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Luncheon

Thursday, June 18, 2026
Chevron Lakeside

See the attached flyer on pages 7-8 for information and signup for the event.

Chevron retirees Jeff Swindel and Maggie Pryde will attend the June 18 lunch to introduce **Police and Fire: The Fallen Heroes**, the nonprofit they support. Jeff, who retired in 2018 from Public and Government Affairs, serves as Vice Chairman, and Maggie, who retired in 2016 from Downstream Law, is the Operations Manager.

The organization honors California's first responders who have lost their lives in the line of duty and supports the families they leave behind through scholarships and immediate financial assistance.

Attendees will hear firsthand reflections from current and former first responders, offering a personal perspective on service, sacrifice, and community. Since the organization's founding, Chevron has been a steadfast supporter - helping extend its reach and impact across California.

Mission:

To honor Peace Officers and Firefighters who make the ultimate sacrifice during the performance of their duties and offer financial support to the families left behind.

Vision:

In communities throughout California, the families and agencies of fallen Peace Officers and Firefighters will be honored and supported as they navigate towards a more secure future.



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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Spring has sprung and the birds are singing. My eldest daughter is getting married in a week and so it is a bit hectic right now. We are having house guests and an event for out-of-town family on Sunday and so I need to finally get a lot of those honey-do items done! I hope that everyone is enjoying the Spring cool days and the short bouts of sprinkles that go with it. It's a great time to have some outside activities to see the wildflowers, the beauty of new growth in trees and plants, and the smell right after a spring shower. Get outside, some exercise, some sun, and some fun!

Our **Summer Luncheon** will again be at Chevron Lakeside on June 18th. I hope to see you there – it's a lot of fun to mingle with other retirees you may have known or you could come and meet some new people. We will have a talk from the non-profit Fallen Heroes, meet our scholarship winners, and an introduction to Child Advocates of Contra Costa County (formerly CASA). See the Luncheon flyer on pages 7-8 for more information and to sign up.

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE (continued)

CRA National Meetings: Our CRA Annual Meeting (where all the Chapter Presidents attend) will occur in Calgary in mid-May. We have several Chevron Managers attending (in person and by Zoom) so we should get an update on Chevron's efforts to reduce costs and where the major projects stand. One of the highlights we get to do at the Annual Meeting is honor our **Public Service Award** Winners. Read the next Encore (located on the CRA website - chevronretirees.org) which will feature the winners.

Our **CRA hiking group** continues to get new members coming out with the stalwarts on our 3 hikes per month. We do an easier hike (typically one or two that are on the East Bay Regional Parks Trail Challenge), a stairs hike (Berkeley/Oakland or San Francisco), and a challenging hike each month. This group is free to join so come hiking with us. Send a note to cracoevents@gmail.com to sign up.

Our **Contra Costa Chapter Scholarship** deadline is coming up fast – May 15. If your kids, grandkids, or great-grandkids that are about to graduate high school or are in college have not yet applied, please have them go to our website chevronretirees.org/cocoscholarship and apply! We appreciate all your support for these scholarships, and the money that you donate towards the cause, as do the scholarship winners! We try and get as many of the scholarship winners coming to our next luncheon as possible, and love to hear them talk. Come join us.

This association is all about bringing people that worked for Chevron or other legacy companies together. In addition to the luncheons and tours of the Chevron Heritage Center, one way we can do that is through **special interest groups**. We have the hiking group mentioned above, there is also Chevron Golf Club San Ramon if that interests you (send a note to CGCsanramon@gmail.com). Maybe something else interests you – pickle ball, bridge, meeting for breakfast, bicycle riding, etc. Let me know if you are interested in an interest group and we can work on getting it going (even if you don't want to lead it). In fact, we may have a book club starting up this year – stay tuned for more.

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.

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

Brad McCullough
President, Contra Costa Chapter, Chevron Retirees Association
CRACoCoevents@gmail.com

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

Debbie Anderson	Dave Fontaine (rejoining)	Jennifer Klein	Hilegard Samahon	Mary Wilson
Judy Bartley	Carla Gaul	Johnson Kon	Douglas Spooner	
Jeff Black	Cheryl Huber	Leah Muhleman	Joseph Timar	
Nancy Crofton	Lisa Leong	Rudy Mulia	Wayne Tsuji	
Michael Dimech	Naomi Kepler	Alex Ratcliff	Tracy Vest	

COMPASSION COMMITTEE

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:

Letizia C. Dale Thomas V. Harris David R. Morris Eugene Veirauchs

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 2026-2027

The 2026-2027 Scholarship Program application deadline is May 15. Please go to the chapter website for more information and the scholarship application. <https://www.chevronretirees.org/cocoscholarship>

We anticipate awarding five scholarships of \$2,000 each. This scholarship is for students graduating from high school or currently in college or trade school that are kids, grandkids, or great-grandkids of chapter members.

We will honor the scholarship recipients at our luncheon meeting on June 18th. We love to hear from them - what they plan to do in school and beyond, what their interests are, etc.

We appreciate your contributions to our scholarship program and encourage those of you who would still like to contribute to this year's program to use our online payment methods or 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 cracoscholarship@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.

CONNECTING PEOPLE, CREATING IMPACT: IN-PERSON EVENTS

SOCIAL & CULTURAL

USS Potomac Cruise

Step aboard a true piece of American history and cruise the San Francisco Bay in unforgettable style aboard the USS Potomac! Built in 1934 and later transformed into President Franklin D. Roosevelt's official yacht, this beautifully restored National Historic Landmark once hosted world leaders, royalty, and dignitaries—and now it's your turn. Join us on Saturday, **July 11, 2026 at 12:30 PM** for a relaxing, live-narrated 2-hour cruise filled with fascinating stories about FDR, the Great Depression, and World War II, all while enjoying stunning bay views. This fun and memorable outing is open to Chevron retirees and their guests at a special group rate of **\$65.50**.

Contact CRACoCoevents@gmail.com to sign up! Reservations are due by June 26, 2026. Visit www.usspotomac.org for more information about the USS Potomac and the tour. The tour leaves from Jack London Square in Oakland.



COMMUNITY IMPACT

Food Bank of Contra Costa and Solano

Are you looking for a way to catch up with former colleagues while giving back to the community? We are forming a relationship with the Food Bank of Contra Costa and Solano to make a consistent impact in 2026, planning several opportunities to fit your schedule (calendar coming soon)! Leading the fight against local hunger, the Food Bank distributes enough food for 2.7 million meals every month! By sorting fresh produce or packing emergency boxes, you're providing a basic necessity—nutritious food—to neighbors who are struggling to make ends meet.

We need 15 dedicated members for the first volunteer opportunity on June 9, 3:30-5:30pm at the Concord Warehouse (4010 Nelson Ave.) Please register your interest by emailing CRACoCoEvents@gmail.com. Let's show the community that Chevron retirees are still leading the way!

Chevron Retirees have a long history of connection and contribution, and you continue to be active in retirement. We want to ensure this program reflects your interests.

Have an idea or cause to support? Please let us know at cracocoevents@gmail.com.

Watch your inbox and upcoming newsletters for details. We look forward to seeing you, making new friends, and creating a lasting impact in our community.

MEMBER'S NEWS

Lyn Arscott

Retired from Chevron 1998. Active in National Academy of Engineers and Society of Petroleum Engineers until recently. Wife, Joan, passed in 2025. Planning to marry Christine Ritter in July. Moved from Danville to Alamo. Love hiking, golf (not so much).

Kathy Henschel

We are still travelling, to Vienna and Prague last month, and up to Calgary for the CRA Annual Meeting in April. Other trips are to LA and to Vancouver, Washington to get to know John's two new greatgrandchildren – both are as adorable as "they" say!!

Rudy Mulia

I have recently retired from Chevron, effective July 2025 after 35 years of service. I have mostly worked in the Technology Companies, CRTC, ETC, GTC (Australia), and last in CTC. I have worked in several offices which include Bishop Ranch 6, Richmond Technology Center, GTC Australia, Chevron Park, and last in the Chevron Lakeside office. I am looking forward to seeing you all, especially those whom I may have worked with in the past.

Joe Timar

Newly retired as of July 1st, 2025.

CHEVRON HUMANKIND – GRANTS AND VOLUNTEERING

Chevron Humankind is your resource for getting cash grants for your favorite non-profits and for finding outlets for that volunteering energy you have. Chevron will match your donations up to \$2,000, and up to \$1,000 of that can be based on your time spent volunteering with a non-profit.

With the move from San Ramon to Houston, Chevron does not have as many volunteering opportunities in the Bay Area. There are still quite a few through the refinery, and I am assuming there will still be a 2026 Fall Volunteer Campaign. Go to Chevron Humankind to see these opportunities. Do you have a project at a non-profit that can use volunteers? Retirees can also submit projects to Chevron Humankind.

Occasionally, members have projects where they are looking for volunteers or have volunteer positions that they are looking for candidates. We can selectively include those in the newsletters if you send them to us in a timely fashion.

We were contacted by a group in need of volunteers – Chevron retiree Art Oller works with them. It is the Child Advocates of Contra Costa County (formerly called CASA – Court Appointed Special Advocates). They work with local children and youth who are in foster care. They currently have almost 90 youth who are waiting for a Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) volunteer, as well as a quickly growing list of youth in need of a tutor volunteer. We will have a table for them at our next luncheon. If you are interested in learning more, you can contact Sarah Bradford (925-256-7284 ext 7, sbradford@childadvocatesofcontracostacounty.org). You can also get more information from their website ChildAdvocatesofContraCostaCounty.org. And you can come to our June 18 luncheon and talk with them in person!

SPECIAL EVENTS & FUN ACTIVITES

Hiking Group

We are enjoying the sunny skies and brisk air in the mornings on our hikes. We are loving the rain for our gardens, but it's not so good for hiking and unfortunately have had to cancel a couple. We have hikes from Easy to Difficult so there's something for every interest. Contact us through cracocoevents@gmail.com for more info and to get on the Hiking Group Mailing List. You can see pictures of our past hikes and hikers at this link:

<https://drive.google.com/drive/u/2/folders/1TBeGYuHzZPniVWV5x6Dok-UuDjixGDmC>

Chevron Golf Club San Ramon

Chevron Golf Club San Ramon (CGCSR) is an NCGA Affiliate Club that has as its base Chevron employees, contractors, and retirees. The club has about 60 members with indexes ranging from 1 to 39. We've played 4 of our planned 22 outings this year, where the club officers arrange for tee times. At these outings, we have an optional small game going (net or skins), closest to the pin prizes on 2 holes, a season-long match play, a club championship (net and gross winners) and a special end-of-year tournament. Most outings are on Friday or Saturday. We play a wide variety of courses, mostly East Bay, North Bay and Tri-Valley, but a couple up in Sacramento and a Monterey weekend. The NCGA affiliation means that you get an official NCGA handicap and have the opportunity to represent CGCSR in NCGA tournaments (partially subsidized by the club). For 2026, membership is only \$90. For more information, contact cgcscanramon@gmail.com.

Financial Seminars

We continue to hold several in-person Financial Seminars in Walnut Creek hosted by Morgan Stanley. Our next seminar is on May 12 "Beyond the Benefit: Social Security Done Right", and another one on September 9 covering Medicare. We typically have a 3rd party speaker along with Financial Advisors from Morgan Stanley. There are always a lot of questions from the retirees and the small audience size allows for a lot of discussion. We have a separate distribution list for these seminars, so if you are interested, please send a note to cracocoevents@gmail.com expressing your interest to be added to the distribution list.

Chevron Heritage Center Retiree Tour July 16, 2026

The Chevron Retirees Association has been invited to attend complimentary tours at the Chevron Heritage Center in Dublin. Guided tours are limited to 20 people, and the next tour is scheduled for Thursday, July 16 from 10:30 – noon. Additional tours will be held this year.

The Chevron Heritage Center offers a vast tableau of the oil industry's rich and varied history. Established within legacy-company Texaco in 1950 to collect historic material, the archive now provides a hefty record of Chevron's growth from a modest oil prospecting organization formed in 1879 to its current status as one of the world's great energy companies. The archive's collection underscores this growth by encompassing the history of Chevron's many legacy companies, which include such energy pioneers as Standard Oil Co. of California, Texaco Inc., Gulf Oil Corp., Getty Oil Co. and Unocal Corp.

Please RSVP or direct questions to Maggie Pryde at maggie4131@gmail.com. Reservations will be on a first-come, first-served basis.

Additional information will be provided to attendees a few days prior to the tour.

CHEVRON NEWS

Click on the article to read report.

April 2026

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Chevron consolidates Venezuela heavy oil position in asset swap

04/09

Chevron confirms oil discovery at Bandit prospect in Gulf of America

March 2026

03/31

Chevron announces senior leadership changes

03/31

Chevron statement regarding exclusivity agreement with Microsoft and Engine No. 1

WEB LINKS OF INTEREST

Have you seen the new and improved Chevron Retirees Website? It is fantastic!
www.chevronretirees.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
<https://www.chevronretirees.org/benefits>

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

Benefits (Benefits Corner, CRA Benefits, Social Security/ Medicare resources, Chevron Benefits)
<https://www.chevronretirees.org/benefits>

In Memoriam
<https://www.chevronretirees.org/inmemoriam>

CRA Membership (what does CRA do? Are you interested?)
<https://www.chevronretirees.org/membership>

About Us (officers, chapter locations, coming events)
<https://www.chevronretirees.org/about>

Resources
<https://www.chevronretirees.org/resources>

Chevron Sustainability
<https://www.chevron.com/sustainability>

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

Chevron Retirees Association, Contra Costa Chapter

Luncheon: Thursday, June 18, 2026

11 am – Social Hour
Noon – Buffet Luncheon

Our June 18, 2026, luncheon will be held at Chevron Lakeside, located at 5001 Executive Parkway in San Ramon. The buffet will include meat, pasta, salad, rolls, dessert, iced tea and coffee.

Reservations are due no later than June 12, 2026.

Member Name		Guest 1	
Member Email		Guest 2	
Member Phone No			

Options	Cost	No.	Total
Buffet Only	\$45		
Buffet with Wine	\$55		
Buffet with Beer	\$55		
Total			\$

Payments

Checks

Send your completed form and check payable to 'Chevron Retirees Association' to:

Chevron Retirees Association Luncheon
 P. O. Box 371
 Orinda, CA 94563-0371

Electronic Payments

Zelle or PayPal payments should be made to CRA Treasurer, Harinder Sidhu, at CRACoCoevents@gmail.com. In the **"what's this for"** section, please include attendee name(s) and indicate:

- Buffet only
- Buffet with wine
- Buffet with beer

Please note all attendees will need to check in at Reception upon entering the facility.

Please bring a government-issued photo ID.

For questions, please contact Donna Toy at (925) 984-3398 or CRACoCoLuncheon@gmail.com.

DIRECTIONS TO CHEVRON LAKESIDE 5001 EXECUTIVE PARKWAY, SAN RAMON

GOING NORTH

From I-680, take the Bollinger Canyon exit. Turn right onto Bollinger Canyon Road. Turn left onto Camino Ramon. Turn left onto Executive Parkway and continue into Lakeside parking lot. Follow the sidewalk to the main lobby doors under the glass arch. Check in at the security desk with a government issued ID.

GOING SOUTH

From I-680, take the Crow Canyon Road exit. Turn left onto Crow Canyon Road. Turn right onto Camino Ramon. Turn right onto Executive Parkway and continue into Lakeside parking lot. Follow the sidewalk to the main lobby doors under the glass arch. Check in at the security desk with a government issued ID.

