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#### Message from the President

Hello to everyone. Well we can honestly say that summer has arrived in full force. With that being stated, everyone needs to be aware of the heat and the effects it has on our bodies. I want to encourage everyone if you are working outside to be careful, drink plenty of water, and protect yourself from the sun. We have to admit that we all are spoiled to a little thing called air conditioning, which I like everyone else am guilty. Also we need to ensure that our old and daily drivers are maintained with the proper amount of coolant to ensure that our vehicles do not overheat and cause damage to our engines, which could lead to a very expensive repair which none of us want.

Changing topic, the Baton Rouge Chapter is preparing for their September tour, so I want to encourage everyone in all the chapters to support them by going and enjoying time spent with each other and sharing the companionship and car stories which we all have. We all know that no one goes hungry at these tours lol! Let's remember our friends down in Houma with the Lagniappe Chapter whom is working hard to make the Fall AACA meet a big success for them and the state. All of us need to support them in any way possible.

Again, everyone enjoy the summer and just take precautions against the heat and hope to see you on the road.

### Herb Comeaux

LA Region AACA President





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# SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST

- Several new laws started July 1st!
- New Member and Roster
  Changes
- Pictures from Visiting the Animals and the Evangeline Tour
- Upcoming events for National and Region
- Flyers

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# **LEGISLATIVE MINUTE**

LA littering fines are DOUBLING. A bill by

Gonzales Rep. Johnny Berthelot raises simple littering fines to \$150 for the first offense and \$500 for subsequent offenses. Fines for intentional litter-



ing increased also and can be \$500 to \$2500. Fines for improperly disposing of larger litter, such as furniture and appliances, also doubled and could reach \$10,000. Money received from the fines has been earmarked to pay down the debt of the retirement system of the law enforcement agency that issues the litter citations. <u>Starts on</u> <u>Aug. 1st.</u>

# WELCOME to OUR NEWEST MEMBERS:

**Baton Rouge Chapter:** 

Joe and DianeSpearman 14628 Bailey Dr. Baton Rouge, LA 70816 225-275-7597 225-603-6086 jdspearman2@gmail.com 1922 Durant A-22

#### **Contraband Chapter:**

Paul & Carroll Ritter 1732 Hollow Cove Lane Lake Charles, LA 70611 337-855-8160 buckeye@bellsouth.net 1929 Ford Model "A"

Glen & Brenda Bacon 903 Chartres St. Lake Charles, LA 70605 337-478-6249 337-842-8088 (c) glenbren@suddenlink.net 2003 Corvette 50th Anniv. Ed.

**CHANGES** for your Roster: <u>St. Bernard President:</u> Arlette Nunez 2229 Sylvia Blvd. St. Bernard, LA 70085

Richard (Kajan Kowboy) & Roxann Ragan AND Dennis & Vita Dauterive have changed to "Members at Large"

# **TOMMY BURNS**

#### Laws that started July 1st include:

\*you can now renew your license every 6 yrs.

(instead of 4 yrs.) for an extra fee. \*increase of fees: <u>\$50 more</u> for a vehicle title and <u>\$10 more</u> to get a copy of your driving record at the DMV.

\*<u>new driver's license</u> with more security features: tri-color over-



lay, multi-colored fine line printing and photo has a 'ghost" image. Not all offices have the new equipment . May take up to 4 yrs. to phase out the old licenses.

\*taxes on a pack of cigarettes went up 50 cents (will be used to help fund LA healthcare).



John & Donna Reaux of the Evangeline Chapter want to sell their 1955 Cadillac Convertible 62 Series. It's all original, with low mileage. It is Red with a white top. They are asking \$39,000 for the car. Please call Donna Reaux 337-344-9008 if interested.



Pictures from the Slidell's Geo Safari Wildlife Center Tour on 7/18/15. Pictures by Betty Ottmers.

## PAST PRESIDENTS AWARD

1984	John C. Copes	1924 Ford Touring	
1985	Bobbie B. Crump Sr.	1935 Auburn Cabriolet	
1986	Ronnie Flick	1940 Mercury Convertible	
1987	Gil Weimer	1929 Hudson Roadster	
1988	Elliott S.Weixel	1955 Buick Century Convertible	
1989	Ronnie Flick	1955 Chevrolet Bel Air Hard Top	
1990	Charlie Froehlich	1935 Ford Five Window Coupe	
1991	Kim C. Martin	1922 Auburn "Beauty Six" Sport	
1992	Ronnie Flick	1955 Chevrolet SS Convertible	
1993	Lonnie Logsden	1929 Model A Ford Roadster	
1994	Robert Smith	1931 Model A Ford Phaeton	
1995	Joe Fabregas	1928 Model A Ford Phaeton	
1996	Virgil Jones	1951 Pontiac ChieftanDelux	
1997	Charlie Matthews	1926 Chevy Sedan	
1998	David & Pam Wightman	1913 Ford Model T	
1999	Jay Armstrong	1950 Mercury Woody Wagon	
2000	Paul &LodellRogerie	1951 Ford Two Door Custom	
2001	James W. Todd	1936 Ford Club Cabriolet	
2002	Charlie Matthews	1942 Chevy Pick Up	
2003	Greg Dobney	1929 Model A Pick Up	
2004	Fred & Dot Wilbert III	1954 Ford Customline Coupe	
2005	Curtis Ducote	1956 Chevy 210 Hardtop	
2006	Charlie & Eula Matthews	1932 Chevy 5 window Conf. Coupe	
2007	Jay Armstrong	1950 Ford 2 door Sedan	
2008	Pat & Jenny Pansano	1955 Oldsmobile 98	
2009	Greg & Brenda Dobney	1931 Ford Model A Victoria	
2010	Pat, Jenny & Lindsey	1955 Oldsmobile 98	
2011	Mike & Willie Mae Mote	1970 Shelby GT-350	
2012	Mike & Betty Kramer	1957 Chevy Belaire Station Wagon	
2013	Curtis & Becky Ducote	1941 Oldsmobile convertible	
2014	Freddie and Celeste Hebert	1960 Cadillac convertible	
2015	Fred & Debbie Duplechin	1988 Buick Avanti Sport Coupe	

The Past Presidents Award is presented yearly at the LA Tour. The recipient is selected by a team of LA Region AACA members (each Chapter is represented on the team). It is awarded for the best restored vehicle (25 years or older) that participated in the LA Tour.



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# 44th Annual Evangeline Tour in Lafayette

**Trophies presented by Harold Breaux** 



Pre-War to Eula & Charlie Matthews



Longest Drive to Arlette & Wayne Nunez



Post-War to Ruby & Leroy Meaux Best Modified & People's Choice to Michael Collins



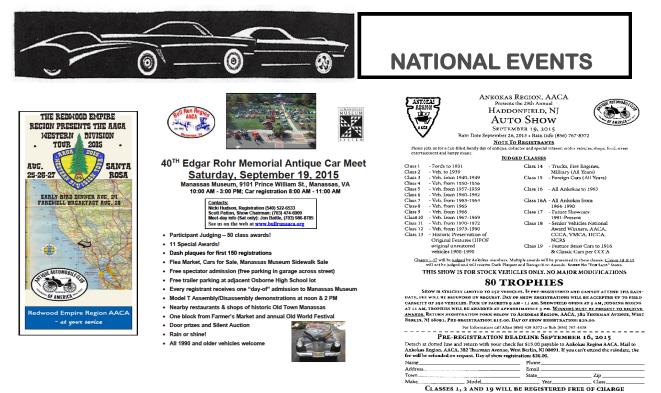
Hard Luck to Teri & Herb Comeaux

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A REGION AA LA REGION EVENTS **Breakfast Gathering** "Anti Cruising the Coast-Cruising da Coast" <u>"DON'T LIKE LARGE CROWDS OF</u> 6.000 PLUS CARS, LONG WAITS SITTING IN YOUR CAR IDLING. THEN WE'VE GOT THE Island View Casino & Resort Ultimate Buffet Gulfport, Mississippi THANKSGIVING TOUR 2015 TICKET FOR YOU. Join Dianne and I on October 13-15 for a little trip to Galveston Texas travelingthe back Friday---October 9, 2015 at 8:30AM We will depart from Walmart in Opelousas at 8 a.m. roads of Louisiana and Texas. Saturday 21<sup>st</sup>: Drive scenic back roads to Columbia. Catered lunch and tour Martin Home Place. We will depart from the Frog City Travel Plaza in Rayne at 8:30 On October 13° via the back roads of Southwest Louisiana and Southeast Texas. Along Sunday 22nd: Monroe. Tour Aviation Museum, lunch at Piccadilly and tour Biedenhorn Museum. the way we will stop in Winnie Texas and have lunch at Al "Te" with to High Island and then west to Galveston Island. Then S Lake Providence. Tour Poverty Point, lunch at Farmhouse Restaurant, tour Panola Pepper Company, tour Louisiana Cotton Museum and stop at the E.W. Thomson Drug Company for shopping and ice cold treats at an old time soda fountain. Monday 23rd: If you want to meet us along the way call me and I'll go over route with you. The members of the Louisiana Region AACA and of all other Antique Car Clubs are We will stay at the Best Western located at invited to attend the "Annual Breakfast Gathering" at the Island View Casino & Tuesday 24th: Monroe. Tour Masur Museum, Layton Castle and Cooley House, then off to antique alley for lunch and shopping. 102 Seawall Boulevard Galceston, Texas, Make your reservation direct with the Hotel By calling 409-766-7070 and ask for B.J. Resort Ultimate Buffet, in Gulfport, Mississippi, on October 9, 2015 at 8:30AM. Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup>: West Monroe. Tour of small private car collection and possible tour of huge junk yard and antique motor cycle collection. Lunch will be at Cheniere Shack and then tour and wine tasting at Landry Winery or by email at "bestwesternplusgalveston@gmail.com" The rate is \$\$7.96 including taxes per night for a total of This gathering is being held at the same time that the "2015 Crusin the Coast" is being conducted on the Gulf Coast of Mississippi, and has absolutely no affiliation Thursday 26th: Monroe. Thanksgiving lunch at Granny's Restaurant. Depart for home. with that event. \$175.92 total for the two nights. M(3)32 total for the two mights. Tell them you are with the Exampleine A.I.A.I. Rooms may be limited so book early. We have 10 kings and 4 doubles reserved for our group. Cut off date for rate is september 30°, and cancellations are allowed up to 48 hours before Costs and donations: Lunch at Martin Home Place, donation Aviation Museum, entry fee Biedenhorn Museum, donation Cooley house, entry fee Layton Castle, and Landry Winery. TOTAL PER COUPLE: SS40.0. Please register and make checks payable to Sandra Juneau, 3357 Highway 357, Opeloussa, La 70570 \* BY NOVEMBER 1\*.\* Directions to the Island View Casino & Resort I-10 E, taking exit 34 A, US Hwy 49, turning south heading towards the Gulfport & Gulf of Mexico. After 4.3 miles, at the intersection with US-Hwy 90, in Gulfport, MS, turn right. After 0.5 miles, turn right into the Island View Casino & Resort's extremely large Call me at 337-334-5683 or e-mail me at rsonnier@cox.net parking lot if you intend on participating in our tour so we can have a head count. There are no fees for the tour, all expenses are on you. We will be staying at the Quality Inn, 503 Constitution Drive, West Monroe, La., 71292 Telephone # 318-387-2711 Cost plus tax is \$90.00 for double and \$85.00 for a king. Cutoff date is Friday, Nov. 13<sup>th</sup>. Ask for group Evangeline AACA. Island View Casino & Resort, 3300 W. Beach Blvd, US-Hwy 90, Gulfport, MS (866)781-9742 You decide on what you want to do and see or we can decide as a group Dianne and I are planning on visiting the Aquarium and the Bishop's Palace. While driving antique cars is not required, many people are looking forward to seeing u in antiques. PLEASE IF POSSIBLE DRIVE YOUR ANTIQUE CARS. If you have a CB radio, please bring. Due to parking constraints THIS TOUR WILL BE LIMITED TO 25 CARS.



## 32<sup>nd</sup> ANNUAL FALL TOUR BATON ROUGE CHAPTER AACA September 25 - 27, 2015



HEADQUARTERS: Staybridge Suites, 4001 Nicholson Dr., Baton Rouge, LA 70808. Located 0.5 miles south of LSU Tiger Stadium. This all suite hotel offers luxurious suites with full kitchens, most with sofa beds. All suites have 32" flat screen TV's with DVD players, complimentary DVD rental, Wi-Fi, guest laundry, hot breakfast buffet, fitness center, BBQ pavilion, pool, evening reception with food and drinks every Tues – Thurs. <u>Baton Rouge Antique Auto Club</u> rates are: \$94 for studio suite, \$114 for 1 bedroom king or double suite and \$179 for 2 BR/2BA suite plus tax. After Sept. 3, 2015 cut-off date these rates will be honored based on availability. For reservations, call the hotel at (225) 456-5430. You can go online to: <u>www.staybridgesuites.com/batonrougeuniv</u> to view hotel and get directions.

FRIDAY, SEPT 25: Registration from 10:30 AM to 1:00 PM. Lunch at the hotel will be catered by Marty J's.

FRIDAY EVENT: At 1:30 PM Professor Timothy Schowalter, with the LSU Department of Entomology will bring a presentation of Fun Facts about insects to the Great Room of the Hotel. He will also answer questions on real life problems we encounter in Louisiana like fire ants, termites, mosquitos, etc. Following the presentation, you will have time to tour go across the street to LAHouse Home and Landscape Resource Center, spend time at L'auberge Casino which is 6 miles south of the hotel or just kick back and relax with a dip in the pool.

FRIDAY NIGHT: We will leave the hotel at 5:45pm for dinner at a local Baton Rouge Restaurant. Cash bar will start at 6:00 PM and dinner will be served beginning at 6:45. Following dinner, we will be entertained by "Mentalist Dave" who will be performing his "Illusions of the Mind" show.

SATURDAY, SEPT 26: Complimentary hot buffet breakfast at the hotel for hotel guests from 7:30 AM – 10:30 AM Depart hotel at 8:45 am to travel to Tiger Stadium, aka Death Valley, on the LSU Campus. After many requests from those who attended this tour four years prior, and by those who missed out, we are excited to have this opportunity again. Following the tour, we will travel down scenic Highway 30 to Gonzales to the newly opened Quaker Steak & Lube for lunch. This is a car enthusiasts dream restaurant. After lunch we will travel on to Whitney Plantation. It is a fifteen year project that has only been open to the public since December, 2014. Today, Whitney Plantation is the only plantation museum in Louisiana dedicated to understanding the facts of slavery. The Foundation for Historical Louisiana has bestowed one of the six" 2015 Preservation Awards" to Donna and John Cummings for the development of Whitney Plantation.

SATURDAY BANQUET: Depart the hotel at 5:30pm for dinner at <u>Mike Andersons Seafood Restaurant</u>. The cash bar will be from 6:00 – 6:45 PM. Dinner will follow with the Awards Presentation, Club updates, raffle and 50/50 drawing.

SUNDAY, SEPT 27: Complimentary hot breakfast for hotel guests from 7:30 AM – 10:30 AM. Depart for your hometown with fond memories of Tiger field, a glimpse into history and fellowship of friends old and new.

Vivian Cra	ail by September 15, 2015. M wford, 11968 Morganfield A 5) 261-1556 Email	Ave., Baton Rouge, LA 7	0818	ration and payment to:
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# AACA 2015 Central Fall Meet

### November 5, 6, 7, 2015

#### Houma, Louisiana

Meet Site: Houma-Terrebonne Civic Center

> Host Hotel: Courtyard Marriot Houma

Come "Pass a good time" with the Louisiana Region as we bost you in Cajun Style

> Meet Chairman Fred Duplechin

Chief Judge Hulon McCraw

Registration Chairman Dave Dupre

LOUISIANA REGION LAGNIAPPE CHAPTER



For more information, visit our website at www.aaca-centralfalimeet15.org or write us at centralfal2015@email.com falicentmt2015@ett.net



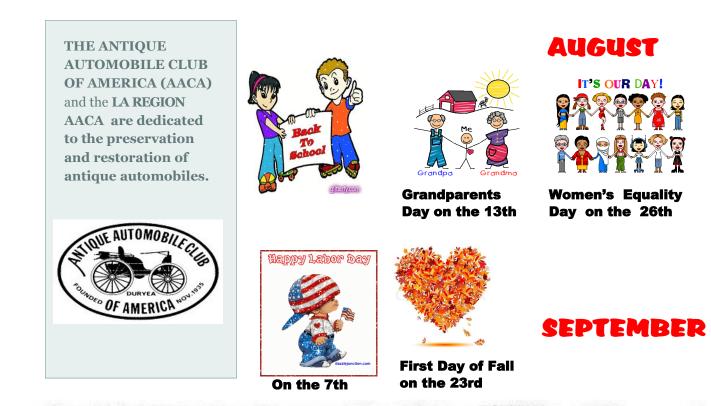
Lagniappe ("lahn <u>vop</u>") is a Cajun Term for "a little something extra." It serves our traditional value that, in business and friendship, we go out of our way to make people feel comfortable and satisfied that they've been well cared for—that's exactly what you can expect attending this meet. In addition to great cars, you'll enjoy mild fall weather (our driest and most comfortable months), world renowned Cajun Cuisine and Music, Historic Plantation Homes, unique culture and shopping. Acadiana is right next door and New Orleans offers its own style of entertainment, history, cooking schools, the French Quarter, Aquarium and the WWII Museum.

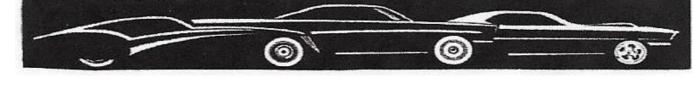
Watch your Antique Automobile magazine for the opening of registration (about May).

www.aaca-centralfallmeet15.org

- Welcoming Night
- Cajun Food and Fun Night
- Excursions and local events
- All AACA judged classes
- HPOF
- Driver Participation Class
- Second Generation Vehicles
- Judging School
- Flea Market
- Car Corral
- Awards Banquet













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