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## City Managers with a Salinas Connection

We started this series in San Diego. Then we traveled northerly on Interstate 5 to the City of Lakewood. Next we continued northerly up to the Central Coast where we stopped in Pismo Beach. This newsletter issue takes us north on Highway 101, El Camino Real, to Monterey County and the City of Salinas.

Salinas is the County Seat and largest municipality of Monterey County. It has an incorporated area of 23.22 square miles and a 2012 population of 154,484. Salinas is an agricultural center with an ideal climate for the floral industry and grape vineyards. The first Salinas post office opened in 1854. The city streets were laid out in 1867, and the city incorporated in 1874. The name "Salinas" is Spanish for "salt marsh."



Pictured left to right are: **Paul Philips**, former City Manager and Deputy Executive Director for the California Contract Cities Association (CCCA); retired Huntington Park City Manager **Greg Korduner**; CCCA Communications Manager **Tony Olivito**; CCCA Executive Director **Sam Olivito**; Diamond Bar City Manager **James DeStefano**; and Artesia City Manager **William Rawlings**. The 55th Annual CCCA Municipal Seminar is planned for May 15-18 at the Renaissance Esmeralda in Indian Wells. For information call telephone no. 562-622-5533.

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Located only 8-miles from the coast of the Pacific Ocean, the Salinas economy has been based largely on agriculture, since it is located on one of California's richest farming regions. The Salinas area produces a wide variety of fruits and vegetables leading Salinas to become known as the "Salad Bowl of the World." More than 30% of the world's lettuce is grown in the Salinas Valley.

Notable people from Salinas include: **Vanessa Hudgens**, **Sammy Hagar**, **Joe Kapp**, author **John Steinbeck** and many more athletes and other celebrities. **Marilyn Monroe** was named the Diamond Queen of Salinas on February 20, 1948. Salinas is the setting for **John Steinbeck's** novel, "East of Eden," and he mentions the community in some of his other novels. Salinas is the home of the National Steinbeck Center founded in 1983.

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Salinas City Managers have participated in the city manager craft leadership for years. Those who served as President of the City Managers Department of the League of California Cities at the time they were Salinas City Manager, include: **Thomas G. Dunne**, 1971-1972; **Robert Christofferson**, 1980-1981; and **David R. Mora**, 1991-1992.

We hope you enjoy this effort to recognize city management professionals with a City of Salinas background:



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**Ray E. Corpuz Jr.** is the current Salinas City Manager. Ray began his public service career in Tacoma, Washington in 1972 as a Technical Coordinator. Later that year (1972) he was appointed Assistant Manpower Planning Director, and in 1974 he became the Tacoma Manpower Planning Director. In 1978 Ray was promoted to the Tacoma Director of Intergovernmental Affairs, and he served in that post for about 10-years. He left Tacoma in 1988 to serve as the Director of Government Relations for the County of Pierce where Tacoma is located. He returned to the City of Tacoma in 1990 to serve as City Manager. He left the Tacoma City Manager's post 13-years later in 2003. He moved to California in 2005 and was appointed City Manager in Seaside. He served as the Seaside City Manager until 2012 when he was selected for the Salinas City Manager position, which he took over from Interim City Manager **Jim Pia**. Jim served in the post after City Manager **Artie Fields** left to take the City Administrator position in Inglewood. Ray earned a BA from St. Martins College. In 2013 he received a rare 40-year ICMA Service Award. Ray served as the President of the Washington City and County Management Association 2000-2001.



Former City Manager **Bill Kelly**, President  
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Assistant City Manager **Jim Pia**, 50, served as the Interim City Manager in Salinas after City Manager **Artie Fields** left the City for the Inglewood City Manager post in 2011. Jim went to work for the City of Salinas in 1979 as a soccer referee. Jim served as the Salinas Parks & Community Services Director for about 27-years, starting in 1987. He is an alumnus of Santa Clara University.

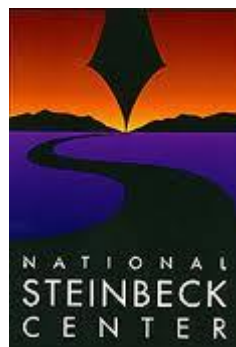
Salinas City Clerk **Patricia M. Barajas**, 33, was born and raised in Salinas. She was hired as an Assistant City Clerk in January, 2010. When City Clerk **Ann Camel** retired, Patty was appointed Interim City Clerk. and then elevated to the City Clerk position in February, 2012. Patty previously worked as a Drug and Alcohol Counselor and then as a Salinas Police Department Parking Enforcement Officer. She studied Political Science at California State University, Monterey Bay.



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**Matt N. Pressey** is the City of Salinas Budget & Finance Director. He has served in that post since April, 2011. Matt began his career in 1989 with a Public Accounting firm that specialized in local government auditing, accounting and consulting services. He worked with the firm for about 8 and a half years. He then went to work for the City of Pasadena as an Accounting Administrator between January, 1998 and July, 2002. He then served as the Costa Mesa Assistant Finance Director from July, 2002 until June, 2003. Matt's next assignment was as the Director of Administrative Services for the City of Lake Elsinore between June, 2003 and December, 2008. Matt was then appointed to an Accounting Manager position with the Rancho California Water District, and then served as the Finance Manager for the San Diego County Association of Governments (SANDAG) between September, 2010 and March, 2011 before joining the Salinas staff. Matt is a licensed Certified Public Accountant. He earned a BA from the University of California, Santa Barbara. He has been an active member of the California Society of Municipal Finance Officer (CSMFO), and the National Government Finance Officers Association. Matt serves as the Treasurer on the Board of Trustees for the National Steinbeck Center in Salinas. Founded in 1983, the Steinbeck Center is a museum and memorial dedicated to author and Nobel Prize in Literature laureate **John Steinbeck**.



Throw-back picture:  
Trackdown Grandson  
**Tyler Simpson**  
at the age of 7-years  
in 2010 playing with the  
Frontier Youth Baseball  
League in Cerritos.

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**Artie Fields**, 52, is the currently City Manager in Inglewood. He began his public management career in 1989 and then working for the cities of Beverly Hills, Manhattan Beach, Pasadena, and Pomona. He worked for San Leandro for 5-years prior to being appointed Assistant City Manager in West Covina where he served from November, 1998 to July, 2008. While working as the ACM in West Covina, Artie, served as the Interim Finance Director, Interim Human Resources Director and the Interim Community Services Director, giving him a broad experience base. In 2008 he was selected to serve as the City Manager in the City of Salinas, succeeding long-time City Manager **Dave Mora**, who held the position for 18-years. In July, 2011 he began his position in Inglewood. Artie grew up in La Puente. He is the 2002 recipient of the John H. Nail Memorial Award, presented annually to a most outstanding "Assistant" by the City Managers Department of the League of California Cities. Artie earned a BA in psychology and an MPA from the University of Southern California (**USC**). Artie is a member of the National Forum for Black Public Administrators and a Life Member of the San Gabriel Valley Chapter of the NAACP. He served on the ICMA Workplace Diversity Committee from 1995 to 1998. In 2012 he received a 25-year ICMA Service Award.

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"Help others get ahead. you will always stand  
taller with someone else on your shoulders."

- **Bob Moawad**

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**David R. Mora** began his public management career with the Peace Corps in the Philippines from 1967 to 1970. After a short walk on the private sector side in 1972, in 1973 Dave went to work for the City of Santa Barbara as Community Relations Director. In 1977 Dave was elevated in the organization to serve as Assistant to the City Administrator, and in 1979 he was appointed Deputy City Administrator. David left Santa Barbara in 1981 when he was selected to serve as the Town Manager in Los Gatos. David's next new assignment came in 1985 when he was appointed to the Oxnard City Managers post. After about 5-years in Oxnard, David was selected to work as the Salinas City Manager in 1990. Dave served in Salinas for about 18-years and retired from that position in 2008. Following his retirement, Dave worked as the ICMA Western Regional Director from 2009 to 2011. David earned a BA from California State University and an MPA from the University of Pittsburgh. In 2004 he received a 30-year ICMA Service Award. Dave has been an active member of the California city management community. He served as the President of the City Managers Department of the League of California Cities in 1991-1992. He served as the President of the ICMA Executive Board in 2001-2002. He served as the Chair of the ICMA-Retirement Corporation Board in 2010-2013, and he continues to serve as an ICMA Senior Advisor since 2011. Dave also currently serves as an ICMA Range Rider beginning in 2011. He was an ICMA Exchange Program Participant in the Japan Fellowship Exchange. He has served on and Chaired a number of other ICMA committees and boards. David also served as the President of the International Hispanic Network in 1990-1992. He continues to serve on the ICMARC Board. Dave is a runner and a road bicycle ride



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Commerce City Administrator **Jorge J. Rifa** returned to Southern California at the age of 58 in 2008 when he was selected for his current position. Jorge worked in Monterey County for more than two decades, moving there in 1984 when he took the Soledad City Manager position. In 1991 he was appointed Assistant City Manager in Salinas and he was promoted to Deputy City Manager in 2002. Jorge began his public management career in 1991 in the City of Compton. He left his Compton RDA Deputy Director post in 1983 when he was appointed Associate Executive Director to the El Monte Redevelopment Agency. Jorge earned a BA from California State University, Long Beach. He is an avid San Francisco Giants baseball fan even though he grew up in Los Angeles Dodgers territory in Southern California. In 2013 Jorge received a 35-year ICMA Service Award. He served on the ICMA Committee on Regionalism in 1991-1992.

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**Thomas G. Dunne** retired as the City Manager in Walnut Creek in 1988. Tom began his public management career in Salinas in 1950 as an Administrative Assistant to the City Manager. He also served as the Salinas Planning Director between 1950 and 1952, and then became the Salinas Public Service Director in 1952 and served in that post until 1957. In 1957 Tom was selected to serve as the City Manager in Salinas, and he served in that position for some 15-years. He was appointed to the Walnut Creek City Manager position in 1972, serving there for the next 16-years. He was a 1988 recipient of an ICMA Distinguished Service Award, and in 1987 he received a 30-year ICMA Service Award. Tom served as the President of the ICMA Executive Board in 1980-1981. He served as the President of the City Managers Department of the League of California Cities in 1971-1972, while he was the City Manager in Salinas.

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ICMA Life Member **Robert M. Christofferson** began his illustrious public management career in 1955 as an Administrative Intern in the City of Beverly Hills. Bob move to the Glendale city staff in 1956 when he was hired to serve as the Assistant to the City Manager. He held that post for about 9-years. In 1965 Bob was appointed City Manager in San Dimas and he served there for about 3-years before he was selected to serve as the City Manager in Covina in 1968. In 1972 Bob was hired to serve as the Salinas City Manager and he served in that position for about 11-years. In 1983 he was appointed City Manager in Fresno, and he served there until 1986. In 1987 Bob was selected to serve as the Redding City Manager and he left that post in 1994. That year (1994) Bob established the Western Executive Search firm and he served as President until 2008. In 2008 Bob was appointed Interim City Manager in Willits. He previously had other interim assignments, including as Interim City Manager in Fort Bragg in 1999, Colfax in 2000, Mount Shasta in 2002, Cotati in 2003, and Fort Bragg again in 2004. Bob earned a BA from the University of California and an MS from the University of Southern California. In 1991 Bob received a 35-year ICMA Service Award. He served as an ICMA Regional Vice President from 1989 to 1991. Bob served as the President of the City Managers Department of the League of California Cities in 1980-1981, while he was the Salinas City Manager.





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Salinas Community and Economic Development Director **Jeffrey H. Weir** was appointed Economic Development Director in September, 2007 under then-City Manager **Dave Mora**, and in June, 2011 his position was changed to Community & Economic Development Director. He served as the Economic Development Director in Kingman, Arizona from February, 2006 until June, 2007. He was the Economic Development Administrator in the Town of Oro Valley, Arizona from March, 1999 to January, 2006. Jeff has been married for more than 47-years to his wife Shirley. They have two adult children, Jeff II and Stephanie; and three grandchildren Connor, Griffin and Emily. Jeff earned a BBA from Eastern Michigan University, and an MBA from Notre Dame University. He is also a Certified Economic Developer (CEcD).



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Retired City Manager **Paul S. Ogden** began his public service career in 1963 as a Right of Way Agent for the California Highway Department. In 1966 he joined the City of Oakland staff as a Real Estate Officer, and in 1973 he took a Property Manager position with Salinas. Paul was promoted to the Senior Management Assistant post in Salinas in 1976. In 1982 he was appointed City Manager in Hollister, where he served until 1987. In 1988 Paul returned to Salinas as the Assistant Development Director. He was selected to serve as the Auburn City Manager in 1996 and worked there until his retirement in 2003. Paul earned a BA from San Jose State University and an MPA from Hayward State University. In 1999 he was the recipient of a 35-year ICMA Service Award. Following his retirement in 2003, Paul, at the age of 63, was awarded a special *Friend of Auburn Award* by the Auburn Chamber of Commerce at their Annual State of the Community Dinner Awards Program. Since retiring, Paul has served as President of the Organization overseeing the rebirth of the Downtown Auburn State Theatre.



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- **Leo Buscaglia**

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**Christopher A. Callihan**, 40, worked in the Salinas City Attorney's Office starting in September, 2003. He was first hired as a Deputy City Attorney, advanced to Senior Deputy City Attorney in 2007 and was promoted to Assistant City Attorney in September, 2010. He was retained to serve as the Salinas City Attorney in January, 2014. Chris previously served as City Attorney in the City of Del Rey Oaks, concurrently to his service on the Salinas City Attorney staff. Chris earned a BA from the University of California, Davis and a JD degree from Santa Clara University School of Law. He was admitted to the State Bar of California in 1999.



A number of other individuals came to our attention during our Salinas research, including: former City Clerk **Ann Camel**, who served as the Salinas City Clerk for 37-years before she retired in 2013. Ann earned a JD from Monterey College of Law. She is currently a realtor in Salinas. Then there are: **Bryan Cupak**, a Sergeant with the Salinas Police Department, who was honored as the 2003 Monterey County Police Officer Association Office of the Year; Salinas Fire Captain **Papul Fenwick**; **Terry Heffington**, a Salinas Police Commander; Firefighter **Zachary Linnane**, who studied at Monterey Peninsula College; Police Commander **Juan Ruiz**; **Elizabeth M. Soto**; and **Skylar Thornton**, who graduated from California State University, Sacramento, who has been with the Salinas Fire Department 12-years.

Others noted include: former City Attorney **Vanessa Vallarta**, who was appointed in January, 2014 by Governor **Jerry Brown** to be a Judge in the Monterey County Superior Court; Assistant City Attorney **Vera Todorov**; Director of the Public Library **Elizabeth Martinez**; and City Engineer **Robert Russell**.

Of course, there are many, many other hardworking Salinas public servants that we have missed. We apologize to all those we neglected to acknowledge. Salinas proves to be a wealth of outstanding public employees. A sincere Trackdown "Tip O' the Cap" to the Salinas community and all those who have worked hard for the City. We hope you have enjoyed this May, 2014 list.

### League of California Cities Opposes the Efforts of Assembly Member Jimmy Gomez to Ban "Contracting Out"

Though the League of California Cities opposed HR Resolution 29, authored by Los Angeles Assembly Member **Jimmy Gomez** of the 51st District, who was elected to the Assembly in November, 2012, it has won approval of the California State Assembly. HR Resolution 29 denouncing the practice of outsourcing government services, a public employee union objective. This outsourcing ban may apply to refuse disposal, traffic signal maintenance, professional services like engineering and legal representation, and may threaten the ability of many communities to survive as viable incorporated cities. Assembly Member Gomez has previously worked for the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees (AFSCME), the National League of Cities, and the Democratic National Committee. The League points out that the Resolution undermines the democratic process and representative government, because legislators lose the opportunity to make an informed decision about the impacts of specific legislation. Local governments have a long history of addressing service delivery challenges with creativity, self-reliance and innovation. Local elected officials are held accountable for these carefully thought out financial decisions. A contracting out ban endangers the ability of local elected officials to apply the principles of "home rule" & "local control."



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**Picking Up the Pieces:** At its meeting next week, Lodi City Council Members will consider appointing Interim City Manager **Steve Schwabauer** to be the Lodi City Manager. Steve has served as the Interim City Manager since former City Manager **Rad Bartlam** left to take the Chino Hills City Manager position. Steve has worked with Lodi since 2000, first as a Deputy City Attorney and then in 2007 he was appointed City Attorney. The Council will also consider appointing **Janice Magdich** City Attorney. She has served in an interim capacity since Steve took the interim City Manager post. **Kenneth H. Smith** served as the Richmond City Manager starting in August, 1967 and is still listed there in the 1977-1978 ICMA Director of Members. Prior to joining the Richmond staff, Ken worked as an Assistant to the City Manager in Monterey from 1949 to December, 1950; and then City Manager of El Cerrito from 1950 to June, 1967. Ken served as the President of the City Managers Department of the League of California Cities in 1970-1971. He earned an AB from Stanford University and an MA from the University of California. Pasadena City Manager **Michael Beck** placed Public Health Director **Dr. Eric Walsh** on paid administrative leave for expressing discriminatory views on homosexuals, Muslims and others. Pasadena is one of three California cities that maintains its own health department. Pasadena will continue its investigation while Dr. Walsh is on leave. Whittier and San Pablo are the only California cities among the 25-finalist in the 2014 All-America City Award competition. The award is presented by the National Civic League at its annual conference; this year in Denver, Colorado, June 13-15. **Jeff Collier** is the Whittier City Manager and the San Pablo City Manager is **Matt Rodriquez**. Dublin Interim City Manager **Chris Foss** is dropping the "Interim" from the title he has had since the retirement of City Manager **Joni Pattillo**, and Dublin Economic Development Director **Linda Smith** has been appointed to the Dublin Assistant City Manager position. Linda has been with the Dublin staff since 2009. Alameda Community Development Director **Lori Taylor** will join the Dublin staff as the Economic Development Director. Lori also previously worked as the Fremont Economic Development Director. **Newcomb Williams Financial Group** Senior Vice President **Janees Williams** earned a BA in Business Administration from California State University, San Bernardino. She served as a Vice President with Kinsell, Newcomb & De Dios, Inc. for better than 11-years between 2000 and January, 2012. Former Grand Terrace City Manager **Betsy Adams** is the new Moreno Valley Parks and Community Services Director.

She served in the position on an interim basis since May 10. She left her Grand Terrace post in January. Previous to serving in Grand Terrace she worked for Moreno Valley for about 20-years in various capacities, including Assistant City Manager. Selma City Manager **D-B Heusser**, 71, has announced his retirement effective July 1. D-B has served as the Selma City Manager for about 14-years. Prior to taking the City Manager post in 2000, he had served as the Selma Economic Development Director. Former MuniFinancial and **Willdan Financial Services** official **Lee Evett** is currently the Public Works Director of Okeechobee County, Florida. **Valerie Kushnerov**, Goleta Public Information Officer, has been selected to receive the inaugural "Communicator of the Year" Award presented by the California Association of Public Information Officials (CAPIO). The award is presented to the individual who demonstrates exceptional abilities, skills and talents in leading their organization to greater and more successful communications and public engagement. **Dan Singer** is the Goleta City Manager.



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**Still More Pieces Picked Up:** Former Morgan Hill Utilities Business Manager **Jimmy E. Forbis** is the new Finance Director in Monterey appointed by new City Manager

**Mike McCarthy.** Jimmy will replace former Finance Director **Don Rhoads**, who left in March to take the Beverly Hills Finance Director post. Jimmy has been with Morgan Hill since 2007, and before that he worked for San Mateo County and Los Altos Hills. He is a U. S. Navy veteran. **Cristina Shore**, the newest member of the California Contract Cities Association (CCCA) staff through Olivito & Associates is a graduate of Downey's Warren High School. Prior to joining the CCCA staff Cristina worked for an escrow company in Orange County. Oakland International Airport Director of Aviation **Deborah Ale Flint** was among the three finalist for the Atlanta Airport General Manager position. San Diego Assembly Member **Toni Atkins** has been elected to replace Speaker **John Perez** of Los Angeles as the Speaker of the Assembly. **Bernadette Lovato**, the District Manager for the Bureau of Land Management's Carson City District Office, has been selected to serve as the new Superintendent for the Manzanar National Historic Site in California starting in June. She will replace former Superintendent **Les Inafuku**, who retired. Manzanar National Historic Site was established in 1992 to preserve the stories of the internment of nearly 120,000 Japanese Americans during World War II. In 1977 during the time the late-**John D. Goss** served as City Manager in the City of Alameda, **Ronald D. Creagh** served as Assistant City Manager. In 1982 Ron was appointed City Manager in El Cerrito, and in 1988 he was appointed to the La Mesa City Manager post. In 1991 Ron served as the Interim City Manager in Carpinteria, and he served as the Assistant City Manager in Palmdale between 1993 and 1997. Ron filed for his CalPERS retirement in 2000. Ron earned an MS from California State University, Long Beach. His last known address was in Las Vegas, Nevada. City Managers noted in attendance at the April, 2014 meeting of the California Contract Cities Association (CCCA) in Diamond Bar, include: **Bob Wishner**, Walnut; **Jim DeStefano**, Diamond Bar; **Mike Egan**, Norwalk; and **Mark Alexander**, La Cañada Flintridge. We were awaiting a picture of the birthday celebration for La Cañada Flintridge Senior Management Analyst II, **Ann Wilson**, for our last issue, but it has been delayed in coming. Ann celebrated her birthday on April 17. Belated Trackdown "Happy Birthday Wishes" to Ann.

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## Arcata City Managers

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**James L. Kay**--April 17, 1958, to February 1, 1962

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**Rory Robinson**--December 1, 1981, to February 17, 1988

**Alice Harris**--March 2, 1988, to September 30, 1997

**Keith Breskin**--October 1, 1997, to June 30, 2000

**Daniel E. Hauser**--October 1, 2000, to April 30, 2006

**Michael Hackett**--May 15, 2006, to May 25, 2009

**Randal J. Mendosa**--May 25, 2009, to Present



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