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Brigham Young University's California City Management Community

Brigham Young University has an impressive group of alumni. Many have joined the California ranks of professional municipal public managers. We have devised a list of many of these professionals for this City Manager Newsletter by Trackdown list.

According to the university web page, Brigham Young University traces its historical roots to Utah's rich pioneer heritage. The original school, Brigham Young Academy, was established Ocober 16, 1875, on a little over one acre of land in what is now downtown Provo, Utah. At that time, **Brigham Young** was President of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

Andrew Walter "Andy" Reid, born in Los Angeles, is the head coach of the Philadelphia Eagles and a Brigham Young University alumnus.

Trying to "practice what we preach"! Here are four retired City Managers who have been getting together periodically for social interchange. From the left: **Greg Korduner**, who served as City Manager in South El Monte, El Monte and Huntington Park; **Ernie Garcia**, recently retired from the City Manager post in Norwalk; Trackdown Management's **Jack Simpson**, former City Manager in Bellflower, Paramount and Hawaiian Gardens; and **Ray Harris**, a former Bellflower Assistant, and City Manager in Hawaiian Gardens who retired as the Transportation Deputy to Los Angeles County Supervisor **Don Knabe**. Ray also worked for the RTD and on the staff of former Assembly Speaker Pro Tem **Frank Vicencia**. While they used to get together to talk about public policy and the like, recent conversations are more likely to be about aches and pains and recent medical procedures.

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Despite steady growth during its early years, the Academy was threatened by a series of setbacks, both financial and physical. With the help and sacrifice of **Abraham O. Smoot**, the campus moved in 1891 to new facilities on University Avenue. The Academy's curriculum strengthened and enrollment grew. In 1903, the name was officially changed to *Brigham Young University* (BYU).

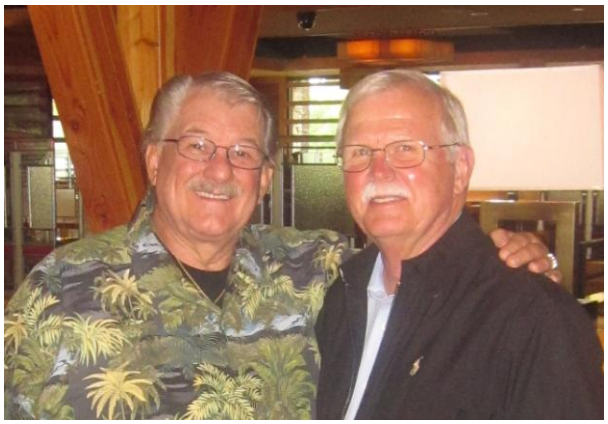
Successive administrations oversaw the university's growth in the number of buildings and the size of the student body. The university's academic development was signified by the inauguration of the school's first doctoral program in 1957. With the help of its committed Presidents, BYU has continued to grow, refine its mission and pursue excellence in many academic areas.

Remember November:

Veterans Day, November 11 (End of WWI in 1918): Veterans Day is the U.S. holiday celebrating the official end of World War I on November 11, 1918. It commemorates the anniversary of the signing of the armistice that ended World War I and was originally celebrated, and still in some countries, as Armistice Day.

Thanksgiving Day in 2011 is November 24: Thanksgiving is a U.S. Holiday to give thanks for the harvest season. It is a time for family and friends to gather together for a dinner or feast. When Europeans first arrived to the Americas, they brought with them their own harvest festival traditions from Europe, celebrating their safe voyage, peace and good harvest. In the United States, the modern Thanksgiving holiday tradition traces its origins to a 1621 celebration at Plymouth in present-day Massachusetts. There is also evidence for an earlier harvest celebration on the continent by Spanish explorers in Florida during 1565, as well as thanksgiving feasts in the Virginia Colony. The 1621 Plymouth feast and Thanksgiving was prompted by a good harvest. While initially, the Plymouth colony did not have enough food to feed half of the 102 colonists, the Wampanoag Native Americans helped the Pilgrims by providing seeds and teaching them to fish. The practice of holding an annual harvest festival like this did not become a regular affair in New England until the late 1660s.

Flower of the Month is the **Chrysanthemum**
The November Birth Stone is the: **Topaz** and **Citrine**



Trackdown's **Jack Simpson** and **Jim Barisic** of Brandywine

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Today, under the leadership of President **Cecil O. Samuelson**, the university remains dedicated to the integration of academic excellence with faith in Jesus Christ and His restored gospel.

Brigham Young University is sponsored by The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and is part of the Church Educational System, which serves more than 1.2 million people in 144 countries worldwide. In addition to students at BYU in Provo, Utah; BYU-Hawaii in Laie, Hawaii; BYU-Idaho in Rexburg, Idaho; and LDS Business College in Salt Lake City, Utah, hundreds of thousands throughout the world are being served in continuing education and literacy programs, seminaries and institutes of religion and elementary and secondary schools.

Among the professional athletes from Brigham Young University include: **Wally Joyner**, a former player with MLB's Angels; **Steve Young**, a former All-Pro quarterback with the San Francisco 49ers; Oakland Raiders former tight-end **Todd Christensen**; two-time Super Bowl quarterback **Jim McMahon**; and also 1994 Heisman Trophy winner **Ty Detmer**. Professional golfer **Johnny Miller** is a BYU alumnus too, along with 2008 ASP Women's Long Board World Champion professional surfer **Joy Monahan**.

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Of course, we did not discover every California City Manager who is a Brigham Young University alumnus, but with the aid of the ICMA Who's Who Directory, we have pieced together a good representative list. We apologize in advance to anyone we missed. Please understand that no one is left off a list on purpose. We hope you enjoy the read.

Robert F. Adams retired as the Manteca City Manager in 2008. Bob has a BA and MPA from Brigham Young University. He began his public management career in 1974 as an Administrative Intern in Visalia. In 1975 he was hired onto the Visalia staff as an Administrative Assistant. Bob left Visalia in 1977 to take an Administrative Assistant post in Santa Rosa, and in 1981 he was appointed City Manager in Dinuba. After 7-years in Dinuba, Bob was selected to serve as the Lafayette City Manager in 1988. In 1996 Bob took the Manteca City Manager position. Since his 2008 retirement he has done a few "interim" assignments, including Interim Development Services Director in Vallejo for former Vallejo City Manager **Joe Tanner**; and Interim City Manager in Vallejo (2009-2010). Bob received a 30-year ICMA Service Award in 2005. He is a former member of the Executive Board for the City Managers' Department of the League of California Cities (1998-1999).

Trackdown Posse Roster:

Gregory Korduner, Retired, Huntington Park
Howard Chambers, Lakewood
Mike Egan, Norwalk
Lyle Defenbaugh, CalTrust
Ernie Garcia, Retired Norwalk
Joe Tanner, Retired City Manager
Bob Adams, Retired City Manager
Dave Carmany, Manhattan Beach
Maria Dadian, Artesia
Ken Bayless, Greater L.A. Vector Control District
Kevin O'Rourke, KOLGS.
Tom Odom, Rancho Palos Verdes
George Rodericks, Belvedere
June Catalano, Pleasant Hill
Nelson Oliva, City Manager in Transition
Richard Ramirez, American Canyon
Vern Lawson, Lancaster
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Jan Perkins, Management Partners/ICMA
Andy Takata, Banning
Marcia Raines, Millbrae
Anthony R. Ybarra, South El Monte
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Ken Caresio, Retired Duarte City Manager
Greg Nordbak, Republic Services, Inc.
Carlos Urrutia, Retired Rocklin City Manager
Michael P. Busch, President, Urban Futures, Inc.
Wade McKinney, Atascadero
Andy Lazzaretto, A.C. Lazzaretto & Associates
Doug LaBelle (Maui Doug), Chino Hills (Retired)
John Keisler, Long Beach
Sheryl Lindsey-Boell, CH2MHILL OMI
Sam Olivito, California Contract Cities Association
Jack Lam, Rancho Cucamonga
Larry F. Pennell, Wasco (Retired)
Gary Chicots, Retired City Manager
Rod B. Butler, Patterson
Debbie Smith, Independent Cities Association
Fred Latham, Retired Santa Fe Springs
Anthony Lopez, Retired City Manager
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Fred Diaz, Fremont
Linda Lowry, Pomona
Mike & Judie Sedell, Simi Valley
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Roy Pederson, ICMA Past-President
Bruce Williams, Retired City Manager
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Bill Holt, Retired City Manager & Executive Director of CJPIA
Oliver Chi, Barstow Assistant City Manager
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Troy Butzlaff, Placentia
Tim D'Zmura, Interwest Consulting Group
Clay J. Curtin, Manhattan Beach
Mindy Lynn Jacobs, Intellibridge Partners
Rod Foster, Colton
Gerald Forde, Huron

Cousins: Tammy and her sister Ashley posing at the lake over the summer. Tammy and her family live in Redding.

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Frank I. Benest began his public management career in 1970 as a Recreation Supervisor in Covina. In 1974 Frank became a Program Administrator in Gardena, where he was promoted to Human Services Director in 1975. In 1986 Frank left Gardena to become the City Manager in Colton, where he worked until his appointment in 1989 as the Brea City Manager. Frank spent 11-years at the helm in Brea, and in 2000 he was recruited to be the City Manager in Palo Alto, where he retired in 2008. Since he left Palo Alto, Frank has established the firm: Dr. Frank Benest for Consulting and Training for Public Agencies. Frank also serves as a Senior Advisor to the ICMA Next Generation Initiatives. He also teaches classes at Stanford University. Frank earned a BA from Yale University; an MPA from California State University, Long Beach; and an EdD from Brigham Young University. He is a past President of the City Managers' Department of the League of California Cities (2001-2002); and he served on the ICMA Executive Board as a Regional Vice President , 2003-2006. Frank received a 2011 ICMA Distinguished Service Award presented at the 97th Annual Conference in Milwaukee this past September. He also is the recipient of the 2003 ICMA Clarence E. Ridley Award and he was recognized in 2001 with the ICMA Award for Skill in Intergovernmental Relations. Frank earned a 35-year ICMA Service Award in 2005.

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Grant R. Brimhall began his public service career in 1961 as a Teaching Assistant at Brigham Young University, Utah. He took an Administrative Intern post in Culver City in 1962, and served as a **USC** Research Assistant from 1963-1964. Grant took an Administrative Intern post in 1964 in Monrovia. Later that year (1964) he was appointed Deputy City Manager in Claremont. Grant was selected to serve as City Manager in Glendora in 1969, and he served there until he was appointed City Manager in Thousand Oaks in 1978, where he served for 20-years. Grant served as the President of the City Managers' Department of the League of California Cities in 1987-1988. He earned a BS and MS at Brigham Young University, an MPA and a DPA at **USC**. In 2001 Grant was the recipient of the ICMA International Award in Memory of Orin Nolting. He received a 35-year ICMA Service Award in 1997. Since retiring from Thousand Oaks, Grant served as a Managing Director for MBIA MuniServices Company.

Alan P. Christensen began his public management career in 1990 as a Finance Analyst in the City of Visalia. He was promoted to Revenue Manager in 1993, and left Visalia in 1994 to become the City Administrator in Woodlake. In 1996 Alan became the Business Manager in Bakersfield and in 1998 he was appointed Assistant City Manager. Alan moved to Hanford in 2006 when he was appointed City Manager. He served as the Arvin City Manager beginning in 2007, and he was appointed to the Wasco City Manager post earlier this year (2011). Alan earned a BS and MPA from Brigham Young University. He received a 20-year ICMA Service Award in 2010.

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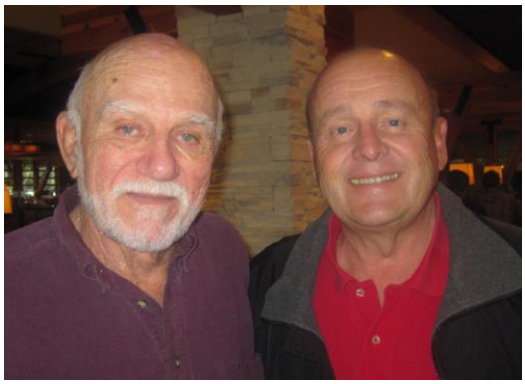

Retired L.A. County Sheriff's Department Commander **John Hammargren** and retired Rosemead Assistant City Manager **Don Wagner** at Wood Ranch in Cerritos.

W. L. Dredge served as the Tulare City Manager between 1971 and 1995; some 24-years. Lynn began his municipal government career in 1965 as an Administrative Assistant to the City Manager in Hanford. In 1967 he was appointed City Manager in Corcoran, and he left Corcoran in 1971 to take the Tulare City Manager post, and he retired from that position in 1995. Lynn earned a BS at Brigham Young University. He received a 25-year ICMA Service Award in 1990.

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This year Medford, Oregon City Manager **Michael H. Dyal** retired after more than 30-years in local government. Mike began his career in 1973 as an Administrative Intern in Los Altos Hills. Later that same year (1973), he became the Finance Director of Silver City, New Mexico, and in 1975 Mike was appointed City Manager in Silver City. In 1978 he took a Management Services Coordinator post in Clark County, Nevada, where he served until 1982. In 1982 Mike was selected to serve as the North Las Vegas City Manager. In 1994 he moved on to Orem, Utah as City Manager, and in 1998 he was selected for the Medford, Oregon City Manager post. Mike served on the ICMA Executive Board as a Regional Vice President (1988-1990). He is a former participant of the ICMA Exchange Program in Japan. Mike earned a BA from the University of Washington and an MS from Brigham Young University. He received a 35-year ICMA Service Award in 2008.

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City Manager **James C. Hardy** of Foster City started his municipal government career in 1978 as an Administrative Assistant in Inglewood. In 1979 Jim took a similar Administrative Assistant post in Torrance. Later that year (1979) he moved to Manhattan Beach as an Administrative Analyst. In 1981 Jim moved north to Foster City to become that city's Director of Administrative Services. In 1983 he was promoted to Foster City Assistant City Manager, and in 1994 he was appointed City Manager. Jim earned a BA and MPA at Brigham Young University. In 2009 he received a 30-year ICMA Service Award.

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John F. Hendrickson started his local government career in 1974 as an Administrative Assistant in Mapleton, Utah. He was appointed Payson, Utah's City Administrator in 1975. John's next position was City Administrator in Soda Springs, Idaho in 1981. In 1983 John was appointed City Administrator in Evanston, Wyoming, and in 1985 he moved to California as the City Manager in Wasco. After 11-years in Wasco, John move to the City Administrator post in Post Falls, Idaho, and in 1998 he was selected to serve as the City Administrator in North Ogden, Utah. John returned to California in 2002 as the City Manager in La Habra Heights. He served as City Manager in Draper, Utah in 2006, and became the City Administrator in Eagle Mountain, Utah in 2007, where he currently serves. John was born in San Francisco and he grew up in Wyoming and Virginia. He served as a Special Agent in Military Intelligence while serving in the U.S. Army. John earned an AA in biology at Ricks College, Idaho, and a BA and MPA at Brigham Young University. He received a 30-year ICMA Service Award in 2009. http://www.emcity.org/index.asp?Type=B_BASIC&SEC={3DEBB5A0-7785-41C7-B9B9-A8BBB967D2A3}

"Nobody who ever gave his best regretted it."
-- **George Halas**

Ricky A. Horst is a past President of the Utah City Management Association. Ricky, who is also called "Rick," began his career in 1989 as the Director of Public Works in Crestview, Florida, according to the ICMA Who's Who Directory. In 1992 he took the Director of Public Works post in Lynn Haven, Florida, and in 1994 he served as City Manager in Marianna, Florida. Later that same year (1994) Rick returned to Lynn Haven to become the City Manager in that community. In 1998 Rich moved westward to accept the City Manager post in Santa Clara, Utah, and in 2000 he took the South Jordan, Utah City Administrator position. In 2008 Rick moved back to Florida to take the Ocala, Florida City Manager position. It took a Nationwide search to find a replacement for long-time veteran Rocklin, California City Manager **Carlos Urrutia** when he retired, and Rick was tapped for his first position in California earlier this year (2011) as the Rocklin City Manager. Rick earned an AA at Okaloosa Walton, and a BS and MA at Brigham Young University. In 2010 he received a 20-year ICMA Service Award.

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Another past President of the Utah City Management Association (1987-1988) is retired Woodland City Manager **Richard L. Kirkwood**. Rick began his local government career in 1976 as the Assistant City Manager in Roy, Utah. In 1979 Rick was appointed City Manager in Roy, and in 1988 he moved to California to serve as the City Administrator in Pismo Beach. Rick moved north to Bothell, Washington as the City Manager in 1995. He was selected for the Woodland City Manager post in 1999, and following his retirement in 2007 he served for a time as the Interim City Manager. Rick earned a BS from Weber and an MPA from Brigham Young University. In 2007 he received a 30-year ICMA Service Award.

Veteran City Manager **Kerry L. Miller** started his local government management career in 1976 as an Administrative Intern in Fairfield. Later in that same year (1976) Kerry took an Administrative Assistant II position with Novato. In 1978 he moved to Nevada to serve as an Administrative Assistant III for the Court Administrator in Las Vegas. Kerry returned to California in 1982 to serve as the City Manager in Sanger. After 5-years in Sanger, Kerry was selected to be the South Lake Tahoe City Manager, where he served for a dozen years. In 1999 he was appointed City Manager in Encinitas, and in 2006 he moved back north to be the Folsom City Manager. Kerry earned a BA and MPA from Brigham Young University. In 2006 he received a 30-year ICMA Service Award.

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Robert W. Toone, Jr., who retired as the Palmdale City Manager in January, 2007, began his city government career as an Administrative Assistant in Glenco, Illinois in 1970. In 1973 Bob was appointed Village Manager in Richton Park, Illinois where he served until 1976. That year he moved to California to become the Assistant to the City Manager in La Mesa. He has promoted to the La Mesa Assistant City Manager post in 1979. Bob left La Mesa in 1986 to accept the appointment of City Manager in Palmdale. Since his retirement Bob has served as the President of the Toone & Associates consulting firm. He earned a BS and MPA at Brigham Young University, and a JD at Western State University.

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Morris B. Vance began a long and illustrious local government career in 1965 as an Administrative Assistant for Los Angeles County. In 1966 he went to work for the City of Vernon as an Administrative Assistant. Morris moved to the City of Carson as the Assistant City Administrator in 1969, and he served in that post until he was selected to serve as the City Administrator of Lomita. In 1981 he left Lomita to accept the appointment as City Manager in Vista where he served until his retirement in 1997. In 2002 he was a successful candidate for the Vista City Council and served there for two term until December, 2010. Morris earned a BS at Brigham Young University and an MPA from USC. In 1994 he received a 30-year ICMA Service Award.

Byron Gale Wilson lists his first local government position in the ICMA Who's Who Directory as Assistant City Manager in Buena Park starting in 1954. In 1956 he was appointed City Manager in Fairfield where he served for the next 32-years. He retired from Fairfield in 1988. He earned a BS from Brigham Young University. He was the recipient of an ICMA Distinguished Service Award in 1988. In 1985 he received a 30-year ICMA Service Award.

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As we noted earlier, this is not a comprehensive listing of Brigham Young University grads in California city management, but it is a good representative list. Other names we were unable to include are: **M. Cleve Morris**, **Greg Wellman**, **Bryan Montgomery**, **Bryan Whitemyer**, **D. Jim Hart**, **Roger Bradley**, **Christian Clegg**, and others. Again we apologize that we cannot include everyone. We hope you enough this issue of the newsletter.

Picking Up The Pieces: Hercules Municipal Services Director **John Stier** has submitted his resignation. John's last day with Hercules will be November 10. **Steve Duran** is the current Hercules City Manager. San Marcos City Manager **Paul Malone**, 53, has announced that he will retire this coming April. Paul has been with San Marcos for 30-years, serving in various positions starting in the Planning Department. He helped coordinate the construction of City Hall and negotiated plans to bring a California State University to San Marcos. Retired Beverly Hills City Manager **Rod Wood** has been appointed Interim City Manager in Indian Wells. Rod previously served as the Indian Wells City Manager from 1989 to 1992. Rod is a past President of the City Managers' Department of the League of California Cities (2003-2004). **Joan Phillipe**, newly appointed Interim City Administrator in Clearlake most recently served as the Interim General Manager of the Foresthill Public Utility District in Placer County. She previously worked as the City Manager in Colusa, and Colfax and Loomis prior to that.

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More Pieces Picked Up: Dana Shigley, 48, Anderson City Manager, has been named to replace retiring American Canyon City Manager **Richard Ramirez**. Dana has worked for Anderson for the past 11-years, first in Finance Director and then as Grants Manager, Redevelopment Agency Executive Director, Assistant City Manager and finally as City Manager. Dana has an MPA from California State University, Sacramento. After more than 20-years with the *California Contract Cities Association* staff, **Maria Montes** has taken a position with Kaiser as a Project Manager II in Administration. She is part of the support staff for the Assistant Medical Center Administrator of Primary Care and the Area Assistant Medical Director. Highland City Council Member **Sam Racadio**, who retired as the Highland City Manager in 2006, began his public management career in 1970 as an Administrative Intern in Riverside. Sam is a past President of the City Managers' Department of the League of California Cities. **Mike Moreland's** son Patrick is the new Assistant Town Manager of the Town of Brattleboro, Vermont. During his first two weeks the town experienced an earthquake and a major flood from Irene. Tough way to start, but maybe the worst is over already. After receiving complaints about the situation, the Lodi city staff "cobbled together" a flagpole using an old streetlight and pulley system for q recent Tokay High School football game at the Grape Bowl, according to Lodi City Manager **Rad Bartlam**. Native American Indian tribes throughout Northern California have banded together with *Friends of the Eel River* to take "spiritual, scientific and legal" action to save the waterway and the fish that swim in it. The most recent ceremonies focused on returning the Eel River and the fisheries it supports to a healthy and sustainable state, and included members of the Wiyot Tribe, and the Bear River, Cahto, Grindstone, Sherwood Rancheria, Round Valley, Pomo, Hoopa, Yurok, and Karuk Tribes. Redding City Manager **Kurt Starman** has announced the appointment of Stockton police Captain **Robert Paoletti** as the new Redding Chief of Police. Chief Paoletti, 41, replaced Chief **Peter Hansen**, who will retire on November 14. **Sara Russo** of the City of Redondo Beach, a student at California State University, Long Beach, is the second 2011 recipient of the California City Management Foundation *Wes McGlure Scholarship*. **Chelsea Wood** of Santa Clarita also received the award in the inaugural year of the scholarship award. Atascadero City Manager **Wade McKinney** is the current CCMF President. Imperial Beach City Manager **Gary Brown** announced at an October workshop that his is opening a Twitter account. The city is considering a social media policy to improve its ability to disseminate public information. J Simms Advertising Agency is working with Imperial Beach regarding this matter. City Managers, former and current, who attended the Knapp Classic Car Reception in October included: **Terry Belanger**, **Jim Ruth**, **Mike Fleager**. **Lloyd de Llamas**, **Jim Destefano**, **Doug La Belle** and **Bruce Channing**. The event raise $4,000 after expenses for the Knapp Family account to fight and find a cure for Huntington's Disease. Last month it was reported that 10 people brawled inside the third-floor office of the Office of Neighborhood Safety in Richmond City Hall. ONS workers refused to identify the attackers. Police indicated that the brawl arose after members of rival gangs came to City Hall to collect pay checks for their participation in a city-administered like skills training program. **Bill Lindsay** is the Richmond City Manager and **DeVone Boggan** is the ONS Director.

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