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**Best Wishes for a Healthy & Happy New Year!**



## **Best Wishes for a Healthy & Happy New Year!**

This picture was taken during a 2012 holiday get-together. This picture was taken by retired Norwalk

City Manager **Ernie Garcia**. (L to R) Retired Huntington Park City Manager **Greg Korduner**; former Covina & Artesia City Manager **Paul Philips**; retired El Segundo ACM and former Rosemead City Manager **Bill Crowe**; Trackdown's **Jack Simpson**; former Hawaiian Gardens City Administrator **Ray Harris**; and retired Paramount City Manager and former CJPIA Executive Director **Bill Holt**.

## **CSULB Graduates in California Public Management**

In December, 2010 Trackdown distributed a newsletter issue providing a partial list of California State University, Long Beach city manager alumni. We pointed out the difficulty of developing a comprehensive list. The fact that many variations of the name of the institution are used in directories: Long Beach State College; Long Beach State; CSCLB; CSULB; Cal State Long Beach; and, of course, California State University, Long Beach. We are revisiting the "Long Beach State" listing. Why? One reason is simply that we want to. Actually, there were those we missed and those who are new. Though we will not get everyone this time either, we will provide a different list.


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## CSULB Graduates in California Public Management

As the CSULB list we distributed two years ago was not complete, either is this one. Yes! We call it random, but, of course, it is not completely random. We try to spread it around...so to speak...young and old; north, central and south; girls and boys. We try to list some we have not listed previously and we try not to leave out anyone of important California City Manager notability. We hope that you find this list of California State University, Long Beach alumni of interest. You may also wish to return to the 2010 effort and check it out on this link:

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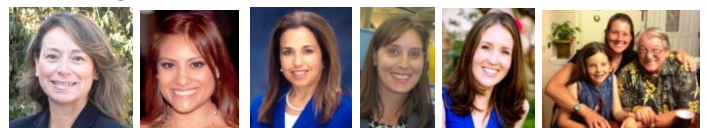


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There are those we meet along our career paths who seem bigger than life; intelligent, smart and measured folks who could probably be highly successful regardless of their pursuit. **John F. Johnston** is one such individual. Success came early! Johnny was a student body president in high school. From the beginning he seemed to have a good understanding of local government; better than most of his peers. Perhaps, the fact that his father was a consultant, deeply involved with the incorporations of many cities, reflected an unfair light on John's image. The fact remains that Johnny was successful in local government from the get-go!



**John F. Johnston** began his career in 1965 as an Administrative Intern in Artesia when the late-**Peter B. Feenstra** was the City Manager. In 1966 he went to Paramount as an Administrative Intern where the late-**M. D. "Mac" McKeown** served as City Manager. John left Paramount in 1967 after rising from intern to Administrative Aide to Administrative Assistant, to become the Assistant City Manager in Compton. In October, 1968 he returned to Artesia as City Manager when **Peter Feenstra** took the Bellflower City Administrator post. In October, 1971 he was appointed City Manager in Ojai where he served until June, 1974 when he was hired to serve as the Director of Support Services for the County of Ventura. In the mid-1980s Johnny went into the private sector, building affordable housing in Arizona and California with former City Manager **William Stark**. John returned to the public service when he took a job as the Chief Deputy Executive Officer of the Los Angeles County Superior Court system. He was there during the "global media" **O.J. Simpson** infamous murder trial. In 1998 Johnny returned to the Ventura County staff, and following an aborted recruitment of **David Baker** to replace the Chief Administrative Officer **Lyn Koester**, John was appointed to the top spot in April, 2001. **David Baker**, who had been the San Joaquin County Chief Executive, resigned after four-days in Ventura County, leaving behind a 6-page assessment of the County's problems. Johnny, 69, retired from the County of Ventura in 2008. He is currently serving as the Interim City Manager in Ventura, taking the position without salary or benefits following the resignation of former City Manager **Rick Cole**. Ventura has retained **Bob Murray & Associates** as the executive search firm to help recruit a new city manager. John earned a BA from California State University, Long Beach and an MPA from the University of Southern California (**USC**). He lives in Ojai; has been known to stride a horse, play guitar and yearns to play the banjo. **Johnny Johnston** is held in high esteem by most people who know him; and for good reasons.



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Riverbank City Manager **T. Jill Anderson** began her working career in 1988 as the Director of Operations for the Employment Benefits System in California. In 1990 Jill was hired as a Management Assistant II/Senior Management Assistant in the City of Norwalk where now-retired **Ernie Garcia** served as City Manager. In 1996 Jill was promoted to Management Services Coordinator, and she left Norwalk in 2002 when she was recruited to work as the Assistant to the City Manager in Seaside. Jill was promoted to Seaside Assistant City Manager in 2006 and worked in that post until 2010. Last year (2012) Jill was appointed City Manager in Riverbank. She earned a BA at California State University, Long Beach, and an MA at BIOLA University in La Mirada.

Retired long-time Downey City Manager **Gerald M. Caton** earned his BA at California State University, Long Beach in 1974. Jerry began his public management career as an Administrative Assistant in Garden Grove in 1976. In October, 1977 he was selected for the Assistant City Manager post in Signal Hill, and he served in that position until 1982 when he was appointed City Manager in Cudahy. He left Cudahy for a short time in 1985 but returned in 1986. Jerry was appointed Downey City Manager in October, 1989. In addition to earning a California State University, Long Beach degree, Jerry earned an MPA at the University of Southern California (**USC**).

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**Greg Korduner** and his mother **Billie Lee Brehm**. Greg is a former City Manager in South El Monte, El Monte and Huntington Park, Assistant City Manager in Artesia.

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**George J. Rodericks** began his public management career in La Mirada as an Administrative Intern in 1991. In 1993 George took a Code Enforcement Officer position with Rancho Palos Verdes, and in 1995 he became a Management Assistant in La Habra Heights. George returned to La Mirada in 1995 to become the Assistant to the City Manager starting when retired City Manager **Gary Sloan** was still in office. In 2001 George was appointed City Manager in Villa Park and he served there until 2005 when he was selected to serve as the City Manager in Belvedere, in Northern California. George left Belvedere in 2012, and was appointed City Manager in the Town of Atherton that year (2012) where he continues to serve. George earned a BA and MPA at California State University, Long Beach and a JD from Concord University School of Law. George received a 10-year ICMA Service award in 2007.

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**Howard Chambers**, Lakewood  
**Mike Egan**, Norwalk  
**Lyle Defenbaugh**, CalTrust  
**Ernie Garcia**, Retired Norwalk City Manager  
**Joe Tanner**, Interim City Manager, Rio Vista  
**Dave Carmany**, Manhattan Beach  
**Ken Bayless**, Greater L.A. Vector Control District  
**Kevin O'Rourke**, KOLGS/PARS  
**George Rodericks**, Atherton  
**Richard Ramirez**, Retired City Manager, American Canyon  
**Vern Lawson**, Lancaster  
**Don Penman**, Retired Arcadia City Manager  
**Jason Gonsalves**, **Joe A. Gonsalves & Son**  
**Anthony Gonsalves**, **Joe A. Gonsalves & Son**  
**Paul Gonsalves**, **Joe A. Gonsalves & Son**  
**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  
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**Ken Caresio**, Retired Duarte City Manager  
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**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  
**Fred Latham**, Retired Santa Fe Springs City Manager  
**Anthony Lopez**, Retired City Manager  
**Dr. Bill Mathis**, Mathis Group  
**Linda Lowry**, Pomona  
City of Cerritos  
**Roy Pederson**, ICMA Past-President  
**Bruce Williams**, Retired City Manager  
**Troy Butzlaff**, Placentia  
**Clay J. Curtin**, Manhattan Beach  
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**Dale Geldert**, Retired CDF Director  
**Rita Geldert**, Retired Vista City Manager  
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**Gene Rogers**, Moreno Valley Retired City Manager  
**Mary Soto**, Vice President, CiteZONE.com  
**Chuck Robinson**, Deputy City Manager, Tustin  
**Gary Milliman**, Brookings, Oregon  
**John Gillison**, Rancho Cucamonga  
**Laura Behjan**, Simi Valley



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**David A. Doyle** began his career in 1992 as an Administrative Intern in Manhattan Beach, and began his rise in the organization; Management Assistant, 1993; Management Analyst, 1994; Assistant to the City Manager, 1995; and Deputy City Manager in 2000. David joined the Diamond Bar city staff in 2000 as the Deputy City Manager. David was appointed to the Diamond Bar Assistant City Manager position in 2005. He earned an MPA from California State University, Long Beach, and a BA from the University of California. In 2012 David received a 20-year ICMA Service Award.



Recently appointed Camarillo Director of Community Development **David J. Norman** began his public service career in 1989 as an Administrative Assistant in Lubbock, Texas. In 1990 Dave joined the Eureka, California staff as a Property Manager, and in 1991 he took a Project Manager post in Morgan Hill. In 1992 Dave joined the San Bernardino staff as a Development Specialist, and in 1995 he went to Lompoc as an Administrative Assistant. He was elevated to Assistant to the City Administrator in 1998 and in 2001 he was promoted to Assistant City Administrator. Dave joined the Aliso Viejo staff in 2002 as the Assistant City Manager, and later that year (2002) he was appointed City Manager. In 2005 Dave left Aliso Viejo to accept the City Manager position in Cypress. After working as a consultant for a time in 2006, Dave was appointed City Manager in Port Hueneme. He served there until 2012, when he was appointed to his current position in Camarillo. Dave earned a BA at California State University, Long Beach and an MPA at California State University, Hayward. In 2005 Dave was the recipient of the ICMA Program Excellence Award for Outstanding Partnerships: Intergovernmental Cooperation.



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Retired Huntington Park City Manager **Gregory D. Korduner** started his local government service during his high school and undergraduate days in the City of Norwalk Public Works Department. In 1975 Greg was appointed to an Administrative Assistant position in Artesia, and in 1977 he became the Artesia Planning Director. He was elevated to Assistant City Manager in 1978. In 1981 Greg was recruited to serve as the South El Monte City Manager, and in 1984 he moved to neighboring El Monte as City Administrator where he served for about 15-years. He provided La Habra Heights with some "Interim" service prior to accepting the Huntington Park City Manager assignment in 1999. Greg earned an AA from Cerritos Community College; a BA from California State University, Fullerton; and an MPA from California State University, Long Beach. He was awarded a 30-year ICMA Service Award in 2005. Greg's wife Karen is a Middle School teacher for the Downey Unified School District. Greg was honored at a retirement celebration on Thursday, December 16, 2012. He is available for "geographically acceptable" interim assignments. Greg received a 35-year ICMA Service Award in 2010.

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Lakewood City Manager **Howard L. Chambers** is another CSULB alumnus. In December, 2012, we pointed out that he and retired La Mirada City Manager **Gary**

**Sloan**, also a 49er alumnus, enjoyed an occasional round of golf with Howard. Gary is known to be a very serious golfer, and Howard is highly competitive. Howard grew up near Mayfair Park in Lakewood where he became a Recreation Leader early on. After earning his undergraduate degree at CSULB, he was appointed to an Administrative Intern/Aide position in 1968. In 1969 Howard took an Administrative Assistant job in Rosemead, where he was promoted to Assistant City Manager in 1972. In January, 1973 Howard returned to Lakewood as the Executive Assistant. It was March, 1976 when he was promoted with an appointment to the City Administrator position. After 34-years in the top spot and a position title change to City Manager, Howard announced his retirement as Lakewood City Manager. He served for a time in 2011-2012 as the Interim City Manager, only to recant his retirement plans and continue serving as the City of Lakewood City Manager. Howard graduated with a BS from Long Beach State University (another variation of the institutions name) in 1967. Since then he has earned an MA at Pepperdine University and an MPA at the University of Southern California (**USC**). He is the 2001 recipient of the ICMA Management Innovations Award for Arts and Cultural. Howard served on the Board of the City Managers Department of the League of California Cities, 1991-1994. He is a past participant in the ICMA Exchange Programs in Japan and New Zealand. Howard received a rare 40-year ICMA Service Award in 2008.



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Hawaiian Gardens City Manager **Ernesto Marquez** is a sports fan and outdoorsman. He has often been seen attending his high school alma mater Artesia High School football and basketball games. Like **Howard Chambers**, Ernesto is one to enjoy an occasional round of golf. He began his public service/management career in 1992 as an Administrative Aide in Hawaiian Gardens. In 1997 Ernesto took an Administrative Aide position with the State of California Department of Fish & Game. In 1998 he went to work as a Teen Center Director in the City of Long Beach, and served as a Long Beach Administrative Analyst. He returned to Hawaiian Gardens and was appointed Acting City Administrator in 2003. He was able to remove the "Acting" in 2006. Ernesto earned a BA from California State University, Long Beach, and has pursued MPA courses there too. In 2012 Ernesto received a 20-year ICMA Service Award.



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**Gary A. Napper** can still be considered a member of the "Garden Grove Gang" pursuant to his 1977 Administrative Intern position there. Gary also served as an Administrative Intern in Orange, and was hired as an Administrative Assistant in Tustin in 1978. Gary moved to the Central Coast in 1981 to accept the Assistant to the City Administrator job in Morro Bay. He was selected to serve as the Morro Bay City Administrator in 1984. Gary joined the Ceres staff as City Manager in 1992 and served there for about a half-dozen years. In 1998 he returned to Southern California to serve as City Manager in Glendora. Gary left Glendora in 2001 he headed north when he was appointed City Manager in Clayton, a Contra Costa County city located as the base of Mt. Diablo State Park. Gary earned a BA from the University of California at Los Angeles (**UCLA**), and an MPA from California State University, Long Beach, where he graduated *Summa Cum Laude*. He received a 30-year ICMA Service Award in 2008.

In 1987 **Jeffrey P. Mathieu** began serving as the Economic Development Manager in Santa Monica. Jeff move to the Chief of Leasing & Development with the County of Orange in 1989. Jeff returned to Santa Monica in 1990 to take the Airport Director position, and in 1993 he was appointed Director of Resource Management, where he served for about 13-years. In 2006 Jeff was selected to serve as the City Manager in Big Bear Lake. Jeff earned a BS from California State University, Long Beach.



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**Hector Rodriquez**, 50, was appointed to the Cudahy City Manager post in 2011 to replace City Manager **George Perez**, who had served in the position for more than a decade. Hector is a naturalized citizen born in Tijuana, Mexico, and he was raised in Boyle Heights in Southern California. He started his work career in transportation working for a private shuttle service. He later served as the Director of Finance in Barstow, where he was promoted to City Manager. Hector joined the staff of the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority about 2008 where he served as the Director of Operations for the bus and rail systems operated by Metro. He earned a BA from California State University, Long Beach, and an MBA from Pepperdine University. Hector is bilingual: English and Spanish.



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In 2002-2003 **Jennifer F. Phillips** served as the President of MMASC. Jennifer began her public management career as a Recycling Specialist with the Los Angeles County Sanitation District in 1991. In 1994 Jennifer became a Principal Finance Analyst for the Orange County Transit Authority, and in 1999 she was selected to serve as the Assistant to the City Manager in Fullerton. She returned to county service in 2004 as a Deputy Director in Orange County. After 5-years in that position, Jennifer joined the Santa Monica staff as Assistant City Manager. During 2010 she served as an Adjunct Professor at California State University, Fullerton, and she took an Interim Project Manager post with Orange County. In 2011 Jennifer moved north to work with Santa Rosa City Manager **Kathy Millison**, as the Assistant City Manager where retired Napa City Manager **Patricia Thompson** served on an interim basis, and Jennifer continues to work in that post. Jennifer earned a BS and an MPA from California State University, Long Beach. In 2011 Jennifer was the recipient of a 20-year ICMA Service Award. She served on the Cal-ICMA Board in 2010-2011. She is bilingual: English and German. Jennifer continues to serve as a Co-Chair to Women Leading Government with former City Manager **Tammy Letourneau**, also a CSULB alumnus.



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**Mark Prestwich** served as a Management Analyst in the City of Napa from 1999 to 2004. Mark was promoted to the Napa Assistant to the City Manager in 2005. Looking for professional growth, Mark took a Special Projects Manager position with the Sacramento city staff in 2006, and he continues to serve in that post. In 2009 the entrepreneur side of Mark surfaced as in his spare time he founded the Sacramento Candle Company in Sacramento, and the company continues to operate. Mark served as the MMANC President in 2007. He earned a BA in Political Science at California State University, Fullerton, and an MPA from California State University, Long Beach. Mark is a 1988 Hemet High School graduate.



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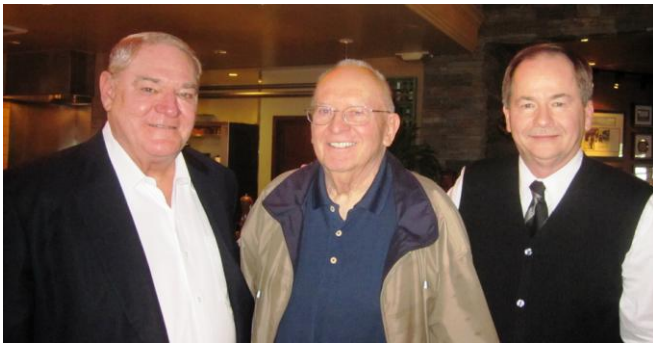


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Retired Pomona City Manager **Doug Dunlap**, the legendary retired long-time Cypress City Manager **Darrell Essex**, and former Covina and Artesia City Manager **Paul Philips**, who currently serves in an interim position with the West Cities Police Communications JPA serving Cypress, Los Alamitos and Seal Beach. Darrell was the Cypress City Manager from 1962 to 1996; 34-years.

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Aliso Viejo City Manager **Mark A. Pulone** began his public service/management in 1985 as a Part-time Lifeguard and Swim Instructor in Santa Fe Springs. In 1989 Mark took a Part-Time Administrative Intern in Santa Fe Springs and in 1991 he was appointed to an Administrative Aide-Public Safety position. Mark left Santa Fe Springs in 1992 to become an Administrative Assistant in Lake Forest where the late-**Gaylord F. Knapp** served as City Manager. In 1994 Mark was appointed Assistant to the City Manager in Lake Forest, and in 1997 he was assigned the position of Director of Management Services. In 2000 he was elevated to the Lake Forest Assistant City Manager position. Mark left the Lake Forest staff of **Dr. Bob Dunek**, who came to Lake Forest in 1996 from Los Alamitos, to become the Aliso Viejo City Manager in 2005 where he has served since. Mark earned a BS from California State University, Long Beach. In 2012 he was the recipient of a 20-year ICMA Service Award.



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According to the ICMA Who's Who Directory, **Timothy M. Hults** has so far spent his entire public management career in San Jacinto. In 1998 he was appointed Planning Director, and in 2003 he was assigned the Community Development Director position. In 2006 Tim was appointed Assistant City Manager. He served as Interim City Manager in 2009, and he was appointed to the San Jacinto City Manager post in 2010. Tim earned a BA from California State University, Long Beach and an MPA from California Baptist University. In September, 2011 Tim was surprised by a special city party celebrating the 20th Anniversary of his hiring by the City of San Jacinto. Tim graduated with the high school class of 1980 from John F. Kennedy High School in La Palma.

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Like retired City Manager **Greg Korduner**, Jurupa Valley City Manager **Stephen G. Harding** began his career in Norwalk. Steve worked as a Norwalk Administrative Analyst in 1975. He worked his way up in the Norwalk organization from Community Development Aide in 1977; to Community Development Specialist in 1979; and Assistant Community Development Director in 1980. In 1981 Steve became the Deputy City Manager in Bell Gardens, and in 1985 he joined the Azusa staff as the Community Development Director. In 1987 Steve moved to San Diego where he served as President of the San Diego SE Economic Development Corporation. In 1989 Steve went to Lancaster as the Community Development Director, and in 1990 he took a Vice President assignment with The Larwin Company. In 1992 Steve became the Planning Director in Murrieta, and he was elevated to City Manager in 1994. Steve moved back to the private side in 1998 when he went to work for **Marshall Linn's Urban Futures** as a Vice President. In 2001 he became the Director of Governmental Services for the Rosenow Spevacek Group, and then he was appointed Deputy City Manager, Development Services in Santa Ana in 2003. While with Santa Ana Steve became an Adjunct Professor at the University of La Verne, where he still serves. In 2008 he rejoined **Urban Futures** as a Managing Principal and later that year (2008) he became the Interim Assistant City Manager in Hemet where he worked until 2008. Steve became a Senior Consultant for **The Kosmont Companies** with former City Manager **Larry Kosmont**. Steve was appointed Interim City Manager in Menifee in 2010, and in 2011 he was selected as the Interim City Manager in Jurupa Valley. Steve is also serving as an Instructor for Northwestern University. He earned a BA and MPA from California State University, Long Beach. In 2008 he was the recipient of a 25-year ICMA Service Award. Steve currently serves on the ICMA Advisory Board on Graduate Education. In addition to all this, we find that Steve is a pretty good shuffle board player too.

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Beverly Hills Marketing and Economic Sustainability Manager **Megan Roach** began her work history in 2002 as an Administrative Intern in Laguna Niguel. Megan was

promoted there and then moved to a Management Analyst post in Rancho Santa Margarita before joining the Beverly Hills staff as a Senior Management Analyst in 2008. Megan earned her BA in political science at Chapman University prior to earning an MPA at California State University, Long Beach.

Space constraints do not allow us to include biographical profiles for everyone, but here are a few others who have CSULB in their past who we do not wish to completely miss: **Lisa G. Novotny** is the Assistant City Manager in Lakewood. Lisa has an AA from Golden West College, and a BA and MA from CSULB. **Jerome Torres** is a Senior Management Analyst in Coronado, who earned an MPA from CSULB. Los Angeles Human Resources Specialist Mrs. **Jewel Iheanacho** earned a BS at CSULB. Hesperia



Assistant to the City Manager **Kimberley Summers** earned an MPA at CSULB. Kim is an MMASC Board Member. Lynwood Assistant City Manager **Lorry Hempe**

earned an MA at CSULB after receiving her BA at **UCLA**. Sacramento Administrative Analyst **Lula L. Tang** earned an MS at **The Beach** after she received her BS from CSU-Sacramento.

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Seal Beach Deputy Public Works Director **Luis Estevez**, an ICMA member, earned an MPA from CSULB. Luis started in Buena Park and then held positions in Cerritos, Santa Ana and Lake Forest before his current Seal Beach assignment. Luis served on the MMASC Board in 2006-2007, and was Vice-Chair of Cal-ICMA 2005-2006.

Arvada, Colorado City Manager **Mark G. Deven** earned an MPA at CSULB after receiving a BA at Whittier College. Mark started his career in Lakewood, California in 1981, and held positions in Newport Beach, Anaheim, and Concord, before he was appointed City Manager in Woodland in 2007. He left California in 2011 to accept his current post.

**Michael A. Hart** earned a BA and MPA from California State University, Long Beach prior to commencing his career in Michigan. Michael is currently the City Manager in Davison, Michigan. Malibu Senior Administrative Analyst **Patricia A. Salazar**, and Villa Park Assistant to the City Manager **Ryan C. Smoot**, who also volunteers as analyst in Bellflower, each earned a BA from CSULB.

Other CSULB graduates listed in the ICMA Director or of personal knowledge include: retired City Managers **Anthony Lopez** and **Gary Sloan**; **Aurora M. Vinluan**; **Belinda Ann Deines**; **Benjamin Montgomery**; West Covina Deputy City Manager **Chris Freeland**; **Christopher J. Ludlum**; **Daniel Baker**; **Daniel E. Cartagena**; Retired City Manager **David L. Rudat**; **Thomas Ritter**, ACM in Coronado; **Gabriella Yap**; **Gerardo R. Mouet**; **Greg Hermann, Sr.**; **Jack A. Simpson**, **Jack R. Smith**; **Ray Gibbs**; **Jamie Hook** of Newport Beach; Lynwood City Manager **Roger L. Haley**; **Tania Schwartz**; **Randy L. Johnsen**; **Leonard G. Wood**; **Tamara S. Letourneau**; **Lauren M. Wasserman**; **George J. Watts**; **Dennis Wilkins**; **William O. Talley**; **Dennis Courtemarche**; **Eric Nickel**, Palo Alto Fire Chief; **Zachary L. Williams**; and retired City Managers **Robert C. Dominguez** and **Ronald D. Creagh**.

We hope you enjoyed this presentation. Please accept our apologies if we left you out. We do not claim that this an all inclusive list. Happy New Year!



**Picking Up the Pieces:** If we would have just stopped and "thunk," we could have spared ourselves the embarrassment of mistaking San Marcos, Texas with the good folks of San Marcos, California in our December, 2012 issue. Many thanks for pointing out our error are extended to San Marcos Deputy City Manager **Lydia Romero** and **Dan Weinheimer** of Fort Collins, Colorado, formerly with San Marcos, California. Dan is a Past President of MMASC, and a **USC** alumnus. We apologize sincerely for our mistaken identity. By the way, **Laura Rocha** is the Finance Director in San Marcos, California. Retired Arcadia City Manager **Don Penman** is the new Interim City Administrator replacing City Administrator **Al Hernandez**, who was placed on administrative leave December 7th. Don completed work assignments in Simi Valley, San Fernando, Baldwin Park and Arcadia. Yorba Linda City Manager **Steve Rudometkin** retired effective December 28, 2012, but continues to serve as a contract employee while the recruitment for his replacement is conducted. A long-time Yorba Linda employee and served as the Director of Parks and Recreation beginning in 1980. Steve had joined the Pomona staff in a similar post and retired from there in February, 2009 and founded SR Consulting Inc. Steve previously work in Aliso Viejo too. He was appointed Yorba Linda City Manager in August, 2010 to replace City Manager **Dave Adams**. Fire Chief **Randy Dunn** will continue as the Colusa Interim City Manager at least until April and perhaps longer into the next fiscal year. Randy was asked to step into the city manager's office with the departure of former City Manager **Jan McClintock**. The Chief said that he has no interest in being a full-time city manager. Walnut Deputy City Manager **Chuck Robinson**, who joined the Walnut city staff in 2002, is the new Deputy City Manager in Tustin with City Manager **Jeffrey C. Parker**. West Covina Community Development Director **Chris Chung** is the new West Covina City Manager replacing the retired City Manager **Andrew Pasmant**, 57, who has been working in an interim capacity during the recruitment. The new City Manager **Chris Chung** previously served as the West Covina Redevelopment Director for 14-years. Oakland City Administrator **Deanna Santana**, a former San Jose Deputy City Manager, denies that she is leaving her position after less than two years on the job. She says that she has not applied or been interviewed for any other post.





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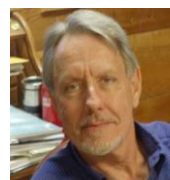
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**More Pieces Picked Up:** Following a long and amazing career as a waste management and refuse disposal professional with Consolidated Disposal Services, **Richard Fierro** has stepped down from his position. Richard, known to many of his friends as "El Jefe," currently lives in Chino with his wife **Mary Fierro**. Fountain Valley City Manager **Ray Kromer** retired effective on Pearl Harbor Day (December 7th) this year, but continues to serve as the Interim City Manager while the city recruits for his replacement. Ray served as the Fountain Valley City Manager for 28-years. Hughson City Manager **Bryan Whitemyer** will become the new Oakdale City Manager effective February 4, 2013. Oakdale's Interim City Manager **Stan Feathers** will continue to serve until the end of the year, and then Waterford City Manager **Chuck Deschene** has agreed to serve as Interim City Manager until Bryan reports in February. Bryan has previously held positions in Modesto and Patterson. Cloverdale City Manager **Nina Regor** has accepted the position of City Administrator for the City of Camas, Washington. She was appointed to the Cloverdale post in October, 2007. Nina's duties in Cloverdale will end effective January 23, 2013. Pacifica City Manager **Stephen Rhodes** has announced his retirement at the end of July, 2013. Before joining the Pacifica staff Steve worked in other local governments in both Oregon and California. Monterey City Manager **Fred Meurer** has announced his retirement effective June 30, 2013. Cudahy Senior Administrative Analyst **Jessica Hernandez**, formerly with **Tripepi Smith & Associates**, is a Board Member for Rosie's Garage in La Habra. Rosie's Garage is a nationally recognized after-school tutoring program of La Habra Neighborhood Housing Services founded in 1990. Manhattan Beach and former City Manager **Geoff Dolan** reached a settlement of a pending law suit. Geoff stepped down from the Manhattan Beach City Manager post in 2009 after serving about 15-years in that position. Manhattan Beach City Attorney **Quinn Barrow** reports that the city spent an estimated \$90,000 on legal costs regarding the suit. The current Manhattan Beach City Manager is **David Carmany**. **Keenan & Associates** Executive Vice President **Steve Gedestad** serves on the Board of Trustees of the California City Management Foundation (CCMF). **Fran Mancia**, Government Relations Vice President for the Western Region for **MuniServices**, LLC, is also a Board member; as is **Anthony D. Gonsalves** of the **Joe A. Gonsalves & Son** professional legislative representation firm. Hercules Deputy City Manager **Liz Warmerdam** has been selected to join the Alameda management team as Assistant City



Manager working with City Manager **John Russo**. Liz began her city career as a Management Analyst in Alameda in 1997. She worked in Pinole as Assistant City Manager and took a similar position in Hercules in December, 2003 under then-City Manager **Mike Sakamoto**. She left the city staff roster for a time but worked as a consultant/project manager for the city. She rejoined the staff in 2009 as the Finance Director. Liz became Deputy City Manager in 2011 after serving as Interim City Manager. Liz replaces former Assistant City Manager **Lisa Goldman**, who is the new City Manager in Burlingame. Laguna Woods City Manager **Leslie Keane**, 64, was booked into the Orange County jail on Friday night, December 21 after she was arrested on suspicion of driving under the influence. Leslie has served as the Laguna Woods City Manager since the city incorporated in 1999. Prior to that she held positions in Colton and Yucaipa. **Charles "Chuck" F. Spies**, City Administrator in Lowell, Oregon is retiring. He no longer wishes to deal with the "...climate of conflict that seems to be permeating all levels of government..." Chuck served in the United States Air Force from 1970 to 1995. He was the Turner, Oregon City Administrator from 1995 to 2003 when he took the Lowell post. He earned a BS at Oregon State University and an MBA at Golden Gate University. Former Artesia Mayor and member of the ABC Unified School District Board of Education **Gretchen Whitney** passed away at the age of 99 on Tuesday, December 18, 2012 at the Artesia Christian Home. She received a rare 50-year service pin as a member of the Artesia Cerritos Women's Club. She served on the School Board for 22-years and Whitney High School is named in her honor. Her husband, who preceded her in death, was **Harold "Buzz" Whitney**. Gretchen was born January 5, 1913 in Pender, Nebraska. Former Redding Assistant to the City Manager **Nathan Cherpeski**, who served as Alamosa, Colorado City Manager is the new City Manager in Klamath Falls, Oregon. Former Upland City Manager **Robb Quincey** has pleaded "no guilt" to felony corruptions charges brought by the San Bernardino District Attorney's office. **Charles Rough** was appointed Paradise Town Manager in 1996 and has been serving in a part-time "interim" capacity since his retirement last year. Beginning in January, 2013, Assistant Town Manager **Lauren Gill**, who has been with the city some 28-years, will serve as the Interim Town Manager. **Paul Philips** is the new Deputy Executive Director for the California Contract Cities Association.



**Even More Pieces Gathered:** Orland City Manager **Peter Carr** and PMC contract planner **Scott Friend** presented a "State of the City" report to members of the Orland Chamber of Commerce in December at a local Round Table Pizza. Since former Town Manager **Michael Rock** left Fairfax in June to become the Lomita City Manager, Town Clerk **Judy Anderson** has served in a dual roll adding Interim Town Manager to her plate. She has also sat on the Committee to find a new Town Manager with Finance Director **Michael Vivrette**, and Council Members **Pam Hartwell-Herrero** and **John Reed**. City Manager **Don Bradley** has stepped down in Cathedral City after a 45-year career in local government, and Cathedral City Community Development Director **Andy Hall** has been appointed as the new City Manager. Andy joined the Cathedral City staff in 2009 after holding positions in Henderson, Nevada and a number of locations in Utah. **Christine Montana** is the new General Manager of the Rossmoor Community Services District. Christine is a CPA and previously managed the Surfside Colony Community Service District, the Sunset Beach Sanitary District, and the Surfside Colony Storm Water Protection District. She lives in Huntington Beach. Christine will be replacing former Long Beach City Manager **Henry Toboada** in her new position, though Henry will continue as a consultant. Fremont Chief of Police **Craig Steckler**, 68, is retired effective December 30, 2012. He is the newly appointed President of the International Association of Chiefs of Police. Craig began his career as a police officer with San Clemente, and worked with that department from 1968 to 1980. He later served as Police Chief in Piedmont, and joined the Fremont Police Department in 1986 as Deputy Chief. He has been Fremont's "top cop" since 1992. **Fred Diaz** is the Fremont City Manager. South Gate City Manager **George Troxcil** retired effective December 27, 2012. George joined the South Gate staff as a police officer in 1969 and retired as the Chief of Police in 2000. He came out of retirement in 2009 to serve as the Interim Police Chief, and he was appointed Interim City Manager in February, 2011 when City Manager **Ron Bates** was appointed to the Pico Rivera City Manager post. South Gate removed the "Interim" from George's title in January, 2012. Former Burbank City Manager **Michael Flad** will take the South Gate City Manager's office in December, though transition has already begun. Hemet has returned Interim City Manager **Mark Orme** to his previous position of Assistant City Manager, and appointed former Temecula City Manager **Ron Bradley**, 72, to the interim post. Ron previously served as City Manager in Oceanside, La Mesa and Temecula, retiring in 1998. He served as Interim City Manager in

Murrieta for much of 2007. Acting City Manager **Aaron Adams** has been formally appointed Interim City Manager in Temecula, replacing former City Manager **Bob Johnson**, who was formally terminated November 27 due to "differences in management philosophy and goals." Bob was appointed Temecula City Manager in July, 2011 when City Manager **Shawn Nelson** retired. Aaron served in a "acting" capacity for about a month when Bob was placed on Administrative Leave. Aaron joined the Temecula staff as an intern in 1995 prior to becoming a Management Analyst in San Clemente. He returned to Temecula in 1996. Fairfield is located in Solano County, and is named after 1859 founder and clipper ship captain **Robert H. Waterman's** hometown of Fairfield, Connecticut. **Sean Quinn** was appointed Fairfield City Manager in 2007. Sean had previously served the city as the Director of Community Development starting in 1995. Prior to that Sean owned his own consulting company working in real estate, economic development and redevelopment. He earned a BA from the University of California, Santa Barbara. Sean serves on the CCMF Board. Lincoln Assistant City Manager/CFO **Anna Jatzczak** worked in San Jose from 1990 to 2006 when she became the Gilroy Assistant City Administrator. She was the San Jose Deputy Director of the Department of General Services when she left for Gilroy. She joined the Lincoln staff in 2010. Imperial County Registrar of Voters and Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, **Sylvia Bermudez**, has announced her resignation. She indicated that she is moving out of the country with her fiancé. She has worked at the Imperial County Clerk's office since August, 2001. West Hollywood Mayor **Jeffrey Prang** is from Michigan where he graduated from high school and earned a BA in International Relations at Michigan State University. Iowa has the highest number of high school students graduating, 88 percent. California had just 76 percent, ranking the Golden State 32nd in the Nation in graduating high schoolers. The District of Columbia is the lowest ranked with 59 percent. California spends \$62 billion a year on schools, or just over \$10,000 per student. North Dakota spends close to the same per student expense and graduates 86%.



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