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WEBSITE

If any of you have visited our website, you have seen on the opening page some of our member's vehicles. However, here is more room for additions.

Please send me photos and information regarding your vehicle so that we can add it to our website.

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NEXT MEETING DATE, TIME & LOCATION

Our next meeting will be September 23rd at Queen's Pizza, 1834 N. Belcher Road, Clearwater, FL at 6:00 p.m. Come early at 5:00 p.m. if you wish to eat dinner prior to meeting. We will be gearing up for our 2026 Annual Car Show at this meeting.

2026 CALENDARS

Since we have pretty much used our current cars as calendar submissions a couple times now, I would like to get fresh photos for our 2026-member calendar. I would like to have prior cars that you have owned submitted for our member calendar. The only two conditions are that the photos are at least 500 kb in size, for printer clarity, and that only Chevrolet or GMC vehicles in the photo. I am sure that most, if not all of you, have pictures of every vehicle you have ever owned so dig into the archives and submit your former ride. Some of you may know that I have had a few Camaros in the past so one will more than likely get submitted. Either color or black and white are good.

New members, of course your welcome to submit your car or truck and you will get priority in the calendar.

Please send at least a 500KB photo of your pride and joy to
pkroeger@tampabay.rr.com.

GULF COAST REGION SHIRTS

Our Gulf Coast Region shirts with our logo are available. You can purchase either Polo shirts or t-shirts. Contact Debbie or Pat.



Daniel Rand	May 16
Jim Heatherington	May 24
Bob Bernstel	June 27
Mike Rabaut	July 27
Doug Shelton	July 27
Guy Trent	August 10
Bill Goff	August 11
Bob Thacker	September 7

Never ask ChatGPT to draw a 1936 GMC with yourself, as you can see, I have become part of the truck.



2026 8th ANNUAL CAR SHOW

Our 8th Annual Car Show is scheduled for February 28, 2026. We will be discussing more details at our September 23rd meeting. Here is a draft of our flyer.

CAR # _____



GULF COAST REGION 8th ANNUAL CAR SHOW

To Benefit the Toy Makers of East Lake

Saturday, February 28, 2026

**East Lake United Methodist Church**
2801 East Lake Road, Palm Harbor, FL

OPEN TO ALL MAKES & MODELS OF CARS AND TRUCKS

1st and 2nd PLACE TROPHIES FOR THE FOLLOWING CLASSES:
Chevrolet ■ Ford ■ Pontiac ■ Corvette ■ Mustang ■ Truck ■ Camaro
Other Domestic Makes ■ Mopar ■ Foreign ■ Prewar ■ Street Rod
CUTOFF TIME TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR JUDGING IS 11:00 A.M.
OWNER/VEHICLE MUST BE PRESENT TO RECEIVE TROPHY

Free Spectator Admission **Rain or shine** **Food and Drinks Available**
(follow signs for spectator parking)

Music and Prize Giveaways!!
50/50 Drawing!

Car Registration: 8-11 a.m.
Show: 10 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.

Dash Plaques to 1st 50 Vehicles Registered

Make Checks Payable to:
Gulf Coast Region VCCA, 304 Spring Oak Ave
Palm Harbor, FL 34684 727-772-7065

For On-Line Registration visit:
www.gulfcoastvcca.com
(beginning 12/01/24)

Registration Fee: \$20.00 Online Before 02/19 Mail In Before 02/14
\$25.00 Day of Show

Name: _____
Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____
Phone: _____ Email: _____
Year: _____ Make: _____ Model: _____

LIABILITY: In Consideration of the acceptance of the right to participate, entrants, participants and spectators, by execution of this form release and discharge the Gulf Coast Region of the VCCA and the East Lake United Methodist Church and any show sponsor or affiliate and of and from any and all known or unknown damages, injuries, judgments, and/or claims from any cause whatsoever that may be suffered by any entrant to his or her property. Participants are liable for all guests registered under their name.

 Signature: _____ 08/10/25

UPCOMING CAR SHOWS

Quaker Steak & Lube

Every Thursday Night, 10400 49th St N, 4:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Friday Night Cruise In at Smokin 19

Every Friday, 3080-90 34th St N, 4:00 – 8:30 p.m.

Dade City Cruise-In

1st Saturday of Month, 37918 Meridian Ave, 12:00 – 5:00 p.m.

Dunedin Cars and Coffee,

1st Saturday of Month, 360 Douglas Ave, 7:30 – 10:30 a.m.

Cars & Coffee at Jax Wax

2nd Sunday of Month, 26254 US-19, 9:00 – 11:00 a.m.

Cars @ Brunch Car Show – Whiskey Wings Largo

3rd Sunday of Month, 2480 E Bay Dr, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

August 16	Diesel Garage , 34200 US Hwy 19 N, 11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
August 31	Whiskey Wings , 26210 US Hwy 19 N, 11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
September 13	Suncoast Corvette & Open Car & Truck Show , 11201 Park Blvd N., 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
September 20	Downtown Clearwater Car, Truck & Jeep Show 300 Cleveland St, 11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
October 18	Trunk ‘r Treat at Clearwater Historical Society 610 S. Ft. Harrison Ave, 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
November 1	Knights of Columbus 8th Annual Charity Car Show 1955 S Belcher Road, 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
November 8	Honoring Veterans Car, Truck & Jeep Show 9330 SR 54, Trinity, 7:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
November 15	11th Annual Marine Corps League Car, Truck & Jeep Show Quaker Steak & Lube, 10400 49 th St N, 9:00 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.
December 13	Christmas Car, Truck & Jeep Show at Sylvan Abbey 2817 Sunset Point Rd, 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
December 20	Holiday Car, Truck & Jeep Show Quaker Steak & Lube, 10400 49 th St N, 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

<https://flacarshows.com/events/category/west-coast-of-florida/>

<https://carsandcoffeeevents.com/florida-car-and-bike-events/>

<https://flacarshows.com/events/event/kevins-car-shows-car-truck-jeep-show-10/>

<https://www.judgescarshows.com/upcoming-events>



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GULF COAST REGION MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

Date: June 17, 2025 6:00 p.m.

LOCATION: Queen's Pizza

ATTENDEES:

Pat & Debbie Kroeger
Bob & Margaret Thacker
Guy Trent

1. **Meeting called to order at** 6:00 p.m.
2. **Minutes:** Minutes of the April 27, 2025 meeting were accepted as distributed.
Motion to accept by Bob and seconded by Guy.
3. **President's comments:** None
4. **Recognize/introduce new member(s):** None
5. **Treasurer's Report and Membership Update:**

Previous Cash Balance:	<u>\$1,449.91</u>	As of:	<u>04/26/25</u>
Cash Balance to Date:	<u>\$1,449.91</u>	As of:	<u>05/31/25</u>

Membership/Calendars:

# 2025 New Members:	<u>1</u>
# Members Renewed to Date:	<u>25</u>
# Calendars Sold	<u>14</u>

6. **Other Items:**

❖ **2026 8th Annual Car Show**

- Date is set for February 28, 2026. Date was coordinated with Dunedin Church event so there will not be a conflict for our show.
- Cost of Trophies– Discussion of different options
 - Will continue to explore different vendors to bring costs down
 - Try to get more sponsors

Any suggestions you may have please send to Debbie or Pat and we will bring to next meeting.

❖ **2025 Calendars**

- Calendars are discounted to \$5.00. Two were sold. There are 7 remaining.

7. **Next Meeting:** September 23rd at Queen's Pizza 1834 N Belcher Rd, Clearwater, FL at 6:00 p.m.
8. **50/50 Drawing:** N/A
9. **Adjourn** – Time: 6:10 p.m. Motion to adjourn by Bob and seconded by Guy

Handout distributed at Meeting:

May 2025 Statement of Revenue and Expenses

2025 Members List

Minutes prepared by Debbie Kroeger, Secretary/Treasurer

GULF COAST REGION VCCA
STATEMENT OF REVENUE AND EXPENSES
MAY 2025

	2024 Year End Totals	Totals Jan- Apr 2025	May	2025 Total Year to Date
REVENUE				
Gulf Coast Region Dues	\$ 440.00	\$ 220.00		\$ 220.00
50/50	\$ 235.00	\$ 112.00		\$ 112.00
Calendars	\$ 87.00	\$ 62.50		\$ 62.50
Postage	\$ -	\$ 8.50		\$ 8.50
Donations	\$ 100.00	\$ 30.00		\$ 30.00
Shirts and Hats	\$ 33.00	\$ -		\$ -
Total General Revenue	\$ 895.00	\$ 433.00	\$ -	\$ 433.00
Total 2024 Car Show Revenue	\$ 3,427.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
2025 Car Show				
Registration - Online (2024+2025)		\$ 720.14		\$ 720.14
Registration - Cash/Check	\$ 40.00	\$ 806.00		\$ 806.00
50/50	\$ -	\$ 182.00		\$ 182.00
Sponsors	\$ 400.00	\$ 200.00		\$ 200.00
Total 2025 Car Show Revenue	\$ 440.00	\$ 1,908.14	\$ -	\$ 1,908.14
TOTAL REVENUE	\$ 4,762.00	\$ 2,341.14	\$ -	\$ 2,341.14
EXPENSES				
VCCA National Dues/Annual Report	\$ -	\$ 25.00		\$ 25.00
Calendars and Postage				
Calendars	\$ 505.31	\$ -		\$ -
Postage	\$ -	\$ -		\$ -
Shirts/Postage to Mail	\$ 12.84	\$ -		\$ -
Bank Fees	\$ -	\$ -		
Meeting Expenses - Shelter, Picnic, etc	\$ 190.67	\$ 103.17		\$ 103.17
Printing	\$ -	\$ -		
Honor Flight	\$ 600.00	\$ 200.00		\$ 200.00
Total General Expenses	\$ 1,308.82	\$ 328.17	\$ -	\$ 328.17
Total 2024 Car Show Expenses	\$ 3,174.33	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

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MAY 2025

	2024 Year End Totals	Totals Jan- Apr 2025	May	2025 Total Year to Date
2025 Car Show				
Flyers	\$ 214.00	\$ 259.95		\$ 259.95
Goody Bags		\$ 188.06		\$ 188.06
Trophies		\$ 853.03		\$ 853.03
Church		\$ 200.00		\$ 200.00
DJ		\$ 200.00		\$ 200.00
Toymakers		\$ 433.00		\$ 433.00
Total 2025 Car Show Expenses	\$ 214.00	\$ 2,134.04	\$ -	\$ 2,134.04
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 4,697.15	\$ 2,462.21	\$ -	\$ 2,462.21
TOTAL REVENUE MINUS EXPENSES	\$ 64.85	\$ (121.07)	\$ -	\$ (121.07)
Previous Months Total	\$ 1,526.13	\$ 1,590.98	\$ 1,469.91	
Total	\$ 1,590.98	\$ 1,469.91	\$ 1,469.91	

	2025 Members	Spouse/Partner	VCCA #	Expiration Date	City/State
1	Baker, Ray	Lola	52701	02/01/26	Sarasota
2	Bernstel, Robert	Jennie	52000	04/01/26	Palm Harbor
3	Bruce, Don (Hal) Charter Member	Pam	35831	04/01/26	St. Pete
4	Burtch, Nick	N/A	57888	01/21/26	St. Pete
5	Burtch, Tom Charter Member	Althea	23607	11/01/27	Clearwater
6	Cardinal, David Charter Member	Barbara	42216	12/29/25	Tarpon
7	Coen, Randy	Cynthia	51908	03/18/27	Tampa
8	DesForges, Bob	Darlene	59891	06/22/25	Palm Harbor
9	Eckerle, Bill	Judy	56352	03/07/28	Seminole
10	Goff William	Cathy	58869	05/13/27	Scottsmoor, FL
11	Heatherington, Jim	Anna	58318	10/24/25	Trinity
12	Kroeger, Debbie	Pat	56913	11/18/26	Palm Harbor
13	Kroeger, Patrick Charter Member	Debbie	47902	03/01/28	Palm Harbor
14	Marks Jr., Gordon	Judy	48865	12/01/25	Valrico
15	Papenfuhs, Arnold (Pappy)	Ann	38575	03/16/26	St. Pete/Pittstown, NJ
16	Rabaut, Mike	Evelyn	51678	01/21/26	Tierra Verde
17	Rand, Daniel	Joyce	60187	12/19/25	Fort Myers
18	Richman, Barry	Bev	39960	08/20/25	Palm Harbor
19	Robinson, Albert Charter Member	Pat	46434	08/19/25	Palm Harbor
20	Ruttenbur, Daniel	N/A	57171	03/25/26	Winter Haven
21	Shelton, Douglas	Teresa	46500	12/03/25	Fort Lauderdale
22	Simone, Pam	Hal	35831	04/01/26	St. Pete
23	Soman, Bill	Deenya	4860	01/14/26	St. Augustine
24	Stowe, Kenny	Nina	41377	06/29/25	Surfside, FL
25	Thacker, Bob Charter Member	Margaret	49564	04/01/26	St Pete
26	Trent Jr, Guy	Debbie	58315	09/15/25	Dunedin
	Roy McGreevy	Ikke	50842	N/A	Largo