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**Chevron Graduates
60th Annual Holiday Luncheon**

**Friday, December 6, 2024
Concord Plaza Hotel
45 John Glenn Drive, Concord**

See the attached flyer on page 7 for information and signup for the event.

PRESIDENT MESSAGE

I'm starting to see the first vestiges of fall, about a month late :-(. They just punched all the greens at the golf courses, although some are quickly recovering. Our first rain of the season came and went with just a light sprinkling. Most days are now in the 60's and 70's, a nice break from the 80's and 90's not too long ago. We are in the midst of the World Series – I'm stuck between hating the Dodgers and the Yankees (I grew up a Giants and A's fan), and it might be sacrilege but I'm rooting for the Dodgers (go West Coast!).

It's currently still **Benefits Open Enrollment Period** for those 65 and over so make sure you if you want to make a change you get it done before the deadline. The pre-65 open enrollment closed on October 25, before the deadline for this newsletter. Don't forget to get your Flu shot. There are some changes to Medicare that you'll want to read about, plus there was an increase in the HRA (thank you Chevron!)

Unfortunately, we have had a wide swath of the Southeastern US severely affected by **hurricanes** Helene and Milton. The American Red Cross is a good place to donate money to help those in need. Please don't forget to think about **those less fortunate** in our communities too with donations, help at food banks and shelters, or warm coat drives.

Thanks to those that attended our **September luncheon** where we received a hands-on demonstration of Generative AI and heard about Impact100. We will be hosting the Graduates Luncheon on Friday, December 6 at the Concord Plaza Hotel. I hope that you will sign up to attend.

This is also the time for **Membership Renewals**. You can renew your membership online if you'd like (mail option is still available)! We would love to have you let us know what's new in your life (or what you are still enjoying!) so please jot a couple of sentences in the "What's New With You" section of the form as well and we will publish them in future newsletters.

We also use the renewal time to solicit donations for our **Contra Costa Chapter Scholarships**. We (and the recipients) thank you for your support in the past and hope that you will provide support again this year. Do you have a relative either headed for college or in college who qualifies? Lately a large percentage of the applicants are awarded scholarships. Please see the Scholarship article in this newsletter and the Scholarship page on the website.



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PRESIDENT MESSAGE (continued)

To those of you who have joined the **Chevron Advocacy Network**, thank you. Please check your “Relationship to Chevron” on the My Dashboard page – it should be Retiree. Check out the CAN Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/ChevronAdvocacyNetwork>) and website (<https://chevronadvocacynetwork.com/>). Have you noticed the new inserts at your local Chevron Station pumps talking about gas taxes and fees? This is all the work of the Chevron Advocacy Network. There is also some great reading material on the website (check out the Fact Sheets under the Resources tab). It’s easy to join, works off your email address and zip code – no password - and does not require you to do anything (though I do encourage you to think about responding to the Action Alerts when they come out).

The Chevron Retirees Association keeps the website (<http://www.chevronretirees.org>) up-to-date as well as creating the **Encore and Tidbits publications**. You can find the publications on the website:

- Encore: <http://www.chevronretirees.org/PublicationsGroup/Encore.aspx>
- Tidbits: <http://www.chevronretirees.org/PublicationsGroup/Tidbits.aspx>

If you would like a hard copy of either of these sent to you, please send us an email at cracocoevents@gmail.com or give me a call at 925-348-6707.

In case you didn’t know, there is a Chevron golf club based in San Ramon. The **Chevron Golf Club San Ramon** (CGCSR) has been active for about 25 years. We are an NCGA Associate Club and currently have about 60 members. See the article later in this newsletter for more information.

We also have a **CRA Hiking Club**. We plan 3-4 hikes per month and get from 4-16 people coming out each time. We typically have one strenuous hike, one easier hike, and 1-2 other hikes in the area. Lately we’ve also had a “stairs” hike which is more urban and includes historical, architectural, and artistic aspects.

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

WE’D LIKE TO EXTEND A WARM WELCOME TO OUR NEWEST MEMBERS

Bob Cody	Dave Macdonald
Patricia Doherty	Stuart MacPherson
Walt Gill	Paul Miller
Christine Hartland	Karen Nunez
Patty Henrickson	Paul Parkhurst
Kappy Lindquist	Gurpreet Singh
Arthur Lee	

CHEVRON HUMANKIND

Remember that for every retiree Chevron will match employee contributions to non-profits, up to \$3,000. The donations need to be made to 501(c)3 organizations. See the rules on the Chevron Humankind website.

Please submit your requests as early as possible. There are always a large amount of matching requests in January - let’s try and smooth that out a little.

Also remember that if you donate at least 20 hours to a non-profit organization you can apply for a \$500 grant. You can apply for up to 2 grants per year. This is included in the \$3,000 total.

MEMBER'S NEWS

Bob Cody

Robert (Bob) Cody, Smart Investing Coach, Philanthropist, Actor, Owner & Executive Producer in Film Industry. I am currently filming my new feature film "Command Influence". Book "Command Influence" coming out soon. Watch my latest podcast "California Live Podcast Episode 66": <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8-XcUN4dliY&t=366s> (or Google: Robert Cody California Live Podcast Episode 66).

I enjoy coaching my clients in how to invest smart in the Stock Market. Just completed filming my movie trailer, book to be released soon. I am about to release three more podcasts - I started the business after 35yrs with Chevron. Chevron retiree friends can contact me at BobCodyca@gmail.com. I look forward to meeting many of my Chevron Retiree Friends. I stay very active in the film industry, in tackling Hollywood!

Walt Gill

I am excited to have been selected to the National CRA Executive Board as the Public Affairs Chair working to support the Chapters and CRA President, Brad McCullough. The CRA not only brings former friends together but is also a great resource for benefits and other valuable information. I read the names of former co-workers in the monthly newsletters and smile recalling some wonderful people.

I retired from Chevron in 2019 after 35 years. I started at Socal as an Admin. in 1983 in San Francisco Headquarters at 225 Bush and Marketing field offices, then Concord and then was transferred to Florida as a Marketing Territory Manager in 1989. In 1992 I was transferred to Seattle as Sales Coordinator then back for jobs in Marketing in San Francisco. From there I went to Corporate Government Affairs and ended my Chevron career as Government Affairs Manager at Richmond and the SF Bay Area. Through those many transfers, I became friends with many people in so many areas of the US.

Chevron is changing and adapting to the global world with acquisitions and realigning its asset base. In the Bay Area, the 10-acre Concord complex where many of us worked is now a shopping mall. 225 Bush Street and 575/555 Market have been sold and are now the home of hi tech companies. And the 40-year-old Chevron Park HQ complex will soon be torn down for retail and housing. And the long talked about move of HQ to Houston has now occurred after being founded in San Francisco 145 years ago. Chevron is a thriving company which we should all be proud of as energy is an essential part of commerce and making people comfortable.

My wife, Wynne, and I live in our longtime home in Kensington (Berkeley Hills) with our Cavalier King Charles Spaniel Dewey. My daughter Derby is 26 and works at the UCSF hospitals after receiving her Master in Neuroscience from Tulane in New Orleans.

Patricia Henrickson

Hello. I didn't retire; I was let go after my job was outsourced. 38 years!

Kim Jolitz

Retired June 2024 from Chevron Environmental Management Company (2007-2024). Previously worked at Chevron Geosciences (1984-89).

Arthur Lee

I am a Chevron Fellow Emeritus. I still mentor employees at Chevron Richmond Technical Center and Chevron Lakeside.

Dave Macdonald

Returned to our home in Danville this year after 14 years in Sugar Land, TX (Houston suburb). I flew the airplane (Van's R-10) that I built as my retirement project from Sugar Land to Livermore, where it is hangered. I'm working with an architect on plans for a remodel and addition to our Danville house. Open to suggestions for a GC.

Daughter of Edgar James Owens

I'm sorry to inform you that Edgar James Owens Jr. (born 1932) passed away peacefully with his family by his side 7/17/24 after a long illness. I am his daughter, Pam Stantz. Please note that the person who passed is Edgar James Owens Jr. My brother, Edgar James Owens III, is also a Chevron retiree and is alive and well.

MEETINGS

2025 TENTATIVE BOARD MEETINGS

January 7, 2025
April 8, 2025
July 15, 2025
October 14, 2025

2025 LUNCHEON DATES

March 18-20
June 17-19
September 16-18

GRADUATES LUNCHEON

December 5, 2025.

ACTIVITIES

Of Interest

Impact 100 East Bay, a chapter of Impact 100 (the largest women's philanthropic organization in the world) has given over \$1 million directly to nonprofits in Alameda and Contra Costa County. See the Impact100 website for more information on how they are making a positive IMPACT on OUR community and information on how to join them!! www.impact100eastbay.org

Save the Date

Mark your calendars for January, 22, 2025 for the Lunar New Year celebration at the Hong Kong East Ocean Seafood Restaurant. More information to follow.

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:

Robert F. Boenig
William E. Ellison
Edgar J. Owens Jr.
Georgieanna Scheuerman

A complete list of Chevron retirees' deaths is published quarterly in the retirees' magazine Encore and in the Chevron Retirees' website (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.

SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM 2025-2026

Our Contra Costa Chevron Retirees Chapter has initiated the start of the 2025-2026 Scholarship Program with the current newsletter and the dues notice that is included in it. Thanks to the generous donations of our members, we have had a very successful scholarship program, distributing over \$144,000 to 89 students since 2005. We have a chapter Scholarship Committee with internal and external judges evaluating the scholarship applications.

We suggest that you encourage your children, grandchildren, or great-grandchildren to apply for one of the scholarships. We anticipate awarding **five scholarships for \$2000 each**, but this will depend on your generous donations to the program. The updated scholarship application for this year will be available on our chapter website in January. The deadline for the scholarship submission is **May 15, 2025**.

Students may apply each year they are eligible, but those who have previously been awarded a scholarship by our organization are not eligible to reapply. The criteria for eligibility are:

- Be a child, grandchild or great grandchild of a dues paying member of the chapter.
- Be age 25 and under.
- Be enrolled, or plan to be enrolled, in the coming school year in a full-time undergraduate course of study at an accredited two or four-year college or university.

Please note that winners need to take and use the scholarship in the school year awarded.

Please watch our newsletters and website to see if there are date changes or process changes.

If you have any questions, you can send an email to scholarship@chevronretireescontracosta.org or by calling Brad McCullough at (925) 348-6707.

COLUMBIA EMPLOYEE STORE INVITATION

Your Columbia Employee Store Invite has arrived. Please see the attached flyer on page 9.

- Chevron Retirees offer is valid November 8th - December 1st
- Store is stocked with new Fall products from our family of brands – Columbia, Mountain Hardwear, SOREL and prAna – items are marked at employee store pricing.
- For store access, please provide your digital invite (printed or shown on your mobile device) + proof of affiliation
- Invitees can bring up to four additional guests with each visit
- This offer is for store access (not valid online)
- This is your last invite of 2024! The store is stocked with new Fall and Winter products so it's a perfect time to shop early for the holidays

WEB LINKS OF INTEREST

Have you seen the new and improved Chevron Retirees Website? It is fantastic!
www.chevronretirees.org

Chevron Retirees Contra Costa Chapter:
www.chevronretireescontracosta.org

Chevron Corporation:
www.chevron.com

California Initiative Program:
www.chevron.com/CA

Chevron Advocacy Network:
www.chevronadvocacynetwork.com

Chevron Humankind:
www.chevronhumankind.com

The Company Store:
www.chevronstore.com

Information on Medical and Dental Plans:
hr2.chevron.com/retiree/

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

Chevron Energy Transition:
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
<https://www.chevron.com/sustainability>

OFFICERS & BOARD MEMBERS

Brad McCullough, President
(925) 348-6707

Adrian D'Souza, Past President

Linda Vest, Vice-President (Membership)
pindersok@comcast.net

Mike Colvin, Outgoing Treasurer

Harinder Sidhu, Incoming Treasurer

Donna Toy, Secretary

Lisa Cutino, Newsletter and Website

Debbi Semenick, Compassion Committee

Brad McCullough, Volunteer Activities

Tricia King, Director at Large

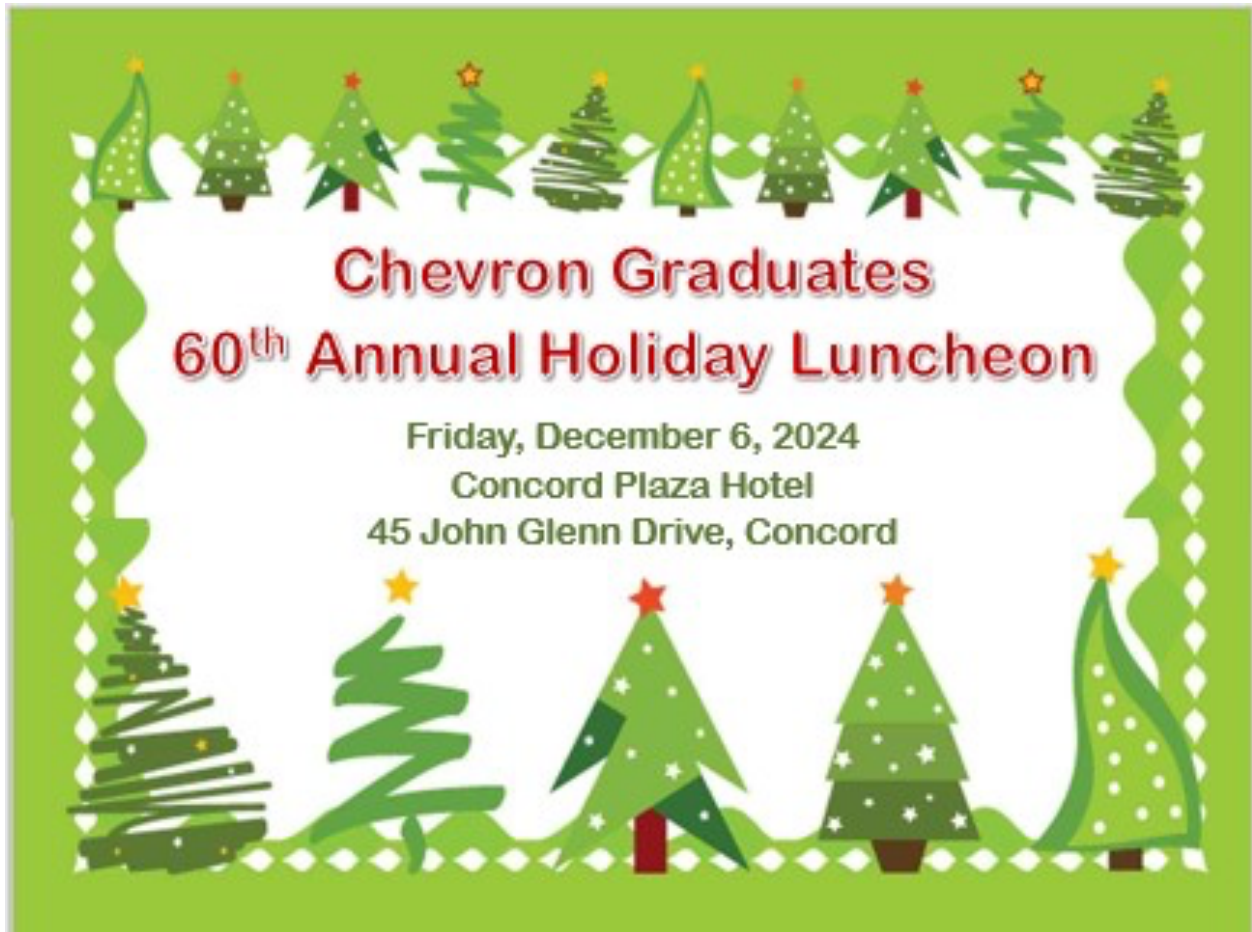
Taryn Shawstad, Director at Large

Ron Susa, Director at Large

Lyman Young, Director at Large

Maggie Pryde, Luncheon Arrangements

To reach any of the board members, please call Brad or send an email to cracocoevents@gmail.com.



Mark your calendars! Attached is the invitation to the 60th Annual Chevron Graduates Holiday Luncheon. We are returning to a larger venue – the Concord Plaza Hotel (formerly the Crowne Plaza). The reservation deadline is November 25, 2024. RSVPs received after that date will be placed on a waiting list. For questions or changes to reservations, contact Maggie Pryde at (925) 997-7377 or email CRACoCoLuncheon@gmail.com.

Please see the attached invitation for all of the details. We hope you can join us!

[Invitation - Chevron Graduates Luncheon](#)

Thank you.

*Graduates Committee: Linda Vest, Maggie Pryde, Lisa Cutino & Carole Velasquez
Contra Costa Chapter, Chevron Retirees Association*

Chevron Retirees Association, Contra Costa Chapter

Membership Dues Form

Name		Mailing Address (Including City, State, and ZIP Code)	
Email			
Phone No		Check one	<input type="checkbox"/> New Member
Spouse			<input type="checkbox"/> Renewing Member
			<input type="checkbox"/> Delete me from your mailing list

We encourage you to provide your email address if you have one, as this helps to keep our mailing costs down. **Your email address will not be shared with any outside organization.** Payments can be made via check or electronically (Zelle or PayPal).

Checks
Send your completed form and check to: Chevron Retirees Association P. O. Box 371 Orinda, CA 94563-0371

Electronic Payments
Zelle or PayPal payments should be made to CRACoCoevents@gmail.com . In the "what's this for" section, please include member name, dues amount and/or scholarship program donation. If you are a new member (or have address or email changes) -- please email this dues form to pindersok@comcast.net . (Mike Colvin processes epymts.)

Payment Summary

2025 Dues: \$10.00
 Scholarship Donation: (Optional; \$20 or more will help)
 Total: check Zelle PayPal

What's New with You?

Your friends enjoy reading in our newsletter about you and your activities. So ... take a minute to jot down **WHAT'S NEW WITH YOU** in the space below and send it in with your dues. If you prefer (as we do), you can email your note to newsletter@chevronretireescontracosta.org

Continue on back if needed.

GOLDEN TICKET

10% OFF YOUR ENTIRE PURCHASE PLUS 20% OFF SELECT STYLES



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Chevron Retirees

ITEMS MARKED AT EMPLOYEE STORE PRICING

VALID DATES

11/08/2024 - 12/01/2024

VALID FOR YOU + 4 GUESTS

WHAT TO BRING

THIS INVITATION
PHOTO ID
PROOF OF AFFILIATION

EMPLOYEE STORE LOCATIONS & HOURS

Check online for store hours

NEW! UNION CITY, CA

32111 Union Landing Blvd., 94587

RICHMOND, CA

1414 Harbour Way S, 94804

PORTLAND, OR

14100 NW Science Park Dr., 97229

CARLSBAD, CA

3209 Lionshead Ave., 92010

HENDERSON, KY

2480 US Hwy 41 N, 42420

WEST COVINA, CA

970 Lake Dr., 91790

SHEPHERDSVILLE, KY

445 KY-44 E, 40165



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