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THOSE WITH REDDING, CALIFORNIA SERVICE.

Just up the road from our last stops in Corning and Anderson is the City of Redding where my cousin Carol's daughter **Tammy Jaramillo-Martinelli** and her family lives. Tammy helps as an After School Program Assistant for the Enterprise Elementary School District. Carol's father, my late-uncle **Bill Hamilton** used to love to visit Redding to spend some time with Tammy and her family. With a tip of the cap to Bill and Carol and Tammy, we have made our next stop Redding, California.

"A woman is like a tea bag - you can't tell how strong she is until you put her in hot water."
Eleanor Roosevelt



Lakewood City Manager **Howard Chambers**, Los Angeles County Sheriff **John Scott** and Deputy City Manager **Carol Jacoby** at the Lakewood Sheriff's Station Taco Fundraiser for Deputy **Brandon Love**. Almost 500 meals were served on a very successful day. Howard points out that Deputy Love is recovering from some pretty brutal injuries suffered in the line of duty. We join Lakewood in wishing Godspeed to Brandon for a complete recovery. Howard earned a 45-year ICMA Service Award.

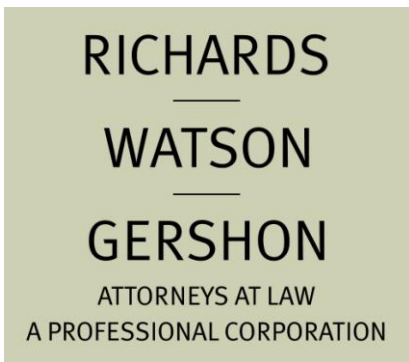
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Located on Interstate 5 in Northern California about two hours north of Sacramento. The Sacramento River flows through the city, which has a population of 89,861. Redding is the county seat of Shasta County. The City incorporated on October 4, 1887 with 600 people, in a location where the Southern Pacific Railroad built its rail line through the Sacramento Valley. The city got its name from railroad executive **Benjamin B. Redding**.

During the 1930's with the construction of the nearby Shasta Dam, the population boomed. The dam was completed in 1945 and caused the Redding population to reach 8,109.



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Trackdown Management's **Susan Simpson** on a recent visit to Bakersfield with her friend **Becky Masaki**. Susan's "day job" is with the Travel & Events Department of In-N-Out Burger.

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Redding is home to an ultra modern pedestrian bridge designed by Spanish architect **Santiago Calatrava**. The \$23 million Sundial bridge spans the Sacramento River. Opened in 2004, the Sundial Bridge put Redding on the architectural tourist map. The bridge not only crosses the Sacramento River, but is also a working sundial.

Former City Manager **Mike Warren** led the start of Redding's "Art in Public Places" program. Redding city hall has many outstanding works of art displayed throughout the building.

Redding is the current home of Simpson University. The University was founded in 1921 as Simpson Bible Institute in Seattle, Washington. It was named for Presbyterian minister **Albert Benjamin Simpson** (1843-1919). The school moved to San Francisco in 1955, and relocated to Redding in 1989. (As far as we know, we are not related to Pastor Albert.)



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\$23 million Sundial pedestrian bridge over the Sacramento River. The 700 foot long bridge works as a functioning sundial.

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Kurt J. Starman, born in November, 1964, is the current Redding City Manager. Kurt joined the Redding city staff in 1991 as a Budget Services Officer. In 1995 he was promoted to Director of Administrative Services when then-City Manager **Mike Warren** reorganized the staff. In 1997 he was appointed to the Deputy City Manager position. Kurt spent about 7-years as the Deputy City Manager, and in 2004 he became the Redding Assistant City Manager. When his boss retired, he was selected to serve as the Redding City Manager in 2006. Among other assignments, Kurt served on the ICMA Advisory Board on Graduate Education in 2013-2014. In 2011 he received a 20-year ICMA Service Award. Both Kurt and his wife Jacquelyn were raised in the Redding area.

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Caltrans veteran **Barry Tippin** is the Assistant City Manager in Redding, California. Barry served with the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) for 13-years before joining the Redding city staff in 2004. He first served as the City's Assistant Director of Development Services and then worked as the Director of Transportation & Engineering. He was appointed Assistant City Manager in February, 2008. Barry also serves as the City of Redding Electric Utility Director. Barry is a Redding native.

Greg Clark joined the Redding city staff as Assistant to the City Manager in September, 2007. He was promoted to the Deputy City Manager position in 2012. Prior to coming to the Redding city government, Greg was a journalist for 31-years, holding various positions, including a dozen years as the Managing Editor with the Record Searchlight that covers the City of Redding. Greg also functions as the City's Public Information Officer and legislative liaison.



A magnificent view of downtown Long Beach.

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Former Redding City Manager **Michael D. Warren** began his city government service career as a Recreation Supervisor in San Pablo in 1972. In June, 1975 Mike was appointed to serve as the Assistant City Manager in San Pablo, and he worked in that post until December, 1980 when he was selected to by the City Manager of Newberg, Oregon. Mike returned to California in 1987 to serve as the Benicia City Manager. He left Benicia at the end of 1994 when he was appointed City Manager in Redding. Mike retired from the Redding City Manager position in April, 2006. He then went to work as the Chief Executive Officer of Turtle Bay Exploration Park. Mike earned a BS from San Diego State University and an MS from San Francisco State University.

Veteran City Manager **Robert M. Christofferson**, currently an executive search consultant, began his career in 1955 as an Administrative Intern in Beverly Hills. In 1956 Bob went to work for Glendale as the Assistant to the City Manager. In 1965 he was appointed City Manager in San Dimas. Bob served in San Dimas until 1968 when he was selected to serve as the City Administrator in Covina. In 1972 Bob move north to become the Salinas City Manager, and in 1983 he was appointed City Manager in Fresno. After serving in Fresno until 1986, Bob was selected to serve as the Redding City Manager in 1987. Bob retired after working in Redding until 1994. He then established his executive recruiting firm. Bob served as the ICMA Regional Vice President on the Executive Board in 1989-1991. In 1991 he received a 35-year ICMA Service Award. He earned a BA from the University of California, and an MS from the University of Southern California (**USC**).



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Robert E. Courtney served as the Director of the Revenue Division in the Sunnyvale Finance Department starting in July, 1957. He left Sunnyvale and joined the Redding city staff as the Finance Director in April, 1959. Bob was selected and elevated to the position of Assistant City Manager in June, 1973. He was appointed Redding City Manager in December, 1982 following City Manager **William M. Brickwood**, who had served as the Redding City Manager starting in 1970. Bob earned a BS from the University of San Francisco.



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CALIFORNIA RECIPIENTS OF 40-YEAR ICMA SERVICE AWARDS AT THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY CONFERENCE, SEPTEMBER, 2014

Though we presented this list in the Special September issue of the newsletter, those who are 40-year ICMA Service Award recipients deserve special recognition. We salute you all.

City Manager **John Berchtold** of Blue Lake, California in Humboldt County was recognized for 40-years of public service by the International City/County Management Association (ICMA) at its Celebration of Service in Charlotte, North Carolina during the group's 100th Anniversary Conference. John has served communities in Pennsylvania, Michigan, Florida and has been in California for the past 4-years.

Veteran Lake Forest City Manager **Robert C. Dunek** was also recognized with a rare 40-year ICMA Service Award. Bob earned a Ph.D. from the University of Southern California (**USC**). He was appointed in Lake Forest in 1996, and previously served as the Los Alamitos City Manager (1989-1996) and Executive Director of the Orange County Division of the League of California Cities (1984-1989). He started his career as a Police Officer in Buena Park.

San Mateo County Manager **John L. Maltbie** was also presented with a 40-year ICMA Service Award. John began his working career in 1968. He served as the Milpitas City Manager (1976-1983), and the Glendale, Arizona City Manager (1982-1985). John earned a BA and MA from San Jose State University.

Moorpark Assistant City Manager **Hugh Ridge Riley** also was the recipient of a 40-year ICMA Service Award at the ICMA Conference in Charlotte, North Carolina. Hugh is a former City Manager in Tucumcari, New Mexico (1985-1988); Hollister (1988-1994), and Temple City (1994-1999). Hugh joined the Moorpark staff in 2000. He earned a BS from Pennsylvania State University.

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Lodi native **Robert F. Paoletti**, 45, serves as the Chief of Police for the Redding Police Department. The Chief was appointed by City Manager Kurt Starman after serving as a Captain with the Stockton Police Department. He replaced retiring Chief **Peter Hansen**. Chief Paoletti was an 18-year veteran of the Stockton Police Department beginning in 1993, and he also has extensive military experience. He served two tours of duty as part of Operation Iraqi Freedom with the California Army National Guard. He entered the Guard in 1990. He became a commissioned officer in 1994. At the time of his appointment as Chief, he served as a Lieutenant Colonel with the 49th Military Police Brigade based in Fairfield. He earned a BA from Excelsior College in Albany, New York and a Master's in Criminal Justice from Boston University.



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Former Artesia City Manager **Jim Barisic** founded Brandywine with a business plan to revitalize established neighborhoods and convert existing underutilized space into needed housing. Construction has commenced on a 5.1 acre urban infill project near the Richard Nixon Presidential Library and Museum in Yorba Linda.



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City Manager **William M. Brickwood** was appointed to the City Manager position in 1970. He is not a member of ICMA. We found that Bill was one of the original ushers for Redding's historical Cascade Theater. The theater's grand opening was conducted on Friday evening, August 9, 1935.

We apologize to those who deserve recognition that we missed. As usual, our primary resource tool was the ICMA Who's Who Directory. We always try other on-line sources, and sometimes we are able to find deserving folks that way. Other names of Redding city professionals we discovered along the way include:

Former Assistant City Manager **Randy Bachman**, who resigned in September, 2007 following the initiation of a Human Resources investigation.

1994 Interim City Manager **Sam McMurry**. A **Sam McMurry** is list in the news as previously serving in the 1980s as an Assistant City Manager in Fresno. That Sam was asked to resign by then-Fresno City Manager **James Aldredge**, along with Finance Manager **Allan Charkow** and Public Works Director **James Martin** in the wake of a mandatory bond call date being missed. This is reported on the April 14, 1987 in the Los Angeles Times. The 1995 ICMA Who's Who list Sam as beginning his career in 1961 with Contra Costa County. In 1969 he became the Personnel Director in Solano County. He then joined the Fresno staff as Personnel Director in 1974 & worked as Assistant City Manager in 1976-1987. Sam joined the Redding staff as ACM in 1987 and served as ACM again in 1995 following his service as Interim City Manager. He earned a BA from the University of California, Berkeley.

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Additional individuals we discovered along the way include:

Kim Niemer, Director of Community Services;

Sheri L. DeMaagd, Personnel Director;

Terry Hanson, Community Services Project Manager;

Matthew McCallum, Community Services Management Analyst;

Zach Bonnin, Transportation and Engineering Transportation Planner;

Peter Griggs, Recreation and Community Services Marketing Coordinator;

Kent Manuel, Senior Planner; and

Sarah Sheetz, Management Analyst for the Redding Airport.

As we have pointed out previously, our lists do not claim to be exhaustive. We apologize to those we missed. A "Tip of the Trackdown Cap" to those who have served the City of Redding through the years. We hope you have enjoyed reading this Redding, California issue.

--Jack A. Simpson



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Harvey Englander is a graduate of **UCLA**, and is a member of the Board of the **UCLA** School of Public Policy. **Matt Knabe** serves on the LAEDC Board of Governors, and as President of the Paramount Education Project, among other service assignments. Matt is a graduate of Pepperdine University. **Marcus A. Allen** earned a BA from **UCLA** and a Masters in Public Policy Studies from the University of Chicago. He is a former Deputy Chief of Staff in the Office of former [Los Angeles](#) Mayor Villaraigosa.



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James Barisic, the company founder is a former Artesia City Manager, beginning his local government career as an Administrative Intern in Paramount. He also served as Assistant City Manager in Cerritos. Jim is a Vietnam veteran.

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Picking Up the Pieces: Rolling Hills Estates City Manager **Doug Prichard's** son **John Prichard** has been selected

by the California Surf Lifesaving Association (CSLA) to represent the Association in the 2015 New Zealand Lifeguard Exchange Program. He will spend about 6-weeks in New Zealand training with their surf lifeguards starting in January. John is a Lifeguard for both Newport Beach and Huntington State Beach. You can assist John with expenses at: www.gofundme.com/johnlifeguardnz. Roseville City Manager **Ray Kerridge** has stepped up to help the Sacramento campaign to approve a Strong Mayor form of government. Ray is a former Sacramento City Manager (2006-2010). Fresno City Manager **Bruce Rudd** also supports the Sacramento Strong Mayor ballot measure. Arcata Deputy Director of Environmental Services **Karen Diemer** has been appointed to serve as the next Arcata City Manager. Karen joined the Arcata staff 18-years ago. Interim City Manager **Janet Luzzi**, who has been serving since former City Manager **Randy Mendosa** retired in July, will continue as City Manager until Karen takes the helm in December. Former Carmel by the Sea City Administrator **Doug Schmitz**, who currently lives in Lake Oswego, Oregon, has been appointed Interim City Administrator in Carmel following the resignation of City Administrator **Jason Stilwell**. Also resigning in September, was the City's Director of Administrative Services **Susan Paul**. Doug began his public service career with the City of Laguna Beach. He worked there as the Assistant City Manager and Director of Community Planning. Jason has served as the Carmel City Administrator for the past 3-years. Jason teaches college level courses as a Professor of Public Policy at Tseng College of California State University, Northridge in the Master of Public Administration program.

In Memory of Bill Campbell (1949-2014)

Long time Community Development Director and one time Assistant City Manager, **Bill Campbell**, passed away on August 29, 2014 from metastatic kidney cancer. Bill had been working at the time for the City of Rancho Cordova, as an employee of Pacific Management Consultants. He was known throughout the state in management and planning circles, having served as Community Development Director and Assistant City Manager in La Canada-Flintridge and Community Development Director in South Pasadena. Bill and his family relocated to Northern California and he worked for PMC for the last 17-years serving several communities in the Sacramento area. While living in Monrovia, Bill and his wife Alison, spent 10-years restoring a 1887 Victorian home. He assisted La Canada-Flintridge in the preservation of the Cherry Canyon Wilderness Area. While in South Pasadena he led the design team that developed the Mission District Gold Line Station and the Mission District Specific Plan, resulting in today's vibrant mixed-use neighborhood. Bill was a graduate of the urban planning school at Cal Poly Pomona. Bill leaves behind his wife Alison, daughters Tracy and Brooke and son Christopher.

---By **Ken Farsing**



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- 1950: Long Beach State College
- 1964: California State College at Long Beach
- 1968: California State College, Long Beach
- 1972: California State University, Long Beach



Jim Barisic and the rest of the **Brandywine Homes** Executive Team



More Pieces Picked Up: Arroyo Grande City Manager **Steve Adams** has announced that he will step down as soon as the City appoints his replacement. The announcement comes about three-months after the City Manager and Community Development Director **Teresa McClish** were found at the City Hall offices after-hours. An investigation by the City Attorney's Office found no violations. The Police Officers' Association, however, took action to express "no confidence" in the City Manager.

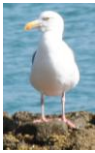
Laguna Hills City Manager **Bruce Channing** recently celebrated the 23rd anniversary of his appointment to the Laguna Hills City Manager post in October, 1991. Previous to his City Manager appointment Bruce served as the Assistant City Manager in Yorba Linda for 10-years with City Manager **Art Simonian**. Bruce earned an MPA from the University of Southern California (**USC**). Bruce served as President of the City Managers' Department of the League of California Cities in 2011-2012. Retired Rosemead City Manager **Frank G. Tripepi** served in the United States Army from September, 1969 to September, 1971. His service took him from Fort Ord, California to Fort Sill, Oklahoma and to Vietnam in Southeast Asia. He served 15 months in Vietnam with the 23rd Field Artillery Group. Frank is currently a Senior Vice President with Willdan. **Chelsea (Wood) Pitcher**, who is a former Temple City Management Analyst and served as a Public Information Intern in Santa Clarita, has relocated to the San Antonio, Texas area, where she works with Literacy San Antonio. Chelsea earned an MPA from the University of Southern California (**USC**). **Luci Romero Serlet** is currently a Principal with **HdL Companies**. Luci worked as a Human Resources/Financial Services Manager in Temecula from 1991 to 1995. She then served as an Administrative Manager in Newport Beach (1995-1999), Assistant City Manager in Solana Beach (1999-2002), Assistant City Manager in Goleta (2002-2006), and as City Manager in Los Alamitos from 2006 to 2008. Luci earned an MPA from San Diego State University.

Kevin John Murphy, 1953-2011 **July 30, 2011**

[We first posted this in 2011. Lest we forget, we are posting it again.] It is a tribute to former City Manager **Kevin Murphy** that so many of his former City Manager colleague came to bid him farewell today. Kevin was an important executive with **PARS** and passed away at a young age. Those attending his funeral who we noted included: **Glenn Southard, Gregory Korduner, Richard Ramirez, Kevin O'Rourke, Julio Fuentes, David Carmany, Andy Lazzaretto, Doug Dunlap, Howard Chambers, George A. Carvalho, Tim Casey, Bruce Channing, David Morgan, Mike Paules, Sean Joyce, Paul Talbot, Robert Dunek, Fred Latham, Shawn Nelson, Homer Bludau, Dave Rudat, and Jack Simpson**. We again apologize to those we missed. *May you rest in peace **Kevin Murphy**.*

Twentynine Palms Interim City Manager **Andy Takata** is recruiting to replace Finance Director **Ron Peck**, who is planning to retire as soon as a successor is appointed. At the same time Twentynine Palms is looking to retain an executive recruiter to find a permanent City Manager. **Diane Johnson**, Communications Specialist for the Town of Windsor, worked in the wine industry before joining the Windsor staff in 2007 as an Administrative Specialist. She was appointed to her current post in July, 2011. Diane earned a BS at the University of San Francisco. Anaheim Interim City Manager **Paul Emery** served with the City of Huntington Beach staff from 2001 to 2012. He was the Huntington Beach Deputy City Manager for 6-years. From 1988 to 2001 Paul worked for Santa Ana. He earned a BA from the University of California, Davis and an MPA from California State University, Fullerton. Gustine's new City Manager is **Sean Scully**. Sean, who is currently the Assistant City Manager, will replace his boss City Manager **Greg Greeson** when he retires at the end of the year. Greg will have served about 5-years as City Manager at his December 31 retirement. Former Huron City Manager **Gerald Forde** has retired and relocated his residence to the Los Vegas, Nevada area. The Fresno Council of Governments notes the Huron City Manager position vacant. The current Finance Director is **Jack Castro** and the City Clerk/Administrative Assistant is **Juanita Veliz**.

"Sometimes people want you to remember things that you never knew!" --Anonymous



More Pieces Picked Up: **Ben Harvey** is the Avalon City Manager. Ben took the place of part-time City Manager **Steve Hoefs**. Ben previously worked for the Southern California Edison Company and the City of Bellflower. Retired Huntington Park City Manager **Gregory Korduner** was spotted on the Ironwood Nine golf course in the City of Cerritos on Wednesday, September 24. It was a nice day for golf. Greg recently served as the Interim City Manager in Los Alamitos. **Adolfo Reta**, who served as the Interim City Manager in Monterey Park from July, 2007 until, June, 2008, has just recently completed his first year with Willdan Engineering, a sister company to City Manager Newsletter by Trackdown Sponsor **Willdan Financial Services**. Adolfo works from the company's City of Industry offices. He previously served as the Director of Development Services in Monterey Park. **Maria Aliotti**, Development Manager in Pittsburg, California earned a BA from St. Mary's College of California. She joined the Pittsburg staff as an Administrative Analyst in 2002. Retired City Manager **Ronald Kiedrowski** currently works for the Kashubian Association of North America. Ron has relocated to Florida. He served as the City Manager in Show Low, Arizona (1984-1986), and in California with La Quinta (1986-1992) and American Canyon (1992-1994). Ron also served as the Assistant City Manager in San Pablo from 1995 to 2003. Ron earned a Masters in Urban Planning from Wayne State University. He also has a BS in economics from North Dakota State University. Following an employee evaluation, Oakley City Manager **Bryan Montgomery** was rewarded with a modest salary increase and a number of improvements to his employment agreement.



Pat Martel, City Manager in Daly City, is the incoming President-Elect of the International City/County Management Association (**ICMA**). Here is a picture of Pat wearing the **Wade McKinney** colors! Wade is the President of the California City Management Foundation (CCMF) and the City Manager in Indian Wells. In the Executive Board group picture, Pat is seen on the left in the front row. She is the only California City Manager on the new Executive Board. Pat is a **USC** alumnus. She previously served in the Cities of Inglewood, South San Francisco and with the City and County of San Francisco.



Glendale Assistant City Manager **Yasmin Beers** earned a BA from California State University, Northridge, and an MA from Woodbury University. Yasmin speaks "Farsi" and is proficient in "Armenian." She joined the Glendale staff as Deputy City Manager in February, 2000, and was appointed ACM in August, 2011. Ceres City Manager **Toby Wells** joined the Ceres city staff in August, 2011 as the Deputy City Manager/Public Works Director-City Engineer. Toby began his career in 1992 as an engineer with the Fresno Metropolitan Flood Control District. He then worked for Turlock and Livermore prior to working in the private sector. Toby earned an AA in civil engineering at Modesto Junior College and a BS in Civil Engineering from California State University, Fresno. **Gene Luevano**, President of the Frontier Youth Baseball League in Cerritos, is celebrating a 12-years work anniversary with the Department of Homeland Security Transportation Security Administration. Gene serves as an Assistant Federal Security Director-Surface. He joined the DHS/TSA in October, 2002. Gene earned a BS in Criminal Justice from National University. Cerrell Associates Vice President **Marc Mitchell** serves as a Planning Commissioner in the City of Redondo Beach. Marc graduated with a BA in business from the University of Northern Iowa.