METROPOLITAIN HOUSTON MESSENGER

Chevron Retirees Association

June Luncheon

Tuesday June 11, 2019

HESS (Houston Engineering & Scientific Society) 5430 Westheimer

10:00 a.m. - Social – cash bar available

11:00 a.m. - Lunch

12:00 noon - Program

\$25.00 per person, includes gratuity

Prepaid reservations need to be received by Thursday June 6, 2019. Send them to:

MHC Luncheon Coordinator

11152 Westheimer #729

Houston, TX 77042

Luncheon Schedule:

June 11, 2019

September 10, 2019

Entrée Choice

We offer you a choice of entrée for our luncheons. Please indicate yours on your luncheon reservation form when you send in your reservation. This quarter's luncheon entrée choices are:

- 1) Pecan Crusted Chicken
- 2) Balsamic Glazed Salmon Filet
- 3) Eggplant Parmesan with Penne Pasta

Each Entrée served with fresh vegetables, Chef's choice starch, salad, dessert, and iced tea and/or coffee.

Membership

A big **THANK YOU** to the 540 members who have paid their 2019 dues on time or ahead of time.

Just a reminder to the 200 members who have not paid their 2019 dues: membership renewal is from October 1st of the prior year through March 31st of the dues year (e.g. October 1, 2018 through March 31, 2019 for dues year 2019). You will be reminded that your 2019 dues are due on the form at the end of this newsletter. Timely payment of your dues helps your chapter operate smoothly. Please help us out and pay your dues when they are due.

For any member who wants to end the yearly hassle of paying their \$10 dues, we accept early dues payments. So a check or credit card payment for \$20, \$30, or more will get you ahead of this dues payment problem. Try it, you might like it.

And for all those members who have asked to pay by credit card, please go to our

MHCwebsite/Membership/Pay Dues by Credit Card http://directory.cra-

metrohouston.org/Luncheon/Luncheon0.php

You do not need to have a PayPal account to use this service and there are no fees to you either.

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Due to the success of past silent auctions and as announced at our March luncheon, the Chapter will be holding its third annual "Silent Auction" at our June 11th luncheon. Members are asked to bring to this luncheon just one item of pre-registered personal company memorabilia they would like to donate to the Chapter. Upon arrival, participating members will be provided a bid sheet to complete with a short description of their item, how much it is worth, and their name as donor. They will set a starting bid and minimum bid increase increments. There will be space for each bidder's name, phone number and the amount of their bid. The bid sheet will be placed next to the donor's item which will be displayed during the luncheon. Members bidding the highest price will win and purchase the donated item. Winning bidders will be recognized at the conclusion of the luncheon meeting and will purchase their donated item at that time. Only cash or a personal check will be accepted. Your Chapter's Board of Directors has recently approved that proceeds will be applied to the MHC Scholarship Fund.

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PAY BY CREDIT CARD



The Metro Houston Chapter developed a special function "web site" which facilitates your payment of dues, reserving luncheon entrees, or making donations to the Scholarship Fund. You access this site through this link MHC Pay by Credit Card (http://directory.cra-metrohouston.org/Luncheon/Luncheon0.php)

You need to be a member of MHC and have registered an e-mail address with us in order to use this site. You will enter your e-mail address to validate your membership before entering the site. The navigation is rather intuitive, but if you do encounter any problems, we are here to help. Just call me (Glenn Ewan) at 281-693-5461.

MHC Member Volunteer Needed to Coordinate with Chevron Houston Boomers Network

An <u>immediate vacancy</u> on the MHC Membership Committee is open to a member volunteer to serve as the Chapter Coordinator with the leadership of the Chevron Houston Boomers Network. The main role will be to coordinate with the leadership of the Chevron Houston Boomers Network in the planning and organizing of annual panel discussion events. The next event is planned for **Wednesday, August 21, 2019** and will be held at the Chevron downtown office building. This is an excellent opportunity to *learn this role by assisting the current Chapter Coordinator* in this upcoming event. Interested Chapter members are encouraged to contact Bill Dodge at **832-934-0680** or via email at <u>wndodge@sbcglobal.net</u> for more information.

METRO HOUSTON BENEFITS CONNECTION



As a reminder, Bill Dodge is available to assist Chapter members on Chevron /CRA benefits questions. As you may know, Bill is our Chapter's immediate Past President and a current Metro Houston

Board member. Bill is also the CRA Benefits Committee Chair. If you have any problems with your transition from Chevron supported health insurance to VIA/Benefits (OneExchange) or issues on other various Chevron/CRA benefits, Bill is the person in MHC to contact. He will either answer your question or find the person who will. His contact information is:

Phone - 832-934-0680

Email - wndodge@sbcglobal.net





MHC supports the Houston Food Bank with our donations of non-perishable food and paper goods and cash. Because the Food Bank purchases in very large quantities and with significant discounts, we are advised that your \$1 contribution to them provides a full day of meals to a needy neighbor. Therefore, if you are going to purchase items for this purpose, consider donating the money; it purchases a lot more when HFB spends it for you, and it will be used to purchase items HFB needs most. To facilitate monetary donations, we will place a donation jar for the HFB on the registration table.

When you donate \$20 or more at one time, you can double your impact by filing with Chevron HumanKind for matching funds. Their rules require you to validate your donation with either a cancelled check or a receipt. To learn how to submit your cancelled check and more, go to www.chevronretirees.org/ResourcesGroup/ChevronHumankind

Treasurer's Corner

 	2019 Budget 2	2019 Actual
· <u>REVENUE</u>		
Income (dues)	\$6,500	\$5114
TOTAL REVENUE		
EXPENSES		.
CRA Dues	\$1,950	\$1,460
Luncheon Meal Cost - Ne	t \$750	\$310
Web Site	\$500	\$135
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PAYPAL Fees	: \$200	\$74
. Misc. Expenses	\$600	. \$104
Special Events	\$0	\$0
Mail Box	\$0	\$0
Luncheon Door Prizes	\$1600	\$545
Luncheon Entertainment	\$600	. \$0
Food Bank Donation	\$400	\$0
Scholarship Fund Transfe	r \$0	\$0
TOTAL EXPENSE	\$6,600	\$2,628
Surplus/(Deficit)	\$(100)	\$2,486
SCHOLARSHIP FUN		1
YEAR 2019	BUDGET	ACTUAL
- Beginning Balance	\$0	- \$0
Scholarship Donations	\$,2000	\$2,255
General Fund Transfers	. \$0	\$2,000
Scholarship Award	\$2,000	\$2,000
Surplus/(Deficit)	\$0	\$255

NOTES:

- 1st Qtr had increase in membership renewals.
- \$2,255 received in donations to 2019
 Scholarship; \$255 will be carried over for 2020 award.
- PayPal Fees are increasing due to more use of PayPal as was expected and budgeted.
- On Budget; most expenses occur in 4th Qtr.

Auction

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To allow for sufficient display space, a limit of 25 donated items has been set. Therefore, members who wish to participate will be required to preregister their donated item in advance of the luncheon by calling Bill Dodge at 832-934-0680 leaving a voice mail message if not answered. Item pre-registration will be handled on a "first come, first served" basis, so be sure to pre-register as soon as possible.

Also, members who have pre-registered their item are asked to arrive early at the luncheon during the Social hour which starts at 10:00 AM to set up their item and complete their bid sheet. Bidding will close at 11:00 AM.

If you have any questions about the Silent Auction, please contact Bill Dodge at **832-934-0680** or by email at wndodge@sbcglobal.net for assistance

Membership

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MHC has a "try it for free" for first time members. Any retiree of Chevron or one of its merged companies who has not been a member of any other Chevron Retiree Chapter will receive their first year's MHC membership for free. You may want to use this first time offer to entice one or more of your retiree friends that haven't yet joined MHC. Just give them the link to our website, www.cra-metrohouston.org to show them the benefits of our chapter.

Speaking about our website, <u>www.cra-metrohouston.org</u> you may just want to check it out yourself to see all the good information that is out there for you.

We are interested in any idea or suggestion that you may have to make our chapter more to your liking. Please email membership@cra-metrohouston.org with your idea or suggestion.

Renew today. Don't put off until tomorrow what you can do today.

Thank you, Bill Alvarez MHC Membership Committee Chair

June Chapter Meeting Program



John Moncrief had a 35 year career with Texaco and Chevron before retiring in October, 2016. He worked oil and gas projects, starting in Houma, Louisiana, moving to New Orleans then to Houston. Most of his work involved international offshore and deepwater ventures, in project and engineering management.

After retiring, his wife Deborah asked: "do we need to sell our Chevron stock before oil use declines"? Her concern was fueled by frequent news on overhauling energy to renewables, electric cars and reduced emission sources. John then pursued a deeper understanding of global energy and the issues driving it.

Based on this, his talk is entitled: "The Future of Oil and Energy; and Climate Change: A Rational Review". This also includes a brief summary of Chevron's policy and initial goals.

3rd Quarter Neighborhood Luncheons Program



Elizabeth Strauss is Co-owner and founding member of *All Organized*, a company that specializes in helping people bring order to their homes. In many cases this is in preparation for down-sizing. She began her quest to help people "tidy up" when she was in the third grade and that passion for being organized has never faded.

Elizabeth graduated in 2009 with a Bachelors of Science from Sam Houston State University, and is constantly learning and growing in the business/entrepreneur fields of study. She is President of a local BNI (Business Networking International) Chapter that has been very impactful on her business

When not helping someone get organized Elizabeth, a National Park enthusiast, enjoys hiking and exploring the different parks with her husband Troy. She also loves every dog.

The life of every party, she truly shines at wedding receptions on the dance floor. Please plan to come and enjoy a program of learning how we might more easily let go of the unneeded items that crept into all of our lives.

CHEVRON RETIREES ASSOCIATION 2019 MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY

The 2019 Membership Directory was mailed the 11th of April. If you did not receive your copy, please let us know and we will get you a copy.

Scholarship

Did you know that the Metropolitan Houston Chapter has been awarding one scholarship annually since June of 2001? Nearly \$30,000 has been awarded to the winning candidates during that time period. This year our organization will award a \$2,000 college scholarship to the best-qualified applicant. As of April 16, 2019, the Scholarship Fund had received \$2255 in donations, assuring that our scholarship is funded for 2019. Thanks to all of you who have voluntarily donated to this worthy cause for your generosity in fully funding the scholarship!

This scholarship is based upon merit and not financial need. We award this scholarship to the best student who has met all the requirements for the scholarship. This year we have three candidates, grandchildren nominated by dues-paying members of the Metropolitan Houston Chapter. Each student is required to submit an application that includes their transcript, standardized testing score, three reference letters, a 500-word essay, and a letter of acceptance to the college of their choice. The Scholarship Committee then evaluates all qualified applicants for the scholarship based on this information. The scholarship will be awarded at the upcoming June 11th luncheon.

Doug Beatty MHC Scholarship Chairperson

If your copy of this newsletter has a PAST DUE indicator in either your email cover note or your last page of the printed postal copy, our records indicate that you last paid dues for 2018. PLEASE catch up your dues. They are only \$10/year and they are the life blood of our chapter. They allow us to continue the programs you indicate that you like about us.

You will not be dropped from the membership until April 1, 2020 but by paying up now, you will help ensure a viable thriving chapter. As previously noted in the MEMBERSHIP article, you may avoid the annual hassle of yearly paying dues by paying ahead and you may pay by Credit Card. If you feel that we have erred in recording your payment, PLEASE call or email us so we can get it corrected

I look forward to a long chapter/member relationship. If you have any questions or comments, please don't hesitate to call me, 281-693-5461.

Glenn Ewan

The Presidents Podium

My primary goal this year is the enhancement of our membership through the Neighborhood Luncheons. During the first quarter we had our usual Chapter Meeting at the HESS club with 48 members and spouses attending. We also had 8 Neighborhood Luncheons at which we reached an additional 90 members, spouses, and other Chevron retirees. We believe this program can mature into a real enhancement to our members. If you live near one of them make a note when the email invitation arrives and join us. The full schedule for the luncheons is posted on the website with a link on the Meetings tab. https://cra-metrohouston.org/Neighborhood Luncheons.html.

In the table below, you will see that some of the locations are very well attended while some others are not. We plan to continue the program for the remainder of the year and evaluate each site for continuing the program there at that time. Attendance will be the primary factor in our decision to continue holding a luncheon at a location.

MHC FIRST QUARTER 2019 LUNCHEON ACTIVITIES,							
HESS CLUB	Linnie Edwards	Dollie Levert	Monte Rogers	Betty Spooner			
Gary Backens	Glenn Ewan	Fred Levert	Edward Schneider	Matthew Steele			
Linda Backens	Lorraine Ewan	Joann McCann	Linda Schneider	Jim Taylor, Jr.			
Brian Batiste	Donald Fought	Ricky Mercado	Romy Schneider	George Treibel			
Craig Brooks	Carol Lobdell	Pansy Meyer	David Silarski	Thomas White			
Delores Brooks	Charlie Hancock	Esther Bender	Jean Silarski	Gwen Wilkinson			
Frank Coe	Shirald Hendrix	John Montgomery	Robert Skaggs	Brad Williams			
Kevin Cunningham	Charles Hinrichsen	Howard O'Donnell	Phil Smith	John Wolfe			
Scott Darnell	Evelyn Kassey	David Pollock	Georgia Smith	John Wolff			
Bill Dodge	Mike Kassey	Wanda Reves	Judy Spencer				
SHENANDOAH	Linda Geuss	Barbie Miller	Jeffrey Sunderland	Bob Wall			
Cindy Bridge	Christopher Gordy	Mark Rose	Mandy Sunderland	Mark Weller			
Jim Bridge	Shannon Hodge	Margaret Santamaria	Pat Tucker	Brad Williams			
Ann Butchello	Carolyn Medlin	Ben Scarborough	Sylvia Tucker	Perry Wilson			
Bill Erwin	Jim Medlin	Stephen Seiler	Paul Vita	Matthew Sielinski			
David Gardner	Don Meisel	Mark Stella	Susan Vita				
Jack Geuss	Judy Meisel						
Bryan	Paul Hempfling	Doug Mineo	Joel Rollins	Ken Skillern			
Don Halan	Janeen Judah	Tommy Morris	Denise Rollins	Bob Smith			
IH-10, Katy	Larry Huebel	Jim Roxbury	Gregory Rozenfeld	Joan Vauthrin			
Karen Barnett	Sheryl Matthews	Dina Rozenfeld	Pat Sullivan	Pat Whitnel			
Dorothy Greenwood	Sandra Owens						
HWY 59 South, Missouri City		Fred Levert	John Moncrief	Tony Teutsch			
Esther Bender	David Kalowinski	Pansy Meyer	Robert Skaggs	Corliss Walker			
Arleigh Kalowinski	Dollie Levert	Deborah Moncrief					
Pearland	Chuck Greer	Danny McClure	Gil Yoder	Linda Yoder			
Humble/Kingwoo	od	Thorro Jones	Sharon Smith	Julia Svoren			
Bryan Cozad	Sandy Fazio	Kevin Larson	Walter Smith	Walter Svoren			
Nancy Cozad	Joan Jones	Jeffrey Matthews					
FM1093 Richmon	Joseph Shen						
William Hauhe, Jr	Missy Martin	Tommy Martin	Dennis Scott	Sigrid Stewart			
Cypress	S. R. Chase	Karl Cottrell	Roderick Loper	James Yochim			
Barbara Chase	Davis Conkling	Kathleen Court	Jim Robertson				
Metro Houston BOD Members Hosting All Luncheons							
Glenn Ewan	Lorraine Ewan	Evelyn Kassey	Mike Kassey	George Treibel			
Metro Houston BOD Members Attending when Available							
Bill Dodge	Howard O'Donnell	Charlie Rhoads					
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IN MEMORIAM

We extend our deepest sympathy to the families of these individuals



Charles Albers	Texaco	02/19/19	R	Sara Martin	Chevron	06/30/18	S
Charles Bechtold	Texaco	02/23/19	R	Brenda Mathes	Gulf	01/24/19	S
Dorothy Bingham	Texaco	12/21/18	S	Helen S McKinley	Texaco	02/10/19	S
Frances Bockhorn	Texaco	08/28/18	S	David Meyer	Chevron	02/09/19	R
Lillian A Boone	Texaco	03/17/19	S	Pearl Miller	Gulf	02/15/19	S
Gertrude Cholette	Gulf	01/27/19	S	Eleanor Oneal	Gulf	02/22/19	S
Charles Conner	Getty	02/07/19	R	Robert Overton	Texaco	01/14/19	R
Mildred David	Texaco	01/17/19	S	W Pelltier	Chevron	03/20/19	R
Emile Dieth	Gulf	02/07/19	R	Merila Peloso	Texaco	03/18/19	R
Debra Dimuccio	Chevron	03/05/19	R	John Potter	Gulf	03/06/19	R
Virginia Douglas	Gulf	12/21/18	S	Lee Price	Unocal	01/23/19	R
Ray Dupree	Gulf	01/30/19	R	Alfred Romaine	Unocal	01/31/19	R
Phillip Faulk	Texaco	12/31/18	R	Alton Roome	Unocal	02/10/19	R
Ina Mae Guyton	Texaco	02/14/19	S	George Slater	Gulf	02/22/19	R
Kenneth Hamilton	Getty	12/04/18	R	Joseph Slowensky	Gulf	10/12/18	R
Melinda Harvison	Gulf	01/15/19	S	George Soutter	Texaco	01/18/19	R
Mildred Haydel	Gulf	02/04/19	S	Tommie Sprayberry	Gulf	03/13/19	R
Burt Helmke	Gulf	02/26/19	R	Emily Streit	Gulf	02/17/19	S
Donna Houser	Texaco	03/14/19	R	Iris Styer	Getty	01/26/19	R
Gary Hughes	Texaco	01/07/19	R	Luisa Taunton	Chevron	02/19/19	R
Norman Isenberg	Gulf	02/16/19	R	Doris Tessieri	Texaco	10/29/18	S
Edna Jones	Gulf	11/17/18	S	Joseph Virgilio	Gulf	02/18/19	R
Mary Jones	Gulf	12/04/18	S	Vernon Von Bieberstein	Gulf	03/12/19	R
Richard Jones	Getty	01/29/19	R	Claude Wallis	Texaco	03/14/19	R
Patricia Kielty	Chevron	10/10/18	S	Raymond Watson	Texaco	09/07/18	R
Isabel Koch	Texaco	01/29/19	S	Dortha Wilson	Gulf	03/14/19	S
Ronald Lieber	Gulf	02/05/19	R				

Note - We are showing the recently deceased as reported quarterly by Chevron to CRA Demographics. The new R/S column indicates that the person was listed as a Retiree or a Survivor in the Chevron records.

DOOR PRIZE WINNERS



Gwen Wilkinson



Frank Coe



Wanda Reves



Linnie Edwards

GRAND PRIZE



Charlie Rhoads

