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Central Coast City Manager's Summer Social in Solvang. Each year the bi-county City Managers representing cities in Santa Barbara and San Luis Obispo Counties get together for a summer social event. This year it was a dinner in Santa Ynez followed by a performance of Forever Plaid at the PCPA outdoor arena. Pictured are Santa Barbara City Administrator **Jim Armstrong**, Santa Maria City Manager **Rick Haydon**, Lompoc City Administrator **Patrick Wiemiller**, Guadalupe City Administrator **Andrew Carter** and Grover Beach City Manager **Bob Perrault** and their wives. Special "Thanks" to Rick for providing the picture.

## City Managers with a Gridley City Connection

We are presenting yet another issue in our "Connection" series. This time we travel northerly from Yuba City to the growing City of Gridley. Gridley is changing, becoming livelier. Historic buildings are being restored, and the city is being renewed.

Gridley, a city in Butte County, California, was founded by **George W. Gridley**. George attempted to drive sheep and cattle from Illinois to California, but fail on his first trip, as he lost his animals along the way. George later returned to Illinois, and this time returned with about 600 sheep. He settled in Gridley and built a home on land covering about 960 acres.


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A post office was establishment in 1862 in the little settlement of Gridley, which signaled the official beginning of a new town. In 1869 the California & Oregon Railroad traded property with **George Gridley** for land in town for ranch land west of the present-day city. With the completion of the Central Pacific Railroad track in 1870, the Town of Gridley witnessed a significant development spurt. Gridley incorporated on November 23, 1905.

According to the state Department of Finance, Gridley actually is shrinking in population. It was one of 71 California cities to lose residents in 2004. At January 1, 2004 Gridley's population was 5,702, which is 55 fewer people than it was a year earlier.



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Gridley is still home to many rice and fruit growers. At one time Gridley was the kiwi Capital of the United State. Reportedly, local people cringe at the sound of "kiwi" these days, since Australian subsidies have squelched California kiwi production.



Former City Manager **Kevin O'Rourke** during a Summer vacation trip in Australia 2014. Kevin retired as the City Manager in Fairfield in 2008. Since then he has completed "interim" assignments in Stockton, County of Solano, Woodland and Santa Ana. He is currently affiliated with **PARS** as a Senior Consultant.



Gridley also was once declared the cling peach center of the nation. Libby's used to be the World's largest peach cannery, but the cannery in Gridley was sold and then closed. It put about 1,000 people out of work. According to the State Employment Development Department, Gridley unemployment hovers around 14 percent. The Signature Fruit Co., formerly Libby's, has stood vacant on Virginia Street in Gridley. It has been reminder of bygone days, when Gridley was a bustling town.

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Gridley's Police Department has provided contract services to the City of Biggs for police and animal control services since 2001. The city actually changed the name of its police department to the Gridley-Biggs Police Department (PD).

Gridley provides and maintains a boat launch area on the Feather River as one of its recreation facilities. The City of Gridley delivers municipal services with a combination of in-house staff, contracts with other agencies and contracts with private contractors.

At one time Gridley provided fire protection services directly, but the city now relies on contract service with CALFIRE. The City also relies on collaboration with the County to share the costs of operating a volunteer fire station; the City contributes the facilities and the County provides the volunteers.



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"You may fire when you are ready, Gridley."  
---Commodore **George Dewey** to Captain **Charles Gridley** on the USS Olympia in 1898, in Manila Bay



## City Managers with a Gridley City Connection

Gridley's leadership has been innovative and willing to think outside the box; extremely important during the economic downturn. Among imaginative actions by the city is the Gridley Police Department providing law enforcement services to the nearby City of Biggs. Biggs is just up the road and has also taken the initiative to address budget needs with open minds.

Gridley's current City Administrator is **Robert E. Hickey Jr.** He served in the United States Air Force from 1974 to 1997. After leaving the Air Force as an Aircraft Maintenance Superintendent, he was selected to serve as the City Manager in Live Oak, California. He was the Live Oak City Manager from 1999 to 2007, when he was appointed City Manager/Director of Finance in Colusa. He served in Colusa between 2007 and 2008. In 2008 he was appointed to his current assignment as the Gridley City Administration. Bob earned a BS from Embry Riddle Aeronautical University. He is currently recommended for approval as an ICMA Credentialed Manager.



Retired City Managers **Larry Pennell** and **Gale Wilson**, and their spouses recently met for a mini-reunion in Roseville. Gale served as City Manager of Fairfield from 1956 to 1988. Larry served as Gale's summer intern, and later assistant from 1969 to 1972.



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Country singer/musician and ICMA Life Member **Randy L. Johnsen** started his public management career in 1968 as an Administrative Intern in Lakewood. In 1969 Randy became an Administrative Assistant in Santa Fe Springs, working there for 5-years. In 1974 he was appointed Assistant City Manager in Colton, and in 1978 he took an Assistant County Administrator post in San Bernardino County with offices in Montclair. Randy was selected to serve as the City Manager of Cotati in 1984 and he worked in that post until 1991. He was appointed to a County Administrator position in Amador County with offices in One. Randy was selected to serve as the Orland City Manager in 1995. In 2001 he was chosen to serve as the first City Manager in Lakeport history. (Lakeport was incorporated in 1888. It is the oldest city in Lake County, California.) He retired from Lakeport in 2006. In 2008 Randy served as the Interim City Administrator in Gridley. Randy earned a BA from Occidental College and an MS from California State University, Long Beach. In 2006 Randy was the recipient of a 35-year ICMA Service Award. He served as a member of the Board of City Manager's Department of the League of California Cities in 1988-1989.



Retired Rosemead City Manager **Frank G. Tripepi** of Willdan, and La Puente City Manager **David Carmany** at an Angel's game in Anaheim.



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**John W. Slota** began his long local government career in 1971 as an Administrative Assistant in the Orange County City of Placentia, where the current City Administrator is **Troy Butzlaff**. Jack was elevated to Assistant to the Placentia City Administrator in 1978, and in 1982 he was appointed Assistant City Administrator. Jack left Placentia in 1993 when he was selected to serve as the City Administrator in Gridley. He worked in Gridley between 1993 and 2008. In 2008, Jack served as the Interim City Administrator in Huron, California. In 2009 he took an assignment as a Local Government Advisor in Iraq through ICMA. In 2010 and 2012, he served as a Provincial Reconstruction Team Senior Governance Specialist for the U.S. State Department in Iraq. In January, 2012 Jack became a Community Recovery Assistance Crew Leader for the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). He also currently serves in Community Recovery. He has been deployed to upstate New York (2012), New Jersey (2013), and Colorado (2014). Jack earned a BA and MPA from California State University, Fullerton. He also earned a California Community College Instructor Credential in 1990. In 2006 he received a 35-year ICMA Service Award. He is a Life Member of ICMA. He is an ICMA Credentialed Manager (1997).

"Look at him. He doesn't drink, he doesn't smoke, he doesn't chew, he doesn't stay out late, and he still can't hit .250." -- **Casey Stengel**

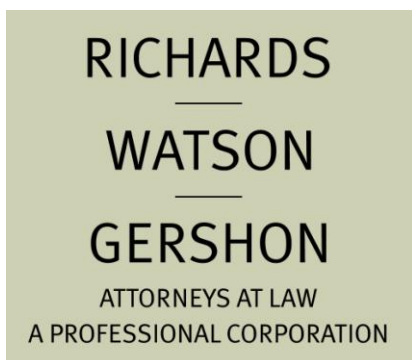


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**Andrea Redamonti** began her career as a City Planner and Assistant to the City Manager in Larkspur in February, 1990. In April, 1994 she started a Peace Corps assignment in Chile as a Municipal Management Advisor and Volunteer Coordinator. In August, 1999 Andrea went to work for Caltrans in the Redding area, and in August, 2000 she joined the staff at PMC as a Planner. She started her work in Gridley as a PMC consultant and joined the Gridley staff in February, 2002 as the Community Development Director. She was appointed to that post by former City Administrator **Jack Slota**. In September, 2012 she left the Gridley staff and returned to PMC as a Planner/Project Manager in the Chico area. Andrea earned a BA in Urban Studies from San Francisco State University and an MA in Public Administration from California State University, Chico.

In 2000 **Brad Wilkie** was appointed to the Gridley Finance Director position, replacing **Dean Price**, who resigned from the position to become a full-time Police Officer in Gridley. Brad is a graduate of Stamford Central High School in the State of New York. He is also a graduate of the University of California, Santa Barbara. After graduating, he worked in the banking industry in Santa Barbara for 5-years. He joined the Gridley staff after serving as an auditor with Sutter Health in Sacramento. Brad left Gridley in 2009 to accept appointment to the Financial Services Manager position in Lompoc. The Gridley Finance Director post remains vacant at this point.

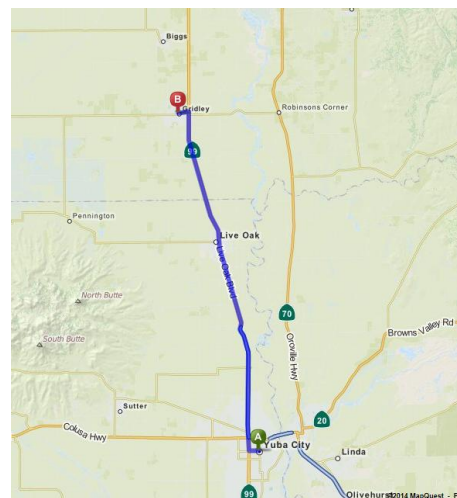
"Persistence can change failure into extraordinary achievement."

--Matt Biondi, former USA Olympic Swimmer



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**Malanee Montero** was appointed Recreation Director in the City of Gridley in August, 2003. Immediately prior to her appointment to the Director post, she served as the Recreation Coordinator for the City. Before joining the Gridley staff Malanee worked for the Chico Area Recreation and Park District, and the Paradise Recreation and Park District. Malanee is from Paradise, California. She graduated from Paradise Senior High School, and attended classes at California State University, Sacramento. She also studied Recreation, Parks and Tourism at California State University, Chico.



Here we see the way north from Yuba City to Gridley and Biggs; just up the road a piece.



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Biggs City Administrator **Mark Sorensen** had a long career in the private sector beginning in 1981 in the Los Angeles Region where he worked for the RCA Service Company. In 1986 General Electric acquired RCA and Mark became a Zone Office Manager for the company. From 1990 until 2012 Mark was the Owner, General Manager of an information technology private business in Chico. In December, 2010 Mark was elected to the Chico City Council and served for nearly a complete 4-year term. He was appointed to the Biggs City Administrator post in August, 2012.

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Former Biggs City Administrator **Peter R. Carr** is currently the Orland City Manager. Pete began his career in the private sector including 12-years with two Fortune 100 companies. Pete, 54, served in the United States Air Force from 1986 to 1990, and was a Captain when he left the service in Washington. He went to work in private industry from 1990 to 2006. Pete was appointed City Administrator in Biggs, California in 2007, and after serving in that post for some five-years he was selected to serve as the Orland City Manager starting in 2012. Pete earned a BA in business administration from California State University, Sacramento. Pete has volunteered as a coach and adviser for the Boy Scouts and youth baseball teams.





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**Kenneth McDonald** is a former City Administrator in Biggs. He left to take the Finance Director position in Crescent City, where he served from May, 2008 until July, 2013. In July, 2013 Ken was appointed to serve as the Firebaugh City Manager, taking over from Interim City Manager **Ron Manfredi**. In addition to his service as the Biggs City Administrator, Ken also previously served with the City of Brian Head, Utah. Ken earned a BS in accounting from Arizona State University, and an MBA from the University of Nevada, La Vegas.

**Dean Price** is the Gridley-Biggs Chief of Police. He was official administered the oath of office at a Gridley City Council meeting in February, 2014. He actually began his new duties as Chief in January following the retirement of former Police Chief **Gary Keeler**. Dean has worked for the City of Gridley for 18-years, starting as the Finance Director. He began his police service as a reserve and worked his way up to full-time officer, Sergeant, Lieutenant and Assistant Chief. In addition to his BA and Master's degrees, Dean graduated from the FBI Academy in Quantico, Virginia in 2011. He is only the second Gridley officer to attend the FBI Academy.



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Many other names were discovered but nobody with career-path information listed with the ICMA Who's Who directory. Building Official **Keith Gebhardt** and City Engineer **Bruce Nash** are listed on the city staff roster, as are Animal Control Officer **Amy Burgess**, and Electrical Superintendent **Daryl Dye**.

Former Public Works Director **Alvin Davis**, a post that remains open; former Gridley-Biggs Police Chiefs **Gary Keeler** and **Jack Storne** also get mentions.

**Wells Fargo & Co.** opened an office in Gridley in 1871.

1984 Olympic Women's Discus Silver Medalist **Leslie Jean Deniz** of Gridley was mentioned in more than one place. Leslie was born in Oakland and competed in the 1984 Olympics in Los Angeles.

Gridley and Biggs have demonstrated the ability to think outside the box to continue providing necessary public services throughout the economic downturn, and revenue reductions caused by State actions. We salute the leadership in Gridley and Biggs, California.



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## Crime Does Not Pay Town

You never know what you will find when you begin research. Former Gridley Accounting Clerk/Human Resources Executive **Gloria Gonzalez** pleaded guilty on July 24, 2013 to felony counts of embezzlement, cashing a check with non-sufficient funds, filing a false tax return and receiving a fraudulent tax refund. Three of her family members were given probation for their roles in embezzling more than \$438,000. Gloria was arrested for embezzling money from the City of Gridley's employee health savings reimbursement account and cashing city checks not issued to her. Gloria, 48, of Live Oak, was sentenced by Butte County Superior Court Judge **Tamara Mosbarger** to 7-years in State Prison. She had worked in the Finance Department of the City of Gridley for 15-years.



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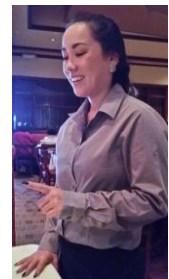
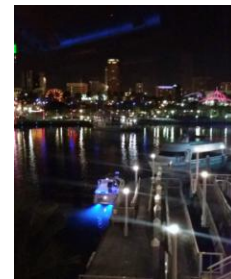
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**Picking Up the Pieces:** Patterson City Manager **Rod B. Butler** submitted his resignation on August 6, 2014 after serving the city for three years. Brad previously worked in Pomona, Ontario, Claremont, and Chino, and is a former City Manager in Crescent City. He earned a BA from the University of California, Riverside, and an MPA from California State University, Long Beach. According to Patterson Human Resource Manager **Danielle Tucci**, Brad plans to relocate to Upland, where his family is located. He will officially vacate the Patterson City Manager post in late September. **Eric Figueroa** has been appointed Assistant City Manager in San Ramon. Eric has worked with the League of California Cities for the past 8 and a half years. Eric served as the President of the Municipal Management Association of Northern California (MMANC) in 2005 when he was serving as the Assistant to the City Manager in San Leandro. East Palo Alto City Manager **Magda Gonzalez** has been appointed to the Half Moon Bay City Manager's position. She will be taking over for Interim City Manager **Stuart Schillinger**, who is the Administrative Services Director in Brisbane and has been filling in to assist Half Moon Bay since the resignation of former City Manager **Laura Snideman** in March. Magda is an attorney and has worked for San Bruno, and Belmont prior to her East Palo Alto assignment. El Paso, Texas Deputy City Manager **Sean McGlynn** has been selected to serve as the next Santa Rosa City Manager. Prior to his appointment to the Deputy City Manager post, Sean was the Director of the City of El Paso's Museums and Cultural Affairs Department. Sean earned a Masters Degree in Theater from the University of California, Los Angeles (**UCLA**) and a BA in history from the University of Pittsburgh. Santa Monica City Manager **Rod Gould**, 57, a past-President of the City Managers' Department of the League of California Cities (2004-2006), has announced that he plans to retire from his Santa Monica position at the end of January, 2015. Rod previously served as the City Manager in Monrovia, San Rafael, and Poway. Rod is also a former Assistant City Manager in Walnut Creek. He earned an MPA from Harvard University. Former Selma Mayor **Ken Grey** is the new Selma City Manager. The Mayor resigned July 1. He will be taking over for Interim City Manager **D-B Heusser**. Selma City Clerk **Reyna Rivera** officiated at a swearing in ceremony officially making the former Mayor the new Selma City Manager. He submitted a letter of resignation to City Attorney **Neal Costanzo** resigning from the

Selma City Council to avoid a conflict of interest. City Manager **D-B Heusser** retired effective July 1 after about 14-years in office. Ken and his wife Maria are recipients of the Fresno Arts Council's Horizon Award. Prior to Ken's election to the Selma City Council, they were local business owners. **Oscar de la Torre** is engineering the political power to cause the termination of Santa Monica City Manager **Rod Gould**. Oscar runs the Pico Youth and Family Center, a nonprofit organization, and the city has been critical of the fiscal records keeping by the Center. Oscar is seeking re-election to the Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District Board of Education. Rod, of course, has declined to comment. It has been said that this political move smacks of Chicago-style "Boss" politics, and misses the objectives of the Council-Manager Plan. League of California Cities' executive **Kristine Guerrero's** baby arrived at 7:55 p.m. on July 10. Her name is **Ruby Elyse Ramirez** and she weighed in at 7 pounds and 15 ounces, and she was 21 inches long. Congratulations to Baby Elyse and her mother Kris.



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**More Pieces Picked Up:** Former Visalia City Manager **Steve Salomon** has been selected to serve as the Brentwood Interim City Manager replacing City Manager **Paul Eldredge**, who resigned recently resigned

from the position. Steve previously served as City Manager in Watsonville, Hercules and Albany. **JoAnne Speers**, who served as the Executive Director for the Institute for Local Government from January, 1998 until May, 2014, has taken an Adjunct Faculty position with the University of San Francisco, School of Management. She will be teaching in the School of Management's Masters of Nonprofit Administration, and the Masters of Public Administration programs. Prior to taking the post with the Institute, JoAnne served as the General Counsel to the League of California Cities between 1989 and 2006. The Institute provides strategic direction to the California State Association of Counties (CSAC), and the League of California Cities research arm. JoAnne has earned a reputation as a very good wake-boarder. City officials in Antioch have confirmed the death of Council Member **Gary Agopian**, who passed away following a battle with brain cancer. **Steven A. Duran** serves as the Antioch City Manager. The Council Member was elected in November, 2010 and announced his brain cancer diagnosis in September, 2013. Trackdown condolences go out to Gary's family and friends and to the Antioch community. Retired City Manager **Glenn Southard**, currently a principal with Southard Consulting, is a Founding member of the California City Management Foundation, and a CCMF past President. Glen retired from Indio in April, 2010. He previously served as the Claremont City Manager from June, 1988 until April, 2005. Santa Rosa Assistant City Manager and Chief Financial Officer **Jennifer Phillips** is the new St. Helena City Manager. Jennifer was hired to the Santa Rosa ACM post in March, 2011. Prior to that she served as a Special Projects Manager for the Orange County CEO. She earned a BA and MPA from California State University, Long Beach. City Manager **Charles "Charlie" McClendon** of Cathedral City has appointed **Christopher Parman** to the city's Communication and Events Manager. Chris comes to Cathedral City from Copper Mountain College where he teaches Communication Studies. He previously worked on the staff of the 18th Assembly District. He earned a BA from Kansas State University and a Master's from the University of Oklahoma. Rancho Cucamonga City Manager **John Gillison** was appointed to the Board - Emergency Medical Care Committee

(EMCC) for the Inland Counties Emergency Medical Agency in March of this year (2014). The EMCC annually reviews the ambulance services operating within the County of San Bernardino, reviews and comments on proposed EMS legislation, plans, protocols and policies to be adopted by ICEMA. John continues to serve as the Rancho Cucamonga City Manager. He has served in that post since August, 2011. City Manager **Dale Shaddox** earned a MA in Public Administration in 1985 from California State University, Chico. He has served as City Manager in Yreka, Cotati and Hollister. He moved to Oregon in 2005 and served as City Manager in Brookings in 2005, and Phoenix, Oregon in 2007. He has also filled interim rolls in Oregon in Talent, Myrtle Creek and Gold Hill. He received a 30-year ICMA Service Award in 2006. Long-time La Mirada Public Works Director **Steve Forster**, 49, is currently serving as the Business Development & Project Delivery Manager Vice President for APA Engineering, Inc. in Irvine. Steve was the La Mirada Public Works Director from 1997 until 2013, and worked with the City for 23-years. Sacramento Business Journal Columnist **Ed Goldman** published a column on Elk Grove City Manager **Laura Gill** on July 15, 2014. Laura was appointed to the Elk Grove City Manager position in 2008. Previous to that she served as the Chief Administrative Officer for El Dorado County. Laura is a Kentucky native. **Jennifer Quan** earned a BA from the University of California, Irvine and an MPP at the University of Southern California (**USC**). She has worked with the League of California Cities since December, 2001, and recently became the Executive Director of the League's Los Angeles County Division. Jennifer's hometown is Diamond Bar. **G. David Huntoon**, a long-time Fellow with the Rose Institute of State & Local Government, and former Director of the Los Angeles County Economic Development Corporation passed away after a long battle with melanoma. Dave is a past President of the Claremont McKenna College Alumni Association (1973-1974). He earned an MBA from the University of Southern California (**USC**) after graduating from Claremont McKenna College. In lieu of flowers, the family requests contributions to the Huntoon Senior Teaching Award Endowment Fund at Claremont McKenna College, 400 North Claremont Boulevard, Claremont, California 97111 or online at [www.cmc.edu/giving](http://www.cmc.edu/giving).





**Still More Pieces Picked Up:** Retired Vista City Manager **Rita Geldert**, who served as the President of the CCMF Board, has endured 10 major medical procedures and is looking at a little more than a year in recovery starting from first operation in October, 2013. She is reportedly in good spirits. She is an amazing person. We join all of her friends and family to send her best wishes for a full recovery. Former California City Manager **Brad Baxter** is currently serving in Iraq managing one of the largest Economic Development Projects in USAID history in that country. He is working with private sector investment developing job opportunities for Iraqi citizens. Working with more than 1,000 international firms the program has assisted developing job placement for more than 10,000 Iraqi citizens across the country. Brad continues to manage the project during the current security crisis in Iraq. Brad is a former City Manager in Rio Vista and Irwindale. Piedmont City Administrator **Paul Benoit** is a former Astoria, Oregon City Manager. He replaced retiring Piedmont City Administrator **Geoffrey Grote** in earlier this year (2014). Paul was appointed to the Astoria City Manager post in December, 2005. He earned a BS in Marine Science and Environmental Management from the University of Rhode Island, and an MA from the University of Washington. Sacramento Mayor **Kevin Johnson** is the new President of the U.S. Conference of Mayors beginning in April. His term is scheduled to end in June, 2015. Mayor Johnson is a former NBA player. The Sacramento City Manager is **John Shirey**. Millbrae City Manager **Marcia Raines** previously served as the City Manager in Martinez (1997-2000) and Half Moon Bay (2006-2009). Marcia served as the Environmental Services Director for San Mateo County between those two City Manager assignments. She was appointed Millbrae City Manager in 2009. Marcia started her public service career in 1974 as a Planner in West Covina. Marcia is a long-time member of the CCMF Board and has served on the Cal-ICMA Board since 2010. **Kelly J. Kiki** of Spokane, Washington coached wrestling for two-years at El Segundo High School when Kelly and



his wife Dawn lived in El Segundo. The picture here shows Kelly and Dawn on the Manhattan Beach Pier. Hawthorne City Manager **Mike**

**Goodson** "un-retired" to accept the City Manager appointment in 2012 at the age of 64. Mike retired in 2004 after serving 17-years as the Hawthorne Planning Director. He joined the Hawthorne staff as

a Housing Administrator in 1978 and was appointed Planning Director in 1986. Mike took over as City Manager from Interim City Manager **Arnie Shadbeh**, the City's Public Works Director. Mike is a member of the Kiwanis Club of Hawthorne. **Carol Martin** retired as the City Manager for the City of Shasta Lake in November, 2012. She had been the City Manager since 2006 and was previously the Finance and Administrative Services Director for the city since 1997. Prior to working with Shasta Lake, Carol was the Finance Director for the Anderson. Carol earned a MBA from Chico State University. She currently holds the position as Financial Controller for Vigilant Canine Services International. When she left Shasta Lake she recommended that Assistant City Manager **John Duckett** be appointed City Manager. John has served as City Manager since December, 2012. Former Washington and Sacramento lobbyist **Tyrone D. Bland** has joined **Englander Knabe & Allen (EKA)** as a Senior Vice President in charge of water and infrastructure. Tyrone is a Los Angeles native and an alumnus of the University of California, Berkeley and the University of California, Los Angeles (**UCLA**) School of Public Policy. He has served as a featured political and policy commentator on FOX News, KFI Talk Radio, MSNBC, and with the Los Angeles Times and the Washington Post. **Englander Knabe & Allen** is a strategic communications firm specializing in lobbying, public affairs and issues and crisis communications and litigation support. Former Roseville Deputy City Manager **Julia Burrows** is currently serving as the Corporate Relations & Advancement Vice President for Enable Energy LLC with offices in Auburn. Founded in 2013, the company focuses on clean energy technology, project development, construction and consultative serves.

## History of Bellflower City Administrators/City Managers

<b>Carl E. Berry</b>	City Administrator	1957 -1966
<b>Ralph W. Bradley</b>	City Administrator	1966 -1968
<b>William O. McConnell</b>	Acting City Admin.	1968
<b>Peter B. Feenstra</b>	City Administrator	1968 -1976
<b>William O. McConnell</b>	Acting City Admin.	1976
<b>Edward G. Alario</b>	City Administrator	1976 -1977
<b>Jean S. Koch</b>	City Administrator	1977 -1978
<b>John W. Jameson</b>	City Administrator	1979 -1980
<b>Jack A. Simpson</b>	City Administrator	1980 -1993
<b>Linda C.(Manning) Lowry</b>	City Administrator	1993 -1997
<b>Michael J. Egan</b>	City Administrator	1997 -2005
	City Manager	2005 -2011
<b>Leo L. Mingle, Jr.</b>	Interim City Manager	2011 -2012
<b>Jeffrey L. Stewart</b>	City Manager	2012 -Present