

# City Manager Newsletter by **Trackdown**

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Retired City Manager **Doug La Belle**, former Cerritos Mayor & Council Member **Dennis Bradshaw** and retired Huntington Park City Manager **Greg Korduner** pose prior to the tournament awards dinner and ceremony. **Lisa Knapp** addressed the participants and thanked them on behalf of her family and her late-father **Gaylord Knapp**, a City Manager in Cerritos and Lake Forest, and her late-brother **Scott Knapp**. We hope to see everyone again next year.

## A List of Some of Those with Los Angeles Experience

We look for new ways to list those who practice the city manager craft. We sometimes lapse to the past and take a look at what we've done previously. Of course, we do not want to forget anyone who has earned their way in the city management community. We salute city managers for their service, especially during the current economic times. With the poor economy and the State, led by Governor **Jerry Brown**, looking for ways to take revenue away from cities to fund their own spending programs, managing cities has been a challenge.

Previously, we have pieced together lists of those with "certain city" experience. So, we thought we would go there again using the ICMA Who's Who Directory on-line. This time we are taking a look at those with either City of Los Angeles or County of Los Angeles experience.


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Those who have work experience in either the City of Los Angeles or the County of Los Angeles, as listed in the ICMA Who's Who Directory. A "work history" search provided these names: **Anthony M. Coroalles**, Calabasas City Manager; **Craddock Stropes**, Management Analyst, Carlsbad; **Daniel Ortiz-Hernandez**, Management Analyst, Casa Grande, Arizona; **Gabriella Yap**, Assistant to the City Manager, La Habra Heights; **Gifford Miller**, retired City Manager; **Guadalupe Diaz**, Sr. Management Analyst, Harbor Department, City of Los Angeles; **Jack R. Smith**, retired City Manager; **Jennifer F. Phillips**, Assistant City Manager, Santa Rosa; **John F. Shirey**, City Manager, Sacramento; **Katherine Estrada**, Intern, San Jose; **Mark V. Bozigian**, City Manager, Lancaster; **Michael P. Busch**, President, **Urban Futures**; **Mona Miyasato**, Chief Assistant County Administrator, Marin County; **Morris B. Vance**, retired City Manager and former Mayor of Vista; **Neil C. Peterson III**, Chairman, President & CEO of Edge Foundation, Seattle, Washington; **Pamela S. Easter**, Retired City Manager and Senior ICMA Advisor; **Peter A. Einhorn**, Policy Director, Travis County, Austin, Texas; and **Richard E. Watson**, Principal, Watson Associates, Vacaville.



Trackdown's **Susan Simpson**; Commander **Bill Hearther**, USN; and **Samantha Simpson** on the beach in San Clemente on Fathers' Day.



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Here we will work through those with significant California work experience. Please enjoy:

**Mark V. Bozigian** began his working career in the private sector. Prior to coming to the public sector Mark worked 10-years at Hughes Aircraft. In 1992 Mark became a Program Manager for the Los Angeles County MTA (Metropolitan Transportation Authority). In 1994 Mark was appointed Director of Financial Planning for the MTA, where he served for about a year. In 1995 he joined the Lancaster city staff as a Transportation Program Administrator. In 1999 Mark was selected to serve as the Assistant to the City Manager and four years later in 2003 he was elevated to the Lancaster Redevelopment Director position. He was appointed Assistant City Manager in 2005 and in 2008 he became the Lancaster City Manager. Mark has earned a BS and MBA from Loyola Marymount University. In 2010 he received a 10-year ICMA Service Award.



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--Dr. Leo Buscaglia, Ph.D., USC

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Calabasas City Manager **Anthony M. Coralles** served in the US Army from 1974 until 2001 where he served as a Commander in Arkansas. After he left active duty, he took an

Assistant General Manager position in Los Angeles in 2001. Tony joined the Calabasas city staff as City Manager in 2003. He earned a BS from the University of San Francisco and an MS from **USC**. In 2011 he received a 10-year ICMA Service Award. He served as the Chair of the California Contract Cities Association City Managers and Administrators Committee in 2011-2012.



**Craddock Stropes** is a Management Analyst for the City of Carlsbad. She began her working career as a Community Liaison with the Los Angeles County Arts

Commission in 1996. IN 1997 she became the Director of Public Relations for the Philharmonic Society of Orange County in Irvine, and she served there until 2002. In 2003 she was appointed Director of Arts & Business for the San Diego Performing Arts League, and in 2004 she took the Director of External Affairs post for the La Jolla Music Society. She joined the Carlsbad city staff in 2005. She has a BA from California State University.

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**Daniel Ortiz-Hernandez** went to work for as a Section 8 Advisor for the City of Los Angeles Housing Authority in 2008. Later that year (2008) Daniel took a Research Assistant position with the Alliance for Innovation in Arizona. In 2009 he was appointed to a Management Analyst post in Casa Grande, Arizona. Daniel earned a BA from California State University, Northridge, and an MPA from Arizona State University. He also earned a Certificate in Management and Organizations from the University of Arizona. Daniel is fluent in Spanish.

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In 2001 **Gabriella Yap** went to work for Paramount Petroleum as an Accounting Associate. In 2002 she moved to a Development Associate position with Court Appointed Special Advocates of Orange County, and in 2004 she took a Management Aide post with the City of Torrance. Later that year (2004) Gabriella was appointed to a two-year Administrative Intern Program with the County of Los Angeles, where she worked with HR and the CEO's office. In 2006 she has retained a an Associate Analyst with the Los Angeles County CEO. In 2007 Gabriella move to a Budget & Financial Analyst post with the City of Beverly Hills where she served until 2010. In 2010 she was appointed Assistant to the City Manager in La Habra Heights. Gabriella earned a BA from UCLA and an MPA from California State University, Long Beach.



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It was 1947 when **Gifford W. Miller** took a job as a Staff Assistant to the Mayor in [Los Angeles](#). He worked there for about seven-years before he was appointed Assistant to the City Manager in [Burbank](#) in 1954. In 1955 Giff was selected to serve as City Manager in The Dalles, Oregon. He returned to California in 1957 to be the [Monrovia](#) City Manager. He moved to Orange County in 1968 to serve as the City Manager in the City of [Orange](#) where he worked for the next 9 and a half-years. When he resigned from his Orange position the City Council bestowed the title of "City Manager Emeritus" on **Gifford W. Miller**. After he retired he accepted a position as Visiting Professor at the Center for Public Policy & Administration at California State University, Long Beach. Giff earned a BS and MS from **USC**, an MA and Ph.D. from Claremont Graduate School. He is a 1974 recipient of an ICMA Management Innovation Award, and in 1974 he received a 20-year ICMA Service Award. He lists his current address as Portland, Oregon.



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--Michael Jordan



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In 1994 **Guadalupe Diaz** went to work for the accountancy corporation of KGB as an Accounting Clerk. In 1995 she added a second job as an Administrative Support Coordinator for California State University, Northridge. In 1997 she focused only on her Cal State Northridge post. In 2001 Guadalupe went to work for the City of Los Angeles Harbor Department in San Pedro as a Senior Management Analyst. She has earned a BS from California State University, Northridge.



**Kenneth L. Bayless**, General Manager, Greater Los Angeles County Vector Control District

Currently the President on the 2012 Board of Director of the Mosquito & Vector Control Association of California. Ken is a retired Chief with the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department.

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Palm Desert resident **Jack R. Smith** began his 30-plus-years public management career in 1963 as an Administrative Assistant in the City of Los Angeles. In 1966 he was hired in Azusa to serve as the Assistant City Manager, and in 1969 he was appointed County Manager in Coconino County, Arizona, where he served for some 13-years. In 1982 Jack returned to California to take the City Manager post in Cathedral City and retired in 1988. However, that year (1988) Jack became the City Administrator in Carson, beginning in an "Interim" roll. After two month Jack was appointed City Administrator, nearly six months after the retirement of former City Administrator **Richard Gunnarson**. Jack took over in Carson from Interim City Administrator **William McKown**, who had served as the Deputy City Administrator under **Richard Gunnarson**. Soon after Murrieta officially became a city in 1991, Jack was selected to serve as the new city's first City Manager. Jack was one of the 25-charter members of the Murrieta Rotary Club in 1992. Jack left Murrieta in 1994 and began consulting, which included Interim City Manager stints in Desert Hot Springs and Glendora in 1997. Jack is a former Board member for the National Association of County Administrators, and served as President of the Arizona Association of County Administrators. He also served as the Chair of the City Managers' Subcommittee of the Coachella Valley Association of Governments. Jack earned a BA from California State University, Long Beach and an MA from the University of Redlands. In 1994 he was the recipient of a 30-year ICMA Service Award.

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In 1991 **Jennifer F. Phillips**, Santa Rosa Assistant City Manager, began her career as a Recycling Specialist with the Los Angeles County Sanitation District. In 1994 she was appointed to a Principal Finance Analyst post with the Orange County Transit Authority, where she worked until 1999. She was recruited to serve as the Assistant to the City Manager in Fullerton in 1999. In 2004 Jennifer went to work in Orange County as a Deputy Director, and in 2009 she was selected to serve as Assistant City Manager in Santa Monica. During 2010 she was an Adjunct Professor at California State University, Fullerton, and served as an Interim Project Manager in Orange County. Jennifer was appointed Assistant City Manager in Santa Rosa in 2011. She was appointed by City Manager **Kathy Millison** to fill the ACM post that was held on an interim basis by retired Napa City Manager **Patricia Thompson**. Jennifer has earned a BS and MPA from California State University, Long Beach. She also holds a certificate as an ethics trainer from the Josephson Institute of Ethics. She was the recipient of a 20-year ICMA Service Award in 2001. She was the 2010 recipient of the Tom Bradley Diversity Award presented by the American Society of Public Administration (ASPA). Jennifer has served on the Cal-ICMA Board (2010-2011), and was a member of the ICMA Emerging Leaders Development Program Class of 2007. She is a Past President of MMASC (2002-2003). She currently serves as the Chair of Women Leading Government (WLG).

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**Michael P. Busch** began his public service career in 1998 as a Senior Management Analyst in Arcadia when **Bill Kelly** was the Arcadia City Manager. In 2000 Mike took a Finance & Administration Manager post with Culver City, and in 2001 he moved to a Project Manager III position with the County of Los Angeles for a short period until he was appointed Treasurer/Budget Manager that year (2001) in the City of Claremont where **Glenn Southard** was City Manager. Mike was promoted to Deputy City Manager in 2003 and served as Acting Assistant City Manager in 2005. He took the Management Services Director post in Indio in 2005 and served there until he was appointed Assistant City Manager in Lancaster in 2007. Mike took a position on the private side as a Managing Principal with **Urban Futures, Inc.**, though the company exclusively serves public agencies. Mike is currently the President of Urban Futures. He has served as the Financial Advisor to the California Communities Gas Tax financing pool, and the cities of: Desert Hot Springs, Indio, Artesia, San Ramon, Azusa, South Pasadena, Maywood, Auburn, Lawndale, Covina, Hawaiian Gardens and Coachella. He earned a BS at California Polytechnical Institute, Pomona, and an MPA from California State University, Long Beach. In 2009 he received a 10-year ICMA Service Award. Mike is a past Chair of the Cal-ICMA Board, and he is a past President of the Municipal Management Association of Southern California (MMASC).







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Sacramento City Manager **John F. Shirey** began his career as a Junior Administrative Assistant in Monterey Park in 1972. John was promoted to Administrative Assistant to the City Manager and served in Monterey Park until 1975 when he became a Legislative Analyst for the City of Long Beach. He was elevated to the Long Beach Director of Intergovernmental Relations position in 1976. Between 1979 and 1982 John served as Legislative Counsel to the National League of Cities in Washington, D.C. In 1982 he returned to California to take the position of Assistant Executive Director of the Los Angeles County Community Development Commission. In 1985 he was appointed Deputy Chief Administrative Officer for Los Angeles County, and he became Assistant CAO in 1986. John returned to Long Beach in 1987 as the Assistant City Manager, where he served until 1993 when he was selected to be the City Manager in Cincinnati, Ohio. After serving in Cincinnati for about 7-years, John again returned to California. This time he took the Executive Director post for the California Redevelopment Association in 2002. John spent about 9-years with CRA before he was appointed to the Sacramento City Manager position in 2011. John earned a BS from Purdue University and an MPA from **USC**. He was the recipient of the 2001 ICMA Award for Program Excellence for Outstanding Partnerships: Intergovernmental Cooperation. In 1999 John received a 25-year ICMA Service Award.



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AA Pirates of the Frontier Youth Baseball League, a Cal Ripken League, in Cerritos. The boys are doing their **Aaron Rodgers** belt move after receiving their first place medals.

Retired City Manager **Morris B. Vance** began his public management career in 1965 as an Administrative Assistant for Los Angeles County. In 1966 he took a similar Administrative Assistant post with Vernon where he worked for about 3-years. In 1969 Morris was selected to serve as the Assistant City Administrator in Carson, and in 1975 he was appointed City Administrator in Lomita, where he served for about a half-dozen years. Morris was then appointed City Manager in the City of Vista in San Diego County, and he served in that post for about 16-years. Following his retirement he was elected to serve on the Vista City Council and he was selected Mayor for more than one term. Morris earned a BS at Brigham Young University and an MPA at **USC**. In 1994 he received a 30-year ICMA Service Award.



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ICMA Senior Advisor **Pamela S. Easter** began his remarkable career as an Administrative Assistant in San Juan Capistrano in 1976. In 1977 she took an Intern position with the County of Los Angeles, and in 1978 she became a Management Intern in Phoenix, Arizona. She was promoted in Phoenix in 1979 to Management Assistant I. Pam returned to California in 1980 when she was selected to serve as the Assistant to the City Manager in Hemet. She was elevated to Assistant City Manager in 1983, and left Hemet in 1988 for a similar Assistant City Manager post in Moreno Valley when **David F. Dixon** was the Moreno Valley City Manager. Pam moved on the San Jacinto when she was selected to serve as their City Manager in 1990. She left that post in 1996, and after a short time of serving the city as an Administrative Services Consultant, she went to work as a Project Manager for the Southern California Edison Company. In 1999 Pam returned to the public sector as the Assistant City Manager in Rancho Cucamonga under City Manager **Jack Lam**. Pam retired in 2009 and as served as a Senior Advisor for ICMA since 2010. She earned a BA from the University of California and an MPA from **USC**. In 2006 Pam received a 25-year ICMA Service Award. She served on the ICMA Executive Board as a Regional Vice President from 1989 to 1991. She is also a past member of the CCMF Board.



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In 1959 **Richard E. Watson** went to work for the County of Los Angeles as a Senior Administrative Assistant. In 1961 Rich was appointed Assistant City Manager in Monterey, and in 1964 he took a similar Assistant City Manager post in Alameda. Rich was appointed City Administrator in Millbrae in 1967, and he served with that organization for a half-dozen years. In 1973 he became the Executive Director of the County Supervisor of California group, and in 1980 he began a two-year stint in the private sector. In 1982 Rich was appointed County Administrator in Solano County, and when he left there in 1988 Rich began to take on a number of "interim" assignments. He was the Interim General Manager of the Monterey Sewer Agency in 1988. Rich was the Interim City Manager in Ukiah in 1989-1990, and he took the Interim General Manager position for the Marina Water District in 1990. In 1993 Rich became the Interim City Manager in Sausalito and he took the Visalia Interim City Manager assignment in 1996. In 1997 Rich was appointed Director of the California Emergency Medical Services Authority, and he served in that post until 2005. Rich earned a BA from the University of California. He received a 25-year ICMA Service Award in 1990. He served on the Board for the National Association of County Administrators in 1986-1988.



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It has been suggested that perhaps those who start with the City of Los Angeles or County of Los Angeles stay with those agencies throughout their careers. While we can make no determination from the data we have seen, it appears that there are not many folks in the California city management community outside of the Los Angeles organizations with those agencies on their experience list. We hope that you have enjoyed this presentation. It has given us the opportunity to list some new members of the city management community.

### Trackdown's June, 2007 List

In June, 2007 we distributed a newsletter listing City Manager who were born before 1945. The list include: **Earl D. Wilson, Jr.** of Weed; **Eugene L. "Jim" Dinkhouse** of Sanger; **Stephen B. Julian** of Coalinga (at the time); **Abdel Salem** of Delano; **Richard D. Rowe** of Needles (at the time); **Ted A. Gaebler** of Rancho Cordova; **Donald A. "Don" Blubaugh** of Martinez (at the time); **LeRoy J. Jackson** of Torrance; **Andrew C. Lazzaretto**, at the time of Rosemead; **Gary F. Pokory** of Walnut Creek; **Douglas-Bruce "D-B" Heusser** of Selma; **Douglas N. La Belle** of Chino Hills (who has since retired); **Mike Fuson** of Sonoma; **Jennifer D. Sparacino** of Santa Clara; **David N. Ream** of Santa Ana (who has since retired); **Ed Everett**, who was the City Manager in Redwood City at the time; **Jim Hendrickson**, who was the Palos Verdes Estates City Manager then; **Fred E. Meurer** of Monterey; **Howard L. Chambers** of Lakewood; **Eric Ziegler**, who has since retired from Glendora; **Dinuba** City Manager **J. Edward Todd**; **Diane McGrath**, then the City Manager in Colma; and **Don Bradley** of Cathedral City.



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Clark Wurzberger manages The Mercer Group's Sacramento area office. He has more than 20-years of public sector experience. He joined The Mercer Group in February, 2002. Previous to that, he served for 7-years as a Senior Consultant with Hughes, Perry & Associates (formerly Hughes, Heiss & Associates), a highly regarded public sector management consulting firm in California where he worked with more than 160 local government clients in California and Nevada. Previous to that he served as Vice President in the San Francisco office of Boyden International, one of the nation's top ten executive recruitment firms. He has served as a District Representative for a California State Assembly Member in Los Angeles County, and as a Legislative Management Officer in two federal agencies, the U.S. Agency for International Development and the U.S. Department of State.

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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We ran this picture in our last issue, but it deserves a "re-run." Retired veteran Downey City Manager **Jerry Caton**, former Pasadena City Manager **Cynthia Kurtz**, retired Paramount City Manager and CJPIA Executive Director **Bill Holt**, and Cerritos City Council Member **Jim Edwards** after a memorable session on city managers at the 53rd Annual Municipal Seminar of the *California Contract Cities Association*. Cynthia is a past President of the City Managers' Department of the League of California Cities.

**Picking Up The Pieces:** San Marino City Manager **Matthew Ballantyne** has been appointed City Manager in Chino replacing the retired **Pat Glover**. **Bob Murray & Associates** conducted the recruitment. Matt has served as the San Marino City Manager since 2006. Eastvale has extended the employment agreement of Interim City Manager **Robert Van Nort** until December 31, 2012 or until a permanent City Manager appointment is made. **David Boesch**, former San Mateo County Manager and a former Menlo Park City Manager, is the new CEO in Placer County following the retirement of CEO **Tom Miller** and the Interim CEO tenure of **Holly Heinzen**. Claiming he was a victim of religious discrimination, former Fire Chief **Ron Hittle**, 49, has filed a wrongful termination lawsuit against Stockton, City Manager **Bob Deis** and Deputy City Manager **Laurie Montes**. Paramount among the investigation's findings is that the Chief attended a Christian-affiliated leadership conference while on duty, which violates regulations prohibiting employees from attending religious themed events while on "...the taxpayer's dime..." according to the City Attorney. ABC Unified School District Superintendent of School **Gary Smuts** has retired. Cerritos Mayor **Jim Edwards** served as Master of Ceremonies at a gala retirement dinner for Gary at the Sycamore Plaza in Lakewood. With Fortuna City Manager **Duane Rigge** ready to retire June 30, **Loretta Nickolaus** will serve as Interim City Manager. Loretta is a retired Humboldt County Administrative Officer. Caltrans Deputy Director **Martin Tuttle** has been appointed to the vacant West Sacramento City Manager post. Former City Manager **Toby Ross** retired after nearly 10-years with the city. Martin is a former Executive Director of the Sacramento Area Council of Governments. Los Banos City Manager **Steve Rath** announced earlier this year that he will retire on Halloween (October 31). The city is currently recruiting for a new City Manager. A four-foot high bronze sculpture of a lone howling wolf, selected at the La Quinta Arts Festival this year, "Leader of the Pack," has been unveiled at La Quinta City Hall in honor and memory of the late La Quinta City Manager **Tom Genovese**. Tom, 53, died of a heart attack while hiking the popular Bump and Grind trail in Palm Desert last November. Lynwood Assistant City Manager/Finance Director **Robert Torrez** has been terminated upon the recommendation of City Manager **Roger Haley**. Bob previously served as the Chief Financial Officer in Burbank before joining the Lynwood staff in May, 2008 under an "at-will" employment agreement. Former Hayward City Manager **Greg Jones** has been elected to the Hayward City Council. Greg left the City Manager position in Hayward in 2010, while considering a Hayward school board campaign.

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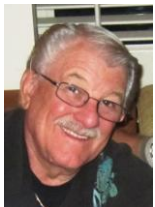
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**More Pieces Picked Up:** Elk Grove resident **Tom Hart** is the Interim Executive Director of the California Redevelopment Association. He earned a BA at UCLA and an MPA from USC. He began his career in 1980 as an analyst in Modesto. Sanger City Manager **Brian Haddix** has appointed Porterville Police Captain and Division Commander **Silverio "Silver" Rodriquez**, 52, to be the next Sanger Chief of Police. In February, then-Chino City Manager **Pat Glover** appointed **Brent Arnold** Acting Assistant City Manager to fill-in behind the unexpected resignation of Assistant City Manager **Pat Griffin**. Brent has been with the City of Chino for more than 26-years, working in every division within the Community Development Department. He is the Deputy Director of Community Development/City Planner. Apple Valley Fire Captain **Roy Cullumber**, who went missing on May 28, was found dead in his car on Saturday, June 2. A hike found the body in the vehicle parked in a field around the Rodman Mountains Wilderness area off Camp Rock Road. Apparently, there was no foul play. Fire Chief **Art Bishop** said that the Captain was a Senior Captain and was well liked and respected by all. Chino Hills has renamed Crossroads Park North to Veterans Park in honor of U.S. Military veterans. A successful recall of three Fullerton City Council members spurred on by the beating death of **Kelly Thomas**, a mentally ill homeless man, by members of the Fullerton Police Department appears to pave the way for change. One of the newly elected Council Members has said that he wants to see the Council take a hard look at the City Manager and City Attorney. **Joe Felz** is the Fullerton City Manager. The "Interim" has been dropped from Santa Ana City Manager **Paul Walters** title. Paul, 66, has been the long-time Police Chief in Santa Ana. He will now serve as City Manager and Police Commissioner. He has served as Interim City Manager since the retirement of City Manager **David Reams**. **Bob Wingenroth** is the new Anaheim City Manager. He has been serving as Acting City Manager since last November, and he joined the Anaheim staff the previous November as the Director of Finance. He previously served as Finance Director in Huntington Beach. Bob began his career in 1980 with the City of Phoenix, Arizona. Cerritos Mayor **Jim Edwards** has nearly three decades of experience in athletics, coaching various varsity sports including: baseball, cross country, soccer, softball and track & field. He served as the Director of Athletics at Richard Gahr High School. He is a retired career educator and administrator for the ABC Unified School District.

Manhattan Beach City Attorney **Roxanne Diaz** is stepping down for personal reasons. She will continue to work with the City but in a more limited role, according to Manhattan Beach City Manager **David Carmany**. With City Manager **Tony O'Rourke's** May 15 resignation to take the Yakima, Washington City Manager's job, **Nancy Kerry** has served as the South Lake Tahoe Interim City Manager. Nancy served as the Assistant to the City Manager for Tony. According to the Center for Investigative Reporting, by far the largest contributor to State election campaigns in California is the teachers union, the California Teachers Association (CTA). Longtime Monroe, Ohio City Manager **William J. Brock** recently filed a police report alleging that Vice Mayor **Robert Kelley** got into his space, poked him in the chest and threatened his job. He said that he did not immediately wish to press charges for the "disorderly conduct" incident, but wanted the incident documented. He has served as Monroe City Manager since 2004.

#### Former City Manager John Dangleis Passes



John Dangleis was born in Los Angeles, California to Peter and Jean Dangleis. He graduated from Garfield High in 1948. John then served in the U.S. Navy from 1950-1955. After the service, he earned both a Bachelor's Degree in Physical Education and Master's Degree in Administration from Cal State LA. John worked for the City of Azusa as Recreation Director from 1958-1971 and City Administrator from 1971-1983. After a brief retirement, he accepted a position as City Administrator in the City of Carson, where he served for 3 years. Later returning his focus to Azusa, John spent a number of years as a city Councilman. Always a supporter of sports and the community, John spent many years involved with both SCMAF and Kiwanis. John officiated college basketball for 23 years. In 1974, John began assigning basketball games. Over the next 38 years, he served as coordinator for both men's and women's officials for numerous conferences, including: PCAA/Big West, GSAC, SCIAC, CCAA and the Foothill Athletic Conference. John Dangleis is survived by many friends and loved ones. His immediate family includes his wife of 48 years - Sue Dangleis, 5 children and their spouses: Debbie & Richard Ventimiglia, Dina & Kelly Sparks, Bob & Janice Dangleis, David & Karilyn Dangleis and Dore & Geoff Baker, as well as 10 grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren.

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"I get by with a little help from my friends."

--**John Lennon**



**Still More Pieces Picked Up:** Former California City Manager **John Danielson** is now the City Manager in Centennial, Colorado. He most recently served as Interim City Manager in Atherton and had positions with Wildomar and Indian Wells. John is a former Elk Grove City Manager too. **Rich Wilkinson**, who first served as Interim City Manager, is the current Lindsay City Manager/Chief of Police. One of the things that Lindsay, California is known for is the World's Largest Olive, which sits on a pedestal in a motel parking lot, according to RoadsideAmerica. Former City Manager **Scot Townsend** reportedly earned more per capita than former Bell City Manager **Bob Rizzo**. Following the Bell scandal, Scot resigned his Lindsay City Manager position in 2010 citing death threats to him and his family as his reason for going. Lindsay, California was a unanimous selection as an All-American City in June, 1995. Hanford long-time Deputy City Manager **Mary Lindsay** was dismissed in May with no reason given for her sudden termination. Interim City Manager **Pam McCarthy** said that the Deputy City Manager was released from her at-will position. Mary joined the Hanford city staff in 1987 as a Personnel Technician. She rose through the ranks and became Deputy City Manager in 2003. A pair of Johns: City Manager **John D. Lollis** was appointed Porterville City Manager in 2009 to replace the retiring City Manager **John Longley**. **John Longley** had served as the Porterville City Manager since 2002. He hired **John Lollis** as a Deputy City Manager in July, 2007. Parenthetically, Porterville received an All-American City Award in 1994. **Tom Mitchell**, a former County Executive Officer in Mendocino and Calaveras Counties, is among the final six candidates for the Clatsop County, Oregon Chief Administrator post. L.A. Times Writer **Jeff Gottlieb**, who broke the Bell corruption story, reports that former Cudahy City Manager **George Perez** appears to have improperly given himself annual cost-of-living raises without City Council approval. George has sued the city claiming he is owed 18-months severance. Canyon Lake City Manager **Lori Moss** has submitted her resignation. Her last day with the city was July 20. Lori served as Canyon Lake City Manager for 5 and a half years. Prior to that she was City Manager in Murrieta. Legal action has been filed against Monte Sereno alleging that the city has not met its obligations under State Housing Law, and has misrepresented its housing numbers and housing opportunities to State officials and ABAG. City Manager **Brian Loventhal** is dealing with the issue. Chief of Police **Miles Pruitt** has been serving as Interim City Manager following Chino City Manager **Patrick Glover's** retirement in February.

The **Bob Murray and Associates** recruitment has concluded with the appointment of former San Marino City Manager **Matthew Ballantyne** as the new Chino City Manager. Matt will report to Chino on August 1, 2012. Benicia City Manager **Brad Kilger** has appointed Emeryville CFO **Karan Reid** to be the next Benicia Finance Director. **Karen Burnham** is currently the Interim City Manager in Oxnard. She previously served as ACM under City Manager **Ed Sotelo**. Long-time Monterey City Manager **Fred Meurer**, 68, a former Army Colonel, has announced that he will retired in the Summer of 2013. Fred has been Monterey City Manager since 1991 after working 5-years as the Monterey Public Works Director.



### Bellflower "Simpson Dayz" City Staff Reunion Saturday, June 2, 2012 at the Acapulco Restaurant in Long Beach

Staying in touch is important, more important that we usually admit. Thanks to **Theresa Battaglia-Gutierrez** of City Manager **Howard Chamber's** Lakewood staff for doing most of the planning to bring together the 1980-1993 Bellflower city staff. Theresa began her career in Bellflower. Also, thanks go to **Candice Fullencamp** for her help, and to all those who took the time to attend. It was a great event.



"The only way to have a friend is to be one."  
--Ralph Waldo Emerson