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Parness, Parness, Korduner & McKinney An "Off-the-Wall" Listing

"Off-the-wall" again! How about a small target group of managers who have worked in multiple jurisdictions. We can then list current City Managers and/or ICMA members in those cities; how's that for "off the wall" and random. We can select the names of the target group and string them together like a detective agency like *Cool and Lam* from the old **A. A. Faire** books, or like the law firms who Sponsor the City Manager Newsletter by Trackdown: **Fulbright & Jaworski**; **Colantuono & Levin**; and **Jones Hall**.

In order to produce a manageable group of cities in the north and south ends of California, we randomly selected the target group as: *Parness, Parness, Korduner & McKinney*. This fantasy firm comes together with **Bill Parness, Mike Parness, Gregory Korduner** and **Wade McKinney**; two retirees and two current managers. Their combined California work experience includes the cities of: Santa Cruz, Claremont, San Rafael, Livermore, San Clemente, Walnut Creek, Napa, Norwalk, Artesia, South El Monte, El Monte, La Habra Heights, Huntington Park, La Puente, Taft, Shafter and Atascadero.



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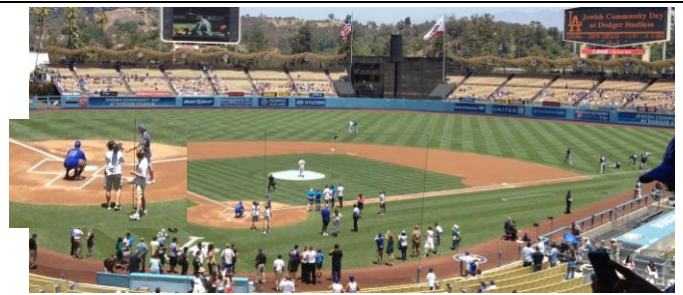
First the members of our fictitious detective agency or legal firm or bond underwriters or auditors firm: "**Parness, Parness, Korduner & McKinney**:"

William H. Parness was an Intern with the Coro Foundation starting in September, 1949. In August, 1950 he took an Administrative Assistant position in Santa Cruz, and in July, 1953 he was appointed City Manager in Claremont. Bill moved to San Rafael as City Manager in April, 1957 where he served for about five months when he was selected to serve as the City Manager in Livermore. He served in Livermore for nearly 21-years. In 1978 he became the City Manager of Bellevue, Washington where he left in October, 1979. He served as the President for Public Service Sills in 1985. Bill earned a BA at from the University of California.



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Second in our fictitious firm is **Mike Parness**, who began his began his public service career in 1979 as the Executive Assistant to the Mayor of Renton, Washington. Mike served in Renton for about 10-years, and in 1989 he was selected to serve as the City Manager in San Clemente where he served until 2002. Mike was appointed City Manager in Walnut Creek in 2002, and in 2006 he moved from that post to become the Napa City Manager. Mike earned a BS from the University of Santa Clara, and an MPA from California State University. In 2009 Mike was presented with a 30-year ICMA Service Award. He currently serves on the Board of the California City Management Foundation (CCMF).



Retired Huntington Park City Manager **Gregory Korduner's** cousin **David Korduner** is seen here catching the ceremonial first pitch at Dodger Stadium in Los Angeles. David is General Counsel for the Directors Guild of America. A few years back his son was on the same Little League team as the son of City Attorney **Roxanne Diaz** of Richards, Watson & Gershon. David is seen here catching in his blue softball team jersey. His team is the "Bagel Dawgs."

Gregory D. Korduner began his public service career during his high school and college years working about 6-years in the Norwalk Public Works Department. In September, 1975 Greg went to Artesia to fill an Administrative Assistant post. In 1977 he was appointed Planning Director and in 1978 he became Artesia Assistant City Manager. In August, 1981 Greg was selected to serve as the City Manager in South El Monte, and he left that post in 1981 when he was recruited to be City Administrator in El Monte. After leaving El Monte in 1999, Greg did some interim work including a stint with La Habra Heights, prior to his appointment as the Huntington Park City Manager in September, 1999. Greg has an AA from Cerritos Community College, a BA from California State University, Fullerton and an MPA from California State University, Long Beach. Greg's wife Karen is a teacher with the Downey Unified School District. Greg received a 35-year ICMA Service Award in 2010. He is a past President of the SELAC City Managers' Group (Gateway Cities).



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It was 1979 when **Wade G. McKinney** began his career as an Assistant Planner in the City of La Puente. Wade moved to the Director of Planning post in Taft in 1980, and he was elevated to Assistant City Manager/Director of Planning & Building in 1984. He relocated from Taft in 1986 when he was appointed to the Shafter City Manager position. Wade served in that post for about 11-years until 1997 when he was selected to be the Atascadero City Manager. Wade earned a BS at California Polytechnic University. In 2009 he received a 30-year ICMA Service Award. Wade has served on the Cal-ICMA Board and currently serves as the President of CCMF.



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And now for the current "workers" in the target managers work history. We apologize up front for those we miss due to the lack of space or our stupidity. We have not interest in hurting anyone's feelings and we are sincerely sorry if we do.



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Martin Bernal, 46, served as the Santa Cruz Assistant City Manager for 13-years, and replaced his boss **Dick Wilson** in 2010, upon Dick's retirement after 28-years on the job. Before joining the Santa Cruz staff in 1997, Martin served as Assistant to the City Manager in Mountain View for 4-years, and Senior Executive Assistant to the City Manager in San Jose, following a time as an Environmental Specialist. Martin earned a BA in Urban Planning and Urban Studies from Stanford University, and a Master's degree in Public Affairs from the University of Texas at Austin. Martin served on the ICMA Committee on the Changing Role of the Assistant in 1997-1999. He received a 10-year ICMA Service Award in 2000.

After City Manager **Glenn Southard** left Claremont to be the Indio City Manager prior to his retirement, Walnut City Manager **Jeff Parker** served there, and he brought **Tony Ramos** to the Claremont management team as Assistant City Manager. Tony was appointed to the Claremont City Manager post when Jeff was selected to serve as the Tustin City Manager in Orange County. Tony began his career as a Recreation Supervisor in West Covina in 1979. He was selected to serve in an Administrative Aide slot in Walnut in 1985, and then progressed up to Administrative Assistant; Assistant to the City Manager, 1986; and Walnut Assistant City Manager in 1990. He moved to Claremont as the Assistant City Manager in 2006 and was appointed to the Claremont City Manager post in 2011. In 2011 Tony received a 30-year ICMA Service Award.



CCCA Executive Director **Sam Olivito** and retired City Manager **Joe Tanner**, the new Interim City Manager in Rio Vista as **Roger Wong** decides to step down to travel with his wife, who recently retired too.

Trackdown Posse Roster:



Gregory Korduner, Retired, Huntington Park CM
Howard Chambers, Lakewood
Mike Egan, Norwalk
Lyle Defenbaugh, CallTrust
Ernie Garcia, Retired Norwalk City Manager
Joe Tanner, Retired City Manager
Dave Carmany, Manhattan Beach
Ken Bayless, Greater L.A. Vector Control District
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George Rodericks, Belvedere
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S. R. (Steve) Thatcher, C.M., MPA, Senior Partner, SRT Associates
Ernesto Marquez, Hawaiian Gardens
Gary K. & Mary Jo Sloan, Retired La Mirada City Manager
Jan Perkins, Management Partners/ICMA
Andy Takata, Banning
Marcia Raines, Millbrae
Anthony R. Ybarra, South El Monte
Arthur C. Simonian, Simonian Consulting, Inc.
Ken Caresio, Retired Duarte City Manager
Carlos Urrutia, Retired Rocklin City Manager
Michael P. Busch, President, Urban Futures, Inc.
Wade McKinney, Atascadero & President of CCMF
Andy Lazzaretto, A.C. Lazzaretto & Associates
Doug LaBelle (Maui Doug), Retired Chino Hills City Manager
John Keisler, Long Beach
Sheryl Lindsey-Boell, CH2MHILL OMI
Sam Olivito, California Contract Cities Association
Jack Lam, Retired Rancho Cucamonga City Manager
Larry F. Pennell, Retired Wasco City Manager
Gary Chicots, Retired City Manager
Rod B. Butler, Patterson
Debbie Smith, Independent Cities Finance Authority
Fred Latham, Retired Santa Fe Springs City Manager
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Roy Pederson, ICMA Past-President
Bruce Williams, Retired City Manager
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Clay J. Curtin, Manhattan Beach
Mindy Lynn Jacobs, IntelliBridge Partners
Rod Foster, Colton
Gerald Forde, Huron
Jim Gilley, The Gilley Group, LLC
Oliver Chi, Barstow ACM
Dale Geldert, Retired CDF Director
Rita Geldert, Retired Vista City Manager
Susan Simpson, In-N-Out Burger
Gene Rogers, Moreno Valley Retired City Manager
Mary Soto, VP, CiteZONE.com
Chuck Robinson, DCM, Walnut
Gary Milliman, Brookings, Oregon
John Gillison, Rancho Cucamonga

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San Rafael Assistant City Manager **James M. Schutz** is an ICMA member. Jim began his public management career as a Planning Technician in Santa Barbara in 1989-1990. In 1993 he took a Redevelopment Intern position in Contra Costa County. In 1994 Jim was appointed to a Project Manager post in Pinole, and he served there until 1998 when he was selected by San Jose to serve as the Planning & Development Manager. In 2004 Jim returned to Pinole as the Assistant City Manager. In 2007 he was selected to serve as the Assistant City Manager in San Rafael. Jim served as the Interim City Manager for a time in 2010-11. Jim earned a BA from the University of California, Santa Barbara and an MCRP from California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo. In 2011 he received a 10-year ICMA Service Award.



Nancy Mackle, 53, was appointed to the San Rafael City Manager post in March, 2011 following 14-years with the San Rafael city staff. Immediately prior to the appoint she was the Deputy City Manager, the Economic Development Director and Public Information Officer. Prior to joining the San Rafael staff she worked in Pinole, Emeryville and Fremont. She earned a degree in business administration from the University of California, Berkeley.



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Livermore City Manager **Marc Roberts** began his public service career in 1986 as an Assistant Planner in Tiburon. He joined the Livermore staff as a Planner in 1987 and served in that position for 10-years. In 1997 he was tapped to serve as the Assistant to the City Manager, and after about 3-years in that post he was served in the Community Development Center. Marc was appointed to the Livermore City Manager post in 2012 following the retirement of City Manager **Linda Barton**. Marc earned a BS from the University of California, Davis and an MBA from the University of California, Berkeley.



Wake boarder **Troy S. Brown** currently serves on the ICMA Executive Board as a Regional Vice President. Troy started his public management career in 1994 as a Recreation Leader in

Santa Clarita following about 9-years of working in the private sector. In 1997 he moved up to a Santa Clarita Recreation Coordinator post, and in 1998 he was appointed to be the city's Information Technology Specialist. Troy next was appointed to a Santa Clarita Management Analyst position in 2000. He joined the Riverside staff in 2003 as the Assistant to the City Manager. In 2004 Troy moved north to Elk Grove where he was appointed Assistant to the City Manager. After serving for a time as the Elk Grove Budget Manager in 2008, Troy joined the Livermore staff as Assistant City Manager in 2009. He earned a BA from California State University, Northridge, and an MPA from California State University, San Bernardino. Troy served on the Cal-ICMA Board in 2008-2011. In 2004-2005 Troy served as Vice President on the MMASC Board. In 2009 he received a 10-year ICMA Service Award.



Livermore Senior Management Analyst **Donna Z. Pontau** is an ICMA Affiliate Member. She got started as a Librarian at Fresno State University in 1980. In 1984 she was appointed Librarian/Interim Associate Dean at San Jose State University. Donna joined the Livermore staff in 2000 as a Supervising Librarian. She got the assignment as the Legacy Livermore Program Manager in 2007 and worked at that task until 2010 when she was appointed Senior Management Analyst. She earned an MLS from the University of Illinois, Urbana and an MPA from California State University, Hayward.

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George E. Scarborough began his public service career in 1977 as the Planning Director in Greenfield. In 1978 George took the Scotts Valley Planning Director post. In 1980 George returned to Greenfield to accept the City Manager appointment. George was appointed City Manager in Los Altos Hills in 1984, and he joined the San Juan Capistrano staff in 1988 as the Assistant City Manager. George was appointed to the San Juan Capistrano City Manager post in 1993 and served in that position for about 10-years. In 2003 he was recruited to his current position as San Clemente City Manager. George earned a BA from the University of California. In 2007 he received a 30-year ICMA Service Award.

In 1980 **Pall Gudgeirsson** went to work for Kitsap County, Washington as a Fiscal Officer to begin his public service career. In 1985 he was appointed Director of Finance in Redmond, Washington. He moved to California in 1992 when he was hired to serve as the Assistant City Manager/Treasurer in San Clemente. Pall earned a BA from the University of Washington, and an MBA from the University of Puget Sound. In 2010 he received a 30-year ICMA Service Award.

Ken Nordhoff, 51, served as the San Rafael City Manager from 2005 until he joined the Walnut Creek staff as City Manager in 2010 following the retirement of Walnut Creek City Manager **Gary Pokorny**. Ken served as San Rafael Assistant City Manager from November, 1996 to November, 2005. He earned a BS in Accounting at California Polytechnic University, Pomona.



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After working in the private sector, including the food service industry, **Mike Egan** joined the City of Bellflower staff in September, 1989. Mike worked in a variety of positions and disciplines developing a broad based knowledge of municipal government. He was appointed Deputy City Administrator in 1992. He was appointed City Administrator in 1997 and in 2005 the City Council modified the post to City Manager. Mike resigned from the Bellflower post to accept the appointment of City Manager in Norwalk in 2011. Bellflower Assistant City Manager **Lee Mingle** served as Interim City Manager until **Jeff Stewart**, a former Los Alamitos and El Segundo City Manager, was appointed Bellflower City Manager to replace Mike. He earned a BA from California Polytechnic University, Pomona. Mike has been active in regional city manager groups and committees.

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Former Chair of the California Contract Cities Association City Managers/Administrators Committee **Maria E. Dadian**, was a Child Services Superintendent in Hawaiian Gardens in 1975. Maria was promoted to Assistant to the City Manager in 1982, and in 1995 she left Hawaiian Gardens when she was appointed Assistant City Manager in Artesia. Maria was tagged to serve as Artesia City Manager in 2001. She earned a BA from California State University. In 2007 Maria received a 30-year ICMA Service Award.

Anthony R. Ybarra is the South El Monte City Manager. Tony has more than 40-years of professional experience in commercial, industrial and residential development, and more than 20-years in public management. He began in government in Economic Development as an intern in the Los Angeles office of the Economic Development Administration. He then went to work in the with the County of Kern. From Kern County he moved to the City of Compton staff. Tony first joined the South El Monte staff in the Assistant City Manager position before his appointment to the top spot. Tony earned two Bachelor's Degrees from California State University, Los Angeles, and he also earned a lifetime teaching credential. Tony earned a Masters Degree in Planning from **UCLA**, and he earned a special certification as an Economic Development Professional from the Council on Urban Economic Development (CUED).

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It was reported in a July 26 issue of the San Gabriel Valley Tribune that El Monte City Manager **Rene Bobadilla** has been offered the City Manager position in Huntington Park. It was reported that the Huntington Park City Council approved a 3-year employment agreement for Rene to serve as that city's City Manager. He apparently is on vacation and has not announced whether he will accept the offer. Rene began his career as a civil engineer with a private company until he went to work for the San Gabriel County Water District as a staff engineer. Then he spent about 10-years as a civil engineer with the County of Los Angeles. In January, 2008 he joined the El Monte staff as the Public Works Maintenance Superintendent. He was elevated to Deputy City Manager for Community Development in April, 2009. He was appointed El Monte City Manager in January, 2010 after serving about 3-months as an Interim City Manager. Rene graduated from El Monte High School and earned a BS at California Polytechnic University, Pomona. He is a Register Civil Engineer.

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La Habra Heights City Manager **Shauna L. Clark** served as an elected City Clerk in San Bernardino from 1978 until 1990 when she was appointed to the San Bernardino City Administrator post. Shauna served as the San Bernardino City Administrator until 1996. She worked as a Principal in Clark Consulting between 1997 and 2007. Between February and September, 2000 Shauna served as the Managing Director of Operations for the L.A. Convention 2000 Host Committee for the Democratic National Convention. She was appointed to her current La Habra Heights City Manager position in 2008. Shauna earned a AA from San Bernardino Valley College, and a BA and MBA from California State University, San Bernardino. In 2009 she received a 20-year ICMA Service Award. Since 2002 Shauna has served as an Adjunct Professor in the MPA program at California State University, Northridge.

Retired El Segundo City Manager **Mary Strenn** is currently serving as the Huntington Park Interim City Manager. She followed previous Interim City Manager **Raul Romero**. Since retiring from El Segundo in 2005, Mary has served as Interim City Manager in South Gate (2007), Interim Executive Director of the San Fernando Redevelopment Agency (2001-2010), and now the Huntington Park assignment. Mary earned a BS and an MPA from the University of Wisconsin, Green Bay. Mary was the recipient of an ICMA Program Excellence Award for Outstanding Partnerships: Intergovernmental Cooperation in 2001. She received a 25-year ICMA Service Award in 2003.

Congratulations Jay Goldstone and Steve Heaney

The Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board (MSRB) announced the names of officers of its Board of Directors for fiscal year 2013. **Jay M. Goldstone**, Chief Operating Officer of the City of San Diego and a public member of the MSRB Board of Directors, will serve as MSRB Chair beginning October 1, 2012. **Stephen E. Heaney**, Managing Director for **Stone & Youngberg, a Division of Stifel Nicolaus**, will serve as Vice Chair. Officer terms are for one year.



Bret Plumlee is the City Manager in La Puente, where **Wade McKinney** kicked-off his career. Brett began his career in the Finance Department in La Mirada in 1988 when **Gary Sloan** was the City Manager. Brett was appointed Finance Director/Treasurer in Rolling Hills Estates in 1995. He joined the El Segundo city staff in 1998 as the Director of Administrative Services, and in 2007 he was appointed Assistant City Manager in La Quinta, where he served until 2011. That year he was appointed City Manager in La Puente. In 2010 he received a 20-year ICMA Service Award. Brett earned a BS in accounting at California State University, Long Beach and a BS in economics from the University of California, Irvine.

Public Works Manager **Craig Jones** is the new Taft City Manager. Craig was appointed Interim City Manager following the resignation of City Manager **Bob Gorson**, and has since been made a permanent appointment. He worked for Taft for 14-years prior to being appointed City Manager.



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John D. Guinn is the current City Manager in the City of Shafter. John work for the Shafter Chamber of Commerce prior to his appointment to the City Manager assignment. Former Shafter IT Manager **Scott Hurlbert** is the current Assistant City Manager.

Since we already listed Atascadero City Manager **Wade McKinney** at the outset, we will close out this list with Atascadero Assistant City Manager **James R. Lewis**, ICMA-CM. In 1998 Jim joined the Claremont city staff as a Management Analyst. He was elevated to Senior Management Analyst in 2001 and Assistant to the City Manager later that same year. Jim relocated to Atascadero in 2004 to take his current assignment as Assistant City Manager. Jim is a past President of MMASC and he is currently active with CCMF. Jim earned a BS as the University of Southern California (**USC**) and an MPA from the Maxwell School at Syracuse University. In 2008 Jim received a 10-year ICMA Service Award.

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Yes! As we started at the outset of this listing, this is an "off-the-wall" grouping. Please let us know what you think. We hope you learned something along the way and that you find it an entertaining read. Remember that *Parness, Parness, Korduner & McKinney* is strictly a fictitious and "off-the-wall" grouping. Trackdown best wishes to one and all for an amazing rest of Summer 2012. Keep smiling! 

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Jack A. Simpson with veteran Bellflower City Clerk **Debbie Bauchop** at a staff reunion. Debbie's husband Dave is a retired L.A. County Deputy Sheriff. Jack and Debbie worked together during the 1980s and early 1990s.



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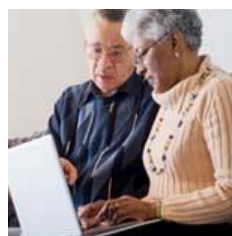
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Picking Up The Pieces: Retired veteran City Manager **Joe Tanner**, who retired from Vallejo, was recently appointed Interim City Manager in Rio Vista, replacing Interim City Manager Roger Wong. Joe is still pursuing legal action against CalPERS, who seemingly without reason reduced Joe's pension. CalPERS missed its goal of receiving a 7.5% return on its investments for Fiscal Year 2011-2012. It reports a 1% return instead. **Joe Dear** is the CalPERS Chief Investment Officer. He said that the fund was impacted most by a minus 7% return on global equities. Half the CalPERS pension's assets are invested in equities. Veteran public manager **Tom Mauk**, 68, resign as the Orange County CEO on Thursday, July 26, 2012. Tom took the CEO post in 2004, and prior to that served as City Manager in La Habra, Whittier and Norco. He also served as an executive with MBIA Muniservices for a time. **Bob Franz** will serve as Acting CEO until an Interim CEO is appointed. **Nick Conway**, 60, former Executive Director of the *San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments*, has pleaded "not guilty" to corruption charges brought by the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Public Integrity Division. A preliminary hearing has been set for August 29. Retired Azusa City Manager **Fran Delach** has been appointed Interim Executive Director. Walnut, where the City Manager is **Rob Wishner**, has withdrawn its membership in the COG until the criminal investigation is resolved. Ventura City Manager **Rick Cole** penned an Op-Ed piece printed in the Los Angeles Times entitled: *Saving California's struggling cities*. Rick recommends, "The only glimmer of hope is outside intervention." His article is available at: <http://www.latimes.com/news/opinion/commentary/la-oe-0724-cole-bankruptcy-san-20120724,0,2241888.story>

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Fresno City Manager **Mark Scott** is recovering from a heart attack in early July. His doctors expect him to make a full recovery. Assistant City Managers **Bruce Rudd** and **Renena Smith** are handling Mark's duties during his absence. Mill Valley City Manager **Jim McCann** has appointed **Jenny Rogers** to be the city's new Director of Recreation replacing **Christine Sansom**, who retired in January. Jenny comes from San Francisco where she served as the Cultural Arts Supervisor. Buena Park City Manager **Rick Warsinski**, 58, retired last month. Rick worked with the Buena Park city staff for some-30-years, starting as a member of the planning staff, and serving the last half-dozen years as City Manager. **Jim Vanderpool**, Deputy City Manager, will take the open City Manager post. Rick says he plans on doing some planning consulting in the area, and he will dabble in the kitchen. **Ronald W. Stock** is the current City Administrator in Weed. Ron is an ICMA Credentialed Manager. He graduated from Southwest Minnesota State University and the University of Denver College of Law. Guadalupe City Administrator **Regan Candelario**, who will soon report to Fortuna to become City Manager, and Guadalupe City Engineer **Dennis Delzeit**, credit contract engineers, project managers and builders with the "on time" successful completion of a \$4.75 million redesign and construction of the city's new Biolac process wastewater treatment plant. Plant Operator **Charlie Vasquez** is excited by the new plant efficiency.

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More Pieces Picked Up: Newport Beach Assistant City Manager **Dana Smith** retires from Newport Beach August 3. During the past 30-years, Dana worked as Assistant City Manager in Napa and Chula Vista, and she served as the Executive Officer for the Orange County Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) before joining the Newport Beach staff in 2010. City Manager **Dave Kiff** has indicated that there has been no decision yet about what to do with Dana's open position. Former Downey Planning Director **Jack Wong** is currently the Interim Planning Director in Long Beach with City Manager **Pat West**. Jack did a consultant stint after leaving Downey. Veteran Lakewood City Manager **Howard Chambers** was awarded a Lifetime Achievement Award by the Greater Lakewood Chamber of Commerce. *Congratulations Howard*. Former Dairy Valley (Cerritos) Assistant City Manager **Stanley Morgan**, who is a past Mayor and Council Member in Anderson, is currently living in Vacaville. Veteran City Manager **Richard Rowe**, retired from Barstow and previously served as City Manager in El Monte, Chino, Needles and La Palma, is the new Interim City Manager in Canyon Lake. Richard takes over for Interim City Manager **Deborah Harrington**, who took over the duties when City Manager **Lori Moss** resigned. Park City, Utah City Manager **Tom**



Bakaly has been appointed to the Hermosa Beach City Manager post. Tom has worked for Park City since 1995 and he has served as City Manager since 2002. He is a former Budget Director for Pasadena. Colusa terminated City Manager **Jan McClintock**, and appointed Fire Chief **Randy Dunn** as the Acting City Manager. Aliso Viejo City Manager **Mark Pulone** has served in that post since 2005. After an annual performance review Mark was given a vote of confidence with a compensation increase. With Assistant City Manager **Fred E. Cohn** retiring from the Monterey staff in July, Monterey Human Resources Director **Mike McCarthy** has been appointed Assistant City Manager. Fred served with the Monterey city staff from December, 1984...27 years and 8 months. Prior to joining the Monterey staff he was a Senior Administrative Assistant in Beverly Hills; a Senior Recreation Leader in West Covina; and a Teen Program Specialist in Fountain Valley. With the retirement of Tracy Finance Director **Zane Johnson** in December, and with Human Resources Manager **Maria Olvera** leaving the Tracy staff, Los Gatos Assistant Finance Director **Jenny Haruyama**, 42, will be the city's new Administrative Services Director, combining the two positions. Jenny has work for city government for some 20-years, with positions in Milpitas, San Leandro, Mountain View and Rancho Cucamonga, in addition to Los Gatos. She earned a BA at California State University, San Jose and an MPA at California State University, East Bay. Tracy City Manager is **Leon Churchill**. **Lisa Serna-Mayorga**,

39, a staff aide to Sacramento Mayor **Kevin Johnson**, resigned after it was alleged that she inappropriately used her city credit card to make personal purchases. Sacramento City Manager **John Shirey** has ordered an audit of Lisa's city credit card usage for the past three-years. Lisa is the daughter of former Sacramento Mayor **Joe Serna Jr.**, who died in 1999. Her brother **Phil Serna** is currently a Sacramento County Supervisor. Governor **Jerry Brown** has appointed **Kathleen Dickinson**, 53, of Vacaville, to be the Director of the Division of Adult Institutions in the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation. Has served with the department since 1983, most recently as Associate Director. Yorba Linda City Manager **Steven A. Rudometkin** has more than 40-years of public agency working experience, including 27-years as the Yorba Linda Director of Parks and Recreation. Steve is a California State University, Long Beach alumnus and has lived in Yorba Linda since 1978. In June San Marcos Deputy City Manager **Lydia Romero** received recognition from the Alcohol Policy Panel of San Diego County for her efforts to reduce binge and underage drinking in San Marcos. Lydia helped draft an ordinance regulation responsible beverage sales and service and organized alcoholic beverage control training sessions at San Marcos City Hall. California State Parks Department Director **Ruth Coleman** has resigned and Chief Deputy Director **Michael Harris** has been terminated under the allegation that the department sat on nearly \$54 million during the past 12-years. Governor **Jerry Brown** accepted **Ruth Coleman's** resignation and appointed California Natural Resources Agency Undersecretary **Janelle Beland** as Acting Interim Director of the Department.

LeRoy Kenneth Johnson passed away at the age of 86 in Crystal River, Florida on Thursday, May 12, 2011. He went by the name "Ken" or to his friends in law enforcement "Catfish." Catfish served 21-years with the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department and retired with the rank of Lieutenant. He was preceded in death by his wife **Doris Johnson** when she passed away in January, 2010 at the age of 89. At her death, Catfish and Doris had been married for 62-years. While with the LASD he served as an aide to then-Assistant Sheriff **Howard Earle**. After retirement he relocated to Florida where his sons **Steven Johnson** and **Jeffrey Johnson** and daughter **Christine Shaw** still live. Obviously we missed his passing and apologize for our tardiness with this acknowledgement. Catfish was a good friend during the early years of my career. He and the late **John E. Maulding**, who worked with the Department of County Engineer and later Willdan and finally as the Water Master in the San Gabriel Valley, were of invaluable assistance to this young manager. We miss them both. --Jack A. Simpson