



# The Report

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## Contra Costa Chapter, Chevron Retirees Association

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## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

**WE ARE BACK TO AN IN-PERSON LUNCHEON!!!** We have a lot of new members that have never been able to attend in-person. Please come and celebrate with us. We have Michael Vomund, Vice President, Fuels Sales, Americas Fuels & Lubricants coming to talk with us.

As I write this, the Scholarship deadline is approaching. If you have a child/grandchild/great-grandchild that is headed to college or in college, check out the Scholarship page on our website. The judges will be looking over the applications and deciding on the awards in the next few weeks. Winners will be announced at the June 15 luncheon. Thanks again to all our scholarship applicants and our donors! Many thanks also to the Scholarship Committee of Joanne, Adrian, Tricia, and Taryn.

**Welcome even more new retirees!** I mentioned this in past newsletters that we continue to add 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.

The prices at the Country Club are going higher than we would like. We are subsidizing this quarter's luncheon to keep your costs down. We are looking at several options and will let you know what we decide on. If you have a suggestion, please send it to [cracocoevents@gmail.com](mailto:cracocoevents@gmail.com).

I was re-elected as President of the National CRA (actually U.S. and Western Canada) at the Annual Meeting in April. My objectives as

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## UPCOMING CRA MEETING/LUNCH

Our first in-person gathering in more than two years will take place on June 15. Our population is considered vulnerable. Since this is an indoor event, Contra Costa Health Guidelines advise that participants should be fully vaccinated and wear a mask when not drinking or eating.

**Wednesday, June 15, 2022**  
(Reservations due by **June 1**)

No-host social hour - 10:45 to 11:45,  
followed by lunch

**Contra Costa Country Club**  
801 Golf Club Rd. Pleasant Hill, CA

**Guest Speaker:** Michael Vomund, VP  
Fuels Sales – Americas Fuels & Lubricants

\$45 pp including tax, tip and door prizes  
(This price is subsidized by the Chapter)

**\*\* See Page 5 for Directions and Reservations**

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE *Continued*

CRA President are still Membership (find ways to bring more retirees into CRA), Volunteering (getting employees and retirees together and highlighting volunteering opportunities to retirees), and Providing benefits to our members (access to Zoom meetings, providing materials and services to all members). If anyone is interested in helping with the National CRA, let me know – we have loads of opportunities for existing work as well as looking for new opportunities.

I welcome two new members to our Contra Costa Chapter Board. **Maggie Pryde** has volunteered to be our Luncheon Coordinator which fills a big hole now that we are back to in-person luncheons. **Mike Colvin** will be taking over from Lyman Young as our Treasurer. Mike also joined the Membership Committee with National CRA and attended the Annual Meeting as one of three Fellowship members.

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

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

**Brad McCullough**  
President, Contra Costa Chapter  
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## 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:

- William H. Barnard
- Donald F. Dye
- Mike Gibson
- Paul Petruzzelli
- Steve Rohrberg
- John Takacs

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).

## 2022-23 SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

The 2022-2023 Scholarship Program application deadline was extended again this year to May 22. At the time of our newsletter deadline, applications were still being accepted. We anticipate awarding four scholarships, depending on the responses. More information can be found on our website: <http://www.chevronretireescontracosta.org/scholarship.html>

This scholarship committee is made up of two board members, a national representative, an HR retiree, and an educator. Scholarship recipients will be announced at our June 15 luncheon meeting. Information regarding the recipients will be in a future newsletter, as well as on the chapter website.

We appreciate your contributions to our scholarship program and encourage those of you that would still like to contribute to this year's program to send a check to CRA, P.O. Box 371, Orinda, CA 94563. If you have any questions about the program, you can contact Brad McCullough at [CRACoCoevents@gmail.com](mailto:CRACoCoevents@gmail.com) or (925) 348-6707. Thank you again for your scholarship donations and for the goodwill it provides Chevron Corporation and the Chevron Retirees Association.

## GUEST SPEAKER CRA LUNCHEON

The Contra Costa CRA lunch will take place on Wednesday, June 15, 2022. Social hour begins at 10:45, with lunch at 11:45. We are pleased to welcome Michael Vomund as guest speaker.

### Bio - Michael Vomund Vice President, Fuels Sales

Michael Vomund is Vice President of Fuels Sales in Chevron's Americas Fuels & Lubricants organization effective Oct. 1, 2020. He is responsible for maximizing the fuels products value chain across North and South America, focusing primarily on growth, value generation and the customer experience.



Before his current role, Vomund was Vice President for Americas Products West, accountable for the profit and loss of Chevron's three refineries and associated fuels marketing activities in the Western United States, along with driving enterprise value across the crude-to-customer supply chain.

Vomund also served as General Manager, Americas Transportation & Operations. In this role he oversaw Chevron's fuels distribution and transportation operations across the Americas, responsible for fuel distribution from Canada to Colombia via terminal, trucking and rail.

Since joining Chevron in 1988, Vomund has held several roles of increasing responsibility, including positions in Engineering, Marketing, Environmental & Safety, Operations, and Corporate in North America and Africa. In Africa, he served in Chevron's Downstream business with accountability for fuel sales profit and loss across South and Central Africa (South Africa, Namibia, Democratic Republic of Congo, Tanzania, Mozambique, Zambia, Zimbabwe, Swaziland, Botswana, Malawi and Lesotho).

Vomund earned a bachelor's degree in Civil Engineering at the University of California, Davis. He received his Juris Doctorate degree from Golden Gate University in San Francisco and is a member of the California State Bar Association. In his free time, he is an avid cyclist, who competes in mountain and road bike racing.

## VOLUNTEERING OPPORTUNITIES

### Downtown Theatre, Fairfield

The Downtown Theatre is Solano County's premier arts and entertainment center. They are seeking volunteers to join the team and work upcoming theater productions and concerts in ushering, concessions, and will call.

<https://www.downtowntheatre.com/>

The theatre is operated by the Downtown Theatre Foundation for the Arts, a public non-profit 501c3 organization (ID#46-0564734) formed specifically to keep the theatre doors open and affordable to community patrons and performers alike. To volunteer, email [housemanager@downtowntheatre.com](mailto:housemanager@downtowntheatre.com).



### Chevron Humankind

The **Special Olympics Northern California Summer Games** are back! This June 25<sup>th</sup>, our Chevron volunteers will be helping to put on the 2022 Summer Games at Santa Clara University.

Once again, Chevron volunteers will escort athletes, time races, prepare awards, and deliver heat sheets and lane cards to announcers. We would love to have some Chevron Retirees join us! This experience is exciting, rewarding and fun!

Click the link below to learn more and to sign up:  
<https://chevron.yourcause.com/auth/basic>

After logging in, click 'Volunteer' and 'Search Opportunities', and it will be listed below.



### Special Athletes Need You!

 SPECIAL OLYMPICS NORTHERN CALIFORNIA INC

For questions, contact event coordinator at (925) 348-2807 or [sydneydallas@chevron.com](mailto:sydneydallas@chevron.com)

# CHEVRON ADVOCACY NETWORK

**A note from Brad McCullough:** I recommend that everyone join the Chevron Advocacy Network (CAN) as a way of staying on top of things that are happening in the Oil and Gas field and Chevron specifically. CAN is entirely directed towards giving you more information at your disposal. Whether it's for your own information or for using in discussions with others, more true information is always good to have.

This really is about getting true information. You might be saying that you aren't interested in sending letters to your elected officials, but you don't have to do that if you don't want. You will have the opportunity to do so but that isn't a requirement.

CAN looks to be sending out about 8-10 emails to all CAN members in 2022, just enough to keep you informed but not too much for your inbox.

As the President of CRA I have given all CRA Chapters a goal of increasing their CAN membership by 20%. So that rolls down to me as Contra Costa President (see how that works?) and so I am hopeful that in the next few months we can add 40 new CAN members to our ranks (out of 1500 people that get this newsletter I hope that is entirely possible).

Please read the letter below from Chevron, and please sign up for CAN.



## Chevron Advocacy Network

Dear Chevron Retiree,

Now is an important time for retirees to have their voices heard on issues affecting the oil and gas industry. We need more voices telling our personal stories and speaking up about the many benefits of oil and natural gas. Retirees are one of the most trusted voices in their communities and that is why we need you to share what we believe. That is where the Chevron Advocacy Network (CAN) comes in.

### Join the Chevron Advocacy Network (CAN)

If you haven't already done so, please click the link below to Register for CAN. Registration is free and allows you to stay up to date with information on key issues affecting our industry, as well as having the opportunity to contact your legislators when key legislation issues arise in your community. The Chevron Advocacy Network is a community of more than 5,500 employees, retirees and supporters who are leaning-in on the conversation about our energy future. Expanding awareness and participation of CAN is critical right now as regulatory proposals are being debated before Congress. Let's not stand aside and let these decisions be made without our voices being considered in the debate.

### Online Advocacy Training

The Chevron Advocacy Network is offering a series of ONLINE advocacy training sessions exclusively for Chevron Retirees. You can join using your phone or computer. The training will highlight Chevron's strategy, with focus on their lower-carbon future. The training will also help you to effectively communicate these issues to your family, friends, or anyone outside the industry. We encourage you to sign-up for one of the training dates below. Once you register for one of the trainings you will be sent a calendar invite to your email that includes a phone number to call into the meeting. New training dates are being set up; you will be notified of available training dates once you have joined CAN.

<https://chevronadvocacynetwork.com/register/>

## June 15 Lunch – Directions and Reservations



### Reservations for June 15 Luncheon Contra Costa Country Club 801 Golf Club Road ■ Pleasant Hill

Indicate your menu selection below (\$45 each - includes tax, tip, and door prizes):

Member Name _____	<input type="checkbox"/> chicken	<input type="checkbox"/> grilled	<input type="checkbox"/> vegetable
	<input type="checkbox"/> scalloppini	<input type="checkbox"/> salmon	<input type="checkbox"/> wellington
Guest 1 _____	<input type="checkbox"/> chicken	<input type="checkbox"/> grilled	<input type="checkbox"/> vegetable
	<input type="checkbox"/> scalloppini	<input type="checkbox"/> salmon	<input type="checkbox"/> wellington
Guest 2 _____	<input type="checkbox"/> chicken	<input type="checkbox"/> grilled	<input type="checkbox"/> vegetable
	<input type="checkbox"/> scalloppini	<input type="checkbox"/> salmon	<input type="checkbox"/> wellington

Number of Luncheons @\$45 \_\_\_\_\_ Total Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Make checks payable and mail to: Chevron Retirees Association  
P.O. Box 371  
Orinda, CA, 94563-0371

Late Reservations or Cancellations: Contact Maggie Pryde at [maggie4131@yahoo.com](mailto:maggie4131@yahoo.com) or (925) 997-7377

◆◆ Reservations due by **June 1**. Attendees should be fully vaccinated and bring a mask. ◆◆

### **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.

## WHAT'S NEW WITH YOU?

*(Please note we receive Member News items once or twice a year but we have four newsletters so we try to space them out.)*

**Tim Campf** - I just had cataract surgery on both eyes, mono vision for distance. Now I'm 20/20 both eyes and haven't seen this good for the last 40 years. Happy!

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**Joe Cataldo** - I left Chevron at the end of 2021 with 36 years of service. Originally, it wasn't my choice. My position was eliminated due to the transformation efforts. The team I was part of was included in the managed services provider concept. The initial news was hard to absorb, however, after much thought, I fully embraced the fact that my time at Chevron was going to end. I was assigned to a transition position in my final year. One of the best experiences in my career. So "what's new" for me ... RETIREMENT! It sure is great!

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**Robert Huntoon** - Retired 23 years and still enjoying the Southern Oregon coast.

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**Alfred Jessel** - Moved back to California just before Covid then to Berkeley in May of last year after a 20-year absence! Renewing old acquaintances.

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**Jay Johnson** - My wife and I enjoy being guardians for our two grandkids - 20 and 14. We enjoy Julys at our Wisconsin cabin, and Jay does work trips at cabin in May and October. This year we spent time in Wyoming, Black Hills and Route 66 in Missouri and Oklahoma. Visited friends and family in Rockford, Illinois; Kansas City and Memphis. Recently signed up for the hiking club and looking forward to that.

**Linda Johnson** - Enjoyed a family trip to Orlando, Florida, Walt Disney World and Universal this past Christmas. Finding opportunities to get away as Covid appears to be changing (hopefully for the better). Scott will have a full knee replacement surgery this month, so hiking and biking will once more be a regular activity.

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**Lyndon Laird** - Enjoying life in a gated community in the Sierra Foothills – Land of the Pines. Golfing twice per week. Health is good.

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**Arnold Lamb** - Greatly saddened reading the Encore's *In Memoriam* page. Too many friends and colleagues listed. Other than that, staying home, enjoying English mysteries, and taking some trips: New York, Kauai, and Puerto Vallarta. Also fixing things around the house.

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**Anthony J. Maciey** - Playing lots of golf, tennis, baseball, composing and recording rock songs. Upgrading two 1987/1988 VW camper vans (Westfalia "Westys"). Enjoying golf, hikes, museums, meals with my three adult children and their partners (all in California). Lots of fun visiting friends and family across the country (Covid careful) in my Tesla S with free supercharging for life.

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**Karen McGary** - Continuing to enjoy retirement. Wow! What a concept.

**Ed McGuirk** - Deb and I are loving retirement. She has set up her craft room and I my workshop. We both love our new hobbies. We now get to spend a lot of quality time with our grandkids as well.

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**Mike Merriman** - Volunteering with AARP Tax Aide in Alameda where we help folks file both state and federal taxes for free. Hope to travel soon.

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**Ed Peggs** - Enjoying time with our two grandkids, Teagan and Pierce. Spending time at our cabin in Clio, CA and our property in Sierra County.

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**Zoltan Saary** - Survived Covid-19. Older than dirt (89), but still here.

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**Joy Sun** - Plan to explore ways to enjoy retirement.

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**Vern Hance** - Moved to Viamonte Senior Living in Walnut Creek. My wife, Carol, died in December 2020 after marking 62<sup>nd</sup> wedding anniversary.

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**Ken Crooks** - The wife, dogs and I moved to Wilder, Idaho in May 2021.

## NEWEST MEMBERS

We'd like to extend a warm welcome to our newest members:

- Julie Burbank
- Michael Coyle
- Richard Ingels
- Alfred Jessel
- Brenna Johnson
- Edmund McGuirk
- Michael Merriman
- Jolene Moore
- Robert Raines
- Joy Sun
- Sherry Whitmarsh
- Lisa Wong

## OFFICERS & BOARD MEMBERS

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**Taryn Shawstad**, 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](mailto:cracocoevents@gmail.com)

## CHEVRON NEWS

**5/12/22** Chevron and Pertamina Announce Partnership on Lower Carbon Opportunities

**5/03/22** Chevron, Talos and Carbonvert Announce Proposed Joint Venture Expansion to Enhance the Bayou Bend CCS Project Offshore Jefferson County, Texas

**5/02/22** Chevron, Bunge Launch Renewable Fuel Feedstocks Joint Venture

**4/29/22** Chevron Announces First Quarter 2022 Results

**4/27/22** Chevron Announces Quarterly Dividend. (\$1.42 per share)

(full stories can be found on Chevron Investor Relations <https://www.chevron.com/investors/press-releases>)

## 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:

<https://hr2.chevron.com/retiree>

ChevRec/BenefitHub (discounts and deals):

<https://chevrec.benefithub.com/>

Chevron Tidbits:

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

## NEIGHBORING CHAPTER EVENTS & MORE

- **Sacramento Chapter** has new leadership. It has a large area - roughly Vacaville to Placerville, Chico to Manteca, and they are having a Meet & Greet on June 2 at Wolf Heights Estate in Sacramento.
- **Wine Country Chapter** is having a luncheon on June 9 at the CIA at Copia in Napa.
- **Gold Country Chapter** is having a picnic on June 30 at Lake Wildwood in Penn Valley.
- **San Francisco Chapter** is having a luncheon on July 21 (could be in person at Cadillac Bar & Grill, SF, or might be on Zoom, depending on the speaker).

Also, the Columbia Employee Store is having their Chevron retiree sale days from May 13 - June 5, and it includes all 5 of their locations (Richmond in the SF Bay Area). See the Special Events page on our website for more information:

[http://www.chevronretireescontracosta.org/special\\_events.html](http://www.chevronretireescontracosta.org/special_events.html)

If you are interested in any of these or would like more information, please send an email to:

[cracocoevents@gmail.com](mailto:cracocoevents@gmail.com).

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS

### CRA Contra Costa Chapter Luncheons:

June 15, 2022  
September 21, 2022

### CRA Board Meetings:

July 20, 2022  
October 12, 2022

### Graduates Luncheon:

December 2, 2022

## MEMBERS IN THE NEWS

Congratulations to **John Watson** and his partner who won the 23rd Annual NCGA Super Senior 4-ball Championship with a 54 hole total of 9-under 204. See Page 47 in the NCGA Golf Magazine:

<https://editions.mydigitalpublication.com/publication/?m=61195&i=746725&p=48&ver=html5>





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<p align="center"><b><u>VALID DATES</u></b></p> <p align="center">05/13/2022 - 06/05/2022</p> <p align="center"><b>4 GUESTS INCLUDED PER VISIT</b></p>	<p align="center"><b><u>WHAT TO BRING</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● THIS INVITATION</li> <li>● PHOTO ID</li> <li>● PROOF OF AFFILIATION</li> </ul>
<p align="center"><b>Portland Employee Store:</b></p> <p align="center">14100 NW Science Park Dr., Portland, OR 97229</p> <p align="center"><b>HOURS:</b> Mon-Fri: 10a – 8p; Sat-Sun: 9a – 8p</p>	<p align="center"><b>Richmond Employee Store:</b></p> <p align="center">1414 Harbour Way South, STE 1010 Richmond, CA 94804</p> <p align="center"><b>HOURS:</b> Mon – Fri : 11a – 8p; Sat – Sun 10a – 8p</p>
<p align="center"><b>Kentucky Employee Store:</b></p> <p align="center">2480 US Hwy 41 North, Henderson, KY 42420</p> <p align="center"><b>HOURS (CST):</b> Sun–Thur: 10a –6p; Fri-Sat: 10a –7p</p>	<p align="center"><b>Carlsbad Employee Store:</b></p> <p align="center">3209 Lionshead Ave., Carlsbad, CA 92010</p> <p align="center"><b>HOURS:</b> Mon-Sun: 10a –7p</p>
<p align="center"><b>West Covina Employee Store:</b></p> <p align="center">970 Lakes Dr., West Covina, CA 91790</p> <p align="center"><b>HOURS:</b> Mon-Sun: 10a - 8p</p>	



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