

CRA MARIN CHAPTER NEWS



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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Welcome to Spring... although it may still feel a lot like winter with all the (much needed) rain. I hope you have been able to navigate storm after storm without too much inconvenience and you are looking forward to enjoying a warm summer without drought restrictions. A welcome change and a just reward for us withstanding the incredibly wet winter.

It was good seeing those of you who were able to attend our February 8, 2023, Marin CRA lunch. Our speaker, Richard Torney, gave a fascinating look back on the history of the railroads in Marin. It was informative to hear how the railways had developed, the important role they played in the growth of Marin and how, today, many of the old track locations are walking paths and the old stations are still in place and used for a multitude of purposes. It was also interesting to learn that our very own Kirk Beales is a direct descendant of James Ross, after whom the town of Ross is named. Most of us had no idea that we had Marin "royalty" in our CRA membership.

Our next Marin CRA luncheon is on Wednesday May 3, 2023, at McInnis Park Club Restaurant, Smith Road Ranch, San Rafael. This lunch will be an informed panel discussing senior living facilities in Marin. The panel will explain the types and characteristics of senior living facilities in Marin and why someone might consider moving into a senior living facility. I am sure



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MEETING NOTICE

Our May 3rd luncheon will be at the McGinnis Club Restaurant on Smith Ranch Road in San Rafael starting at 11 am for the social hour. We will have a panel discussion on senior living in Marin with Jim Tighe, Phil Fisher, Kirk Beales & Russ Wilbert.

Lunch will be choice of (1) Pot Roast with Potato; or (2) Grilled Salmon with Mango Salsa; or (3) Penne Pomodoro (vegetarian); all with Strawberry Sundae, coffee, and iced tea. For Vegan, note request on reservation form. The cost will be \$35 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

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 25th. 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.

Bring proof that you've been vaccinated or a recent negative Covid test.

that a number of you will have a lot of questions and there will be ample time for you to engage with the panel. I know a number of members who have asked if they can bring friends and family members to this luncheon. The answer is absolutely a YES. Marin CRA welcomes members bringing friends and guests to any luncheon. Members just need to sign up and pay for their guests when they sign up. Members can sign up and pay for their guests online with a credit card using the link sent with this newsletter or use the "Event Sign Up" link on the Marin CRA website (MarinCRA.com). The online sign up allows for members to input details of up to three guests. If you wish to bring more than three guests, please contact Phil Fisher at phfisher@comcast.net. The number of guests is unlimited as long as we do not exceed McInnis Park Club Restaurant's capacity. For those who prefer to sign up by mail, please print off the sign up sheet in this newsletter and mail it in with a check.

The goal of Marin CRA is to provide a forum for fellowship while, at the same time, keeping members informed and educated. Typically, our luncheon topics range from local Marin issues to general information relevant to our membership demographic to updates about Chevron. 2023 will be no exception. The third luncheon of 2023 will be on Wednesday August 9 when our speaker will be Chris Jablonski from Chevron. Chris is the Vice President of Downstream Technology & Services which includes responsibility for the Richmond Technology Center. He will update us about what is going on at the Richmond Technology Center in particular and at Chevron in general. Stay tuned for the 3Q2023 newsletter which will have more details on this August 9 luncheon.

I look forward to seeing you at a Marin CRA event soon.
Until then, stay safe... and stay connected.

Des King, 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.

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.

LUNCHEON INFORMATION

Date: Wednesday, May 3, 2023
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 speakers: A panel discussion on senior living in Marin with Jim Tighe, Phil Fisher, Kirk Beales & Russ Wilbert.

Luncheon: Lunch will be choice of (1) Pot Roast with Potato; or (2) Grilled Salmon with Mango Salsa; or (3) Penne Pomodoro (vegetarian); all with Strawberry Sundae, coffee, and iced tea. **(Anyone who needs a vegan meal may write a note on this sheet. We can accommodate you.)**

Cost: \$35 per person

Please return the reservation form with payment by April 25th. 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 3

<u>Name</u>	<u>Pot Roast</u>	<u>Salmon</u>	<u>Penne Pomodoro</u>
Member: _____	_____	_____	_____
Spouse or Guest: _____	_____	_____	_____

E-mail address: (unless you have already given it to us) _____

Luncheon Cost: \$35 per person
Luncheon: _____ Reservations at \$35 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 Ron Schafer at 415-388-1590 or Bill Schultz at 415-883-5488 and we will try to arrange transportation.

NEW DUES OPTION

The Marin Chapter of CRA is now offering a new dues option. For \$100 you can have a lifetime membership, 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 bjcc2@comcast.net or (925) 253-0229 to determine any credit you might be able to take.

2023 Calendar of Events

May 3—Luncheon meeting, Club at McInnes Park
June 12—Board meeting, Marin Civic Center
August 9—Luncheon meeting, Club at McInnes Park
September 11—Board meeting, Marin Civic Center
November 8—Luncheon meeting, Club at McInnes Park
December 11— Board meeting, La Toscana

ATTENDANCE AT THE FEBRUARY 2023 LUNCHEON MEETING

Kirk Beales
Don Beers
Ignatius Chan
Tris Donlevy
Phil Fisher
Lew Gibbs
Jeff Hartwig
Paul Hodgen
Bruce Hope

Harbo Jensen
Dave Johnson
Muigai Karigaca
Des King
Alan Klaassen
Russell Krug
David Lesnini
Bill Long
Jock MacDonald

Toby Marion
Brad McCullough
Tim Montgomery
Rich Moore
Tim Mossteller
Gary Price
Robert Rettig
Ron Schafer
Bill Schultz

Ginny Schultz
Evan Sedlock
Bruce Stangeland
Jim Tighe
Rick Tomey
Heidi Wilbert
Russ Wilbert
Steve Willis

Humor Section – And winter continues....

Today's forecast...

Holy crap I can't feel my face degrees.

Does shivering count as exercise?

The problem with going outside in the cold at my age is by the time I get all bundled up, I've forgotten where I was going.

Great, the sun is out.

Now I can get sunburn and frostbite at the same time.

On a positive note....

I haven't seen any mosquitos in weeks!

There's a trick to driving on ice...and apparently no one knows it.

Car Passenger: "This is my least favorite time of year."

Driver: "I know, I'm not a fan of 'warming up the car' season, either."

Helpful tip – Tired of shoveling your driveway? Spray everything with water at night. The snow won't stick when it's wet ☐

Dear Mother Nature - Please get back on your meds, pop open a bottle of wine, and start thinking warm, happy thoughts.

Q: When is a boat just like snow?

A: When it's a drift!

Remember... what good is the warmth of summer without the cold of winter to give it sweetness.

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>.

For recreation activities for Bay Area retirees: <http://chevrec.chevron.com>.

For Discounts & Deals: <http://chevrec.chevron.com/deals/default.asp>.

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

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

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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