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## Those in the California City Management Community with San Diego in Their Work History

Here is a list of some of those who include public service in San Diego in their work history; city, county, or other local government post. Of course, there are many highly professional folks working in San Diego as we write, but we have mostly kept to those who are listed in the ICMA Who's Who Directory. (continued on Page 2)

**Dale and Rita Geldert** at Rita's retirement party in January. Rita served the City of Vista in San Diego County from 1995 until her retirement in 2011. She served as City Manager from 1997. Rita was a member of the Cal-ICMA Board on two occasions, and she is a Past President of the California City Management Foundation (CCMF). Rita has an AA degree from Shasta Community College, a BA from California State University, Chico, and an MBA from the University of California, Davis. Previous to working in Vista, Rita served the cities of Vacaville, Merced and Dana Point. She received a 30-year ICMA Service Award in 2010. She has earned a long and happy retirement.



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## City Professionals with San Diego in Their Work History

Here's our stab at listing those who have San Diego in their work history, using the ICMA Who's Who Directory as our primary research tool:

**Belinda Ann Riva** is a Planning Technician in Laguna Beach. She began her career in 2006 as a Multimodal Operations Intern for the San Diego Metropolitan Transit System. In 2008 she took a post as a Project Assistant with the Exclusive Risk Management Authority of California, and later in the year (2008) she became a Community Development/Planning Intern in Bell Gardens. In 2010 Belinda took her current position in the Laguna Beach Planning Department. She has earned a BA from the University of California, San Diego and an MPA from California State University, Long Beach.



Camarillo City Manager **Bruce S. Feng** began his career in 1979 as a Plan Check Engineer in San Diego. In 1981 he moved to Santa Ana as a Supervisor/Plans Examiner, and in 1983 he was appointed Community Development & Building Office in Burbank, where he worked his way up the organization: 1988, Assistant Director of Community Development; 1994, Assistant Director of Public Works; 1998, Director of Public Works; 2003, Burbank Deputy City Manager. Bruce was selected for the Camarillo Assistant City Manager post in 2005, and in 2010 he was appointed City Manager. He has earned a BS at the University of Massachusetts, and an MBA at California State University, Long Beach. Bruce received a 30-year ICMA Service Award in 2010. <http://www.ci.camarillo.ca.us/i3.aspx?p=979>

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**Carl J. Stephani**, the Executive Director of the Central Connecticut Regional Planning Agency in Bristol began his career serving in the US Peace Corps in Bogota, Colombia starting in 1962. He returned in 1964 and his next position was as an Urban Fellow for New York City in 1970. In 1971 he was appointed to a Senior Planner post in San Diego, where he served for some 7-years. In 1978 he became the Senior Planner in Albany, Oregon, and he was appointed Planning Director in Benton County, Oregon in 1980. He served as the county as Planning Director and at the same time served as a member of the City Council in Albany, Oregon from 1981 to 1982. In 1983 he became a County Commissioner in Linn County, Oregon. Carl moved to Colorado in 1987 when he was appointed Community Development Director in Frisco. Later that same year (1987) Carl was appointed Town Manager in Frisco, Colorado. In 1990 he was selected for the Town Manager position in Cave Creek, Arizona, where he served for 5-years. In 1996 Carl became the Community Development Director in Paradise Valley, Arizona. He was chosen to serve as the Town Manager in Gila Bend, Arizona in 1997, where he served until he took the Central Connecticut Regional Planning Agency (CCRPA) Executive Director post in 2000. CCRPA is the regional and metropolitan planning organization for the cities of Bristol and New Britain and the towns of Berlin, Burlington, Plainville, Plymouth, and Southington. Carl has a BA from the University of California and an MRP from Syracuse University. In 2007 he received a 35-year ICMA Service Award.

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**Charles T. Flynn** served as the General Services Director for San Diego from 1974 until 1993. He began his career in 1961 as an Administrative Assistant in San Leandro. In 1963 he took a Research Assistant post with the League, and in 1966 he went to La Mesa as the Assistant City Manager. Later that year (1966) he was appointed La Mesa City Manager. In 1972 he became the Public Works Director in San Diego and then in 1974 he moved to the General Services Director post. He has an AA from Diablo Valley College and a BA from San Jose State University. In 1988 he received a 25-year ICMA Service Award.

Carlsbad Management Analyst/Community Coordinator **Craddock Stropes** served as a



Community Liaison for the Los Angeles County Arts Commission in 1996. In 1997 she was appointed Director of Public Relations with the Philharmonic

Society of Orange County in Irvine. She served in that position until 2002. In 2003 she took the Director of Arts & Business for the San Diego Performing Arts League, and in 2004 she moved to the Director of External Affairs for the La Jolla Music Society. She was appointed to her current position in Carlsbad in 2006. She has a BA from California State University.

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Newport Beach Assistant City Manager **Dana M. Smith** work in various posts from 1979 until 1985 when she was appointed Senior Staff Analyst for the San Diego County Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO). After some 8-years in San Diego, Dana was appointed Executive Director of the Orange County LAFCO in 1994, where she served for 10-years. In 2004 she was selected to be the Assistant City Manager in Chula Vista, and in 2007 she was recruited for a similar post in Napa. She left the Napa Assistant City Manager position in 2010 to take her current post in Newport Beach. Dana has a BA and an MCP from San Diego State University. In 2011 she received a 25-year ICMA Service Award.

Oakland, Florida Town Manager **Dennis R. Foltz** began his public service career as an Assistant Planner in San Diego in 1965. Dennis then worked for the State of California in a couple planning posts from 1966 to 1970 when he east. He has worked in planning positions Kansas and Florida, and served as the Executive Director of the Middle Rio Grande COG in New Mexico between 1994 and 2000. He was the Principal Planner in Ocoee, Florida in 2001 and served as the Senior Director of Planning for the Orange County Public Schools in Florida between 2002 and 2006. He was appoint to his current position in 2009. Dennis has a BS from Oklahoma State and an MCRP from the University of Oklahoma. He received a 35-year ICMA Service Award in 2005.

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- **Ellen DeGeners.**



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**Mike Egan**, Norwalk  
**Lyle Defenbaugh**, CalTrust  
**Ernie Garcia**, Retired Norwalk  
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**Bob Adams**, Retired City Manager  
**Dave Carmany**, Manhattan Beach  
**Maria Dadian**, Artesia  
**Ken Bayless**, Greater L.A. Vector Control District  
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**Paul Gonsalves**, Joe A. Gonsalves & Son  
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**Gary K. & Mary Jo Sloan**, La Mirada (Retired)  
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**Marcia Raines**, Millbrae  
**Anthony R. Ybarra**, South El Monte  
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**Greg Nordbak**, Republic Services, Inc.  
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**Michael P. Busch**, President, Urban Futures, Inc.  
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**John Keisler**, Long Beach  
**Sheryl Lindsey-Boell**, CH2MHILL OMI  
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**Jack Lam**, Rancho Cucamonga  
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**Herbert E. Nelson** retired in 1981 as the City Manager in Red Bluff. He began his career in 1950 as a Senior Analyst in San Diego. In 1955 he was appointed to the Carlsbad City Manager position. After working in the private sector between 1958 and 1959 he was appointed City Manager in Red Bluff in 1959 and served in that post until 1981 when he retired. Herb has a BA from Whitman College. He received a 20-year ICMA Service Award in 1975.

San Juan Capistrano City Manager **Karen P. Brust** began her public service career as the Town Treasurer in Wallingford, Connecticut in 1987. In 1989 she was appointed Deputy Director of Finance in New London, Connecticut, and in 1991 she came to California to become the Director of Finance in South Gate. In 1994 Karen was appointed Director of Finance in Gardena. She moved to the San Diego Water Authority Director of Finance post in 1998, and served in that position for some 10-years. Karen was appointed City Manager in Del Mar in 2008 and moved to her current job in 2011. She has a BS and MS from Central Connecticut State University. In 2008 she received a 20-year ICMA Service Award.

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**Jay M. Goldstone** has served as the City of San Diego Chief Operating Officer since July, 2007. Previous to coming to his current post, Jay was San Diego's first Chief Financial Officer (CFO). Before joining the San Diego staff Jay was the Director of Finance in Pasadena for 10-years. He holds a BS from the University of Minnesota, an MPA from Arizona State University and an MBA from Santa Clara University.



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**Lauren M. Wasserman**, who is currently doing Interim Director of Public Services duty in Coronado, retired from the Encinitas City Manager post in 1999. Lauren began his career while attending classes as California State University, Long Beach as an Administrative Intern in the City of Long Beach in 1963. In 1965 he was hired for an Administrative Assistant job in Lakewood, where he served until 1968 when he was appointed Assistant City Manager in San Dimas. In 1970 Lauren was selected to serve as the City Administrator in Montclair, and he served in that post for some 8-years. In 1978 he was appointed Rancho Cucamonga City Manager. After 11-years in Rancho Cucamonga, he took a Project Coordinator position in San Bernardino County in 1989. Later that same year (1989) Lauren was appointed Director of Planning & Land Use for the County of San Diego. He left that position in 1994 to accept the appointment of City Manager in Encinitas. He has served in some interim posts since his retirement. Lauren earned a BA and MS from California State University, Long Beach. He received a 35-year ICMA Service Award in 1999. <http://www.coronado.ca.us/egov/apps/directory/list.egov?fDD=2-0&path=prs>



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**M. D. M. "Marty" Tarshes** began his public management career as an Administrative Analyst in San Diego County in 1948. In 1951 Marty was appointed Assistant Chief Administrative Officer in San Diego County. In 1956 Marty was selected to serve as the County Executive in Sacramento County, where he served until 1969 when he was selected to serve as the County Manager in San Mateo County. Marty served there until 1977. Perhaps restless in retirement, Marty served as Interim City Manager in Los Altos Hills in 1982; Interim City Manager in Woodside in 1983, and as San Carlos Interim City Manager in 1986-1987. He earned a BA from Columbia University. In 1993 he received a 30-year ICMA Service Award. Marty served as a Range Rider from 1978 until 1997.

Lemon Grove Public Works Director **Michael James** began his career as a Management Analyst in El Cajon in 2001. He left El Cajon in 2005 to become a Police Officer in San Diego, and in 2006 he took an Associate Management Analyst job in the City of San Diego. Mike joined the Lemon Grove staff as a Management Analyst in 2007. He was appointed to his current position as Public Works Director in 2011. Mike has an AA from Hartnell College, a BS from California Polytechnic State University, and an MPA from San Diego State University. Mike served on the MMASC Board from 2008 to 2009, and the MMASC Treasurer in 2009.



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This picture of the World Famous **Stevie Wonder** was taken at the 2012 NAMM Show by Cypress Water Quality Manager **Gonzalo Vazquez**.



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**P. Lamont Ewell**, who recently resigned as the Compton City Manager, lists in the ICMA Who's Who Directory as the beginning of his public management when he was the Acting City Manager in Oakland in 1997. Later that year (1997) he was appointed City Manager in Durham, North Carolina. In 2001 he joined the San Diego city staff as the Assistant City Manager, and in 2004 he was appointed San Diego City Manager, where he serve until 2005. In 2006 he was appointed City Manager in Santa Monica. He retired from Santa Monica in 2009. He has a BS from the University of Phoenix and an MA from the University of Maryland.



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Veteran educator, consultant and manager **Stephen G. Harding** began his public service career in 1975 as an Administrative Analyst in Norwalk, which started him upward in the organization: 1977, Community Development Aide; 1979, Community Development Specialist; and in 1980, Assistant Community Development Director. Steve left Norwalk in 1981 when he was appointed Deputy City Manager in Bell Gardens. In 1985 he moved to Azusa as the Community Development Director. Steve moved on in 1987 to become the President of the San Diego Southeast Economic Development Corporation, and in 1989 he went to Lancaster as the Community Development Director. In 1990 Steve tried the private sector as a Vice President with The Larwin Company and he worked with them until 1992 when he was selected to serve as the Planning Director in Murrieta. In 1994 Steve was appointed to the Murrieta City Manager position, where he served until 1998. That year he joined **Marshall Linn** at **Urban Futures, Inc.** as a Vice President. In 2001 Steve left Marshall's firm and joined the Rosenow Spevacek Group as the Director of Governmental Services. Steve was appointed Interim City Manager in San Jacinto in 2002, and in 2003 he went to work for Santa Ana City Manager **Dave Ream** as the Development Services Deputy City Manager. While in Santa Ana, Steve became an Adjunct Professor at the University of La Verne, where he continues to teach. When Steve left Santa Ana he went back to Urban Futures for a short time before he was appointed Interim Assistant City Manager in Hemet, where he served until 2010. Overlapping that serves, he began his association with **The Kosmont Companies** as a Senior Consultant in 2009. Steve has since served as the Interim City Manager in Menifee and Jurupa Valley, where he continues to serve. Also, since 2011, Steve has been an Instructor for Northwestern University. Steve earned a BA and MPA at California State University, Long Beach. In 2008 he received a 25-year ICMA Service Award. He currently serves on the ICMA Advisory Board on Graduate Education.



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Atascadero Assistant City Manager **Jim Lewis**, an active **USC** alumnus, and his good friend **Steve Leshner** flank **USC** record-setting Quarterback **Matt Barkley** at President **C.L. Max Nikias'** Inauguration. Dr. Nikias was installed as **USC's** eleventh President last October. Go Trojans!

Retired public manager **Steve A. West** began his career in 1969 as an Administrative Analyst in San Diego. In 1970 he was appointed Financial Operations Supervisor and began to rise in the San Diego organization: 1974, Executive Assistant to the Police Chief; 1977, Executive Assistant to a City Council Member; 1977, Legislative Analyst; and in 1979, Assistant to the City Manager, where he served until 1988. In 1988 Steve was appointed City Manager in Lancaster. He left that post in 1990, and in 1991 he became the City Manager in California City, where he served for some 7-years. In 1998 he was appointed Hesperia City Manager. In 2001 Steve was selected to serve as the General Manager of the San Gabriel Valley Mosquito & Vector Control District. He retired in 2012. Steve earned a BA from the University of California. In 1999 he received a 30-year ICMA Service Award.

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Trackdown Grandson **Tyler Simpson**, 9, playing an elementary school brand of handball at Joe A. Gonsalves Elementary school in Ceritos. It is an ABC USD school.

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San Diego County includes eighteen (18) incorporated cities and a number of unincorporated communities known far and wide, including: Borrego Springs, Fallbrook, Granite Hills, Pine Valley, Ramona, Tecate and Warner Springs. The cities include: Carlsbad, Chula Vista, Coronado, Del Mar, El Cajon, Encinitas, Escondido, Imperial Beach, La Mesa, Lemon Grove, National City, Oceanside, Poway, San Diego, San Marcos, Santee, Solana Beach and Vista, from where long-time City Manager **Rita Geldert**, a past President of CCMF, recently retired. The City Managers in order of their cities alphabetical listing include: **Lisa Hildabrand**, **Jim Sandoval**, **Blair King**, **Scott Huth**, **Douglas Williford** is just taking over for **Rob Turner** (Acting City Manager), **Gustavo Vina**, **Clay Phillips** (who has an MBA from Pepperdine University), **Gary Brown**, **David Witt**, **Graham Mitchell**, **Leslie Deese**, **Peter A. Weiss** (who has a Civil Engineering Technology degree from the University of Pittsburgh), **Penny Riley**, **Jay Goldstone** (San Diego's Chief Operating Officer), **Paul Malone**, **Keith R. Till**, **David Ott**, and **Patrick Johnson**.

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**Wally J. Hill** has served as the Assistant Chief Operating Officer in the City of San Diego since 2009. He started his public management career in 1980 in North Carolina working for the State as a Personnel Analyst. Subsequently he held positions in Wake County, North Carolina and then worked as the County Administrator in Yuma County, Arizona starting in 1996. In 2003 he took the Chief Administrative Officer post in San Bernardino County during a brief stay in California, before he was appointed Deputy County Administrator in Hillsborough County, Florida in 2004. Wally returned to the Golden State for his current San Diego post in 2009. He earned a BA at North Carolina State University and an MPA at the University of North Carolina. In 2007 he received a 25-year ICMA Service Award.

San Diego is the 8th largest City in the United States and the 2nd largest in California. San Diego is known for its mild year-around weather, its natural deep-water harbor and its long close association with the United States Navy. The 2010 census set the San Diego population at 1,301,617. The City of San Diego is the county seat for Sand Diego County. Tourism is a major industry in the area. It is known for its beaches, and numerous attractions such as Balboa Park, the San Diego Zoo, The San Diego Zoo Safari Park, and Sea World San Diego. It has a rich and long heritage with the first Europeans visiting the region in 1542 with the Portuguese explorer Juan Rodriguez Cabrillo.

We recognize that this short list only touches the tip of the iceberg of professionals with San Diego experience, and we apologize to those we missed. Again, our primary research tool was the ICMA Who's Who Directory. We hope you enjoyed reading this March, 2012 newsletter.



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**Picking Up The Pieces:** La Palma City Manager **Dominic Lazarretto** has been selected to replace retiring Arcadia City Manager **Don Penman** on March 26. Dunsmuir City Manager **Jim Lindley** has been appointed to the City Manager position in Dixon, and will start that assignment in March. Former Dixon City Manager **Nancy Huston** left the city last June to become the Assistant County Administrator in Solano County. Chief of Police **Jon Cox** has been serving as Acting City Manager during the Dixon recruitment. San Mateo County Controller **Tom Huening**, 70, to retire at the end of March; mid-term. Taft Public Works Director **Craig Jones** is the Interim City Manager following the resignation of Taft City Manager **Bob Gorson**. Retired Winters City Manager **Gail Wingard** has been appointed Interim City Manager in Orland following the employment agreement expiration of City Manager **Paul Poczobut Jr.** Paul's contract expired in November.



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**Marshall Linn**, Chief Executive Officer, is the founder of Urban Futures, Inc. Marshall's expertise is in municipal finance, redevelopment, and planning. Mr. Linn has served as financial advisor on more than 525 tax exempt and taxable

transactions for some 150 government jurisdictions. Marshall is a **USC** Alumnus, and has served as guest lecturer at the University of Southern California.

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## Urban Futures, Inc. Management Team



**Michael P. Busch**, President of Urban Futures, joined the firm in 2007 following a successful career in municipal government. Mike has extensive experience in Strategic Planning, Municipal Finance, Economic Development, and Community Redevelopment.



Urban Futures, Inc. has Managing Principals with a wide variety of successful government management experience. **Doug Anderson** has been with the firm since 1985. He specializes in tax increment and revenue financings. He has been a Trainer at several California Redevelopment Association educational programs. Doug is a San Diego State University graduate.



**Jon Isom** is the Managing Principal who provides school bond advisory. He has worked exclusively with school districts and community college districts. Jon graduated from Brigham Young University.



**Greg Isom**, Managing Principal, School Financing, has worked exclusively with California school and community college districts since 2004. During his six years, Greg has worked to successfully implement over 60 bond programs totaling over \$3 billion in authorization. Greg's primary focus is planning and providing campaign services for school districts and community college districts. In 2010, Greg worked on 14 successful bond programs with a total par amount of over \$550 million. Greg is a graduate of Utah Valley University.



**More Pieces Picked Up:** San Mateo County Sheriff's personnel will officially replace the stand-alone Millbrae Police Department on March 5 in an effort to control budget costs. An expected savings of nearly \$1.7 million is expected for the first year. The Millbrae City Manager is **Marcia Raines**, who is a CCMF Board Member. Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) Deputy Executive Director **Douglas Williford** is the new El Cajon City Manager. He previously worked in the El Cajon Planning Department and as a Deputy City Manager/Development Services Director in Santee. Deputy City Manager **Rob Turner** has been serving as Acting City Manager since El Cajon City Manager **Kathi Henry** retired in August. Los Angeles Mayor **Antonio Villaraigosa**, a supporter of **President Barack Obama**, has been chosen to Chair the Democratic Nation Convention this summer. According to an L.A. Times article, the Mayor has expressed interest in running for Governor, and might even challenge Governor **Jerry Brown** should Jerry seek reelection in 2014. The **Atascadero Lakeside Wine Festival** is planned for Saturday, June 23, 2012 celebrating California's Central Coast Wine Region. The event will feature wine, food, fine arts and live entertainment at Atascadero Lake Park. Malibu Assistant City Manager **Reva Feldman**, Hercules Senior Planner **Robert C. Reber**, and Irvine Information Specialist **Elizabeth J. Vogel** are new members of ICMA. Chino Chief of Police Miles Pruitt has been selected to serve as the Interim City Manager when City Manager **Patrick Glover** leaves for retirement. El Segundo City Manager **Doug Willmore** has been terminated on a divided vote. The City's Planning and Building & Safety Director **Greg Carpenter** will serve as an Interim City Manager. Doug is the former Chief Administrative Officer of Salt Lake County, Utah. Retired Loma Linda City Manager **Dennis Halloway** and his wife were recently spotted in Santiago, Chile. Atascadero's marketing and tourism consultant **Steve Martin** has written a book entitled, "Atascadero." It is the latest book in Arcadia Publishing's Images of America series. Not to be confused with the movie star and comedian of the same name, Steve lives in Paso Robles, is a graduate of Atascadero High School, and has been the Executive Director of Atascadero Main Street for the past 10-years. The book kick-off was in early February. Montebello Interim City Administrator **Larry Kosmont** submitted his resignation effective February 29 so that he can get back to running his consulting company. Interim Assistant City Administrator **Keith Breskin** is said to be in the running to replace Larry. Keith is a former City Manager in Lawndale. Retired Corcoran City Manager **Ron Hoggard** has been

appointed Interim City Manager in Hanford to replace City Manager **Hilary Straus**, who recently resigned. Ron retired from his Corcoran post in June of last year. Pasadena Assistant City Manager **Julie Gutierrez** earned her BA in Theatre Administration at Pomona College and her MBA from the University of La Verne. She worked for Pasadena in various positions between 1988 and 2003. Prior to returning to Pasadena she served as City Manager in Azusa and Director of Municipal Programs for Advanced Applied Engineering, Inc. **Fabian Villenas** of the Rancho Cucamonga City Manager's office reports that the City has established six (6) new electric charging stations where drivers of electric vehicles can "charge" their cars free of charge. **John Gillison** is the Rancho Cucamonga City Manager, and **Linda Daniels** is the Assistant City Manager. New Salinas City Manager **Ray E. Corpuz Jr.** was presented with the Advancement of Diversity Communities Award during the Annual League of California Cities City Managers Department meeting last month in Indian Wells. Ray won the award for his work as a community leader while serving as the City Manager in Seaside. The Award was specifically for his role in initiating the Seaside History Project, which published two local history books. Yountville Town Manager **Steve Rogers** was awarded the "Citizen of the Year" Award by the local Chamber of Commerce for his contributions in promoting and sustaining Yountville's economic success. It is said that Steve was completely surprised by the presentation. Former City Manager **Steve Harding** has been selected to be the Spring Semester 2012 City Manager in Residence in the Division of Politics, Administration and Justice at California State University, Fullerton. Steve has served as City Manager in Murrieta and San Jacinto. He was also a Deputy City Manager in Santa Ana. He has a previous association with **Urban Futures, Inc.** and is currently a Senior Consultant with the **Kosmont Companies**. Marina City Manager **Tony Altfeld** has received a letter notifying him of the intent to terminate his employment agreement on March 7.





**Even More Pieces Picked: Naomi Kelly** has been confirmed as the new San Francisco City Administrator replacing **Amy Brown**, who resigned to accept the City Manager post in Campbell. Naomi is the first black San Francisco City Administrator. She served as Deputy City Administrator for the past year. Prior to that she was the City Purchaser and the Executive Director of the San Francisco Taxicab Commission prior to that. Her husband **Harlan Kelly Jr.** is the Assistant General Manager of the San Francisco Public Utilities Commission. March 12, 2012 is Girl Scouts Day. **Juliette "Daisy" Gordon Low** assembled 18 girls from Savannah, Georgia on March 12, 1912, for a Girl Scout meeting. Long-time Parks & Recreation Director **Christine Sansom** of Mill Valley has retired after 22-years with the City. Christine worked 37-years in the Parks & Recreation field starting in 1974 with the Town of San Anselmo. She joined the Mill Valley staff in 1989. Christine has been an active member of the California Parks and Recreation Society, and served on the Board of that organization. With City Manager **Ed Sotelo**, 66, on paid leave, Oxnard Acting City Manager is Assistant City Manager **Karen Burnham**. Ed has served as the Oxnard City Manager since February, 1998. Santa Ana Police Chief **Paul Walters** has been serving as the Interim City Manager since the retirement of City Manager **David Ream**. Chino City Manager **Pat Glover** has appointed **Brent Arnold**, Deputy Director of Community Development/City Planner, to fill the position of Interim Assistant City Manager. Assistant City Manager **Pat Griffin** abruptly resigned without explanation. Pat had served as ACM since 2009. Brent has been with the Chino for more than 26-years. Fortuna City Manager **Duane Rigge** will be leaving office at the expiration of his employment agreement on June 30. The City Council is working to have a plan in place to be looking for a new city manager. Assistant City Manager **Cheryl Nicholson** was dismissed from her position with Fortuna in December, 2011. She had previously been recognized for her 15-years of service to the city.



Trackdown daughter **Kellee Simpson Hearther** shown at the wheel of the Great White Steamship at Disneyland, Anaheim.

### We Apologize for a Failing Memory:

Some of the attendees we missed in our February Special issue include: Belvedere City Manager **George Rodericks**; retired City Manager **Ron Molendyk**, currently a consultant; **Kurt Starman**, Redding City Manager; **Eric Scriven**, investment banker and consultant; Campbell City Manager **Amy Brown**; Ukiah City Manager **Jane Chambers**; **Connie Jackson**, San Bruno City Manager; Stanton City Manager **Carol Jacobs**; our old friend **Laura Kuhn**, who we briefly talked with, Vacaville City Manager; Rancho Palos Verdes City Manager **Carolyn Lehr**; **Katie Lichtig**, San Luis Obispo City Manager; Canyon Lake City Manager **Lori Moss**; Albany City Manager **Beth Pollard**; Fillmore City Manager **Yvonne Quiring**; Villa Park City Manager **Lori Sassoon**; Lakeport City Manager **Margaret Silveira**; **Jill Ingram**, Seal Beach City Manager; retired Glendale City Manager **Jim Starbird**; **Norm King**, Past President of ICMA; Range Rider **Vern Hazen**; former City Manager **Cathy Standiford**; retired City Managers **Pam Easter** and **Jean Bonander**; former City Manager **Luci Romero-Serlet**; **Jarb Thaipejr**, City Manager of Loma Linda; Barstow City Manager **Curt Mitchell**; Calimesa City Manager **Randy Anstine**; Capitola City Manager **Jamie Goldstein**; Carson City Manager **David Biggs**; **Marc Mitchell** of Cerrell Associates; **Danny Kim** of **Fulbright & Jaworski, LLP**; **Steve Gedestad**, Executive Vice President, **Keenan & Associates**; **Brett Plumlee**, La Puente City Manager; Lincoln City Manager **Jim Estep**; Long Beach Assistant City Manager **Suzanne Frick**; Mendota City Manager **Krystal Chojnacki**; Rancho Cordova City Manager **Ted Gaebler**; Rosemead City Manager **Jeff Allred**; old friend, Sierra Madre City Manager **Elaine Aguilar**; Upland City Manager **Steve Dunn**; Ventura City Manager **Rick Cole**; Victorville City Manager Doug Robertson; Wildomar City Manager Frank Oviedo; Willdan's **Francesca Fuentes**, and **Bill Pagett**; Laguna Hills Assistant City Manager **Don White**; Thousand Oaks City Manager **Scott Mitnick**; and I am certain there are still others we have not appropriately identified.

