

## Calendar of Events

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September 17, 2025

### **Southwest Society Dinner Meeting**

**121 Artisan Bistro**

**121 Dr. Michael DeBakey Drive**

**Lake Charles, LA 70601**

06:00 PM - 08:30 PM CST

Mel Gehrig OD, 337-794-8239

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*Hello Everyone!*

*Please make plans to join us for a dinner sponsored by Orasis and our rep, Shyler Harris. We will have Dr. Derek Cunningham offer us an hour of CE on Qlosi, the new FDA approved drop for presbyopia. Please RSVP using the link attached in this message.*

*I hope to see you there,*

*Mel Gehrig, OD*

*Southwest Society President*

September 17, 2025

### **New Orleans Society September Meeting**

**Ruth's Chris Steakhouse**

**3633 Veterans Blvd**

**Metairie, LA 70002**

05:30 PM - 08:00 PM CST

Katie Casadaban, 5043778582

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*Join us for our last meeting of the year presented by BioTissue. Meeting will be held at Ruth's Chris Steakhouse in Metairie starting at 5:30pm with dinner and presentation to follow at 6:00pm. One hour of CE and dinner provided. Please make sure to RSVP for an accurate headcount. I look forward to seeing you all there!*

*Katie Casadaban, OD*

*New Orleans Society President*

September 23, 2025

**Gulf Society Meeting**

**Cristiano Ristorante**

**724 High Street**

**Houma, LA 70360**

06:00 PM - 08:00 PM CST

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*Hello Gulf Society,*

*For those of you who don't know, Dr. Buisson has completed multiple terms as Gulf Society President, but, thanks to your support, I have stepped up to serve as the new Gulf Society president for 2025-2027. I am very excited to take on this new role and look forward to working with everyone over the next two years.*

*Our next Gulf Society meeting will be sponsored by Orasis Pharmaceuticals. We will have Jade Coats, OD, FAAO come in to speak to us about Qlosi (1 hour of CE available). Our local rep, Shyler Harris, will be on hand as well. We will follow her talk with OAL business.*

*When: Tuesday September 23, 2025*

*Time: 6:00 PM*

*Where: Cristiano Ristorante*

*Please RSVP USING THE LINK ATTACHED IN THIS MESSAGE whether or not you can make it. I look forward to seeing you guys there!*

*Jenaye DeRoche, OD*

*drjenaye@mitchelleyecare.com*

October 8, 2025

- October 11, 2025

October 10, 2025

- October 11, 2025

**American Academy of Optometry Meeting: Boston**

**OAL Fall CE Conference**

**Hotel Bentley**

**Desoto Street**

**Alexandria, LA**

all day

Rob Janot, OD, 337-607-5102

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8 hrs TPA CE for ODs

June 4, 2026  
- June 7, 2026

**OAL Annual Convention - Baton Rouge**  
**Crowne Plaza Executive Center**  
**4728 Constitution Avenue**  
**Baton Rouge, LA**  
all day  
Rob Janot, 318-335-0675  
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*2025 ANNUAL CONVENTION*  
*JUNE 4-7, 2026*  
*CROWNE PLAZA EXECUTIVE CENTER*  
*BATON ROUGE, LA*

*17 hrs of LIVE CE available to ODs*  
*12+ hrs of CE for Paras*  
*Full Exhibit Hall on Friday preceded by our annual Technology Symposium*  
*Saturday Night Social*

November 11, 2026  
- November 14, 2026

**American Academy of Optometry Meeting: San Diego**