## Metropolitan Houston Chapter

## **Chevron Retirees Association**

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## **March Luncheon**

## Tuesday March 5, 2013

HESS (Houston Engineering & Scientific Society) 5430 Westheimer 10:00 a.m. Social – cash bar available 11:30 a.m. Greetings and lunch 12:00 noon Program

### \$20.00 per person

Prepaid reservations need to be received by Friday March 1, send them to:

MHC Assistant Treasurer 11152 Westheimer #729 Houston, TX 77042

### **Luncheon Schedule:**

June 4, 2013, September 10, 2013 (tentative), December 3, 2013 (tentative)

## President's Message

On behalf of the 2013 MHC Board of Directors I would like begin the new year by expressing appreciation to all members of our Houston Chapter for your support this past year and look forward to your continued input as we move forward in 2013. Particular gratitude goes to those members both past and present who have graciously donated their time and leadership skills in support of our Chapter since its formation.

As we look ahead to coming year's activities, let's reflect on what we as a Chapter have accomplished in 2012. All of our achievements could not have been reached if it weren't for the combined efforts of the officers and members working together.

### 2012 Achievements:

- 17 New members joined
- MHC website was further enhanced featuring video and audio meeting hi-lights
- On-line directory search by member name or Zip code was developed
- MHC Free Lunch Program was updated and reaffirmed
- Annual MHC Scholarship awarded to area outstanding academic scholar
- Constitution updates to better reflect how your Chapter Officers and Directors currently function
- Continuing donations of non-perishable food and paper products to the West Houston Assistance Ministries

Page 3 of this newsletter displays photos and position titles of your new 2013 Board of Directors. Elected at our December luncheon are two new member Officers, Doris Baker - Secretary and Howard O'Donnell-Treasurer and two returning member Officers in new positions ,Glenn Ewan – Vice President and myself – President. Of the remaining six

members shown, four are returning Directors at-Large who were reelected and all are returning member Directors who were appointed at the 2013 January Board meeting and will provide their skills and experience in the planning and direction of our Chapter.

A major topic of concern at the recent January Board meeting was ensuring fiscal responsibility in light of increasing expenses associated with continuing to offer our membership the benefits of quarterly luncheon meetings with entertainment, on-line website access, newsletters and an annual directory. Former British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher once stated she preferred the phrase "good housekeeping". Whatever the terminology one wishes to use, your Board is reviewing its 2013 budget and expenses more closely than ever to ensure the financial integrity of your Chapter, now and into the future. The 2012 Financial Summary for our Chapter is included in this newsletter for your review. Your Board is considering use of a survey to gather member feedback on this topic. In the meantime, please feel free to share your immediate thoughts on this subject by emailing your suggestions directly to:

<u>Contact @cra-metrohouston.org</u> Or write a brief description of your suggestion/s to:

Metropolitan Houston Chapter 11152 Westheimer Road, #729 Houston, TX 77042

I look forward to serving as your Chapter's president during 2013 and, if I have not already had the pleasure, I hope to have the opportunity to personally meet you at our Chapter's scheduled luncheons this year.

Bill Dodge

## \*\*March Program\*\*



Leroy (Lee) George Woolery was born and raised in Houston, Texas. He is a 4th generation Texan, his family consists of several aunts, uncles, and cousins. He was raised by his mother. He has a wife and two lovely daughters and two sisters..

Lee joined the Army in 1984, traveled the world pursuing a career in

Military. In 1989 Lee left the Military and returned to Houston, securing employment at Compaq Computer Corp. He enjoyed 15 years of employment and resigned one year after the HP merger as Global Programs Manager. Recently he celebrated his 8th year of employment at Chevron. The most recent position held is the Desktop Support Team Lead for the MCBU, MidContinent Business Unit. While at Chevron, Lee participated in the Toastmasters organization, Club 1356, and held several officer positions including president.

The Houston Livestock and Rodeo has always been a part of Lee's life in one fashion or another. In 2006 Lee officially became a member of the Calf Scramble Committee. From that time to now, he has held various positions, Committeeman, Captain, and Vice-Chairman of the Greeters Committee. In 2012 Lee interviewed for the Speakers Committee and was accepted. Originally he spoke at several school events, but recently Lee has taken an interest in speaking at business functions.

In his spare time, Lee enjoys visiting family, friends, learning more about horses, a horrible round of golf, working with wood, fishing, and engaging the neighbors kids, as Uncle Lee.

Lee can be contacted at the email address below with any questions or comment; Lee.Woolery@gmail.com

In standardizing Gulf's service station design during the 1940's, several styles were developed. One of the most popular was the white enameled metal station, sometimes referred to as the:

- a Deco station
- b. Icebox Model
- c. Automat

The answer will be announced at the luncheon, so circle your answer, write your name on the line above and cut out this little item. Bring it with you to the luncheon and submit your answer there. A winner will be drawn from all the correct answers and awarded a free lunch.

### **2012 Financial Summary**

### Revenue

Member Dues - 451 Members	\$ 4,510
TOTAL REVENUE	\$ 4,510
Expenses	
CRA Dues	\$ 1,428
HESS Club Charges*	\$ 471
Scholarship	\$ 2,000
Web Site	\$ 203
Misc. Expenses	\$ 63
Mail Box	\$ 180
Luncheon Door Prizes	\$ 495
Luncheon Entertainment	\$ 850
TOTAL EXPENSE	\$ 5,690
Revenue Shortfall**	\$ (1.180)

### **NOTES**

- The HESS charges are for those items in addition to the meal charges paid by attendees (podium, sound system, etc.)
- \*\* We were able to cover the Revenue Shortfall with reserve funds from prior years when we had many more members and much lower expenses.

The Board is currently working on the 2013 budget to ensure that we achieve financial balance. As you can see, it is very important that you renew your membership if you have not already done so. To those that have renewed for 2013, we thank you. The new program of Donating to the Scholarship Fund will be reflected in the 2013 report. We thank those that have included a donation to this worthy effort. To date we have received over \$500 toward the 2013 award.

### \*\*ONLINE DIRECTORY\*\*

Our membership directory, with all the latest changes, is online at our website, <a href="https://www.cra-metrohouston.org">www.cra-metrohouston.org</a>. You will need to follow a one-time process to establish a userID and password to access this members-only content. Visit the website and click on the "Directory" tab to start the process.

You can search by Zip Code to help find members that live in your neighborhood.

### 2013 MHC Board of Directors



Bill Dodge President



Glenn Ewan Vice-President, Newsletter and Website Co-Editor



Doris Baker Secretary



Howard O'Donnell Treasurer



Don Edmonston Membership Coordinator



Charlie Hancock Assistant Treasurer



Lorie Hougland Scholarship Program Coordinator



Frank Coe Newsletter and Website Co-Editor. CRA Demographics Chair



George Triebel Past President Luncheon Entertainment and Door Prize Co-Coordinator



Pete Rowland Luncheon Entertainment and Door Prize Co-Coordinator

## <u>Directors Duties for 2012</u> (A) Appointed (E) Elected - Director at Large

### Scholarship Program Coordinator Lorie Hougland (E) The Scholarship Coordinator shall manage the process of

distributing application packets, receiving completed applications back, and awarding the MHC Scholarship.

#### Membership Coordinator **Don Edmonston (E)**

The Membership Coordinator shall manage the process of contacting current members to encourage them to attend our quarterly luncheon meetings and contacting former members to encourage them to return to MHC.

#### Assistant Treasurer Charlie Hancock (E)

The Assistant Treasurer shall manage the process of collecting dues and maintaining the official directory of Chapter members.

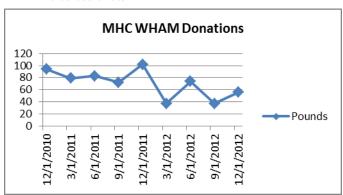
### **Luncheon Entertainment and Door Prize Coordinator** George Triebel(Past President) Pete Rowland(A)

The Door Prize Coordinator shall manage the process of securing door prizes for the MHC quarterly luncheon meetings.

### **Newsletter and Website Co-Editors (2)**

### Frank Coe (E) Glenn Ewan (E)

The Newsletter and Website Co-Editors shall manage the processes of publishing the quarterly newsletter, publishing the annual directory, and maintaining the MHC website with current and accurate information.



Remember, a roll of paper towels doesn't weigh as much as a can of beans but both are needed. Please remember our neighbors in need and bring non-perishable food and paper products to the meeting for this very worthy community service.

### 2013 Scholarship Program

Your MHC Scholarship Program is once again offering a \$2,000 college scholarship for a 2013 graduating high school senior, who has applied and been accepted by an accredited four-year university or two-year community college or junior college. As in the past, it will be a one-time award recognizing academic excellence and personal development. The 2013 eligibility requirements include any graduating high school senior who is related to a dues paying member of our MHC chapter by blood or by marriage including stepchildren, nieces and nephews, grandchildren, etc., who meet the scholarship requirements as outlined in the scholarship application package.

Please note: Each student's application, including all required documentation as specified in the application package, must be received by the scholarship committee chairperson, Lorie Hougland, by May 1, 2013. It is recommended that the students interested in applying should request a package no later than early 2013 to allow sufficient time to complete the application. Students will need to obtain three recommendations from high school staff or perhaps from an organization where they performed volunteer work. The applicants will be submitting a 500 word essay, test scores and a transcript, all of which may take time to accomplish. To request a scholarship application package, a sponsoring MHC chapter member should provide the following information:

<u>Student information:</u> name, address, city, state, zip code, telephone number (home or cell), and email address AND

**Sponsoring MHC member's information:** name, relationship to applicant, telephone number (home or cell), and email address

This information should be sent <u>either</u> by email or U.S. postal service mail to the attention of the scholarship committee chairperson:

scholarship@cra-metrohouston.org.

OR Metropolitan Houston Chapter Scholarship Committee 11152 Westheimer Road, #729 Houston, TX 77042

The scholarship application package is normally provided electronically, but could be provided by U.S. mail upon request. If you have any questions, please contact Lorie Hougland at loriehougland@gmail.com or 281-376-6483.

Please consider supporting the continuation of this annual scholarship program by making a financial contribution. As each year passes by, our scholarship funds are diminishing. If all of us could consider giving just even a small amount when we mail in our membership renewal form, together We Can Make a Difference! These students are our future!

## Last Meeting Highlights

Our favorite story teller, Bob Scott, returned to the speakers podium and entertained with stories from the oil patch. Check out his entertaining stories at <a href="https://www.cra-metrohouston.org">www.cra-metrohouston.org</a>. Click on the Meetings tab.





Combining a love for music and entertaining, Texan Louise Trotter is a versatile performer. Mike

Wheeler was born in Houston Texas in 1961 and grew up listening to the western swing music that his grandfather played on guitar. Their program contained a mix of classical, Broadway, swing, rag, Latin and country western. You may listen to selections from their performance at <a href="https://www.cra-metrohouston.org">www.cra-metrohouston.org</a> - click on the Meetings tab.

### Pansy Meyer and Ricky Mercado Retire



Pansy Meyer and Ricky Mercado retired again, this time from service on the MHC Board of Directors. Pansy served faithfully and reliably as Secretary of the Board for the past sixteen years. Ricky served equally faithfully and reliably as Treasurer for the last seventeen years. Both of these fine people took on other jobs within the club from time to time. We will miss their fine contributions to the smooth operation of the club. They were each recognized with a plaque commemorating their years of service.

### IN MEMORIAM

We regret to report the loss of some of our friends:



Marvin Edward Alexander	1/5/2013	Texaco
Donald Guy Brown	11/4/2012	Gulf
Clarence "Charlie" Connor	10/19/2012	Gulf
Bobby Craig Spouse of Betty Craig	12/18/2012	Gulf
Betty Jane Duveau	1/3/2013	Chevron
E. Earl Futrelle	9/17/2012	Gulf
Waldo Dwight Gullickson	11/3/2012	Gulf
Stanley R. Hanus	12/6/2012	Gulf
James McCrea Jordan	10/30/2012	Gulf
Linda Ann Leschak	1/27/2013	Chevron
Harry Outlaw	1/4/2013	Gulf
Donald W. Price	11/2/2012	Gulf
Diana Movius Rathbun	1/6/2013	Chevron
Pat Rawl	11/11/2012	Gulf
Helen Janet Savre Spouse of Wayland Savre	12/27/2012	Gulf

We extend our deepest sympathy to the families of these individuals

Please help us keep this section up to date. Many of our retiree families do not put an obituary in the Houston Chronicle. When you learn of the death of a retiree, please pass that information to Doris Baker.

## 2013 Directory

The 2013 directory was just mailed out. If you did not receive your copy, please contact a board member and we will ensure that you receive one.

### Seen at the Last Luncheon

We thought you might be interested in who is attending our luncheons. An informal list of attendees at the December 11<sup>th</sup> luncheon is below. If you haven't seen some of these folks in a long time, come to the March 5<sup>th</sup> luncheon. You'll likely see them there!.

William Alvarez	Mark Indihar
Maureen Appleton	Karl Kennedy
Harold Ayers	Clo Ladner
Doris Baker	Paul Larson
W Jay Barth	Danny McClure
Lionel Barton	Dick McEuen
Olive Barton	Phyllis McEuen
Esther Bender	Ricky Mercado
Ron Bernard	Joachim Modlich
Jim Blankenship	Pansy Meyer
Betty Blankenship	Howard O'Donnell
Sam Bounds	Bob Rieansnider
Ramon Cantu	Jim Robertson
Judy Cantu	Mary Lou Rowland
Truman Childress	Pete Rowland
Frank Coe	Jim Ryan
Ray E Dittmar	Wayland Savre
Bill Dodge	Bob Scott
Linda Dodge	Charles Specht
John Douglas	Betty Spooner
Don Edmonston	James H Stokes
Gail Edmonston	George Treibel
Richard Engelhart	Louise Trotter
Glenn Ewan	Charles Van Eman
Lorraine Ewan	Clint Weber
Buford Foster	Sandra Weber
Jim Gerhardt	Mike Wheeler
Dorothy Greenwood	Pat Whitnel
Charlie Hancock	Gene Wilson
Shirald Hendrix	Harold Yarger

It is time to RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP!! If you have not already done so, please renew your membership by returning page 7 of this newsletter with your check. We NEED YOU!!

# Door Prize Winners



Betty Spooner Houston Symphony



Frank Coe \$25 Olive Garden



Clo Ladner Gulf Pen & Pencil Set



John Douglas \$25 Chevron Card



Esther Bender \$25 Chevron Card



Dorothy Greenwood Houston Symphony



Pat Whitnel \$25 Olive Garden



Mark Indihar Chicken Key Holder



Sandra Weber Show Boat Tickets



Jim Stokes \$25 Cracker Barrel



\$25 Cracker Barrel



Pansy Meyer \$25 Chevron Card



Shirald Hendricks \$25 Chevron Card



Bill Dodge Show Boat Tickets



Howard O'Donnell Man's Wrist Watch

