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City Management Community with Livermore Work History

Robert Livermore died in 1858 before the town that bears his name was founded. His ranch included much of the present-day city. The city itself was established in 1869 by **William Mendenhall**, who had met **Robert Livermore** while visiting the valley with Fremont's California Battalion. Livermore was officially incorporated on April 15, 1876. During Livermore's early years, it was well-known for the many large hotels that graced the downtown. Livermore was also known for the Italian families that played a major role establishing local wineries. Since it has a Mediterranean climate, the Italian families found it a good location to grow wine grapes, which also contributed to the development of the city.



Retired City Managers **Bill Crowe** and **Frank G. Tripepi** are pictured here with Pomona Planning Manager **Brad Johnson** in front of Angel Stadium in Anaheim prior to the Thursday, July 21 Angel game with the Texan Rangers. The Angels won the game 1-0. Also at the game with this group but not in the picture were retired Huntington Park City Manager **Gregory Korduner** and Trackdown Management's **Jack A. Simpson**.

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Compared to many California communities Livermore is notable for its city management stability through much of its recent history. Current City Manager **Linda Barton** was appointed in 2001 and has developed a highly professional reputation through contributions to the California city management community.

We once again used the ICMA Who's Who Directory as our primary research tool, though we always seek additional information through the internet and other materials. We hope you enjoy this newsletter that focuses on those who work or have worked in Livermore.

In 1942, the U. S. Government bought 692 acres of land ranch land, bounded by Vasco and Greenville Roads and East Avenue, and built the Livermore Naval Air Station. This facility operated until it was decommissioned in 1946. Many World War II veterans remember Livermore vividly.



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Kevin J. Murphy, 1953 - 2011

Our thoughts and prayers go to Kevin's family and friends. He was always a gentleman. A Memorial Service is planned for Kevin on Saturday, July 30, 2011 at 10 a.m. at the Newport Harbor Lutheran Church, 798 Dover Drive (Dover and 16th)

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Livermore Valley Joint Unified School District operates 8 elementary (K-5) schools, 3 middle schools (6-8), 2 K-8 schools, 2 high schools and 2 alternative high schools. **Kelly Bowers** is

the Superintendent of Schools. From 2002 to 2004 Kelly served as Principal of Christensen Middle School LVJUSD; 2004 – 2007 (3 years), she was the Director of Curriculum & Special Projects; 2007-2010 (3 years), she served as the Assistant Superintendent of LVJUSD; and since 2010 she has served as the Superintendent of Schools. Previous to her administration experience she served as an elementary, middle and high school teacher in both urban and suburban settings. Kelly taught math, science, English, social science, drama and leadership in the New Haven Unified School District. In Livermore she served as an Activities and Athletic Director, and teacher. Kelly earned a BA from the University of California, Berkeley; an MA in Educational Leadership from California State University, East Bay; and an EdD from the University of California, Berkeley. http://www.livermoreschools.com/cms/page_view?d=x&pid=&vpid=1228578823363

"The fact is, the differences between peak performers and everybody else are much smaller than everybody else thinks." **Charles Garfield**



The biggest and best reason we chose Livermore as the base for this issue of the City Manager Newsletter by Trackdown is because of City Manager **Linda M. Barton's** impressive commitment to the city management craft. Linda is the President of the *California Redevelopment Association*, and, at the same time, she serves as the 2011 President of the City Managers' Department of the League of California Cities. In 1974 Linda was a Management Analyst for the Department of Commerce in Colorado. In 1975 she took an Administrative Assistant post in Lakewood, Colorado, and in 1978 she was appointed Assistant to the City Manager. Linda moved from Colorado to Oregon in 1980 when she was selected to serve as the Corvallis Deputy City Manager. In 1985 Linda moved to Burnsville, Minnesota when she was appointed City Manager in that community. She served Burnsville for about half-dozen years, and then was selected to serve as the Department of Employee Relations Commissioner for the State of Minnesota. Linda left the cold country in 1994 when she was appointed City Manager in Bedford, Texas. In 1997 she moved to Bellevue, Washington as Deputy City Manager, and in 2001 she was recruited to be the City Manager in Livermore, her current assignment. Linda has a BA from Colorado College and an MPA from the University of Colorado. In 2009 she was awarded a 30-year ICMA Service Award. In 1987-1988 she served on the Board of Directors for the Minnesota City/County Management Association. Through the years she has served on many ICMA committees. She remains active in several organizations including: ICMA, the Alameda County City Managers Association and Rotary International. Linda also serves Women Leading Government (WLG) as the Board liaison to the League of California Cities. http://www.calredevelop.org/cra/Board_of_Directors_Roster.aspx



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Bill Crowe and **Gregory Korduner** at Angel Stadium in Anaheim on Thursday, July 21, 2011.

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Troy S. Brown is the current Assistant City Manager in Livermore. Following his boss **Linda Barton**'s example, Troy is quite active in the city management craft. Between 1988 and 1997 Troy worked in the private sector, but in 1994 he was hired to be a Recreation Leader in Santa Clarita. In 1997 Troy was promoted to Recreation Coordinator and in 1998 he was selected to be an Information Technology Specialist for Santa Clarita. Troy was appointed to a Management Analyst position in Santa Clarita in 2000. In 2003 he was selected to serve as the Assistant to the City Manager in Riverside. In 2004 Troy moved north to Elk Grove to serve in a similar capacity on that management staff. He was appointed Budget Manager in Elk Grove in 2008, and in 2009 he was recruited for the Livermore Assistant City Manager post. Troy has a BA from California State University, Northridge and an MPA from California State University, San Bernardino. Troy has served on the Cal-ICMA Board since 2008. He was a Vice President on the Board for the Municipal Management Association of Southern California (MMASC) from 2004 to 2005. He was presented with a 10-year ICMA Service Award in 2009. Troy is an avid boater and wake boarder in his spare time. Please take a look at Troy's Cal-ICMA Coach Program; part of the Local Government Managers: Leadership in Action video:

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Livermore Administrative Services Director **Holly I. Brock-Cohn** began her public management career as an Administrative Assistant in Burbank in 1981. In 1983 Holly was elevated to an Administrative Analyst post and in 1985 she was appointed Assistant to the City Manager. Holly moved from Burbank in 1988 when she was appointed Financial Planning Manager in Danville, and in 1992 she became the Danville Support Services Manager. After some private sector experience in the late-1990s, Holly was appointed to the Antioch Personnel Director post in 2002. In 2006 she became the Human Resources Director in Hayward, and in 2008 she took a similar post in Livermore. Holly was named Livermore's Administrative Services Director in 2009. She earned a BS and MPA from **USC**. Holly received a 20-year ICMA Service Award in 2006.



Donna Z. Pontau earned a Masters in Library Services from the University of Illinois at Urbana in 1979. She also earned an MPA at California State University, Hayward.

Donna was a Librarian at Fresno State University between 1980 and 1983. In 1984 she moved to San Jose State University, where she was a Librarian/Interim Associate Dean. Donna joined the Livermore staff in 2000 as the city's Supervising Librarian, and she served in that post for some seven-years. From 2007 to 2010, Donna was the Legacy Livermore Program Manager, and in 2010 she was appointed Senior Management Analyst.
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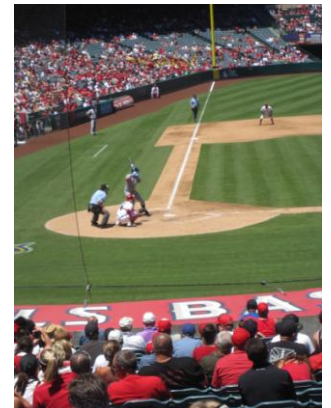
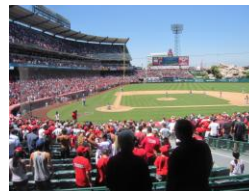
Donald E. Bradley began his city management career in 1967 in Livermore where he became an Administrative Assistant to the City Manager, and in 1972 his title was changed to Assistant to the City Manager. Brad left Livermore in 1976 when he was selected to serve as the City Manager in Pinole, where he served has some 23-years. In 1999 Brad moved south to become the City Manager in Cathedral City. He is listed as President of the Cathedral City Downtown Foundation. Brad has a BA from Saint Mary's College and an MPA from Golden Gate University. In 2007 Brad was presented with a rare 40-year ICMA Service Award.

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- **Vince Lombardi**

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Edward G. Schilling served in the US Navy from 1969 until 1972. In 1972 Ed began his public management career as a Police Intern in Walnut Creek. In 1973 Ed took an Administrative Intern post in Concord, and in 1974 he was appointed Administrative Assistant to the City Manager in Concord. Ed joined the Livermore management team in 1977 as the Assistant City Manager. Ed left Livermore in 1981 when he was appointed City Manager in Campbell. In 1984 Ed was selected to serve as Finance Director in San Jose, a position he held until 1987 when he was appointed Deputy City Manager in San Jose. Between 1988 and 2001 Ed served as a Managing Director with Stone & Youngberg. During his time with Stone & Youngberg Ed served as a member of the CCMF Board. He rejoined municipal government in 2001 as the Assistant City Manager in San Leandro, where he served until 2004. Ed has a BJ from the University of Missouri, an MPA from California State University, and a DPA from **USC**. In 2002 he received a 20-year ICMA Service Award. Ed has served as an ICMA Range Rider starting in 2006.

In 1949 **William H. Parness** served as an Intern with the Coro Foundation. In 1950 he took an Administrative Assistant job in Santa Cruz, where he work until 1953 when he was recruited to serve as the City Manager in Claremont. For a time in 1957 Bill served as City Manager in San Rafael, and later in that year he was appointed City Manager in the City of Livermore, where he served for some 21-years. In 1978 he joined the Bellevue, Washington staff as City Manager, and he served there for about a year. In 1985 Bill join Public Service Skills and continues to be with that organization. Bill has a BA from the University of California.



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Kevin Roberts, Livermore Economic Development Director earned a BA in Urban Studies from the San Francisco State University. He joined the Livermore staff in 2002. Prior to that he worked for Walnut Creek and Pacifica and for Springfield, Oregon. Kevin served as the Walnut Creek Community Development Director for 15-years. He initially joined the Walnut Creek staff as the Transportation Administrator in 1986.

Otto W. Giuliani is listed in the ICMA Who's Who Directory as currently living in Twain Harte, California. Twain Harte is just off Highway 108 westerly of the Sonora Pass in Tuolumne County. Otto became a Hayward Police Officer in 1972, and he was promoted to Sergeant in 1978. He was elevated to Lieutenant in 1982 and served in an acting Captain capacity prior to his joining the Livermore Police Department as Captain in 1985. Otto was appointed Police Chief in Benicia in 1992 and became the Benicia City Manager in 1995, serving there until 2003. Otto has a BS from California State University, and he earned a 10-year ICMA Service Award in 2002.



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In 1960 **Leland J. Horner** began his public management career as an Administrative Assistant in South Gate. In 1962 he was selected to serve as the Assistant Administrative Officer in Gardena. He began his trek north in August, 1969 when he was hired to be the Assistant City Manager in Ventura. Lee worked in Ventura (San Buenaventura) until 1973 when he was appointed City Administrator in Millbrae, where **Marcia Raines** is the current City Manager. Lee served in Millbrae until 1978 when he was selected to be the Livermore City Manager, and he served in that post until 1996; a run of some-18-years. Lee earned a BA at San Jose State University, and an MPA from **USC**. He received a 30-year ICMA Service Award in 1990. He was an ICMA Welcome Ambassador in 2011. He currently resides in Redding, California.

Gerald M. Peeler began his public service career in 1970 as a Principal Planner in Provo, Rhode Island. He worked in the private sector from 1973 to 1974, and was appointed Director of Planning and Community Development in Michigan in 1977. After he took a similar post in Kansas in 1977, he was selected to be the Livermore Assistant City Manager in 1982. Jerry was appointed to the Livermore City Manager position in 1996 and served there until 2000. Jerry is currently Client Services Manager for MuniServices with his office in Livermore. He earned a BA from King's College in Pennsylvania. In 1997 Jerry received a 25-year ICMA Service Award. (The directory omits the local agencies Jerry served in Michigan and Kansas.)

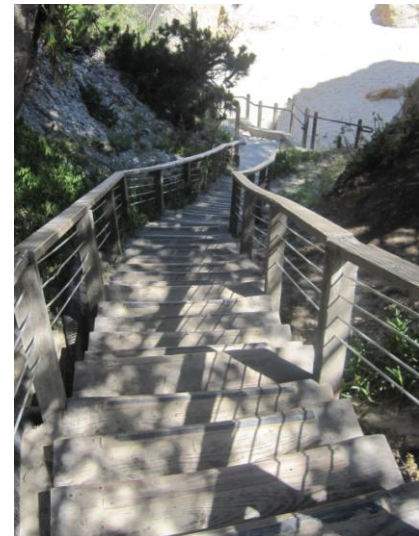


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In 1972 **James W. Piper** was an Assistant Personnel Director in Boulder, Colorado, and in 1973 he was selected to serve as Assistant to the City Manager. Jim continued his rise in the Boulder organization in 1977 when he was appointed Assistant City Manager. Jim became the Boulder City Manager in 1984. He left Colorado in 1989 to become the Deputy City Manager in Tempe, Arizona and he served there until 1994. In 1995 Jerry was hired as the Assistant Town Manager in Los Gatos, and in 2001 he was selected to serve as Assistant City Manager in Livermore; a position he held until 2010. Jerry earned a BA from Western Illinois University and an MPA from the University of Colorado. He received a 35-year ICMA Service Award in 2007.



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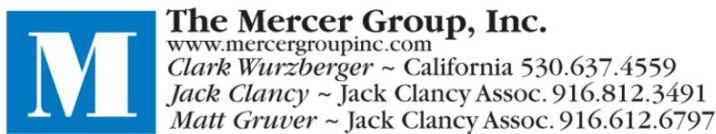
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City Managers/Administrators' Committee

Calabasas City Manager **Tony Corroalles** is the current Chair of the California Contract Cities Association's City Managers/Administrators' Committee. At a meeting in June, the group heard presentations from **Chris Fisher** of Willdan Financial Services on "Additional Revenue Generated by User Fees;" **Robert Sausedo** of Schneider Electric on "Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy - the Cost of Inaction;" and **Ryder Todd Smith** on behalf of MuniServices on "Vehicle Location Services." The MuniServices program is set to recognize all license plates on vehicles with 5 or more pending parking citations as a means to getting the citations paid, and/or getting the vehicle off the street. **Chris Fisher** discussed comprehensive user fee studies; marketing studies regarding recreation fees and comparisons; and a global review. CCCA Executive Director **Sam Olivito** and/or **Tony Olivito** of the CCCA staff are available to provide information on the organization's programs. The CCCA offices are located at:

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California has many remarkable communities, and Livermore certainly qualifies in that category. We tip our hat to City Manager **Linda Barton** and extend our Trackdown Management "Thank you" for her commitment to the city management craft. We are hopeful this presentation meets with her approval.

Of course there are many Livermore folks who deserve recognition and we apologize for not finding them all for presentation. We have found a few, including other local government people: **Maria G. Lara** of the Livermore-Pleasanton Fire Department; City Attorney **John Pomidor**; Chief of Police **Steve Sweeney**; retired Senior Park Supervisor **James Brandenburg**; and **Timothy Barry**, the General Manager of the Livermore Area Recreation and Parks District.

There is a long list of people-of-note who live, lived or work/worked in Livermore. We cannot possible list them all. **Max Baer**, the former World Heavyweight Boxing Champion, lived in Livermore and had a gym there. His son **Max Baer Jr.** played Jethro on the Beverly Hillbillies television show with **Buddy Ebsen**, **Donna Douglas** and **Irene Ryan**. Author **Jack London** lived in the Alden area as a boy. And, Major League Pitcher **Randy Johnson** went to Livermore High School in 1982.

Livermore's celebrities include: **Carl Wente**, the Founder of Wente Vineyards, producers of many excellent wines, and **Charles Wetmore**, who established the Cresta Blanca Winery. Many performers have graced the stage at the Wente Vineyards concerts in Livermore, including: **Huey Lewis**, **Natalie Merchant**, **Bill Cosby**, **Vince Gill** and many others. Again, we apologize to those who should have been recognize here but were not. Maybe next time.

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Clark has also served as a senior level personnel manager in the State Department and in the U.S. Department of Defense, where he was appointed a member of the U.S. Senior Executive Service and received the Department of Defense Medal for Distinguished Public Service. He served for 5-years on the Board of Directors for The Cow Palace in San Francisco, a large, multi-purpose facility owned and operated by the State of California, and has served as a Local Board Member for the U.S. Selective Service in his community since 1996. He holds a BA from San Diego State University.

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Picking Up the Pieces: **Eugene M. Palazzo**, 46, is the new City Manager in Crescent City beginning August 8. Previously Gene served as the Director of Redevelopment and Housing for the City of South Lake Tahoe. He has a BA from Humboldt State University and an MPA from Golden Gate University. Bellflower City Manager **Mike Egan** has resigned his position to accept the appointment as Norwalk City Manager replacing the recently retired Norwalk City Manager **Ernie Garcia**. Temecula Assistant City Manager **Bob Johnson** will become Temecula City Manager when City Manger **Shawn Nelson**, 51, retires at the end of the year. **Jim Starbird**, Glendale's City Manager since 1998, will retire at the end of the year. Jim worked in Eureka, Monrovia and West Covina prior to joining the Glendale staff. Atascadero Assistant City Manager **Jim Lewis** characterizes State Budget Legislation that addresses Redevelopment Agencies as "...a blatant form of extortion." He notes that Dictionary.com defines "extortion" as "the crime of obtaining money or some other thing of value by the abuse of one's office or authority." **Kristine Guerrero** of the League of California Cities points out that we screwed up by giving props to Senator **Alan Lowenthal** who "did" vote to eliminate RDAs under ABX1 26 and he voted for the "extortion bill" ABx1 27. Senator Lowenthal did not heed the wished of the Mayors of the cities in his district. **Gonzalo Vazquez** of the Cypress staff was



"interim" from his title as the City Council vote 5-0 to appoint him City Manager. Oscar has served as Interim City Manager since last February following the resignation of former City Manager **Victor Carrillo**. When Oakdale City Manager **Steve Hallam** was dismissed in April, Fire Chief **Mike Botto** stepped in to serve in an "interim" capacity as Acting City Manager. Retired Atwater City Manager **Gregory Wellman**, 64, who previously served 35-years with Merced County, including 5 as County Administrator, has been appointed Oakdale Interim City Manager effective August 1st. **David Brennan** has served as the City Manager in Nevada City since the retirement of former City Manager **Gene Albaugh**. David is a former Nevada County Administrator and previously served as City Manager in Sebastopol. Rocklin City Manager **Rick Horst** says that the City "...is proud to be home to William Jessup University." University President **John Jackson** described plans for a \$17 million campus expansion at a recent groundbreaking ceremony at the Sacramento area's only residential four-year private university. Former Vernon City Administrator **Donal O'Callaghan**, 55, was sentenced by Superior Court Judge **Craig Veals** to probation and 200 hours of community service after he pleaded guilty to conflict-of-interest charges that involved arranging a contract for his wife **Kimberly McBride**, who was not charged with any offense. Grandpa **Wade McKinney**, Atascadero City Manager and CCMF President, was in Corona recently for a family get-together with five-generations to celebrate **Hannah McKinney's** first birthday. Wade says that he is "lovin' this grandpa stuff." We know where he is coming from. Indio City Manager **Dan Martinez** received excellent reviews following an annual evaluation. Dan has been Indio City Manager for nearly a year. He replaced the retired former City Manager **Glenn Southard**. **Bill Edgar** is the Interim City Manager in Sacramento and **Betty Masuoka** is the Interim Deputy City Manager. Bill is a former Sacramento and Pleasanton City Manager. Betty was with the Sacramento from 1981 to 2004. It appears that CRA Executive Director **John Shirey** is the frontrunner to be appointed Sacramento City Manager. California's Supreme Court has ruled in a Manhattan Beach case that the city can ban grocery stores and other retailers from using plastic bags without doing a full environmental study on the subsequent increased use of paper bags. The Manhattan Beach City Manager is **David Carmany**.



seen at Petco Park in San Diego wearing an Angels' uniform jersey and hat at the July 16 Padres/Giants game. His wife **Vickie Vazquez** and a number of family and friends joined Gonz in San Diego. According to the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU), contrary to the law the City of Escondido is endorsing Christianity by allowing invocation speakers to use language that includes "Heavenly Father," and/or "Jesus." **David Blair-Loy**, legal director for the local ACLU chapter, contends that allowing moment-of-reflection speakers to invoke "Jesus" is a clear violation of the constitutional separation of church and state. **Clay Phillips** is the Escondido City Manager. Calexico Interim City Manager **Oscar Rodriquez** has dropped the



More Pieces Picked Up: San Carlos Assistant City Manager **Brian Moura** said that a full environmental study could cost \$150,000. Retired Irwindale City Manager **Steve Blancarte**, 56, pleaded guilty to misappropriation of public funds and agreed to repay \$5,303 in restitution and \$5,000 in fines. Steve's attorney **John Tyre** said that Steve decided to plead guilty due to cardiac health issues. The charges came as a result of City bond meetings in New York where the City delegation attended a number on Broadway plays along with Yankee and Mets games. Others charged continue to fight the charges. **Scott Jacobson** is the Director of Leadership Giving in the Office of Development and External Relations for the School of Policy, Planning and Development at the University of Southern California...**USC**. You may email Scott at: jacobson@usc.edu. Dismissed June 8, former Riverbank City Manager **Rich Holmer**, 64, has retired after a 36-years of working in local government. He had been Riverbank's City Manager since September, 1995. A City investigation report regarding alleged inappropriate conduct has been released. Former San Diego Deputy Economic Development Director **Scott Kessler**, laid-off, the city contends, as part of mid-year budget cuts in 2008, filed suit in July, 2009 alleging he was fired because he was a "whistle blower." The suite continues through the judicial process. Scott contends he was ordered to favor a certain contractor. Santa Rosa Principal Financial Analyst **Brian Cochran** has joined the Novato City Staff as the City's Finance Manager. He replaces **Debbie Lauchner**, who took a position in Vallejo during the spring. Brian has a Master's degree in economics from the University of Wisconsin-Madison. His BS is in mathematics and economics from Ohio State University. Novato City Manager **Michael Franks** is a former Santa Rosa Assistant City Manager. Santa Clara City Manager **Jennifer Sparacino** recommended that the City deny NFL Hall of Fame Quarterback **Joe Montana's** request to lease two city-owned plots next to the planned new 49ers' stadium for a commercial project. **Joe Montana** and his business partners, including former 49ers' owner **Eddie DeBartolo, Jr.** proposed to build a luxury hotel, upscale restaurant and a sports bar on the seven acre site. The City Manager wants to give all developers a change to submit their best mixed-use proposals. Former Anaheim Mayor **Curt Pringle** has resigned from the California High Speed Rail Authority Board.

Reportedly, the Attorney General's office conducted a conflict of interest investigation regarding serving as Mayor and the Authority Board Chair at the same time. Curt served as Anaheim Mayor from 2002 until 2010. *The City of Atascadero is committed to building community by fostering an outstanding quality of life with excellent public service, stewardship of the environment, preservation of our heritage and promotion of economic prosperity.* Folsom City Manager **Kerry Miller**, 60, has announced his retirement effective October 15.



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