

CRA MARIN CHAPTER NEWS



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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Welcome to Spring 2026; but to be honest, it's felt like spring for a while now - lucky us.

It was good seeing those of you who were able to attend our February 11, 2026, Marin CRA lunch. Our speaker was Rich Shelton, Director with the Marin County Sheriff's Search and Rescue (Marin SAR) program. Rich provided an excellent overview of this organization, which has grown in size and is now well over 100 - all are volunteers. Members range from high school students to practicing doctors and even some retirees. All physically fit, well trained and committed to finding people (and occasionally pets) that go missing. Rich shared a good number of recent cases with the group, most local but some as far away as Hawaii. The photos were informative, entertaining and demonstrated the use of sophisticated technology - extremely impressive. Even in cases where the missing person has been found deceased, the team has provided priceless value to the family and loved ones. Rich fielded many questions from the group and was extremely generous with his time. It's easy to see why our chapter was keenly interested in having him meet with us a second time in just a few years.

As we plan our 2026 lunchtime meetings, the Marin CRA Board remains committed to having lunchtime speakers that inform our membership about a variety of topics of interest including once per year an update on Chevron. We also look to organize social events all in the spirit of providing fellowship for our members. A case in point was the recent visit to the Buck Institute for Research on Aging.

Our lunchtime calendar for the remainder of 2026 is currently as follows: May 13: Richard Torney - 1906 San Francisco Earthquake (120 year anniversary), August 12: Jason Balderama - Cyber Security, November 11: Mauricio Molina - Chevron Planning & Projects Manager - Chevron Update. As usual, the

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MEETING NOTICE

Our May 13th luncheon will be at the McGinnis Club Restaurant on Smith Ranch Road in San Rafael starting at 11 am for the social hour. Our speaker will be Richard Torney, Marin historian. Lunch will be choice of (1) Slow-Cooked Pot Roast; or (2) Grilled Salmon, or (3) Chinese Chicken Salad, or (4) Penne Pomodoro; all with Tiramisu, coffee, and iced tea. For Vegan, note request on reservation form. The cost will be \$42 per person.

Marin CRA is moving towards on-line reservation for luncheons, so in addition to the usual printed form here in the newsletter, you will be able to sign up on-line in 2 ways:

1. You may receive (or already received) a separate email with the on-line reservation form
2. Or you can find the same form on our website www.marincra.com in the Event Sign-Up tab.
3. Instructions for completing the form are shown on the website under More> Event Sign-up Instructions.

Regardless, fill out and submit the form. You can pay by credit card (via Pay Pal) or send us a check.

For those without e-mail who receive their newsletter by USPS, use the form included with the newsletter, which can then be printed and mailed with your check just as in the past.

Please return the reservation form with payment by April 30th. Late responses may not be able to get their preferred entrée. To request cancellation with refund after that date or to inquire about space available, telephone Brad McCullough at 925-348-6707.

lunch will be from 11am to 2pm at McInnis Park, *The Club Restaurant*, Smith Road Ranch, San Rafael.

I am honored to be the president of the Marin CRA and very much enjoy the time spent with all of you - my fellow Chevron retirees. I will do my best to serve all of our members. Should you have any comments or suggestions that might make our association more rewarding or enjoyable, please feel free to approach me at our luncheons or drop me a note at Jeffhartwig1@gmail.com.

I wish you all a fantastic 2026.

Jeff Hartwig, President

CHEVRON ADVOCACY NETWORK

Join the Chevron Advocacy Network! The Chevron Advocacy Network (CAN) leverages the power of our collective voices and experiences in support of smart energy policies. It empowers members to speak up about the fundamental benefits of oil and natural gas in their communities and on social media to inform public opinion and positively impact policy. Through the CAN website, members have access to resources and fact-based information that can be shared with family, friends and decision makers. It provides members with information about their government representatives, including photos, bios, and contact information. When a key issue arises at the county, state or federal level, members will be alerted about the actions they can take to make a difference.

Joining CAN is a great way for Chevron retirees to stay connected with Chevron and the challenges it is facing in today's world -- and enables all of us to provide meaningful support to Chevron in addressing these challenges. Registration for CAN is free. You can even register on the go -- simply text CAN to 64122.

OUR MAY SPEAKER—RICHARD TORNEY

In the aftermath of the April 18, 1906, San Francisco Earthquake and Fire, city officials recognized the urgent need to maintain the health of the citizenry.

On April 20, United States Army Surgeon Lt. Col. George Henry Torney, Commander of the Presidio's U. S. Army General Hospital, was ordered to become San Francisco's Chief Sanitary Officer. His successful efforts to prevent any serious outbreak of contagious disease and his creation and enforcement of regulations to establish safe and sanitary conditions for the city's population are illustrated in this presentation.

On the day of the tremor, and in the following days, Lt. Col. Torney's 26-year-old son "Ned" went around the city with his camera taking snapshots of the devastation, the raging fire, and scenes showing some of the city's displaced residents. A selection of these images will be shown 120 years after they were taken.

Richard G. Torney, a great grandson of George Henry Torney, is actively involved with the Kentfield Greenbrae Historical Society, Moya Library-Ross Historical Society, North Western Pacific RR Historical Society, and is a docent at the Gravity Car Barn on Mt. Tamalpais.

LIFETIME DUES OPTION

The Marin Chapter of CRA is now offering a new dues option. For \$120 you can have a lifetime membership (\$160 for print), free of any future dues payments. If you have previously prepaid multi-year dues, they will be credited against the lifetime amount. The plan includes \$50 lifetime dues for spouses. If interested, contact Brad McCullough at bjcc2mcc@comcast.net or (925) 348-6707 to determine any credit you might be able to take.

LUNCHEON INFORMATION

Date: Wednesday, May 13th, 2026
Place: The Club Restaurant at McInnis Park, San Rafael
Time: 11:00 AM No-host bar and fellowship
12:00 PM Luncheon
12:45 PM Program
2:00 PM Adjourn

Our speaker: Richard Torney, Marin historian

Luncheon: Lunch will be choice of (1) Slow-Cooked Pot Roast; or (2) Grilled Salmon, or (3) Chinese Chicken Salad, or (4) Penne Pomodoro; all with Tiramisu, coffee, and iced tea. (Anyone who needs a vegan meal may write a note on this sheet. We can accommodate you.)

Cost: **\$42 per person**

Please return the reservation form with payment by April 30th. Late responses may not be able to get their preferred entrée. To request cancellation with refund after that date or to inquire about space available, telephone Bill Schultz at 415-883-5488 or Mike Elgie at 415-939-5601.

Luncheon Reservation for May 13th

<u>Name</u>	<u>Pot Roast</u>	<u>Salmon</u>	<u>Salad</u>	<u>Penne</u>
Member: _____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Spouse or Guest: _____	_____	_____	_____	_____
E-mail address: (unless you have already given it to us) _____				
Luncheon Cost:	\$42 per person			
Luncheon:	_____	Reservations at \$42	Total	\$ _____

Make your check payable to Chevron Retirees Association.

Mail to: Chevron Retirees Association
Box 6477
San Rafael, CA 94903-0467.

Members without Internet access: Check this line if you would like a printed copy of *Encore* brought to the luncheon for you. (Funds not available for mailing.) _____

Members needing a ride to luncheon: Call Brad McCullough at 925-348-6707 and we will try to arrange transportation.

ATTENDANCE AT THE FEBRUARY 2026 LUNCHEON MEETING

Kirk Beales
Ignatius Chan
Nick Clark
Mike Elgie
Sandra Guldman
Tom Guldman
Jeff Hartwig
Bob King
Alan Klassen
Russ Krug
Brad McCullough

Sharon Modrick
Rich Moore
Tim Mossteller
Gary Price
Robert Rettig
Ron Schafer
Evan Sedlock
Rich Shelton
Bruce Stangeland
Dick Sullivan

2026 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

May 13—Luncheon meeting, Club at McInnes Park
June 8—Board meeting, Room 410B, Civic Center
August 12—Luncheon meeting, Club at McInnes Park
September 14—Board meeting, Room 410B, Civic Center
November 11—Luncheon meeting, Club at McInnes Park
December 14—Board meeting, La Toscana

RECRUITING INCENTIVE

If you bring a prospective new Chapter member to one of our luncheons, both you and the prospective new member will get the lunch free.

USEFUL INTERNET LINKS

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN GETTING THE MONTHLY CHEVRON NEWSLETTER, YOU CAN SIGN UP HERE:

<https://www.chevron.com/newsroom/subscribe>

THE CHEVRON RETIREES WEBSITE HAS BEEN UPDATED WITH A NEW FORMAT—SEE IT HERE:

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

OTHER LINKS ARE SHOWN ON THE LAST PAGE OF THIS NEWSLETTER

Humor Section – “Luck of the Irish....”

St. Patrick's Day is (was) March 17. Whether you hail from the Emerald Isle or just pretend you do for the day, it is all about celebrating. Observed for thousands of years, the holiday is set aside to recognize St. Patrick, Ireland's patron saint, along with Irish traditions, heritage and culture.

How can you tell if a leprechaun is having a good day?

He's Dublin over with laughter.

Never iron a four-leaf clover

You don't want to press your luck!

Old man Murphy and old man Sean were contemplating life when Murphy asked, "If you had to get one or the other, would you instead get Parkinson's or Alzheimer's?"

"Sure, I rather have Parkinson's", replied Sean

"'Tis better to spill a couple of ounces of Jameson whiskey than to forget where you keep the bottle!"

The first St. Patrick's Day parade was held in Boston in 1737, followed by New York City in 1762. Since 1962 Chicago has colored its river green to mark the holiday. It is the fourth most popular drinking day in the United States.

Did you ever hear about the Lucky Charms leprechaun's evil twin?

He was tragically malicious.

"When we drink, we get drunk. When we get drunk, we fall asleep.

When we fall asleep, we commit no sin.

When we commit no sin, we go to heaven.

So, let's all get drunk and go to heaven."

-- George Bernard Shaw

A good friend is like a four-leaf clover

Hard to find, lucky to have.

If you're lucky enough to be Irish, then you're lucky enough.

Almost 1 in 10 Americans claim Irish heritage, according to the Census Bureau. But even the non-Irish celebrate St. Patrick's Day.

May love and laughter light your days and warm your heart and home.

May good and faithful friends be yours, wherever you may roam.

May peace and plenty bless your world with joy that long endures.

May all life's passing seasons bring the best to you and yours!

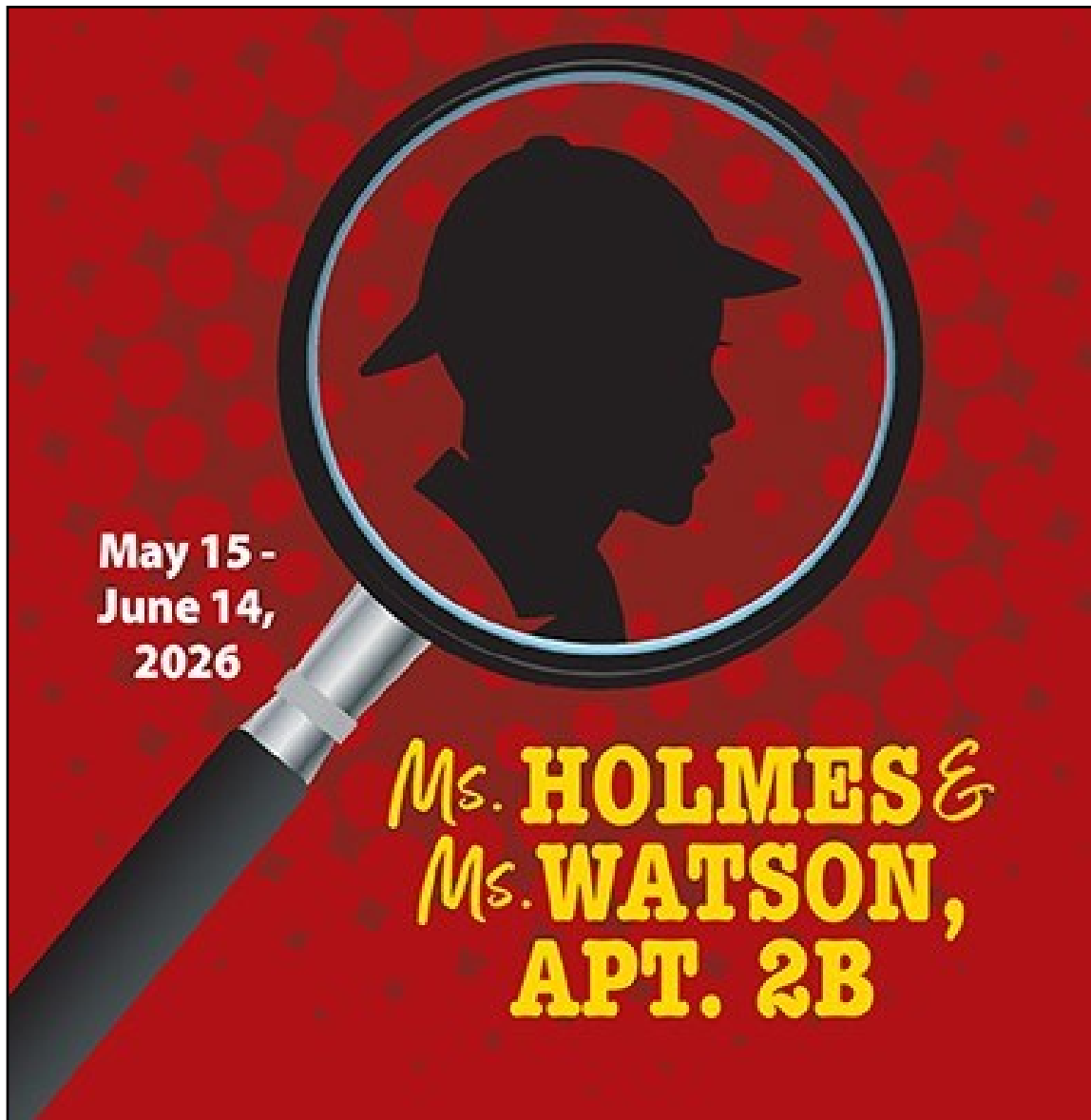
--Irish blessing

ROSS VALLEY PLAYERS PERFORMANCE

CRA picnic and a play on Sunday June 7th

Come at 1PM for a BYO picnic lunch and a talk by the director. The play starts at 2 PM. Tickets are \$45 per person. Space is limited so please send your check by April 30, 2026 to Marin CRA, P.O. Box 6477, San Rafael, CA 94903 . Tickets will be held at the door.

A contemporary comedy that reimagines the classic Sherlock Holmes and Dr. Watson as modern women in a post-pandemic world. The two roommates, Shirley Holmes and Joan Watson, tackle various cases, often related to the same mysterious supervillain, while navigating their own dynamic and personal lives.



LINKS

CRA Marin Chapter: www.marincra.com

Chevron Retirees: www.chevronretirees.org.

Chevron: www.chevron.com.

Texaco: www.texaco.com.

Caltex: www.caltex.com.

Chevron Advocacy Network: www.chevronadvocacynetwork.com/

Chevron Humankind: <https://chevron.yourcause.com>

MetLife Long Term Care: <http://www.metlife.com>.

ChevRec Benefit Hub <https://chevrec.benefithub.com/>

The company store: <http://www.chevronstore.com>.

Benefits Connection website: <http://hr2.chevron.com/retiree>.

CVX and other Chevron publications: <http://www.chevron.com/news/publications>.

Gulf retirees may be interested in checking out the web page on Gulf history: www.gulphistory.org.

Learn about the Company's historical milestones: www.chevron.com/history.

UnitedHealthcare: <http://www.uhc.com>.

BlueCross BlueShield: <http://bcbs.com>.

Medicare: <http://www.medicare.gov>.

Energy issues: www.willyoujoinus.com.

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