



# ***METROPOLITAN HOUSTON MESSENGER***

## **Chevron Retirees Association**

### ***President's Podium***

I had the privilege of representing the Metropolitan Houston Chapter at the **2023 CRA Annual Meeting** in Baltimore, which was held May 6-8. Please see the article on Page 9 which highlights our chapter. MHC was well represented at the event, as shown in the photo to the right.

Our Event and Program Committees have been hard at work putting together our plans for the rest of 2023. While some are still in the works, I am excited to announce several upcoming activities that are highlighted in this Newsletter.

- Our Q3 luncheon program will feature a **Chevron guest speaker!** See Page 2.
- The date and location of our **2023 Holiday Event** are set! See Page 3.
- MHC members recently volunteered at the **Houston Food Bank**, and we have more upcoming opportunities! See Page 4.



*MHC Members at the 2023 CRA Annual Meeting. L to R: Brian Batiste, Wanda Reves (Demographics Chair), Glenn Ewan (Area VP – Global Affiliates), Charlie Rhoads (CRA Past President) and Bill Dodge (Benefits Chair)*

- Finally, we will be hosting a **Dinner & Concert** evening featuring great food and a tribute to the **Moody Blues with the Houston Symphony** in October! See Page 3.

These are just some of the **fun social and community service activities** that our BOD members and volunteers have been working on to provide more opportunities for our members to get together. Stay tuned for future announcements as our plans firm up. Putting these events together takes a team. If you have an interest, **we would love to have you join us!** Just drop me an e-mail or give me a call.

Speaking of needs, our Treasurer unexpectedly resigned due to personal reasons, so we have another vacancy to fill. Please see the nearby **We're Hiring!** article for a complete listing of all the opportunities available to you to help serve in a leadership role in **Your Chapter**.

Our Scholarship Committee has also been working overtime to evaluate the many fine nominees for our 2023 Scholarship Award. See Page 7. We are grateful to those members who have contributed to our Scholarship Fund. **Thanks to your generosity, we are positioned to continue this award in 2024!**

I would like to thank **Ed Crawford** for stepping up to lead our effort to investigate and evaluate options to update our web page and membership software. **Rebecca Rabon** has also agreed to transition into the role of Membership Data Coordinator, expertly held by **Charlie Hancock** for the last 13 years. These are just some of the many member volunteers that keep our chapter running and we are thankful for!

If you have feedback on this Newsletter, or suggestions for how we can improve, just email us at [Membership@cra-metrohouston.org](mailto:Membership@cra-metrohouston.org). You can also e-mail me at [batb2725@gmail.com](mailto:batb2725@gmail.com) or call me at 281-382-6523. **I look forward to seeing many of you at our upcoming events!**

***Brian***

## **Q3 Neighborhood Luncheon – July 17 – SAVE THE DATE!**

Our Q3 program will provide an **Overview of Chevron's Future Energy Direction including Venture Investment in New Technology**. The details for the schedule and location are in the table below. **While we may schedule other events, this will be the only Neighborhood Luncheon program in Q3!**

Our speaker will be Akshay Sahni, with Chevron Technology Ventures (CTV). He is GM of Strategy and Technology and has been with Chevron for over 25 years, starting as a research scientist in La Habra, CA. He leads development of enterprise technology strategy for Chevron's current and future businesses, including technology deployment efforts for Chevron's upstream, midstream and downstream businesses.

This luncheon will be held at [The Ion](#) in Midtown and is generally known as "the old Sears building". Chevron has a variety of collaborative workspaces on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor where we will have a social time followed by a brief presentation and Q&A. Afterwards, there will be a short tour of Chevron's workspace.

The map below shows the two free visitor parking lots, both on Fannin Street. The smaller (yellow) lot is directly in front of the building and is intended for patrons of the vendors. The larger (red) lot is recommended for Chevron guest parking. It is directly across the street and has security. There is a safe, traffic-light protected cross-walk to [The Ion](#). More info on [The Ion](#) may be found at: [www.iondistrict.com](http://www.iondistrict.com)

**This will be a brown bag lunch only** and is not catered. You can order a meal from one of the two small restaurants on the first floor and bring it up to Chevron's 3<sup>rd</sup> floor workspace. The **Common Bond** (832-661-2566) serves early breakfast, lunch & coffee. The adjacent **Lymbar Kitchen & Cocktails** (713-485-6230) opens at 11:00, however, expect some delay. Nearby options for lunch outside of The Ion include **Stuff'd Wings** drive-through at 401 Richmond Ave, opening at 11:00 and **Jack-in-the-Box** at 4403 Fannin St, which is always open.

After entering [The Ion](#) and obtaining your optional lunch, you will check-in at the front desk in the lobby and be given a pass to allow you access to the elevators. Just say you are here to attend the Chevron Retirees lunch. One of us from the Chapter will be nearby to help direct you to the elevators for the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor. Once you arrive at the Chevron workspace, you will sign-in and get your name badge.

We have space for up to 80 attendees on a first-come-first-served basis, so please send a note to [activities@cra-metrohouston.org](mailto:activities@cra-metrohouston.org) if you plan to go. If we receive more than 80 acceptances, we will ask you to use Zoom in the order of receipt. Note, since this meeting will be connected via Zoom, many of you may prefer to attend that way. **When accepting, please state whether you plan to attend in person or via Zoom and if you plan to bring a guest.** Zoom Meeting ID: 849 2243 2928 & Passcode: 093392. Link: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84922432928?pwd=ZkVUdUJrM0RYOHRCMy8vYXUzeUp2QT09>.



Q3 Neighborhood Luncheon Program - 7/17/2023		
Date	Restaurants	Location/Phone
July 17, 2023	Brown bag lunch To-go options at The Ion	<a href="#">The Ion</a> - 4201 Main Street Chevron Suite Rm 350 Houston, TX 77002 832-913-3112
10:45 - 11:15	Arrive at The Ion early if you plan to order lunch to-go.	
11:00 - 11:15	Check-in on the 1 <sup>st</sup> Floor – take elevator to 3 <sup>rd</sup> Floor.	
11:15 - 11:45	Meet & Greet – Eat your lunch.	
11:45 - Noon	Start Zoom. Welcome and brief MHC business.	
Noon - 12:20	Chevron presentation with time for eating.	
12:20 - 12:30	Q&A Session.	
12:30 - 12:45	Concluding remarks. Tour Chevron's workspace.	
12:45 - 1:00	Door Prizes! Depart office and building.	

# OUR HOLIDAY EVENT IS COMING!

**Where:** Junior League of Houston  
1811 Briar Oaks  
Houston, TX 77027

**When:** December 5, 2023  
11:00 AM – 2 PM  
Meet & Greet; Cash Bar  
Seated Meal  
DOOR PRIZES!!



This year's **Holiday Event has been booked at the Junior League of Houston** ballroom which holds up to 320 people and is centrally located inside the 610 Loop off San Felipe. An outdoor courtyard and additional time are dedicated for socializing.

**Put this Holiday Event on your calendar now so you don't miss it.** We are going to have a great time reconnecting with old friends, making new friends, eating delicious food, and donating toys/food/clothes to local charities. The Event Committee is incorporating your feedback from last year's event. You are welcome to send additional feedback to Kathy Mabe (Event Committee Chair) at [katie65432@gmail.com](mailto:katie65432@gmail.com). More details will be forthcoming in future newsletters.

## Join us for Dinner & Moody Blues Tribute!



Join your fellow MHC members on **Saturday, October 28**, for a night of great food and fantastic music as the **Houston Symphony plays music from the Moody Blues!** A supergroup of world-class rock musicians from the band GO NOW! - including drummer Gordy Marshall, who spent decades playing with The Moody Blues—joins the Symphony for stunning re-creations of classic hits like "Nights in White Satin," "Tuesday Afternoon," and "Go Now."

An invitation will be sent to all members with a valid e-mail address soon and space will be limited. Tickets for Symphony subscribers are available now and will go on sale to the general public sometime in July. For concert ticket information, go to [www.houstonsymphony.org](http://www.houstonsymphony.org) or click on this link: [GO NOW! A Tribute to the Moody Blues - Houston Symphony](#).

## Chevron Recreation Benefit Hub

The Chevron Recreation Benefit Hub is the go-to source for many corporate discounts available for employees, contractors and retirees. To enjoy the discounts available through [BenefitHub](https://chevrec.benefithub.com) (<https://chevrec.benefithub.com>), it is necessary to create an account (unless you already have one). To create an account, you will need a referral code. For instructions on obtaining the code, click [here](#) (or go to <http://chevronretirees.org>, then click on Benefits, CRA Benefits. The link to instructions on obtaining the referral code is at the end of the ChevRec/BenefitHub paragraph. If you have questions, please contact Jim Bonwell, a member of the CRA Benefits Committee, who can assist you. He can be reached at [jbonwell@pacbell.net](mailto:jbonwell@pacbell.net).



# **MHC Members Volunteer at Houston Food Bank**

On April 27 and 28, the MHC members pictured below volunteered at the Houston Food Bank (HFB) and worked alongside employee volunteers from Chevron and other companies to help make "Backpack Buddies" to supply **~28,000 meals for needy area families**. We are also soliciting MHC volunteers to help make peanut butter on Sept. 8, Oct. 20 and Nov. 17. Those events will be held at the Church of Latter Day Saints at 16333 Hafer Road in Houston. You can watch a video on the Peanut Butter Factory at: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=raQrjr7g-nY> or [Houston Peanut Butter Factory - YouTube](#). **See your May 20th e-mail for the notice of these events!**

Around 1 million people in the 18 Southeast Texas counties served by HFB are considered food insecure, meaning they lack consistent access to enough nutritious food to fuel a healthy life. To address this issue, the HFB distributes food and other essentials to those in need through a network of more than 1,600 community partners. **Chevron and MHC have supported the Houston Food Bank with financial contributions and volunteer hours for many years.**



*MHC Members Al and Irma DeBeer at the April 27 Volunteer Event at the Houston Food Bank.*



*MHC Members at the April 28 Volunteer Event at the Houston Food Bank. Front Row, L to R: Howard Davis, Joy Davis, Sonya Sullenberger and Paul Sullenberger. Back Row, L to R: Brian Batiste and Charlie Hancock.*

**The Houston Food Bank is one of many volunteer opportunities available to Chevron retirees, spouses and guests.** MHC Members can easily search and volunteer for many Chevron-sponsored volunteer events in the Greater Houston area by going to Chevron's Humankind website at <http://www.chevronhumankind.com/>. You will need your 8-digit Chevron Humankind User ID. There are helpful hints there if you have problems logging in.

Once you have successfully logged in, click on the "Volunteer" tab on the home page and then "Search Opportunities". You can search by events closest to your home, by date and by interest. Some of the filters are: Education, Human Services, Public and Societal Benefit, ENABLED Network, Assembling, Community Outreach, Education, Mentoring Youth, STEM, Season Party/Carnival, Soup Kitchen/Food Pantry, Walk/Run.

Eligible participants can request a \$500 grant for either individual or company-sponsored projects after volunteering 20 hours of verifiable volunteer time with one nonprofit. A maximum of two grants per year per individual for one nonprofit or two different nonprofits is allowed. Volunteer grants are included in an individual's annual match cap.

**We'd love to hear your volunteer stories!** Please let us know the good work you're doing in your community by dropping us a note at [communications@cra-metrohouston.org](mailto:communications@cra-metrohouston.org). If you have photos, please include those as well!

# **We're Hiring!**

The success of the Metro Houston Chapter depends on our members' willingness to serve in leadership roles. We very much appreciate the service of all our officers and volunteers. The work is not that demanding, and **we really do need you**. As of the publication date of this Newsletter, the following positions are open:

**Communications Committee Chair** - The Communications Chair maintains relationships with all other members of the MHC Board to facilitate communications between the various committees of the board and the members of the MHC. This position manages the processes of publishing the quarterly newsletter, publishing the annual directory, and maintaining the MHC website with current and accurate information. If you are moderately familiar with Microsoft Word and are willing to learn how to use our bulk mail techniques, we can teach you what you need to know to be successful in this role. If you have questions about this role, please contact Frank Coe at [fcoe@usa.net](mailto:fcoe@usa.net) or Glenn Ewan at [glewan@comcast.net](mailto:glewan@comcast.net)

**Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer** - The Treasurer is charged with the safekeeping of the funds of MHC and keeping adequate records of the receipt and distribution of such funds. The treasurer functions as the primary contact to all financial institutions for MHC, reconciles income and expenses on a monthly basis with the MHC budget, pays annual CRA dues for all dues paying MHC members and prepares a quarterly Treasurer's report for the MHC quarterly board meeting. This role requires familiarity with accounting principles and knowledge of Excel. If you have questions about these roles, please contact Frank Coe at [fcoe@usa.net](mailto:fcoe@usa.net)

**Newsletter Editor** - Creates the quarterly MHC Newsletter by collecting and assembling articles submitted by BOD members relating to their areas of responsibility along with other articles such as the Neighborhood Luncheon schedule, nominations for officers in the 4th quarter, benefit updates and other special articles. The Newsletter Editor also generates the *In Memoriam* article using Excel. Once all articles are available, they are compiled into a pleasing format and submitted to the Board for review and comments. This position requires knowledge of Word, Excel and saving documents as .pdfs. For more information, please reach out to Jean Silarski at [jms73ms@gmail.com](mailto:jms73ms@gmail.com)

**Local Host (Southwest Area)** - Our Neighborhood Luncheons held in Missouri City need a Local Host. Primary job duties include greeting our attendees as they arrive, taking attendance, handing out and collecting name badges, signing up any new members, providing tickets for the door prize drawing and managing the collection jars for the Houston Food Bank and MHC Scholarship Fund. To learn more, contact our Luncheon Host Coordinator, Roger Cutler at [MHC@rtcutler.com](mailto:MHC@rtcutler.com)

**Of the above positions, only the Treasurer and Communications Chair are members of the BOD. If you are willing to serve in any of these roles, please reach out via e-mail to the contacts noted above or Brian Batiste at [batb2725@gmail.com](mailto:batb2725@gmail.com) or 281-382-6523.**

## **Are You Awesome?**

We'd love to have you join our Team of dedicated retirees to help support our activities and keep our Chapter vibrant!

**Work From Home!**  
**Connect with your former colleagues!**

## **Changes to Q3 Neighborhood Luncheon Schedule & Location**

As noted in the article on Page 2, **our Q3 Neighborhood Luncheon schedule and location has changed** since it was published earlier this year and on Page 5 of the 2023 MHC Membership Directory that was recently mailed out. **Please note that we will NOT be meeting on July 5 (West Area), July 18 (North Area), August 1 (Southwest Area) or August 16 (Central Area).** Instead, we will have one larger luncheon on July 17 at the ION in Midtown Houston. We strive to bring quality programs and guest speakers to our members and we are confident that this Q3 event will provide useful information on Chevron's technology ventures. A calendar invitation has already been sent out and our traditional e-mail invitation will be sent out shortly. **Please join us either in-person or via Zoom.**

# Membership

The revised MHC Membership chart, shown below, reflects the addition of 2nd quarter 2023 membership information and shows a decrease in the number of Dues Paying Members from 928 to 783, a 16% decrease from the 1st quarter of 2023. Our Total Members shows a decrease from 1485 to 1076, a 28% decrease. Many of these were part of a large reduction in force by Chevron in 2021 and were included in our Introductory Membership program. The reductions reflect our annual removal of non-renewing members, which occurred at the end of March 2023. We are grateful for the many new members who have recently joined us and we hope you will keep on coming. **Thanks to all of you who have renewed your dues paying status!** Your participation helps us keep our chapter programs going!

At this time, 264 members are enrolled in our First-Year-Free program. We hope that those of you in this program have had the opportunity to participate in our Neighborhood Luncheons and found value in the friendships you have renewed and the information that was shared. **Please consider formalizing or renewing your membership so we can continue to offer these programs.**

The number of Dues Paying Members, while variable, continues to increase since we restarted our Neighborhood Luncheon programs in 2022, following the Pandemic. We will continue our luncheon program with a **major Q3 event at the ION in Midtown Houston**, as detailed on Page 3.



By the way, in Q1, members of our BOD met for a **Special Events Brainstorming Session** where we discussed opportunities to offer more fun and interesting activities to our members. So, be attentive to those upcoming invitations and we hope to see you there!

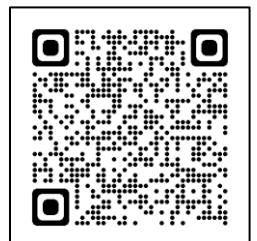
**You can check your dues status by scanning the QR code shown below.** Enter your e-mail into the field then click "Continue" and your dues status will be shown. If your e-mail doesn't work, it probably means you were removed from our roster when your dues were two years past due or your Introductory Membership expired. Just send a note to [membership@cra-metrohouston.org](mailto:membership@cra-metrohouston.org) and we will gladly assist you in becoming current. As a reminder, you can still send in your dues in one of two ways:

**By Check (include your [membership form](#)) mailed to the address below.**

MHC Membership Data Coordinator  
11152 Westheimer #729  
Houston, TX 77042

**By Credit Card:** Click on this link [Pay Dues](#) and follow the guidance there.

Our Membership form is at [www.cra-metrohouston.org](http://www.cra-metrohouston.org). Click on "Membership" and select "Join".



# Scholarship Season 2023

We are in full scholarship application, evaluation and award mode and have some fun facts to share. This season we received 16 inquiries regarding scholarship eligibility and process. Eight nominations qualified to apply and have submitted their supporting documentation. Our Scholarship Committee will have selected the top candidate by the time you are reading this Newsletter. **We will make our announcement and award at the first available opportunity.**

The committee received a very nice letter from **Rita and Ray Casserly**, who are the **proud grandparents of our 2017 scholarship recipient, Michaela Reinhart**, shown at right. Michaela graduated from Duke University in 2021 with a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Environmental Policy and Toxicology. She continued on to earn a Masters of Management Studies: Foundations of Business Degree from the Duke Fuqua School of Business. Michaela was a very accomplished student running cross country track at Duke and is a volunteer coach for the girls track team at Duke this year. She will be entering medical school at the University of Louisville in August. Wow! What a great lady! **Congratulations on all your achievements and best wishes for the future, Michaela!**



The scholarship committee will be evaluating the application process and considering improvement opportunities for next year. Some brainstormed ideas include multiple awards, awards for multiple years, partnering with local high schools to support an award and others. If you have ideas or recommendations, please send them to Keith Hall at: [Pamnkey@gmail.com](mailto:Pamnkey@gmail.com).

The Scholarship program is supported by your voluntary donations. **Please consider sending in a donation today.** You may do so online by credit card. Just look for "Donate" in the drop-down menu for Scholarship on our website [www.cra-metrohouston.org](http://www.cra-metrohouston.org). Of course, we will be happy to receive your check, please make sure you indicate it is for Scholarship.

## Treasurer's Report – 03/31/23

Our financial position is good. This early in the year, many of our expenses have not kicked in. Major expenses associated with our website and email capabilities won't be recognized until later in the year.

The major expense in Q1 was our first payment of dues payable to the Chevron Retirees Association. We've budget for 800 dues paying members in 2023. Our payment of \$2,322 covers the 774 members who had paid through early March. A second, final payment will be made in June, the end of the CRA's fiscal year.

Scholarship Fund	
Beginning balance 12/31/22	\$3,550
Donations	\$524
Interest	\$2
Awards	
Ending balance 03/31/23	\$4,076

	2023 Budget	YTD Actual
Revenue (Dues & Int.)		
	\$8,038	\$7,950.59
Expenses		
CRA Payments		
	\$2,400	\$2,322.00
Website		
	\$1,830	\$0.00
Email		
	\$1,220	\$79.35
Postage, office supplies		
	\$1,350	\$0.00
PayPal Fees		
	\$1,100	\$40.86
Miscellaneous		
	\$2,800	\$446.53
Total Expenses		
	\$10,700	\$2,888.74
Net income/(loss)		
	(\$2,662)	\$5,061.85



## Do you know about CECOH?

Many of you who worked at Chevron may have been members of the Chevron Employees Club of Houston (CECOH). **Membership is also open to retirees and contractors of Chevron and its affiliates.** The Club is managed by employee volunteers and relies on funding and support from company sponsors, membership dues and other types of fees and fundraisers. **Membership for retirees is only \$6/year!** If you'd like to join, complete the form at this [link](#) or go to <https://forms.office.com/r/QxK6Swe8pi>

**Once you are a member, you will receive a monthly Newsletter by e-mail.** Some of the items featured in a recent CECOH Newsletter are listed below:

- Tickets to sporting events (Houston Havoc, Rice University, Astros, Dynamo, Dash, Univ. of Houston)
- Links to Chevron volunteer events
- Waterpark tickets (Six Flags Splashtown, Typhoon Texas)
- Cruise to Honduras and Mexico (Feb 3-10, 2024)
- Museum & Theater (Wicked, Ain't Too Proud, Theater Under the Stars, Houston Symphony, Houston Museum of Natural Science, Children's Museum)
- Theme Parks (Sea World, Moody Gardens, Houston Zoo)
- Links to Benefit Hub and Working Advantage

We may have a representative from CECOH at a future Chapter program. Please consider joining! If you have any questions, you can contact CECOH at [cecuh@chevron.com](mailto:cecuh@chevron.com) or 832-854-4990.

## Q1 & Q2 Neighborhood Luncheons Recap



Our Q1 Guest Speaker was Sherry Verburgt (shown left), Managing Director – Wealth Management, with UBS Financial Services. Sherry discussed the recent volatility in the financial markets and actions by the Federal Reserve. **She has agreed to share her slides for our members who were not able to attend in person.** Just go to our home page at [www.cra-metrohouston.org](http://www.cra-metrohouston.org) and click on the link provided. E-mail recipients of this Newsletter can just click [here](#).

For Q2, our Guest Speaker was Angel Hanzik, Outreach Specialist with the Texas Senior Medicare Patrol (SMP). She provided an overview of what Medicare Fraud is, how it affects us, common scams, and skills to Prevent, Detect and Report fraud. **Angel (shown right) also agreed to make her slides available to our members. They are posted at the link above along with photos of our May 17 luncheon.** As a token of our appreciation, Angel and Sherry will each receive a custom wood name plate made by MHC member, Ricky Mercado.



*Brian Batiste presented Angel Hanzik with a custom wood name plate at our May 17 Neighborhood Luncheon.*

## 2023 MHC Membership Directory Published

The 2023 MHC Membership Directory was mailed in mid-April to all members who were current with their dues or in the one-year grace period. Thanks to Glenn Ewan and Frank Coe for their efforts in developing and proof-reading the Directory. Also, many thanks to Chevron for their support in printing and mailing the Directory to our members! If there are any corrections or changes to your information, or if you didn't receive your Directory, please e-mail us at [membership@cra-metrohouston.org](mailto:membership@cra-metrohouston.org). **IMPORTANT: The Neighborhood Luncheon Schedule on Page 5 of the Directory is now out-of-date. The third quarter luncheons shown on July 5, July 18, August 1 and August 16 have been cancelled in favor of one large luncheon program on July 17 at the ION in downtown Houston.**



## **MHC Featured at 2023 CRA Annual Meeting**

The **2023 Chevron Retirees Association (CRA) Annual Meeting** was held in Baltimore from May 6-8. This is a gathering of Chapter Presidents, Area Vice Presidents and CRA Officers from across the US and Canada. Among the purposes of the meeting are to communicate the findings and recommendations of the various working committees, share best practices among chapters and address challenges facing our organization.

Steve Bergtholdt, Area VP, Northern California, presented **MHC with the "Largest Chapter" Award**. Brian Batiste accepted the award and recognized Glenn Ewan (MHC Past President) for his previous stewardship of our Chapter that made this award possible.



*CRA President Brad McCullough, left, presents Glenn Ewan with a plaque recognizing his support on the CMAC. Maree "MJ" Stone, CMAC Chair, center, was also recognized.*

**MHC Members Glenn Ewan and Maree "MJ" Stone, Chair of CRA Central Meeting Administration Committee (CMAC)**, were also recognized for their "behind the scenes" support that made the Annual Meeting possible. The plaque presented to Glenn reads: **"Thank you for keeping the CRA running. You do so much and we appreciate it."**

One of the highlights of the CRA Annual Meeting was the many Boudreaux and Thibodeaux jokes told by Riley Gros, President of the Houma, LA Chapter. Paraphrasing, here is one of them: Thibodeaux sees Boudreaux putting up signs up all over the bayou saying, "Boat for Sale". Thibodeaux says, "Mais Boudreaux, what you mean 'boat for sale'? You ain't got no boat. All you got on your lawn is an old washer and dryer." Boudreaux say, "Mais, yeh, and dey boat for sale!"

## **MHC Member Supports Houston Ground Angels**

[Houston Ground Angels](#) (HGA) was founded in 2000. HGA's sole purpose is to provide free ground transportation to cancer patients and their caregivers from/to Houston's airports, as well as homes of cancer patients in the Houston area, MD Anderson Cancer Center and nearby hotels. HGA aims to provide out-of-towners and local residents a sense of security and relief from the stress of driving and paying for transportation. **HGA currently needs more drivers.** Since its inception, HGA volunteers have completed more than 38,000 missions and each year the number of requests for rides grows.



If you volunteer for HGA, you are not held to any fixed schedule. A volunteer simply looks at a list of out-of-town and local requests for rides, also called "missions". Using your computer, you decide which mission you want to take, then use the online tool to contact the cancer patient to arrange the pickup. **It's completely up to each volunteer how many missions he/she takes.** HGA has 75 volunteers who take one or more missions a month, and another 135 volunteers who may take one mission each year. In March, there were 350 requests for rides.

**If you are interested in joining HGA**, go to <https://groundangels.org/>, followed by "VOLUNTEER", and "PLEASE JOIN US". If you have any questions about HGA, please contact Bob Joyce, an MHC member and Chevron retiree (former attorney in the Major Capital Projects group) at either [po3oka@gmail.com](mailto:po3oka@gmail.com) or 281-446-1909.

**If you'd like to share your volunteer story with your fellow retirees**, please e-mail us at [communications@cra-metrohouston.org](mailto:communications@cra-metrohouston.org).



## IN MEMORIAM

We extend our deepest sympathy to the families of these individuals.

R= Retiree; S= Surviving Spouse



Name	Company Retired From	R / S	Name	Company Retired From	R / S
NICOLAS A ALVARADO	CHEVRON	R	WILLIAM H LANG JR	UNOCAL	R
VERNON ASKEW	GULF	R	JAMES C LEWIS	GULF	R
L C BAILEY	CHEVRON	R	RALPH M LEWIS	TEXACO	R
HOWARD L BEAN	CHEVRON	R	JOHN D LINDSEY	CHEVRON	R
DONALD A BROUSSARD	CHEVRON	R	EUGENE LORENZATO	TEXACO	R
WILLIE RUTH BURTON	TEXACO	R	LOUIS MARTINEZ	TEXACO	R
BETTY J COX	CHEVRON	S	CLENON J MITCHELL	CHEVRON	R
LEOTA H DARBY	CHEVRON	S	BARBARA R MOORE	CHEVRON	R
BRENDA M DAVIDSON	TEXACO	R	VIRGIE D MUCKELROY	CHEVRON	S
BOBBY R DUNIGAN	GULF	R	ROBERT E NEELY	GETTY	R
BARBARA J FRANKLIN	TEXACO	R	RITA C ORTEGA	CHEVRON	R
MARVIN H GAUSEMEIER	CHEVRON	R	ERICA B PATTERSON	CHEVRON	R
ANWAR A GOPALANI	CHEVRON	R	JIMMY M PATTILLO	CHEVRON	S
NANCY L HAMILTON	CHEVRON	S	PEGGY L PRICE	TEXACO	R
FRANKLIN D HAMILTON JR	GULF	R	BILLY J RHODES	CHEVRON	R
BESSIE HELMKE	CHEVRON	S	DOROTHY M SALSER	CHEVRON	S
TOMMY G HIGHTOWER	CHEVRON	R	MARY C SMITH	CHEVRON	S
RICHARD O HOLLAND	TEXACO	R	KIRBY P STERNFELS	TEXACO	R
JOYCE P HOWELL	GULF	R	ROSE M THIES	CHEVRON	S
DIANE L HOWELL-MOSELEY	CHEVRON	R	MARILYNN A WALLACE	CHEVRON	S
ROBERT L JARRARD	CHEVRON	R	ROBERT F WIED	TEXACO	R
PATRICIA ANN JOHNSON	CHEVRON	S	CORENE K WILLIFORD	CHEVRON	S
ROBERT F JONES	GULF	R	EUGENE L WITTENMYER	CHEVRON	R
KELLY R KINSTLEY	CHEVRON	R	BETTY L WRIGHT-JOHNSON	TEXACO	R
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## MHC Benefits Connection



As a reminder, Bill Dodge is available to assist Chapter members on Chevron / CRA retiree benefits questions. As you may know, Bill is one of our Chapter's Past Presidents and a current Ex Officio MHC Board member. Bill is also the current Chair of the CRA Benefits Committee. If you have any questions or issues with your Chevron / CRA retiree 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:

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