts:*** New shirts have arrived and Leo handed those out to members that ordered.

***Point Earning Events:*** Leo shared with the members that at the state meeting in May, the title “point earning event” was discussed. At that meeting it was decided that each president would discuss this with their chapter and report back to the regional president. Leo asked if earning a point while attending an official event made any difference on whether or not a member would attend. After discussion, the consensus from Cenla members is that it does not make a difference to them whether an event is an point earning event or not on whether they attend or not. Cenla voted to do away with the title “point earning event”.

***Regional Picnic:*** Members attending the picnic will need to meet Herb and Teri at the Burger King at I49 Forest Hill Exit at 9:45, plan on leaving at 10 a.m. Those attending are Leo Dobard, Herb & Teri Comeaux, Tony King, Jackie Brown, Richard Kotynia, Frances Taylor, Judy McClaran, Bob Thomas, Pam Gorden, Bill Tull, and Rodger & Loretta Peters. James & Lesia Lass and Paul & Christine Drerup will be camping at Chicot and meet us at the Pavilion.

***Classic Car Appreciation Luncheon:*** Ron Sonnier is heading up this event again this year. The date is Saturday, July 12 and will be at the Regatta Restaurant in Lake Arthur. Lesia will send email out closer to the date for a headcount.

***Car Story:*** James shared that at the Cruisin Cajun Country event in St. Landry fuel pump went out again in the BelAir. Once he put a new fuel pump on, everything was fine and he was able to continue with the tour.

***Fourth Quarter Drive & Dine:*** Jim and Marguerite Ortego will host the fourth quarter drive and dine at their house on October 25. Please mark this your calendar. The third quarter drive and dine date has not be received yet from Contraband.

***Firebird Festival:*** Herb Comeaux, Leo Dobard, Paul & Christine Drerup attended this event in May in St. Louis, Missouri.

Minutes of Meeting Continued:

UPCOMING EVENTS:

*AACA Drive & Dine:*

3rd quarter—Contraband;

4th quarter—Evangeline.

June 7—Regional Picnic at Chicot State Park 11 a.m.

June 14—Rumble on the Bayou Coushatta, LA

July 4- Car, Motorcycle & Jeep Show Paragon Casino Marksville, LA

July 19—Hornbeck Car Show Hornbeck Ball Field

July 26—Parking in the Pines Classic Car Show, Creola, LA

50/50 Drawing:

Won by Rena Batson

Motion to Adjourn:

Herb Comeaux made motion to adjourn with Jackie Brown seconding. Leo adjourned the meeting and reminded everyone to tip waitress.

THOSE IN ATTENDANCE: Yvon & Rena Batson, Jackie Brown, Anthony King, Herb & Teri Comeaux, Leo Dobard, Paul & Christine Drerup, Clarence & Jessie Filipi, Barney & Liz Ford, Pam Gorden, Bill Tull, Merle & Madeline Hensell, Richard Kotynia, Frances Taylor, James & Lesia Lass, Judy McClaran, Rodger & Loretta Peters, Chris & Lori Stanley, and Ron Trahan.

Guest was Bob Thomas (Judy McClaran).



July Birthdays:

Jim Waters—7/15

Christine Drerup—July 26



July- Anniversaries:

None

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

July 5	Cars & Coffee	Alexandria, LA
*July 12	Classic Car Appreciation	Lake Arthur
*July 19	4th Annual Hornbeck Car Show	Hornbeck, LA
*July 26	Krewe LaVie De Belle Car Show	Creola, LA
*8/2	Cruisin Back In Time	Bunkie, LA
*Aug. 23	American Legion Riders	Carenco, LA
*Oct. 25	Cruisin for Kindness	Pineville, LA
*Nov. 18-23	Thanksgiving Tour	Nacogdoches, TX
*Flyers		

### July Historical Significance:

July 4<sup>th</sup> is the date when the Continental Congress formally adopted the Declaration of Independence in 1776.

Three U.S. Presidents died on July 4<sup>th</sup>: John Adams, Thomas Jefferson, and James Monroe .

The Louisiana Purchase, which doubled the size of the United States, was announced on July 4<sup>th</sup>, 1803.



## 2025 NATIONAL TOURS

July 2-5, 2025 – Central Springs Nationals – Auburn, IN

July 24-26, 2025 – Grand Nationals / Zenith – Dayton, OH

Sept. 7-12, 2025—2025 Revival AAA Glidden Tour (Pre 1943) - Owensboro, KY (VMCAA Hosted)

Oct. 7-10, 2025—2025 Eastern Fall Meet—Hershey, PA

Oct. 22, 2025—2025 Central Fall Nationals Galvestown, TX



### CAR TRIVIA

**Q: Q: What autos were the first to use a standardized production key-start system?**



**A: THE 1949 CHRYSLERS**

## Regional Picnic At Chicot State Park

June 7, 2025





# CAR, MOTORCYCLE & JEEP SHOW

**July 4, 2025 . 10AM - 2PM**  
**Paragon Casino Resort**

**\$40 to Enter . Registration 8AM - 9AM. 5 Judges**

## 18 Trophies Awarded

### Festival Entry

Registration includes  
one entry to festival

### Awards at 2PM

Open to All  
Makes and Models

Proceeds benefit  
VFW Post 7643 Simmesport



## Entrants Must be Parked by 9AM

Cannot participate  
in parade and car show

Tents and Chairs  
are recommended

Live music, shopping,  
food vendors  
and arts & crafts

Kids Zone

**Contact Josiah Blood . 318-717-2719**  
**or April DeGrusha . 318-359-9919**

## AAMF Car Show Registration Form

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Type of Vehicle: \_\_\_\_\_ Model: \_\_\_\_\_ Year: \_\_\_\_\_



P. O. Box 956 / Marksville, LA 71351 / 318.264.1826  
FED TAX ID 72-0864957





2025 4th Annual  
*Hornbeck*  
**CAR  
SHOW**



**JULY 19, 2025**

**10:00 AM-1:00 PM**

**HORNBECK BALL FIELDS  
1864 PORT ARTHUR BLVD  
HORNBECK, LA**

**ALL PROCEEDS WILL GO  
TO HORNBECK SCHOOL**

*All  
Vehicles  
Welcome*

**FREE ADMISSION  
FOR SPECTATORS**

**FOOD TRUCK WILL  
BE AVAILABLE**

**\$20 FOR 1ST VEHICLE  
\$10 EACH ADDITIONAL**

**WINNERS WILL BE ANNOUNCED AT  
12:30**



Calling all enthusiasts of classic cars!

Krewe La Vie De Belle

# CLASSIC CAR-SHOW

Pre-Reg  
\$20

\$25 day of show



Creola, La

(Next to Cougar Stop)

Saturday, July 26th  
8am-2pm

Virginia O'Neal  
318-316-0003

Car show

Live Music  
by

Food

Awards

Benefit for:

Apraxia Kids™

DJ ANXIETY





## DON'T MISS THIS CAR SHOW

Bunkie, LA • August 2, 2025

Car show participants will be entered into drawings for

# \$5,000 in CASH PRIZES

20 winners of \$250 CASH each!

**REGISTRATION  
IS FREE!  
SCAN CODE TO  
REGISTER NOW!**

HURRY! Deadline to register, July 27, 2025.



To be eligible to win, you must be preregistered AND sign in when you arrive at the car show. Only 1985 or older vehicles eligible. Lineup starts at 6:30am. Drawings from 8am-1pm. ID REQUIRED.

## GRAND OPENING CELEBRATION! SAT, AUG 2<sup>ND</sup> FAMILY FUN!



**UNBELIEVABLE!  
GRAND  
OPENING  
PROMOTION!**

If your date of birth is 1959 or earlier,

GET UP TO  
15 GALLONS  
FOR **25¢** PER  
GALLON!

OFFER VALID 8AM-2PM, 8-2-25  
REGULAR UNLEADED GAS ONLY.  
WHILE SUPPLY LASTS.

- Free Hot Dogs
- Free Ice Cream
- Free Cokes
- Free Admission
- CAR SHOW
- LIVE MUSIC

All offers valid while supply lasts.  
Event subject to change or  
cancellation without notice.

WHILE SUPPLY LASTS. RESTRICTIONS APPLY. ID REQUIRED. MAXIMUM PER PERSON, 15 GALLONS.



**2025****AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS  
3RD ANNUAL***Presents...***CAR, TRUCK, & BIKE****SHOW****SAT. August 23rd 2025****Entry Fee:  
\$25.00****8am-3pm****WHERE:**

Carencro Park  
248 PREJEAN ROAD  
Carencro, Louisiana

ADJUTANT: Richard Vaughn  
337-349-0744

**(Children must be supervised at all times.)****1st and 2nd Place Awards!!!****CONTACT:**

JAMES ARCENEUX, 337-739-2206  
JIMMY LASTRAPP, Director. 337-414-0318  
LLOYD DUHON, 337-349-7163  
JUDY POLK, 337-422-2270

**ADMISSION: \$5.00  
FREE ADMISSION FOR  
CHILDREN  
(AGES 0-10)****50/50 Split raffle****(supervised at all times.)****ALSO INCLUDING:**

**Vendors**  
**Sound off Contest**  
**FOOD FOR SALE**  
**and more...**



# ***Cruising for Kindness***

## ***Second annual classic car show***

***October 25th, 8am-3pm***

***Lake Buhlow  
200 Lake Buhlow Rd,  
Pineville, LA 71360***

***Food and drink  
vendors***

***1st, 2nd, and 3rd  
place trophies for  
multiple categories***

***Live music and  
games***

***Sponsored by A+ Donuts***



## Thanksgiving 2025 Tour

Where: Nacogdoches & Lufkin, Texas

When: Tuesday, Nov. 18 -  
Sun., Nov. 23, 2025

Hotel: Comfort Inn Suites in  
Nacogdoches  
(trailer parking is VERY limited)

[https://www.choicehotels.com/reservations  
/groups/UW27R3](https://www.choicehotels.com/reservations/groups/UW27R3)

Things we are working on to see/do:

Bus tour/car show  
Private Toy Collection  
Naca Valley Winery  
Millard's Crossing  
Caddo Mounds  
SFA Planetarium & Stone Fort Museum  
Fredonia Brewery  
Texas Forestry Museum  
Naranjo & Natural History Museum  
Museum of East Texas







**CENLA OLD CAR CLUB**  
**ALEXANDRIA, LOUISIANA**  
**ANTIQUE AUTOMOBILE CLUB OF AMERICA, INCORPORATED**  
 America's oldest and Largest Automotive Historical Society  
 Ownership of an automobile not prerequisite of membership



**Application for 2025 Membership**

DATE _____ MEMBER NO. _____ Name of Applicant _____ Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Phone Number _____ Cell _____	<b>SPONSOR of New Member</b> NAME _____ ADDRESS _____ City/State/Zip _____ Membership Number _____
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Applicant's Birthday \_\_\_\_\_ Do you carry Liability and Property Damage Insurance on your automobile? \_\_\_Yes\_\_\_No

Applicant's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Children Names(optional) \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse's Birthday \_\_\_\_\_ Anniversary Date \_\_\_\_\_

Antique Vehicles Owned \_\_\_\_\_

**MEMBERSHIP AND DUES**

**INDIVIDUAL MEMBERSHIP.....\$65.00**

Enjoys voting privileges, receives the following publications: ANTIQUE AUTOMOBILE MAGAZINE, THE COCC NEWSLETTER, AND THE REGIONAL NEWSLETTER, is eligible to exhibit cars and compete for National Prizes and Awards..

**JOINT MEMBERSHIP.....\$65.00**

In addition to the publications and rights for INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS, both member and spouse enjoy voting privileges.

**DUES BILLED ANNUALLY**

COCC membership dues includes **LOCAL (\$13.00)**, **REGIONAL (\$7.00)** and **NATIONAL (\$45.00)**. Dues are billed annually and continuing membership in COCC requires full payment of dues (\$65.00) by December 15<sup>th</sup>. Memberships beginning after November 1 of 2023, will apply to the 2024 calendar year. There is no pro-ration of fees for late memberships and no back issues of the magazines or newsletters are supplied except at extra cost.

**MEMBERSHIP CATEGORY**

INDIVIDUAL or JOINT: \$65.00

AMOUNT \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_  
 BY: \_\_\_\_\_

Revised for 2024 membership.

**Make Checks Payable To: COCC**

Mail To:

**James Lass, Treasurer**  
**4046 Old Marksville Hwy.**  
**Pineville, LA. 71360**

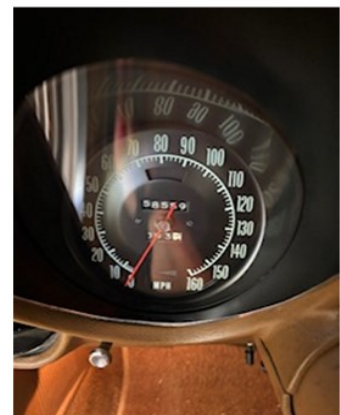
## 1971 Stringray Corvette T-top

**58,559 miles**

**All original**

**\$32,000**

**Call James Lass 318-308-3582**







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Please let us know  
about YOUR event.  
Send me your flyer  
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