



A Few of California's Assistant to the City Manager

La Mirada Deputy City Manager/City Clerk
Anne Haraksin at a Holiday get-together on
December 9th in Brea. She brightened a table of
retired City Managers celebrating together. Anne
joined the La Mirada staff in 2000. She previously
worked for the City of Diamond Bar.

Undoubtedly, we all recognize the need to look
within our city organizations to find the city
managers and administrative leaders of the
future. With that in mind, we have pieced
together a list of "Assistant to the City Manager"
folks by using the ICMA Who's Who Directory
title search feature. Of course, the entire list is
beyond the capacity of one newsletter issue.
This Second Special December, 2014 issue lists
"Assistant to the City Managers" with last names
listed alphabetically from A to C. We looked
specifically at the target position title.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS!



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Jacob I. Alvarez is the Assistant to the City Manager in the City of Coachella. He began his career in 2004 in Desert Hot Springs as a Financial Analyst, Redevelopment Agency Coordinator and Management Analyst. He worked in Desert Hot Springs for a little more than 4-years. In November, 2008 he took a Management Analyst position with the Coachella Valley Association of Governments and worked there until November, 2013. Jacob was appointed Assistant to the Coachella City Manager in November, 2012. He serves as a Board Member on the Coachella Valley Branch of the US Green Building Council starting in November, 2011. Jacob also served as Secretary of the Bermuda Dunes Community Council starting in September, 2013 representing the Riverside County 4th Supervisorial District. Jacob graduated from Palm Desert High School, studied at California State University, San Diego, earned a BS and MBA from the University of Redlands.

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Lakewood Assistant to the City Manager **Paolo T. Beltran** started his working career in 1998 as a Nuclear Chemist for a products laboratory until 2002. In 2004 he started a Management Trainee position with the City of Lakewood. In 2005 he was promoted to an Administrative Assistant I, and became an Administrative Assistant II in 2007. Paolo was again promoted in 2008 to Senior Management Analyst. He was named Lakewood's Assistant to the City Manager in August of this year (2014). Paolo earned a BS in Biochemistry from the University of California, Los Angeles (**UCLA**), and an MBA from California State University, Long Beach. In 2013 he attended the ICMA Young Professionals Leadership Institute.



"The 'Y' is felt when you get-together with friends."

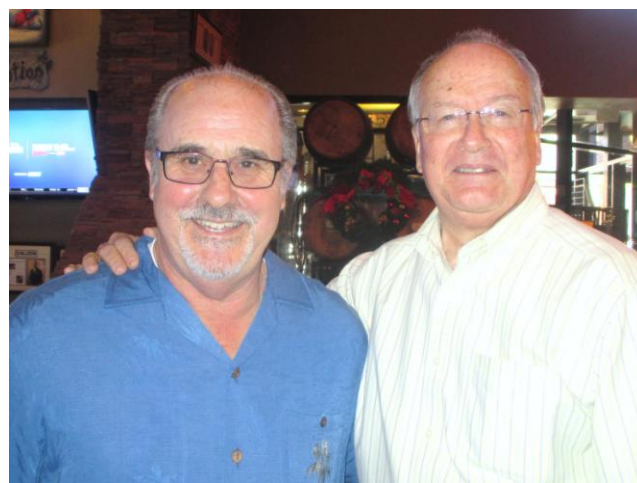


Keeping in touch means getting-together!

At a December Holiday Get-together in Brea: seated left to right are: retired Yorba Linda City Manager **Terry Belanger**; La Mirada Deputy City Manager and City Clerk **Anne Haraksin**; retired La Mirada City Manager **Tom Robinson**; retired La Mirada City Manager **Gary K. Sloan**; retired Norwalk City Manager **Ernie Garcia**; retired LASD Commander **John Hammargren**; and retired L.A. County Deputy Supervisor and former City Administrator **Ray Harris**. Standing from left to right are: former South El Monte City Manager **Gary Chicots**; retired Rosemead Assistant City Manager **Don Wagner**; former Artesia City Manager, and Founder of **Brandywine Homes**, **Jim Barisic**; retired Huntington Park City Manager, and recent Los Alamitos Interim City Manager, **Gregory Korduner**; retired El Segundo Assistant City Manager, and former Rosemead City Manager and Paramount Interim City Manager, **Bill Crowe**; retired Jurupa Valley City Manager, and University Professor, **Steve Harding**; Founder of Structured Finance of America, and owner of Cheyenne River Ranch in Wyoming, **John C. Bolan**; and California Contract Cities Association veteran Executive Director **Sam Olivito**. The photo was taken by former City Manager **Jack Simpson**!



John Hammargren, Ray Harris and Sam Olivito.



Gregory Korduner and Steve Harding

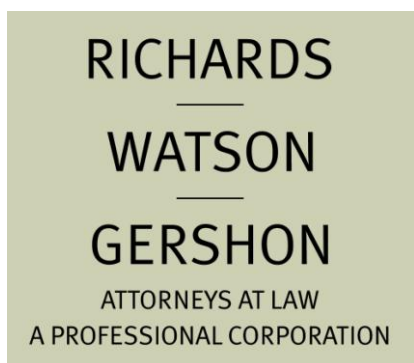
"Friendship is essential to our well-being. Meeting with friends is a tonic for what ails us!" -Anonymous.





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Alfred Bito Jr. joined the Daly City staff as an Administrative Analyst in 1990. He left Daly City and joined the Campbell management team in 1997 as the Assistant to the City Manager. Between 2011-2012 Al served as the Campbell Interim City Manager/Assistant to the City Manager. He continues to serve as Assistant to the City Manager. Al earned a BA from the University of California, Berkeley; a JD from JFK University and an MPA from California State University, East Bay in Hayward. He served on the Municipal Management Association of Northern California (MMANC) Executive Board as Secretary, 1997-1998.



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Nil Blackburn is the Assistant to the City Manager in the City of Burlingame. She was appointed to the post in November of this year (2014). In August, 1999 Nil began her working career as an IT Consultant with IBM Global Services. In August, 2001 she became a Real Estate Finance and Contracts Analyst for IBM Global Services. She went to work as a Global Commodity Manager in Facilities Purchasing for Hitachi GST in April, 2005, and after a little more than two-years there, she became Director of Strategic Consulting for CBRE Account in July, 2007 and she served in that post until August, 2012. She joined the Burlingame staff after taking nearly two and a half years off. She earned an MBA from Case Western Reserve University, Weatherhead School of Management, and a JD from Case Western Reserve University School of Law.

Tracy Bonano is listed as the Assistant to the City Manager in Lomita.

Roger A. Bradley is listed as the Assistant to the City Manager in Dublin.

Darryl B. Brown is listed as the Assistant to the City Administrative Officer in Inglewood.



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Desiree Brun joined the Napa city staff in 2007 as a Management Analyst in the Public Works Department. In 2008 she relocated to the Napa City Manager's Office, and in 2013 she was promoted to Assistant to the City Manager. Prior to coming to Napa, Desiree served as a Grant Specialist for the Contra Costa Water District between May, 2005 and July, 2007. She earned a BA in microbiology with a minor in Chemistry from Sonoma State University, and an MBA from the University of Phoenix. She has served as an American Cancer Society Volunteer.



Rebecca Burleson is listed as the Assistant to the City Manager and Deputy City Clerk in the City of Signal Hill.

Daniel E. Cartagena is the Assistant to the City Manager in Beverly Hills. He is listed in a Beverly Hills Public Works Services Department memorandum dated September 11, 2014 as a Senior Management Analyst. Between 1993 and 2001 he served as a Council Member Deputy in Los Angeles. He joined the Beverly Hills staff in his current position in 2001.



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Retired Yorba Linda City Manager **Terry Belanger**.

Terry previously served as the Brea Chief Administrative Officer, Rolling Hills City Manager and City Manager in Diamond Bar.



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Brett T. Channing began his public management career as an Intern in Santa Barbara in 2007. He then took an Administrative Intern position in Arcadia later that year (2007), and in 2008 he was hired as a Monrovia Management Intern. In 2009 Brett joined the Yorba Linda staff as a Management Assistant, and he moved to a Management Analyst II post in Brea in 2010. Brett was selected to serve as the El Cajon Assistant to the City Manager in 2013. He is a past President of the Municipal Management Association of Southern California (MMASC), 2012-2013. Brett earned a BA in Political Science from the University of California, Santa Barbara and an MPA from the University of Southern California (**USC**). Brett served on the ICMA Annual Conference Planning Committee for the 100th Anniversary Conference in Charlotte, North Carolina.



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Aram Chaparyan is listed as the Assistant to the City Manager in Torrance. In 1999 Aram was the Campaign Manager for State Assembly candidate **Craig Missakian**. He was hired in December, 2002 to work as the Transit Operations Manager for the City of Torrance. In January, 2007 he was named Assistant to the City Manager and Chief Labor Negotiator. Aram earned a BA from the University of California, Irvine, an MPA from the University of Southern California (**USC**), and he attended the Senior Executives in State and Local Government Program at Harvard University's John F. Kennedy School of Government.

Charles R. Ching working as a Business Banking Officer from 2006 to 2007, and joined the City of Fairfield staff in 2007 as a Senior Project Manager. In 2014 he left Fairfield to become the Assistant to the City Manager in San Pablo in June. He is in charge of Economic Development Programs, assigned to the City Manager's Office. He grew up in the Philippines, and earned a BA in management of financial institutions, and a BA in economics from De La Salle University. He also earned an MBA from St. Mary's College of California in Moraga. Charles is listed as a new member of ICMA beginning in September, 2014.



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Christian T. Clegg began his public management career as a Management Intern in Johnson County, Kansas. He then to Tacoma, Washington as a Management Intern in 2006. He was promoted in Tacoma in 2007 to Management Assistant, and then again in 2008 to Management Analyst. Christian came to California in 2011 to become the Assistant to the City Manager in Stockton. Christian earned a BA in psychology from Brigham Young University, and an MPA from the University of Kansas.

Scott Collins is listed as the Assistant to the City Manager in Santa Cruz. Prior to joining the Santa Cruz staff in May, 2011 he served as the Assistant to the City Manager in Boulder, Colorado starting in March, 2010. Scott began his public service career in 2001 as a City Council Aide in Santa Cruz. Between August, 2004 and December, 2004 he served as a Constituent Intern for the U.S. Congress. In 2005 he went to worked with ICMA as a Research Assistant. Scott went to work for Jefferson County, Colorado as a Budget Analyst in June, 2006, and he became a Senior Budget Analyst for the City and County of Denver in January, 2008. This lead to his position in Boulder. Scott earned a BA from the University of California, Santa Cruz and an MPA from The George Washington University.

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Chantal R. Cotton Gaines began her public service career in 2008 as a Social Services Program Intern in Washtenaw County, Michigan. In 2009 she also took on the assignment as a Management Assistant in Ypsilanti, Michigan. Chantal was appointed Assistant to the City Manager in College Park, Maryland in 2010, and served in that post until 2013. She came to California in 2013 to accept the Assistant to the City Administrator position in Oakland. Chantal earned a BA, MPP and MUP from the University of Michigan. She became an ICMA member in 2009.



In 1995 **Kristen M. Crane** served as an Administrative Associate with the City of Glendale. In 1998 she took a Management Analyst position with Claremont, and in 1999 she took a similar post in Citrus Heights. Kristen next moved to Poway, first as a Senior Management Analyst in 2004, and then as Assistant to the City Manager in 2005 to 2007. She was appointed to the position of Water Conservation Manager in Poway in 2007. After 7-year in that post, where she functioned as the Utilities Administrator, Kristen moved to Del Mar as the Assistant to the City Manager there in 2014. Kristen was the President of the Municipal Management Association of Northern California (MMANC) in 2003.



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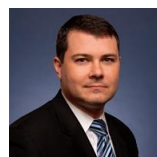
Amy B. Cunningham served in her first public service position from June, 1996 to February, 1999, when she served as a Family Support Officer for the County of San Mateo, District Attorney's Office. She became the senior Administrative Analyst/Administrative Analyst II in the City of Dublin in February, 2009. She served as the Dublin Budget Manager between 2010 and 2011, and in 2011 she added Assistant to the City Manager to her title. Starting in 2013 the Assistant to the City Manager is her only title and responsibility. Amy earned a BA in political science and an MPA from California State University, East Bay.



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We hope that you have enjoyed reviewing this list of those who serve as Assistant to the City Manager. Please let your friends know that you have seen them in the City Manager Newsletter by Trackdown. Please forward this newsletter along to those you think might find the information of interest. Trackdown best wishes to one and all for a wonderful and memorable Holiday Season. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. See you all next year!

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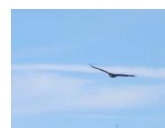
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Picking Up the Pieces: Encinitas City Manager **Gus Vina** has announced his resignation to accept a City Manager position in Northern California. He is awaiting his new city to issue an announcement soon. Gus worked in Northern California for 47-years. Gus joined the Encinitas city staff in 2011 to replace previous City Manager **Phil Cotton**. Gus had previously served as the Interim City Manager in Sacramento. **Goleta** is recruiting for a new Deputy City Manager. Applications will close January 4, 2015. Contact City Clerk **Deborah Lopez** for further information: 805-961-7505. **Julia McGinnis** has joined **MuniServices** as their newest



Client Service Manager where she will be dedicated to helping local government in the Southern California region maximize revenue. She brings more than 10-years of experience from

the public sector and was most recently responsible for Orange County's Waste & Recycling renewable energy program and public information office. Julia earned a BA and MPA from the University of Southern California (**USC**). Indian Wells Assistant to the City Manager is **David Gassaway**. He is primarily responsible for human resources, and the administration of the public safety service contracts. Prior to joining City Manager **Wade McKinney** and the Indian Wells staff, David served as the Assistant to the City Manager in Rancho Cordova. San Bernardino Mayor **Carey Davis** called for the resignation of City Manager **Allen Parker**. The Mayor seems to be blaming the City's bankruptcy and slow resolution process on the city manager. Allen has refused to quit. After a performance review, Allen is keeping his job. Former City Manager **Wayne Wedin** was the Assistant City Manager in Santa Fe Springs working with City Manager **Bob Williams** prior to his appointment to the Brea City Manager post in 1968. He served there until 1983. Gustine City Manager **Greg Greeson** will retire December 31 after about 5-years in Gustine. Assistant City Manager **Sean Scully** will succeed Greg. Huntington Park has hired retired City Manager **Don Powell** as Interim City Manager, according to The Wave writer **Arnold Adler**.



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More Pieces Picked Up: West Covina City Manager **Chris Chung** has retired early, and has entered into a separation agreement that will pay him 18-months of compensation. Chris was appointed City Manager in December, 2012. The city is looking for an Interim City Manager. Twentynine Palms Parks and Recreation Supervisor **Larry Bowden** has been appointed Acting City Manager. Larry recently retired from the Twentynine Palms High School boys varsity basketball team Head Coach position. He previously served on the Twentynine Palms City Council, including a term as Mayor. Imperial City Manager **Marlene Best** is a former Chair of the Imperial Valley Economic Development Corporation (IVEDC). The IVEDC is a partnership of the private sector and local government with a vision to expanding and diversifying economic development to benefit the growth of regional economy. Marlene was the Assistant City Manager between 1998 and 2005, when she took the Calexico City Manager post. She was appointed City Manager in the City of Imperial in 2006. Former City Manager **Janice McClintock** continues to serve as a member of the Women Leading Government Board of Directors; working to promote professionalism, ethics and leadership. Jan served as City Manager in San Juan Bautista (2006-2008) and Colusa (2008-2012). She served as the General Manager for the Mountain House Community Services District in Tracy from April, 2013 to June, 2014. Jan earned a BS in biology/education from Millikin University and an MPA from Golden Gate University. San Leandro Assistant to the City Manager **Eric C. Engelbart** worked as an Urban Planner in Santa Barbara County (2001-2005) and Marin County (2005-2007) prior to becoming a Management & Budget Analyst in Marin County. Eric joined the San Leandro city staff in July, 2013. He earned a BA from Washington and Lee University, and an MPA from the University of San Francisco. **Kenneth McDonald** has served as the City Manager in Firebaugh since July, 2013. Previous to that he was the Finance Director in Crescent City. Ken earned a BS in accounting from Arizona State University, and an MBA from the University of Nevada, Las Vegas. Westmorland was incorporated in 1934 and has a current population of about 2,444 residents. Westmorland is located 122 miles east of San Diego and 87 miles southeast of Palm Springs. **Sally Traylor** is the City Clerk and Finance Officer in Westmorland. **Mary Figone** is a Senior Management Analyst in the City of Palo Alto. She joined the Palo Alto staff in July, 2001 as a Senior Financial Analyst in



Former Roseville Deputy City Manager **Julia Burrows** with entertainer **Donny Osmond** in Washington D.C.

the Budget Division, and in 2008 she became an Administrator in the Palo Alto Planning & Community Environment Department. She was appointed to her current position in November, 2011. Mary earned a BS and MPA from San Jose State University. Retired Lakeport City Manager **Randy L. Johnsen** is listed on the "Banjo Hangout" web page as a "novice." His primary instruments are guitar, bass and he is working on learning the dobro. He originally played with the Mill Creek Risin' band and then with Public Nuisance in Lake County. He currently lists the band Sons and Daughters of the West. Randy served as City Manager in Cotati, lone, Orland and Lakeport. He also served as Interim City Administrator in Gridley. Randy is a Life Member of ICMA and in 2006 was the recipient of a 35-year ICMA Service Award. **Sage Sangiacomo** was appointed Assistant City Manager in Ukiah in July, 2010. He joined the Ukiah staff in 1998 as a Community Services Supervisor, and became the Community Services Director in 2006. Sage earned a BS from the University of California, Davis. Sage works with Ukiah City Manager **Jane Chambers**, who was appointed in 2008. In February, 1973 **Thomas A. Peterson** was appointed City Manager in the City of Woodland. Tom had previously served as the Assistant City Manager in Lodi. He earned a BA from the University of California, Berkeley. **Andy Nickerson** is the President of **HdL**. HdL supports local governments by finding and delivering their revenues, accurate fiscal management data for improved decision making, expert revenue and economic analysis, and innovative software solutions. **HdL** focuses on sales, use and transactions taxes, property taxes, business license fees, transient occupancy tax (TOT) and economic development. Andy earned a BA from California State Polytechnic University, Pomona.



Trackdown Best Wishes to one and all for a Wonderful 2014-2015 Holiday Season!



Still More Pieces Picked Up. Retired American Canyon City Manager **Richard Ramirez**, who founded Interim Public Management Services (IPMS) in June, 2011, served as the Interim City Manager in Auburn from January, to May, 2014. **Rich may be contacted at telephone no. (916) 769-7598.** He started his public management career in South El Monte in 1975. He served as City Manager in Lincoln, Paso Robles, Hemet and American Canyon, as well as holding an Assistant Manager post in Sacramento. Rich earned a BA from Humboldt State University, where he played on the Men's Soccer Team, and he earned an MPA from the University of Southern California (**USC**). Moab, Utah City Manager **Donna J. Metzler** is stepping down in February, 2015 to take a teaching position with Grand County High School. She joined the Moab city staff in 1994 after serving about 3-years as an Administrative Associate in Glendale, California starting in 1991. Donna received a 20-year ICMA Service Award in 2011. She is Past President of the Utah City Management Association (1998-1999). **Elaine I. Aguilar** was appointed City Manager in Sierra Madre in August, 2007. Elaine previously worked in Glendale, La Puente and Paramount. Elaine earned a BS from California State University, Los Angeles. Former City Manager **David Caretto** has been serving as a member of the City Council in the City of Big Bear Lake. Dave is in his second term in office, and was just elected Mayor. Congratulations! He served as City Manager in Signal Hill and Irwindale. Here are some pictures taken in the recent past and during the last year. They are meant to remind folks of the good times and provide a base point for future blessings! 