

Contra Costa Chapter, Chevron Retirees

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NEXT MEETING

Monday, June 22, 2015**(No-host social hour - 10:45 to noon)****Contra Costa Country Club
801 Golf Club Rd. Pleasant Hill, CA****\$25 per person including tax, tip and door prizes.
(This price is subsidized by the Chapter)****Reservation coupon and directions to meeting on page 5**

**Cameron Burks
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Mr. Burks leads the Strategic Planning, Global Threat Analysis, Executive Protection, Global Compliance, Maritime and Cyber Security functions of the corporation's security department and provides guidance to the company's Chief Security Officer on the strategic direction of the organization. Mr. Burks serves on various Decision Review Boards and is responsible for Global Security's corporation-center engagement on enterprise and geopolitical risk, company business development, major capital project execution and functional organizational capability strategy

A native of San Francisco, California, Mr. Burks came to Chevron in 2010 from the U.S. Department of State where he was a senior Special Agent in the Diplomatic Security Service. Serving in the U.S. Foreign Service, Mr. Burks was responsible for managing the security, law enforcement and host-nation security service liaison programs at a number of American embassies to include in Bangladesh, Moldova and at various posts in Asia, Latin America and the Middle East. Mr. Burks served in Washington, DC as the Chief of Staff to the Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of State and Director of the Diplomatic Security Service, and the State Department's liaison to the Speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives. In addition, Mr. Burks managed the foreign affairs community's embassy physical security countermeasures office, served on the U.S. Secretary of State's protective detail and led federal criminal investigations in the United States and abroad.



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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Our next lunch is on June 22 and I urge you to put it on your "Attend" list. Why? That is because we are fortunate to have a really good speaker –Cameron Burks from Chevron Worldwide Security. He has spoken to several local CRA chapters and they report that his presentation was very impressive and interesting. It is certainly pertinent with Chevron operating in so many hazardous parts of the world.

Back home there are political hazards with which Chevron must contend. One of our resources has been the Chevron Advocacy Network(CAN). It has been rather quiet recently. A major complaint has been that when there was no big topic requiring action, the system seems to go dead –no feedback. This deficiency has been recognized and corrected. We are being encouraged to rejoin the effort. This will require joining CAN again. Just sign on to this site: <https://www.chevronadvocacynetwork.com>. Become a member. Learn in depth about important issues and help Chevron present its side on those issues.

At the risk of repeating some of what our scholarship chairman will say later, I urge you to sign on to the national CRA site: www.chevronretirees.org. Go to the Encore link, then check page 9 for a nice article about our scholarship program. We are proud of that program, and you should be too, because your generosity has made it what it is.

In May, I will go to Vancouver, Canada for the annual CRA convention. This is not an eat-drink-and-be-merry get together for CRA "big wheels". It is a serious meeting where we try to discern programs and courses of action which will benefit you, our members. If there is some issue which has "bugged" you, send me details at ckscanlan@aol.com. I cannot guarantee particular results but at least your issue will be addressed.

Finally, I want to recognize two new at large directors for our chapter –Lyman Young and Holly Newman. There is still room for more. Each year some current directors are "termed out" and the at large directors move into their jobs. Having surplus directors is not a problem. Think about it. Would you like to join us?

That's it for now. I hope to say "hello" to you at our next lunch.

Chuck Scanlan

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:

Richard A. Aafedt
Otto R. Vasak



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.

2015-2016 SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

This is the 10th anniversary of our scholarship program. We started the program in 2005, awarding two scholarships for \$1000 each. Now this year we are awarding four scholarships at \$2000 each. Our chapter has distributed 44 scholarships for a total of \$56,250.00. For more information about our 10-year program, see the article in the Chevron Retiree Association's Encore 2nd Quarter 2015 edition (see Links page for website).

The deadline for this year's scholarship program is May 15. As in past years, the scholarships are for one year and awards will be based on academic merit and ability. Scholarship America, a national non-profit educational support organization, will select the recipients and distribute the awards. This year the Board has authorized four scholarships in the amount of \$2000.00 each. We suggest that you encourage your children, grandchildren or great-grandchildren to apply for one of the scholarships (the chances of receiving a scholarship are about one in three).

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.
- Submit your scholarship application to Scholarship America **NO LATER THAN MAY 15, 2015.**

We appreciate your support of this program and hope you will add some additional money with your dues payment, if you have not already paid, to continue this support particularly in these difficult times. The individuals we support may be future leaders of Chevron. If you have already sent in your dues and want to give additional support, please send your contribution to Chevron Retirees Assn., P.O. Box 371, Orinda CA 94563.

Scholarship application forms are available online on the chapter's website, www.chevronretireescontracosta.org or by calling or e-mailing:

Helen Romain, 925-833-8298 or hromain@comcast.net.

Thank you so much for your continued support!

MEMBER'S NEWS

Andrea Wood: Still very active with ARMA (Association of Records Managers). In fact, I am now the President of the Mt. Diablo (San Francisco) Chapter. I am also volunteering with the San Ramon City Clerks Office to help them with their records management issues. I also started my own Website.

David Herrington: After living in San Ramon for 15 years, my wife, Pamela, and I moved to Santa Cruz to be closer to the ocean.

Pete Gates: 2015 will mark my 20th year of retirement. We still enjoy a very active life. We are blessed with fairly good health, good friends and loving family. We welcomed our first great-grandchild two years ago.

Tim Montgomery: I will soon begin my 9th year of retirement. Time has flown by. I have become involved in the CCC Legacy (www.cclegacy.org), a national organization dedicated to preserving and passing on the legacy of the Civilian Conservation Corps. This past summer, Robbie and I tracked down the CCC camp where my dad was at in Minnesota back in 1933. It's amazing how many parks and forests were built and/or improved by the CCC.

MEMBER'S NEWS (continued)

Ken Main: Enjoying life traveling (toured Paris & Normandy recently) and my two grandchildren. Keeping busy with SIRS's (Sons in Retirement) activities, such as bridge, golf and dining out. Met my goal of staying out of hospital this year! (2014) P.S. (Trying to find someone who worked with a Wes Nicolson, my daughter-in-law's grandfather.)

Don Downey: I'm enjoying retirement and keeping busy gathering the life histories of WWII Veterans including Pearl Harbor Survivors. All of the "Survivors of the Survivors" had a lifelong love interest and marriage. Makes me glad I found my wonderful wife!

Karin Harwell: I retired in November 2013 and have been enjoying traveling, skiing, biking and hiking. I'm taking a photography class this year, and also participate in two book groups. We have a vacation home in Rio Verde, Arizona – where we spend about six weeks in the spring and a month in the fall. We do a lot of mountain biking in the hills around Scottsdale – and not much golfing, although the courses are beautiful.

Jacobus Jurgens: Had a pretty rough year in 2014. LindaLee's brother at long last passed away on September 12 - his 75th birthday - after a long battle with after results of exposure to chemicals used during the Vietnam war, culminating in the amputation of his right leg at the VA hospital in Louisville, KY only a couple of months before he died.

Then just a month after that we had to go to Monterey, CA. where Jacobus's youngest sister was in the last stages of her battle against cancer. She passed away on October 11th 2014 while under hospice care in Salinas. We are looking forward to a better 2015.

James O'Brient: Last year of consulting for Chevron at Questa Mine, NM underway. Still traveling when we can--Alaska cruise last year! Trip to Scotland this coming summer and Eclipse Cruise from Bali to Borneo next year.

Donna Steinbrecher: My granddaughter is doing her 2nd semester from Scripps Collage in Cambodia , Vietnam. She is finishing her junior year there. She has put to good use the Scholarship Donation from Chevron Retirees. Thank you. She will return the end of May.

Katy Woody: Worked for Chevron for almost 24 years. Retired from Chevron in 2014. Stay at home mom of 2 kids ages 12 and 15. Workout everyday and enjoy outside activiities. Husband works at Chevron as well.

Alma Cuyugan: I'm still enjoying retirement. I travelled to New York, Oregon and Arizona last year. I sing in our church choir, I teach for literacy plus at our public library. I hope i continue to be healthy and be able to travel more.

John Sharum: Sandy and I moved to Angels Camp from Alamo in 2013 and have been enjoying discovering our new neighborhood. Our first grandchild, Franis, was born in November of 2014 and we find ourselves spending more time in Oakland where our son and daughter-in-law live. We spent five weeks in Rome in 2013 and five weeks touring Ireland last year. This year we are off to Europe again to France and Germany after attending our 50th high school reunion.

Patricia Harries: I am still a travel consultant. Have been with J Coupe Travel Associates for almost 37 years. Enjoyed a 9 day trip to England last July. My great nephew married a lovely English girl in Kent and then we had several days in London. Delightful holiday cruise to the Hawaiian Islands and next, a 100 day cruise to Mexico. Both round trip San Francisco. Will not have to fly!

Bob Shepard: We are enjoying the beautiiful Rogue River Valley. Unfortunately, my wife Gloria, has been diagnosed with multiple myeloma and is undergoing chemotherapy. Just keep us in your prayers.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

CRA Contra Costa Chapter Luncheons:

June 22, 2015
September 28, 2015



Graduate Luncheon:

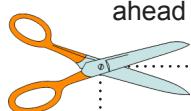
December 4, 2015

DIRECTIONS TO CONTRA COSTA COUNTRY CLUB, PLEASANT HILL, GOING SOUTH

From I-680 South, take Chilpancingo/Concord Avenue exit. Turn left at the traffic light (you will see Target on the right hand side of the street). Continue straight through the traffic light. At the next traffic light, make right on Golf Club Road (you will see a Chevron Gas Station on right hand side of the street). Continue on Golf Club Road (past DVC Community College) until the road forks to the left. Stay to the right on Golf Club Road. Continue on Golf Club Road through a residential area. Drive ahead to the Contra Costa Country Club at #801 on Golf Club Road.

DIRECTIONS TO CONTRA COSTA COUNTRY CLUB, PLEASANT HILL, GOING NORTH

Take Highway 24 to I-680 North. Take Willow Pass Road exit. Turn left off freeway onto Willow Pass Road and continue to the third traffic light. Be in the right hand lane and turn right onto Contra Costa Boulevard. Continue on Contra Costa Boulevard through two traffic lights. At the second traffic light, turn left onto Golf Club Road (Citibank will be on left hand side of the street). Continue on Golf Club Road (past DVC Community College) until the road forks to the left. Stay to the right on Golf Club Road. Continue on Golf Club Road through a residential area. Drive ahead to the Contra Costa Country Club at #801 on Golf Club Road.



Reservations for June 22nd Luncheon

Your name _____

Guest's name _____

Phone _____

Entree choice:

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| Chicken Picatta | () |
| Grilled Salmon | () |
| Vegetable Wellington | () |

Enclose a check for \$25 per person payable to Chevron Retirees Assn. Mail to Chevron Retirees Assn., P. O. Box 371, Orinda, CA 94563, before June 12th. If you have questions regarding the luncheon, call Cathy Kerns (925-376-8840). Cancellations must be received by June 16th.

WEB LINKS OF INTEREST

Chevron Retirees Association, National Organization
(includes national Encore publication):
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

Discounts, Deals Bay Area Activities:
chevrec.mybigcommerce.com/perkspot

Chevron Matching Gift Program:
www.chevron.yourcause.com

The Company Store:
www.chevronstore.com

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

MEMBER'S NEWS (continued)

Donald Stegman: Had my 87th birthday -- still going strong. Still volunteering at the CCC Sheriff's Dept. -- 20 years last November. Anyone who would like to volunteer -- mostly desk jobs, crime lab, etc. please call me. Two of our grandkids graduate from college this year -- 1 at Chico State; 1 at Azusa Pacific. 2 graduate next year, 1 at Sonoma SF; 1 at Azusa Pacific. The other 3 already graduated - 1 is an EMT Fireman, 1 as Culinary Arts, 1 at Azusa Pacific. Great Granddaughter will be 7 years old. e don't travel much anymore. Gay has a hard time walking, but we plan to go to the graduation.

Leslie Berry: Started competing with my Australian Shepherd in Agility and some obedience. We have earned some titles and continue to train and enjoy the event "all for fun". My Aussie girl is 2-1/2 years old and sassy, just like a kid. Enjoy life. We are

Ned Nicolls: Retired from ETC in May, 2014. Had a great time in summer 2014 when we "swapped" our Walnut Creek home for one in the South of France for approximately one month. Now trying to increase time with grandkids, a little golf, sailing/racing small sailboats. Just this month started being involved with a Chevron Downstream Mechanical Integrity project.

What's new with you?

Your Friends enjoy reading about you and your activities. So jot down a brief note on what's new with you in the space below and send it in with your luncheon reservation or, as we prefer, email your note to the address below.

Please print your name _____ Today's Date _____

Email to newsletter@chevronretireescontracosta.org or
Mail to Chevron Retirees Assn. P. O. Box 371, Orinda, CA 94563