

CRA MARIN CHAPTER NEWS



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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Despite the setbacks caused by the Delta variant, we continue to make good progress in putting the pandemic behind us. Marin has incredibly high vaccination rates, especially for adults, and indoor public gatherings are now permitted subject to masking and social distancing requirements.

We are planning our November 10 quarterly luncheon meeting to be in-person at the McInnis Park Club Restaurant in San Rafael! This will be our first in-person meeting since February 2020. Our guest speaker will be Lauren Vuong, who will share her fascinating, true-life story as a Vietnamese refugee, including an exciting rescue-at-sea adventure. **All attendees will be required to show proof of COVID vaccination, or a very recent (within three days) negative COVID test.** Wearing a mask will also be required except when eating or speaking from the podium. See registration form in this newsletter.

In our August 11 Zoom meeting, Rhonda Morris, Human Resources VP for Chevron, gave a well-organized, informative presentation on Chevron's organizational and HR strategies, and how our leadership team is addressing many of the challenges facing our industry. Her engagement in the lengthy Q&A session was refreshingly candid and entertaining.

Welcome to all new members of CRA Marin, whose names are listed in this newsletter! Please come to our November luncheon and meet many of your other fellow retirees in Marin. It is a fun group of folks who share many experiences and interests in common.

Also, keep an eye out for announcements of Zoom meetings of other CRA Chapters around the country -- a great way to stay connected with other Chevron retirees and hear from excellent speakers. I recently attended excellent Zoom sessions of the Contra Costa chapter featuring Teri Crosby, VP of Global Technology for Oronite, and Lisa Epifani, on Chevron's approaches to Strategy & Sustainability.

Enjoy our beautiful fall weather. I look forward to seeing you all in person at our November 10 luncheon meeting!

Jim Tighe, President

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MEETING NOTICE

The next luncheon meeting, on Wednesday, November 10th, will be held at The Club Restaurant at McInnis Park, 350 Smith Ranch Road, San Rafael. Our speaker will be Lauren Vuong. Lunch will be choice of (1) Rosemarino Breast of Chicken w/Mushrooms, Onions, Wine, Tomato, & Rosemary; or (2) Fresh Grilled Salmon w/Lemon Butter; or (3) Homemade Veggie Lasagna; all with a House Mixed Green Salad, Chef's choice dessert, coffee, and iced tea. The cost will be \$34 per person. ***If you are receiving this newsletter by e-mail, we suggest that you immediately print the luncheon reservation page so that you won't forget it.***

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

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.

ELECTION

A Chance to Elect Your Officers & Directors!

Your Marin CRA Officers & Directors serve calendar year terms, and you will have a chance to elect next year's leadership at our November 10 luncheon meeting. As specified in the Marin CRA Policies, your board has considered various candidates and now nominates the following slate for election at the November 10 luncheon meeting:

Proposed Slate of 2022 Officers & Directors:

POSITION	NAME
PRESIDENT	DESMOND KING
SECRETARY	MIKE RING
TREASURER	BRAD MCCULLOGH
SPEAKER COORDINATOR	ROTATES
LUNCHEON COORDINATOR	RUSS WILBERT
CORRESPONDING SECRETARY	RUSS WILBERT
NEWSLETTER EDITOR	KIRK BEALES
WEBSITE COORDINATOR	PHIL FISHER
MEMBERSHIP COORDINATOR	BRAD MCCULLOGH
NOMINATION CHAIR	JIM TIGHE
CO-TREASURER	BILL SCHULTZ
DIRECTOR	RON SCHAFER
DIRECTOR	HARBO JENSEN
DIRECTOR	TIM MISSTELLER
DIRECTOR	PAT HINES
PAST NAT'L PRESIDENT/DIRECTOR	VIC REVENKO
PAST NAT'L PRESIDENT/DIRECTOR	MIKE ELGIE

OUR NOVEMBER SPEAKER

Seven-year-old Lauren Vuong escaped Vietnam with her family and 57 other refugees on a small wooden fishing boat at the end of the Vietnam War. After 10 days at sea, they were lost and depleted of food, water, and fuel. Death seemed imminent. From seven miles away, a US flagged cargo ship spotted them. The captain ordered their rescue and changed the course of 62 lives forever. Lauren will speak to us about this experience and her decades long search for the heroic captain and crew of the LNG Virgo who saved her life and the lives of the other refugees. She produced the documentary film "Finding the Virgo" which has won numerous awards and will be available on Amazon Prime in November.

Lauren Vuong is a Vietnamese American refugee and naturalized American citizen. She attended UC Berkeley where she graduated with a bachelor's degree in English Literature. Lauren earned her Juris Doctorate from the University of San Francisco School of Law and practices in San Francisco. She is a mother of two and a dedicated advocate for the preservation of Vietnamese American history through the arts and literature.



ATTENDANCE AT THE AUGUST 2021 ZOOM EVENT

Ray Airone
Linda Backens
Kirk Beales
Ilene Becker
Steve Bergtholdt
Lisa Cutino
John Dewes
Adrian D'Souza
Vincent D'Souza
Erwin Durrer
Mike Elgie
Phil Fisher
Lewis Gibbs
Jeff Hartwig
Mark Heinemann
Loretta Hoard
Betsy Hosick

Jay Hubert
Brad Inloes
Harbo Jensen
Alfred Jessel
Dave Johnson
Kevin Kelly
Desmond King
Chris Knaus
Chris Lardge
Barbara Loeb
Brad McCullough
Brant Miller
Sam Mishael
David Mitchell
Tim Montgomery
Rich Moore
Rhonda Morris

Tim Mossteller
Larry Myers
Manuch Nikanjam
Bhailal Parmar
Paula Plascjak
Paul Premo
Gary Price
Allan Quiat
Waqar Qureshi
Renata Renneke
Robert Rettig
Victor Revenko
Mike Ring
Jim Robertson
Jim Rutherford
Ronald Schafer
Bill Schultz

Debbi Semenick
Taryn Shawstad
Robert Skaggs
Paul Skakun
Bruce Stangeland
Matt Steele
Bruce Stein
Maree Ston
Ron Susa
Ronald Threadgill
Jim Tighe
Robert Visser
Wade Wallinger
Jeff Wilbur
Angela Wong
Ken Yeats
Guang Zhang

NEW MEMBERS IN 2021 (THRU SEPTEMBER)

Mary Colombo
William Gala
Stephen Giffoni
Jeffrey Hartwig
Russell Krug
Gavin McLeod
Georgie Scheuerman
Rick Scheuerman
Scott Smith
Steven Willis

COVID BOOSTER (PFIZER)

Safeway Pharmacies and Marin County Public Health are partnering to offer a Pfizer vaccine clinic at Northgate Mall.

This clinic began on Wednesday, September 29, and is currently located at the Center Court inside the mall. Pfizer boosters and the 1st/2nd doses of the Pfizer vaccine series are available at this site. Appointments are encouraged, but walk-ins are welcome.

Clinic hours of operation at Northgate Mall:

Tuesday-Wednesday, 1:00pm to 7:00pm
Thursday-Saturday, 9:00am to 3:00pm

DRIBBLES & SCRIBBLES

New member Gavin McCleod reports: Though I retired from Chevron I'm currently working in Bahrain to complete the project I was on when I retired. We are looking forward to completing the project and moving back to our home in San Rafael.

Jeff Hartwig, a new member (retired November 2020), reports he had 40 years of Chevron service split between Manufacturing, Marketing, Environmental Management, and Complex Processing Facilities. Just over half of that time was at the Richmond refinery in a variety of technical and operations roles.

2021-22 CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES

- a. NOV 10 Luncheon Meeting at McInnis Park, speaker Lauren Vuong
- b. DEC 3 Chevron Graduates Luncheon, Zoom
- c. DEC 13 Board Meeting, location TBA
- d. FEB 9 Luncheon Meeting at McInnis Park
- e. MAR 14 Board Meeting at Civic Center

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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