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## NEXT MEETING

**Monday, September 25, 2017**

**(No-host social hour - 10:45 to noon)**

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

**\$25 per person including tax, tip and door prizes.  
(This price is subsidized by the Chapter)**

**Reservation coupon and directions to meeting on page 5**

**Pierre R. Breber  
Executive Vice President, Downstream and Chemicals**

We are pleased to welcome Pierre Breber to our September 25 lunch. He is the executive vice president of Downstream and Chemicals, a position he has held since 2016. He is responsible for directing the company's worldwide manufacturing, marketing, lubricants, chemicals and Oronite additives businesses. He also oversees Chevron's joint-venture Chevron Phillips Chemical Company. We look forward to Pierre's presentation about these significant parts of Chevron's activities and their contribution to the company.

Pierre's previous position was executive vice president of Gas and Midstream where he was responsible for commercializing Chevron's natural gas resources and oversaw the company's shipping, pipeline, power and energy management, and supply and trading operations. With more than 25 years of service, he has served in a number of leadership positions with increasing responsibilities including managing director, Asia South Business Unit; Chevron vice president and treasurer; vice president, Finance, Chevron Downstream; and manager, Finance and Business Services, Chevron Upstream Europe Business Unit. He also serves as a board member of the United Way of the Bay Area.

Pierre joined Chevron in 1989 as a financial analyst. He earned bachelor's and master's degrees in mechanical engineering from the University of California, Berkeley, in 1986 and 1987, respectively, and a master's degree in business administration from Cornell University in 1989.



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## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

We hope you had a great summer and are looking forward to a cooler fall. My past messages have focused on the pleasures of our luncheon get-togethers. In this issue I will focus on the other advantages that you gain from being a member of our chapter of the Chevron Retirees Association (CRA), by following the links provided in this message:

- Cool stuff for retirees, as we leverage the purchasing power of the Chevron employee base to obtain travel deals, tickets to many events and even phone services and other technology plans. Browse and enjoy the discounts available through BenefitHub at <https://chevrec.benefithub.com/>
- Substantial discounts on a high quality hearing aid program for retirees, thanks to the efforts of the National CRA Benefits Committee at <http://chevronretirees.org/sf-docs/default-source/benefits-messages/hearing-tips-and-helpful-information-guide-041417.pdf?sfvrsn=2>
- Group dental insurance is available to CRA dues-paying members only through MetLife at <http://www.cradental.com/>
- Last and most important, the Benefits Committee has prepared three special documents to assist with your post-retirement planning: a comprehensive CRA Benefits guide (with contact information on where to go to get your questions answered), Advanced Care Planning, and a Personal Planning worksheet. You can find all these at <http://www.chevronretirees.org/BenefitsGroup/CraBenefits.aspx>
- We know that health insurance is a primary retiree concern, especially for Medicare-eligible retirees who are in the Chevron-assisted Medicare supplement plans. In the last quarter of 2017 you will get enrollment information from our Chevron-designated supplement plan provider at OneExchange, so be on the lookout for it.
- Retirees are known for their spirit of volunteerism as they give their efforts, knowledge, and experience back to the community. Chevron PGPA would love the retirees to be more involved in volunteering through Chevron Humankind, plus it's a great way to stay connected with current employees. Take a look at the "Highlights of Volunteering Opportunities with Chevron Humankind" elsewhere in this newsletter and learn about Chevron's upcoming Volunteer Week - it sounds like fun! As an added benefit, Chevron matches donations of retiree time and money up to \$3,000 annually – get this benefit at <https://chevron.yourcause.com/basic>

Enjoy the many benefits available to Chevron Retirees through your membership in our chapter, publicize it with your colleagues or those about to retire, and enjoy the rest of summer...

Adrian D'Souza  
President, Contra Costa Chapter, Chevron Retirees Association

## 2017-2018 SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

We are pleased to announce the recipients of this year's scholarships for the 2017-2018 academic years. This year, because of the chapter's generosity and the board's contribution, we could offer four scholarships of \$2000.00 each. Please go to the website, [www.chevronretireescontracosta.org](http://www.chevronretireescontracosta.org), to see more background information about this year's scholarship recipients with their pictures.

**John Berg**, Orinda CA, son of ***Steven Berg***, Orinda, will be attending University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia PA, pursuing a degree in Mechanical Engineering.

**Logan DeWitt**, Gibsonia PA, grandson of ***Gary Darnsteadt***, Walnut Creek, will be attending Purdue University, West Lafayette IN, pursuing a degree in Mechanical Engineering.

**Hayley Fujii**, San Ramon CA, daughter of ***Joyce Jew and Randall Fujii***, San Ramon, will be attending UC Berkeley, pursuing a degree in Economics.

**Jonathan Wong**, Castro Valley CA, son of ***Lori Wong***, Castro Valley, will be attending Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo, CA, pursuing a degree in Economics.

From the appreciation these winners have shown, we can be very proud that we are helping the future generation with our scholarship program. Everyone's support for the scholarship program is appreciated and hopefully we can continue to grow this program.

Three of the recipients attended our June lunch and expressed their gratitude for these scholarships. They are pictured below (left-Jonathan Wong, middle-Hayley Fujii, right-John Berg):



Thank you again for your support!

Helen Romain

## COMPASSION COMMITTEE REPORT

We are happy to report that no members of the Contra Costa Chapter of Chevron Retirees have passed away since the issuance of the last newsletter.

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).

## MEMBER'S NEWS

**Jason Jennings:** Retired from Chevron November 2015 after 31 years. Sold our home of years in Lafayette, bought land in Martinez to build our final dream home using "straw bale" construction - look it up!

Obtained my residential real estate license in January and now partnering with Mary (my wife) in our real estate business. Also keeping busy with my various real estate investments.

Our three boys Michael, Matthew and Nicholas are all married and on their own now. And we cherish the two days a week we spend with our granddaughters Lily (3) and Alice (1). Just returned from a trip to Florence Italy (April). Staying connected with my Chevron peeps through outdoor activities and lunches, and enjoying this slightly less-stressful phase of life.

**Mary Overpack:** Retired from Chevron Tax Department in December 2006. Enjoying my garden and fixing up the house. My ten year old lab keeps me busy.

**Susan McCollom:** Moved to Prescott Valley, Arizona last year. This small town is in the mountains of Northern Arizona. The weather is wonderful. Had to get away from heat and humidity in Houston. Recently joined the Design Review Committee in my community. Am really enjoying it. Learning a lot. Have met a lot of nice people here. Although not a retirement community, most of the residents are around my age.

**Robert (Bob) Shepard:** Hello to all. I am living in Medford, Oregon, but as an ex-COPI retiree, my heart still lies in the Contra Costa Chapter. I would like to bring all my friends up to date so send me an email at [santaferhs@charter.net](mailto:santaferhs@charter.net) and I will reply.

**Sandra Garcia:** Life is good. Working around the house and garden; trailer camping; cruises to Hawaii, Alaska, and a Paris-Normandy trip. Just over five years and not bored yet!

## Highlights of Volunteering Opportunities with Chevron Humankind:

[Sign Up, Step Up: Register for Chevron Volunteer Week!](#)

Come join Chevron employees and contractors at Chevron Volunteer Week, September 18 -23. This week we want to show our Chevron spirit en masse and try to get as many people participating as possible. This used to be known as Week of Caring and Week of Sharing.

Registration is now open and will close on Tuesday, August 29, at 5 p.m. PDT.

There are lots of projects that need you (there is a project for all skill sets) - please sign up!!

For a complete list and more information, click here:

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1pMwBSIx2pFjhT7sHDSx9CybbbUJX1zkcus8xkiuJXH4>

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS

**CRA Contra Costa Chapter Luncheons:**  
Monday, September 25, 2017

**Graduate Luncheon:**  
Friday, December 8, 2017

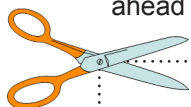


### DIRECTIONS TO CONTRA COSTA COUNTRY CLUB, PLEASANT HILL, GOING SOUTH

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.



**Reservations for September 25th Luncheon**  
***Due: Friday, September 11th***  
**Late Reservations or Cancellations: Call Cathy Kerns (925-376-8840)**

**(Circle each entrée choice.)**

Your name _____	Chicken Provencal	Grilled Salmon	Vegetable Risotto
Guest's name _____	Chicken Provencal	Grilled Salmon	Vegetable Risotto
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Enclose a check for \$25 per person, payable to Chevron Retirees Association. Mail to Chevron Retirees Association, P. O. Box 371, Orinda, CA, 94563.

If you have any questions regarding the luncheon, call Cathy Kerns (925-376-8840). Cancellations and late reservations must be received by Wednesday, September 18th.

## 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)

Discounts, Deals Bay Area Activities:  
[chevrec.mybigcommerce.com](http://chevrec.mybigcommerce.com)

Chevron Matching Gift Program:  
[chevron.yourcause.com/basic](http://chevron.yourcause.com/basic)

Bay Area Activities for Retirees:  
[chevrec.chevron.com/default.asp](http://chevrec.chevron.com/default.asp)

The Company Store:  
[www.chevronstore.com](http://www.chevronstore.com)

Information on Medical and Dental Plans:  
[hr2.chevron.com/retiree/](http://hr2.chevron.com/retiree/)

ChevRec/BenefitHub (discounts and deals):  
[chevrec.benefitHub.com](http://chevrec.benefitHub.com)

### What's new with you?

Your Friends enjoy reading about you and your activities. So jot down a brief note on what's new with you in the space below and send it in with your luncheon reservation or, as we prefer, email your note to the address below.

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Mail to Chevron Retirees Assn. P. O. Box 371, Orinda, CA 94563