December Meeting

**Luncheon Price Increase**

As we are all aware, during the past three years the prices of most things have increased while we have held the luncheon price steady. To cover associated increases in our expenses at our quarterly luncheon meetings, beginning with the September luncheon meeting, the luncheon price will be increased an additional $2.00/person (i.e. from $18.00 to $20.00/person). While we regret having to make this price increase, we understand that our Chapter’s luncheon price continues to be competitive with luncheon prices currently observed by other area retiree organizations.

President’s Message

At this – our second luncheon of the year. I still feel confident stating that your Metropolitan Houston Chapter started out the new year of 2011 the right way, on January 1, with all members in “full steam ahead” mode.

**First:** We have already added 16 new members to our chapter.

**Second:** We have a total of 14 potential applicants for Scholarships, which is up dramatically from last year.

**Third:** We have formed a call committee to try to get more of our non-attending members involved in our quarterly luncheons.

**Fourth:** We have developed a website for our chapter: www.cra-metrohouston.org.

**Fifth:** We are working positively on our association with the Hess Club, with an eye towards continuing to have our luncheons there. I think we can all agree that they have done an admirable job with our menus and other meeting needs.

**Sixth:** We have obtained speakers and/or entertainment for the remaining luncheons. We are always looking for ways to better serve our MHC membership . . . with our meetings, newsletters, annual directory, our community outreach efforts and our annual scholarship program.

Your Board members have always pledged to be good stewards of the monies you pay into our organization in the form of your annual dues. We hate the necessity of finally having to increase the luncheon costs (see insert in column one of this page) but, having already absorbed – due to the faltering economy – the last price increase from Hess, there comes a time when we must adjust our price to members to keep the luncheons on a “self-funding” basis.

I’ll be happy to discuss with you in person as you might desire.

I look forward to seeing you at the June 7 luncheon.

George Treibel
June’s Program

Grandmas’ Boyfriends Barbershop Quartet

Grandmas’ Boyfriends has sung all around the Houston area including performances at the Rosenberg Opry, Alvin Opry, and Columbus Opry before it closed. They have performed at a variety of schools, clubs, churches, and hospitals for audiences varying in size from 20 to 800. They have a repertoire of 45 songs ranging from Christmas and Valentine’s to Patriotic or Religious, and of course the old favorite Barbershop Quartet standards like Lida Rose.

Last Meeting Highlights

Bob Scott again opened our program with humorous stories. You can hear his story and other clips from the March luncheon by logging on to our website www.cra-metrohouston.org and clicking on meetings.

Ron Capehart is a life member of the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo and currently serves on two committees. Ron has served on HLSR committees for sixteen years and competed at the HLSR in High School. He entertained and enlightened us with a great program about our Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo. Much of his program can be seen by logging on to our website www.cra-metrohouston.org and clicking on meetings.

Luncheon Schedule:
Tuesday, September 13, 2011
Tuesday December 6, 2011
Tuesday, March 13, 2012
Tuesday, June 12, 2012

Scholarship Program

Bill Dodge, Scholarship Chairperson of the 2011 MHC Scholarship Program, reports that as of April 1, 2011 fourteen (14) Scholarship Application Packages had been distributed in response to requests received from sponsoring MHC members. He notes that to qualify to be considered for a scholarship, a completed copy of all required documentation, as specified in the Scholarship Application Package, must be received by the Scholarship Committee Chairperson NO LATER THAN MONDAY, MAY 2, 2011.

For the 2011 academic school year, the MHC is again offering a one-time $2,000 academic, college scholarship to an eligible graduating high school senior who is related to a sponsoring dues-paying member of the MHC. The scholarship is competitive and selection is based upon academic merit and ability that recognizes scholastic excellence. The MHC Scholarship Committee has oversight responsibility and authority for all academic scholarships awarded by the Chapter.

In early May, the Scholarship Committee will evaluate all applications that were received – COMPLETE – and the 2011 Scholarship will be awarded to the most outstanding applicant at the June 7th Luncheon. Invitations to attend the June Luncheon will be extended to the successful applicant, his/her parents, and his/her sponsoring MHC members for the presentation of this award.

Be sure to come to that luncheon to wish the selected applicant much success as he/she enters their next era of their advanced learning.
**Seen at the Last Luncheon**

We thought you might be interested in who is attending our luncheons. An informal list of attendees at the March 8th luncheon is below. If you haven’t seen some of these folks in a long time, come to the June 7th luncheon. You’ll likely see them there!

- Bill Alvarez
- Harold Ayers
- Margaret Badeaux
- Doris Baker
- Richard Bautch
- Sam Bounds
- Ramon Cantu
- Tony Cernosek
- Frank Coe
- Maurizio Croce
- Dorothy Jean Curby
- Richard J Czarnik
- Barry Davies
- Bill Dodge
- Theodore Dorenkamp
- John Douglas
- Dr. Don Edmonston
- Gail Edmonston
- Richard Engelhart
- Ron Ermel
- Glenn Ewan
- Lorraine Ewan
- Betty Ezell
- Francis Ford
- B W Foster
- Donald E Fought
- Jim Gerhardt
- Dorothy Greenwood

- Herb Groot
- Marilyn Groot
- Charlie Hancock
- Shirald D Hendrix
- Lorie Houglan
- Mark Indihar
- Karl Kennedy
- Roderick E Loper
- Mildred Lynn
- Troy P Mason
- Rudy McClellan
- James M Medlin
- Ricky Mercado
- Pansy Meyer
- Joachim Modlich
- John Prestwood
- Pete Rowland
- R. W. "Bob" Scott
- Charles Specht
- Betty Spooner
- James H Stokes
- Gerald Thurmond
- George Treibel
- Charles Van Eman
- Sandra Weber
- Gene V Wilson
- Billy Winkler
- Harold Yarger

**FOOD DRIVE**

Please bring **nonperishable food** and/or **paper products** to go to the food bank at West Houston Assistance Ministries (WHAM)

**ENCORE NEWSLETTER**

Due to the cost of printing the Encore newsletter, we will no longer furnish the newsletter at our luncheons. However, if you have internet service, you can go the website: www.chevronretirees.org. The Encore newsletter is listed under Publication, which is broken down by quarters. You can also see the archived newsletters from the years 2005 to present.

If you do not have internet service and would like a copy, please fill out the Encore form on the desk by the name badges and we will print and send you the latest copy.

**IN MEMORIAM**

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

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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 Pansy Meyer at 713-729-1644.

**CRA Annual Meeting Update**

As you read this, the 2011 CRA Annual Meeting will be just days away. Delegates representing the CRA’s 96 chapters in the US and Canada will arrive in Houston for a three-day meeting (May 14-16) at the Sheraton North Houston Hotel. When not in meetings, the visiting delegates and their spouses will be offered a wide variety of what Houston has to offer. An offsite dinner will be held at the history rich Steamboat House Restaurant. The spouses will be exposed to the new and the old. A shopping trip to The Galleria is planned along with a visit to the George Ranch Historical Park for a tour and chuck wagon barbeque lunch.
Door Prize Winners

Herb Groot
Tony Cernosek
Ron Hall
Sherald Hendrix
Maurizio Croce
Claire Dorenkamp
Randall Martin
Esther Bender
Richard Engelhart
Mark Indihar
**Membership Status Report**

We now have 547 members. The new members joining in February and March follow: You may contact us for a correction to your entry in the directory by emailing to [contact@cra-metrohouston.org](mailto:contact@cra-metrohouston.org)

**OR** by US mail at
Chevron Retirees Assn
Metropolitan Houston Chapter
11152 Westheimer Road, #729
Houston, TX 77042

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For complete directory listing details of the above members, please consult your May Newsletter. We do not publish on the website the address, phone number, or email address of our members.