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## CRA ZOOM MEETING - SEPTEMBER 22, 2021 (NOTE: DATE CHANGE)

### INSTRUCTIONS FOR SIGNING UP AND JOINING OUR CRA ZOOM MEETING

The schedule for Wednesday, September 22 is:

10:50 AM - Click on the Zoom link (we will send it to you when you register for the event).

11:00 AM - Presentation by Teri Crosby (see bio on page 4) followed by Q&A. Noon – Adjourn. You're on your own for lunch.

#### YOU MUST REGISTER

Register in advance for this meeting:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/joining/register/tZEpdO6hqjgrE9U7tZyODvDcl4TwfoZR-Po37>

Immediately after registering, you will receive a confirmation email from Contra Costa Retirees <[no-reply@zoom.us](mailto:no-reply@zoom.us)> containing information about joining the meeting, including your personal Zoom link. If you don't see this email, please check your spam folder. Please send an email to [CRACoCoEvents@gmail.com](mailto:CRACoCoEvents@gmail.com) if you didn't get that email.

If you have trouble with Zoom, or can't get into the meeting, please call Brad McCullough at (925) 348-6707.

If you do not use a computer, call Brad McCullough at 925-348-6707. Brad will give you the information to be able to phone in to the meeting.



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## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

We are still in the midst of the pandemic with all the concerns, risks, intrusions, and limitations that brings. I hope you are doing well. With this newsletter going out to over 1000 retirees, the numbers would indicate that several among us have been affected and my heart goes out to you, with the hopes that things get better.

Thanks again to everyone involved in donating to, selection, and families involved in receiving Contra Costa Chapter scholarships. We had a great crop of students this year and the results are included in this newsletter and on our website.

I hope that you are attending some of the Zoom sessions presented by our chapter and other chapters around the country. Even if you don't have Zoom or don't want to connect with video, you can dial in by phone and listen to the speakers, which have been wonderful and informative. Lisa Epifani gave us a great talk and a very open and candid Q&A all about Strategy and Sustainability. Marin Chapter had Rhonda

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## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT continued

Morris on August 11 with great current information on the resizing, COVID, and a myriad of other topics. Given the popularity of joining Zoom meetings from across the country I'm sure the CRA will keep doing something like this even after we're also having in-person luncheons.

Speaking of in-person luncheons, we will need to wait until 2022. The Country Club is still not allowing outside parties and with the Delta variant going strong it's really not a great idea to pack 80 retirees into a room anyway. Stay tuned! We have our next luncheon, by Zoom, in September and the Graduates Luncheon on December 3 is still on as an in-person luncheon at the Crowne Plaza in Concord.

Welcome new retirees! With recent organizational changes, we now have quite a few new retirees in our chapter. Please see the list later in this newsletter. If you ever want to get in touch with another club member, let us know. While we don't share contact information without permission, we can contact the other party with your information. We've done this a few times recently to connect past work colleagues.

I welcome Taryn Shawstad to our Contra Costa Chapter Board. I worked with Taryn when I was supporting HR and she is another great addition to the board – thank you Taryn. If you are at all interested in joining the Chapter Board, give me a call. I can fill you in on what it is all about. You can have a specific role or be an at large member. You can be on the path for a larger role or stay just as an at-large board member. But in all cases, you will be helping the ongoing strength of our chapter which is vital to our organization. Will you help? Speaking of that, if you live in the Napa/Sonoma/Petaluma area and would be interested in helping out on the Wine Country Chapter board we would all be very grateful. Mark Limon (Chapter President) is a great guy but just needs a couple more hands to help him out.

It is time for the Annual Public Service Awards. Chevron sponsors awards to two retirees that give back to others through volunteerism, public service, and community engagement. The winners of the awards nominate a non-profit agency to receive a \$5,000 award and are hosted for the CRA Annual meeting in October. Could you be one of the winners? I need to have your submission by August 28th.

And don't miss the announcement of the CRA Hiking Group. We are just getting this started this month. If you like to get out and would like some company to hike with, respond to the notice and come out to one of the hikes. We are scheduling 2 per month with one being in conjunction with Chevron Employee Networks on a Saturday and the other during the week. Contact [CoCoCRAEvents@gmail.com](mailto:CoCoCRAEvents@gmail.com) for more information.

If anyone needs assistance or just wants to talk with someone, please send a note to [CoCoCRAevents@gmail.com](mailto:CoCoCRAevents@gmail.com) or give me a call at (925) 348-6707.

Stay safe, healthy, and sane, and be of service to yourself and others.

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## MEMBER'S NEWS

**Michelle Finley** - Enjoying retirement and trying to establish a structure to my days. Back at the gym and starting on projects. Looking forward to seeing everyone soon.

**Donna Cook** - After publishing five books on my family history, I have switched to articles in genealogy society journals and enjoying it. I'm listed on Amazon under Donna Gholson Cook.

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS

**CRA Contra Costa Chapter Luncheons:  
WEDNESDAY, September 22, 2021**

February 28, 2022  
June 13, 2022  
September 19, 2022

**CRA Board Meetings:**

October 13, 2021  
January 12, 2022  
April 27, 2022  
July 20, 2022  
October 12, 2022



**Graduate Luncheon:**

December 3, 2021 (Crowne Plaza Hotel, Concord, CA)

## COMPASSION COMMITTEE REPORT

The following is a list of members of the Contra Costa Chapter of Chevron Retirees who have passed away since the issuance of the last newsletter:

Michael McGrath  
Holly Newman  
Helen Piscevich

A complete list of Chevron retirees' deaths is published quarterly in the retirees' magazine Encore and in the Chevron Retirees' website ([www.chevronretirees.org](http://www.chevronretirees.org)). If you come to know of any Chevron Retiree members from the Contra Costa Chapter who have passed away, please let us know immediately at [compassion@chevronretireescontracosta.org](mailto:compassion@chevronretireescontracosta.org).

## WE'D LIKE TO EXTEND A WARM WELCOME TO OUR NEWEST MEMBERS

Eleanor Adams  
Linda Backens  
Laura Beckett  
Karen Bernstein  
Aline Brendlinger  
Chip Burkert  
Carol Click  
Mike Colvin  
Diane Cugia  
Margie Dean  
Boris Erlank

Michelle Finley  
Janinne Franke  
Mark Galetto  
Ken Gilbrech  
Debbie Giorgio  
Roger Gregory  
Dilip Gulab  
Elizabeth Heneweer  
Donald Kerr  
Jackie Ledbetter  
Marjorie Levy

Miriam Lopez  
Ed Macinick  
John McGuire  
Jana Multhaup  
Melane Nock-Salgado  
David Pizzala  
Harinder Sidhu  
Kathy Tam  
Stuart Winter  
Angela Wong

## TERI CROSBY BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION

**Teri Crosby**  
**Vice President, Global Technology**

Teri Crosby is Vice President of Global Technology for Chevron Oronite.

Her 30-year career has focused on lubricant, fuel and additive performance. Crosby has worked at Oronite since 1991, having gained a wide range of practical experience as Technology Manager for Marine Lubricants, Global Marketing Manager, Global Account Manager, Advisor to the President, Global Manager for Industrial Engine Oils, Fuels & Specialty Lubricants and Global Manager for Passenger Car, Heavy Duty Diesel Engine Oils & Viscosity Modifiers prior to her current role.

Prior to Oronite, Crosby worked in the Aerospace Industry designing military jet and rocket engines and holds a bachelor's degree in Mathematical Sciences from Florida State University (1982) and a master's degree in Statistics from the University of Florida (1984).



## CRA HIKING GROUP

Are you interested in hiking with fellow Chevron employees/retirees? The Chevron Employee Networks and the CRA Contra Costa Chapter are working together to put together monthly hikes and have a survey below to determine the level of interest. The current plan is 2 hikes per month:

- One hike to include current employee networks such as SOMOS and WEN. Hike is planned for a Saturday to accommodate them.
- One hike targeting retirees, or employees that might be available, for a weekday.

*Survey:* If you are interested in the group, please reply to CRAcocoevents@gmail.com with answers to the following questions:

What days of week work for you (Y/N)?

- Monday 8am
- Thursday 8am
- Neither (what does work?)

Hike rating:

Hike rating is combo of distance and elevation gain

Score number for each: "2" (would like these), "1" (lower preference, but may attend), "0" (not likely to join). It is fine to score more than one the same.

- Easy
- Medium
- Hard

Locations:

Score number for each: "2" (would like these), "1" (lower preference, but may attend), "0" (not likely to join). It is fine to score more than one the same.

- Concord / Walnut Creek / San Ramon corridor
- Antioch / Pittsburg corridor
- Oakland / Hayward / Fremont corridor

Other:

- (Y/N) Would be interested in an occasional full day hike events outside above locations (e.g., Cataract Falls or Pinnacles)
- Any other suggestions or questions...

*Involvement note:* The hiking group is for everyone interested and by everyone interested. If you would like to recommend a hike or lead a hike, let us know.

## CHEVRON'S WEBSITE

Chevron's website is a wealth of information. The Sustainability page (<https://www.chevron.com/sustainability>) has information about performance, supply chain, environmental, people, health and safety, and more. The Sustainability report is created each year that summarizes key pieces of information in these areas. The 2020 Sustainability Report is available. What's more, you can get to some of the detail in the charting pages available <https://www.chevron.com/sustainability/performance/chart-generator>.

## 2021-2022 SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

This year, because of the chapter's continued generosity, we could offer four scholarships of \$2000 each and two scholarships of \$1000 out of eleven applicants. This was the first year that we had a chapter scholarship committee and judges (within and outside of our chapter) determining the selections. Since 2005, we have given out over \$112,000 in scholarships. More information on this year's program and information on the recipients (with pictures) is available in the Scholarship Section of our website, [www.chevronretireescontracosta.org](http://www.chevronretireescontracosta.org).

**Emily Gillett**, Walnut Creek, CA, granddaughter of **Patsy Meyer**, widow of **Gene Meyer**, 1997 retiree, is in her second year at Vanderbilt University, Nashville, TN, pursuing a degree in Special Education with a Business minor.

**Sydney King**, Clayton, CA, daughter of **Patricia King**, Clayton, 2019 retiree, will be attending the University of Oregon, Eugene OR, pursuing a degree in Business Administration.

**Katrina Kohlmeyer**, Concord, CA, granddaughter of **Dennis Kohlmeyer**, Concord, 1992 retiree, will be transferring to Sacramento State University after attending Diablo Valley College for the past two years, pursuing a degree in Kinesiology.

**Joshua Tarica**, Atascadero, CA, grandson of **Ron Tarica**, Templeton, 1997 retiree, will be attending California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo, CA, pursuing a degree in Psychology.

**Ivan Vuong**, Danville, CA, son of **Victor Vuong**, Danville, 2018 retiree, is in his fourth year at Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore, MD, pursuing a degree in Biomedical Engineering.

**Kyle Woody**, San Ramon, CA, son of **Michael Woody**, San Ramon, 2020 retiree, will be attending UC Berkeley, pursuing a degree in Nuclear Engineering.

As you can see, we continue to have very bright and motivated children and grandchildren, most likely motivated by our Chevron retirees! We are very proud of them and wish them the best!

Thank you, too, for your continued support of our scholarship program! We are certainly helping their futures with our program and, hopefully, ensuring good ambassadors for Chevron!

## BAY AREA FALL CAMPAIGN

The Bay Area Fall Volunteer Campaign (many of you may know it by one of its previous names like Week of Caring) has been postponed again this year due to the pandemic.

## CRA NATIONAL PUBLICATIONS

CHEVRON NEWS (for full stories, click on [Chevron Investor Relations](#))

08/02/21	Eimear Bonner Appointed Chevron Vice President
08/02/21	Joe Geagea, Chevron Executive Vice President, Technology, Projects and Services, to Retire
07/30/21	Chevron Announces Second Quarter 2021 Results
07/29/21	Chevron Announces Leadership Changes
07/28/21	Chevron Announces Quarterly Dividend
07/01/21	Jansz-lo Compression Project to Proceed
07/01/21	Advisory: Chevron Corporation's 2Q 2021 Earnings Conference Call and Webcast
06/01/21	Advisory: Chevron to Webcast CEO Presentation at Bernstein Strategic Decisions Conference
05/26/21	Chevron Updates Stockholders at Annual Meeting

Encore is a quarterly publication with a welcome from the Chevron Retirees Association President, one or two stories about Chevron retirees, the latest on benefits, in memorium, and Chevron news items. You can find the latest information and Encore at [www.chevronretirees.org](http://www.chevronretirees.org).

Tidbits is a bi-monthly collection of articles, excerpts, and items of interest taken from Chevron news releases and other media sources, along with a little bit of humor. It is published on a bi-monthly basis by the Chevron Retirees Association and can be found at <http://www.chevronretirees.org/PublicationsGroup/Tidbits.aspx>

## PUBLIC SERVICE AWARDS

This year again, like past years, Chevron will be recognizing volunteerism, public service efforts, and community engagements by our retirees through the awarding of the **Public Service Award (PSA)** at the National CRA Annual Meeting (to be held this year on October 17-19 in L.A.). The only problem is, often we do not know all the good things you may be involved in. **Here is where you tell us.**

The Public Service Award (PSA) presentation is a highlight of our Annual Meeting. Previous winners (like Contra Costa's Joe Reid) have been delighted to receive the recognition for their service to their community and the recognition it also brings to their chapter. There are two Individual Awards and one Chapter Award made each year. Thanks to Chevron, if your activities are chosen for the PSA at the CRA annual meeting, the non-profit organization selected by each individual awardee will receive a check for \$5,000. To be eligible to receive a PSA check, a non-profit organization must meet the same qualifications for eligibility as set forth in the Chevron Humankind Program guidelines.

If you have been doing good things – despite a tough year – we want to submit your name and story this year. The CRA220 Form lists the criteria for this prestigious award. **Please submit a description of your public service along with your name, email address and phone number to [CRACoCoEvents@gmail.com](mailto:CRACoCoEvents@gmail.com). The deadline to submit is August 28th. Any questions, give me a call at 925-348-6707.**

## WEB LINKS OF INTEREST

Chevron Retirees Association, National Organization:  
[www.chevronretirees.org](http://www.chevronretirees.org)

Chevron Retirees Contra Costa Chapter:  
[www.chevronretireescontracosta.org](http://www.chevronretireescontracosta.org)

Chevron Corporation:  
[www.chevron.com](http://www.chevron.com)

California Initiative Program:  
[www.chevron.com/CA](http://www.chevron.com/CA)

Chevron Advocacy Network:  
[www.chevronadvocacynetwork.com](http://www.chevronadvocacynetwork.com)

Chevron Humankind:  
[www.chevronhumankind.com](http://www.chevronhumankind.com)

The Company Store:  
[www.chevronstore.com](http://www.chevronstore.com)

Information on Medical and Dental Plans:  
[hr2.chevron.com/retiree/](http://hr2.chevron.com/retiree/)

ChevRec/BenefitHub (discounts and deals):  
[chevrec.benefithub.com](http://chevrec.benefithub.com)

Chevron Energy Transition:  
[chevron.com/energyconversation](http://chevron.com/energyconversation)

All Benefits Quick Links  
<http://www.chevronretirees.org/BenefitsGroup/ChevronBenefits.aspx>

Publications (Encore, Tidbits, Line Rider, Chevron News/  
Press Releases)  
<http://www.chevronretirees.org/PublicationsGroup.aspx>

Benefits (Benefits Corner, CRA Benefits, Social Security/  
Medicare resources, Chevron Benefits)  
<http://www.chevronretirees.org/BenefitsGroup.aspx>

In Memoriam  
<http://www.chevronretirees.org/InMemoriamGroup.aspx>

CRA Membership (what does CRA do? Are you  
interested?)  
<http://www.chevronretirees.org/MembershipGroup.aspx>

About Us (officers, chapter locations, coming events)  
<http://www.chevronretirees.org/AboutUsGroup.aspx>

Resources  
<http://www.chevronretirees.org/ResourcesGroup.aspx>

Chevron Sustainability  
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