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Board of Trustees of the California City Management Foundation (CCMF) celebrating <u>Burbank</u> City Manager Justin Hess accepting the 2022 CCMF City Manager of the Year. The Board includes President Ken Striplin, Justin Hess, Aaron Adams, Paul Arevalo, Pamela Antil, Eric Figueroa, Anthony D. Gonsalves, Laurie Lofranco, Fran Mancia, Janet Jimenez, Karen Pinkos and Mark Risco. Executive Director Ken Pulskamp is in the picture too. CCMF has the stated mission to promote and encourage excellence in the city management of all California cities. CCMF offers guidance, support and advice for City Managers in all stages of their careers, working with ICMA.

City Managers Serving in Tulare County Cities

Tulare County is named for Tulare Lake, once one of the largest freshwater lakes west of the Great Lakes. Sequoia National Park is located in the county as part of the Kings Canyon National Park. Tulare County was incorporated in 1854 and is a general law county under the California Constitution. The City of <u>Visalia</u>, home to the College of the Sequoias, is the county seat.

There are nine incorporated cities in Tulare County: <u>Dinuba</u>, <u>Kerman</u>, <u>Exeter</u>, <u>Farmersville</u>, <u>Lindsay</u>, <u>Porterville</u>, <u>Tulare</u>, <u>Visalia</u> and <u>Woodlake</u>. **Jason T. Britt** is the County Administrative Officer and **John Hess** is the Assistant County Administrative Officer. The county has a 2019 estimated population of 550,660.

In the 1920s Tulare County was known as "The County of Good Roads and Opportunity."



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Sequoia National Park was established in 1890 as the second U.S. National Park following Yellowstone. The park includes the highest point in the contiguous 48

United States, Mount Whitney, at 14,505 feet above sea level. Some of Tulare's unincorporated communities are: Alpaugh, Earlimart, Ivanhoe, Lemon Cove Three Rivers, Kaweah and Tipton.



Dinuba was incorporated in January 1906. The city's 2020 estimated population is 24,563. Luis Patlan, Dinuba City Manager, says that his first job growing up was working with his family harvesting crops, particularly grapes and fruit trees. Luis was appointed Dinuba City

Manager in July 2015. He previously served as the City Manager in the City of <u>Kerman</u>, where he had previously served as the Community Development Director. Luis also is a former Development Services Director in <u>Sanger</u>. He grew up in <u>Parlier</u>. Luis earned a BA in public Administration from California State University, Fresno

Daniel James is the Assistant City Manager and **Linda Barkley** is the City Clerk. Daniel is the former <u>Dinuba</u> Chamber of Commerce Executive Director (February 2003-September 2012). He joined the <u>Dinuba</u> city staff as Assistant City Manager in January 2010. Daniel earned an AS from Reedley College and a BBA from Capella University.



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Philippe Eskandar, <u>Westlake Village</u>; Scott Collins, <u>Morro</u> <u>Bay</u>; and David Gassaway, <u>Fairfield</u> are shown here at the 2022 City Managers' Department Meeting in Monterey. Thank you to former longtime CCMF President Wade McKinney for the picture.

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John Jansons is the City Manager in the City of <u>Kerman</u>. John is a veteran City Manager with a long record of public service. He began his public service career in 1997 for the United States Foreign Service as an intern. Between 1998 and 2015 John

worked in economic and community development and project management for West Sacramento, Salem, Washington, Atascadero, Portland, Oregon, Hemet and Banning, John was appointed City Manager in Farmersville in 2015 and became the Town Manager in Windsor in 2017. John was hired to serve as the Kerman City Manager in December 2019. John earned a BA from the University of California, Davis,



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In 1888 the railroad was built through the southern San Joaquin Valley, and towns grew up along its path. **D.W. Parkhurst**, of the Southern Pacific Railroad, bought land from early settler **John Firebaugh**, and the town of <u>Exeter</u> was born. The town was named for Parkhurst's native Exeter in England. <u>Exeter</u> was incorporated in March 1911. It's 2019 estimated population is 10,485.



In June 2018 **Adam Ennis** was hired as the City Administrator in <u>Exeter</u>. Adam previously worked about 6years as the Public Works Director for the City of <u>Visalia</u>. He began his

career as an engineer for a private sector engineering company. He took over in <u>Exeter</u> from Interim City Administrator **Eric Frost**.



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Santa Fe Springs City Manager **Ray Cruz** and a table of other participants at the sold out 2022 CCMF Annual Members Appreciation Dinner during the City Manager's Department Annual Meeting in <u>Monterey</u> earlier this month. The dinner was held at the Naval Postgraduate School on February 3.



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Fran Mancia may be reached at 559-288-7296. Fran is a member of the Board of Trustees of the California City Management Foundation (CCMF).



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<u>Farmersville</u> became a community in the 1850s. The city incorporated in October 1960, and the 2019 estimated population is 10,703. **Jennifer Gomez** has served as the <u>Farmersville</u> City Manager since May 2018.

Jennifer Gomez started her working career as a Legal Assistant and Paralegal for two different private law firms (January 1996-2001 & 2003-2007). She took the Deputy City Clerk position in <u>Tulare</u> in April 2007 and she left the <u>Tulare</u> City Clerk's office in June 2014. In June 2014 Jennifer became the City Clerk in the City of <u>Hanford</u>. She took the <u>Farmersville</u> City Manager position in May 2018. Jennifer earned a BA in history from Santa Clara University and an MPA from Walden University. She continues to be a Relay for Life program volunteer which she began in 2009.



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Joseph Tanner was appointed City Manager for the City of <u>Lindsay</u> in March 2020. Joe began his public service career as an intern in Economic Development for the City of <u>San Ramon</u> in December 2005. He was hired as an

Administrative Analyst in <u>San Ramon</u> in October 2007. In January 2013 Joe was retained to be the Interim City Manager in the City of <u>Rio Vista</u>. From October 2014 to March 2018, Joe worked as the Director of Administrative Services in the City of <u>Desert Hot Springs</u>. In 2018 he served as the Director of Administrative Services for the Town of <u>Moraga</u>. In 2019 Joe worked as the Interim Deputy City Manager in <u>Port Hueneme</u>, and in 2020 he was the Interim Management Services Director prior to his appointment as <u>Lindsay</u> City Manager. Joe earned an AA from Diablo Valley College, a BA from St. Mary's College of California, and an MBA from the John F. Kennedy University.



Veteran City Manager and former League of California Cities manager **Gary Milliman** and his bride **Lianafena Yue**. Gary has served as City Manager in <u>Cotati</u>, <u>Fort Bragg</u>, <u>South Gate</u>, and Brookings, Oregon. Gary is a Senior Advisor to the **Kosmont Companies**. www.cjpia.org Wolf & Company Inc.

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Porterville, where once and at different times served **Roy Pederson** and **Guy Huffaker** as City Manager. Guy retired in 2002 after serving as Porterville

City Manager for 25-years. Roy went on to serve in other city and county management positions. Roy was elected President of the International City/County Management Association (ICMA) in 1992. Roy and Guy: two giants in city manager circles.

A tremendous migration to California following the 1848 discovery of gold brought people to the Tule River Station of the Butterfield Overland Mail site on the bank of the Tule River. Many stayed for the rich farmland as other scurried toward their chance for riches in the gold fields. In 1888 the Southern Pacific Railway brought a line to the community, and <u>Porterville</u> was incorporated in May 1902. The city's 2019 estimated population is 59,599. John D. Lollis is the <u>Porterville</u> City Manager. John was hired by the city in 2006 as the Administrative Services Director. He was appointed City Manager in 2009 following the retirement of City Manager John Longley.





<u>Tulare</u> was the center and headquarters of the railroad in the area. The city incorporated in April 1888. It has a 2019 estimate population of 65,496. **Marc Mondell**

is the <u>Tulare</u> City Manager. Marc replaced City Manager **Rob Hunt**, who worked for the city in various positions for 29-years. Marc most recently served as the Economic and Community Development Director and Assistant City Manager in the City of <u>Rocklin</u> (January 2015-July 2021). He began his career as an Economic Development Planner with Lacoochee Regional Planning Council in 1998. He went to work as a Planner with the City of Ocala. He rose in the Ocala organization to Assistant City Manager (2012-2014). Marc earned a BA and Master's degrees in urban and regional planning and architecture from the University of Florida.



<u>Visalia</u> was settled in 1852 when the area was called Four Creeks. After the County of Tulare was formed out of the County of Mariposa, <u>Visalia</u> became the

county seat. Visalia got its name from Visalia, Kentucky, Nathaniel Vise's ancestral home. Nathaniel was one of the community's first settlers. Visalia incorporated in February 1874. It has a 2020 estimated population of 141,384. Visalia is the gateway to the Sequoia & Kings Canyon National Parks. It is the home to the College of the Sequoias. Leslie Caviglia is the City Manager and City Clerk. Michelle Nicholson serves as the Chief Deputy City Clerk. Leslie has worked for the city for nearly 25-years. She served as the Assistant City Manager prior to her appointment to the City Manager post. Early in her career she worked in the private sector. She and her husband own and operate Crystal Cove Farms. Leslie earned a BA California Polytechnic University, San Luis Obispo.



Again, about town with <u>Santa Fe Springs</u> City Manager **Raymond R. Cruz**. This time he is at the Busch Light Clash, 2020 NASCAR race at the Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum.



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Nick Mascia is the Assistant City Manager in the City of <u>Visalia</u>. Nick came to work for <u>Visalia</u> in 2013 in city engineering. He moved up to Assistant Director of the Community Development Department. He was promoted

to Community Development Director in October 2015, and in January 2019 Nick was named Director of Public Works. He will continue to serve as Interim Public Works Director until a full-time director is recruited.



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Ramon Lara was appointed to the Woodlake City Administrator in May 2012. He previously worked for the Tulare County Association of Governments (TCAG), Tulare County's transportation authority. He earned a BA in public finance from the University of California, Santa Cruz. Ramon is a Woodlake native, raised in the city and graduated from Woodlake High School. Ramon replaced City Manager Bill Lewis, who served as City Manager for 15-years starting in 1996. Outside of his city responsibilities, Ramon is the Head Coach for the 2021-2022 Woodlake High School Tigers Varsity Girls' Softball team.



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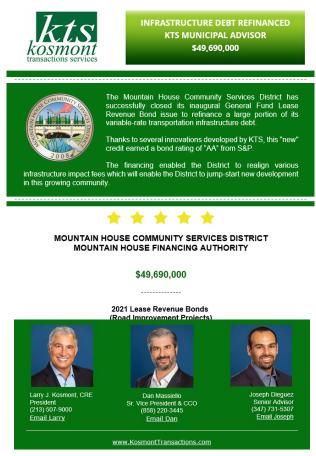
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Picking Up the Pieces: Burbank City Manager **Justin Hess** was named the 2022 CCMF City Manager of the Year, and the Corporate Sponsor of the Year Award goes to the **Kosmont Companies. Kosmont Companies** was founded by former City Manager

Larry Kosmont. Larry was the recipient of the 1980 John H. Nail Memorial Award when he was the Assistant City Manager in Seal Beach. Justin has worked for the City of Burbank for more than 20years, beginning as an intern in Planning. Justin serves as the Vice President of the CCMF Board of Trustees. Former City of Ceres City Manager Tom Westbrook, serving as the Community Development Director in the City of Red Bluff, is the new Interim City Manager in Red Bluff. City Manager and City Attorney Richard Crabtree announced his intent to retire in April. Tom is a native of <u>Red Bluff</u>, graduating from Red Bluff High School. He worked in Stanislaus County and for the City of Ceres. He worked for the Planning Division for 18-years before taking the City Manager post. He returning home to Red Bluff in September 2021 as the Community Development Director. City Manager Scott Mitnick has left the City Manager position in the City of El Segundo. His last day was February 2. Chief Financial Officer Joe Lillio was named Acting El Segundo City Manager. Scott joined the El Segundo staff in 2019 after more than 30-years in public service positions. Joe has served as the city's CFO for the past 6-years. No reason for Scott's separation was announced. Redondo Beach Chief of Police Keith Kauffman will retire February 28 bringing to a close a career of nearly 30-years in law enforcement. Keith spent 22-years on the Hawthorne police force. He came to Redondo Beach in 2015. Born and raised in Redondo Beach, he carried on a family legacy. His father Kenneth Kauffman served on the Redondo Beach force from 1970 to 1994. City Manager Sean **Scully** recently started his tenure as the City Manager in the City of Lincoln. Sean is a former City Manager in Riverbank, and he worked 7-years for the City of Gustine, including two years as City Manager. He previously worked in planning and economic development for the City of Turlock. Sean earned a BA from California State University, Monterey Bay and an MPA from California State University, Stanislaus. Veteran City Manager Gilbert Livas of the City of Downey will retire effective July 1, 2022. Gilbert has served as the **Downey** City Manager since December 2011. He joined the City of Downey as Community Development Director and Deputy City Manager in 2007. He was promoted to Assistant City Manager in 2010. Previously, Gil worked for the City of Bell Gardens in redevelopment starting in 1994.



Photo by **Mark Ochenduszko**, retired <u>Coronado</u> City Manager. This is Thousand Steps Sea Cave in <u>Laguna Beach</u>. The case is a large L-shaped structure and is best accessed during a very low tide. The photo was taken on Tuesday, February 1, 2022.

Santa Clarita Assistant City Manager Frank Oviedo was recognized with the 2021 John H. Nail Memorial Award from the City Managers' Department of the League of California Cities. Frank has served as Assistant City Manager in Santa Clarita since 2013. He worked for the city from 1997 to 2002 before working for <u>Elk Grove</u> as Deputy City Manager. After <u>Elk Grove</u> Frank became the first City Manager for the City of <u>Wildomar</u> in 2009.

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Picking Up the Pieces: After working in <u>West Covina</u> (1992-2000) and <u>Chino Hills</u> (2000-2004), **Jeffrey Collier** joined the city staff in the City of <u>Whittier</u> as Director of Community Development. Jeff served as the <u>Whittier</u> City Manager from January 2012 until his retirement in November 2019. Jeff is currently serving as the Acting City Manager in the City of Fullerton starting in December

2021. Jeff earned a BS in urban planning from California State Polytechnic University, Pomona and an MPA from California State University, Fullerton. Former Banning City Manager Andy Takata, currently the City Administrator for the City of DuPont, Washington, continues to serve as a member of the Technical Water Polo Committee of the Collegiate Water Polo Association, and with USA Water Polo. Andy is a former Olympic Water Polo Referee, and a member of the 2014 USA Water Polo Hall of Fame Class. Andy has served with USA Water Polo since 1978; more than 44-years. Andy earned a BA from State University, Fullerton. Retired California Sacramento City Manager John Shirey, who earned a BSIE from Purdue University and an MPA from the University of Southern California (USC), is a Director with Golden Pacific Bank in Sacramento, and continues to serve on the Board of Directors for the Sacramento Philharmonic and Opera. John is also a Master USA Track & Field Official. He serves as President of the USA Track & Field Pacific Foundation, which raises frunds for track and field athletes and coaches. He has served with USA Track & Field since February 1973. USATF is the official sanctionaing body for the sport of track and field in the United States. Veteran City Managers Bob Adams, Troy Butzlaff, Hugh Riley and Randy Anstine are among an impressive group of professionals, including Marshall Linn, with Bayshore Consulting Group with offices in Lancaster and Orange. Retired Norwalk City Manager Mike Egan is the new Interim City Manager for the City of Artesia filling in following the resignation of City Manager William "Bill" Rawlings. Mike began his city government career with the City of Bellflower where he became City Manager following Linda Manning Lowry, who retired as the Pomona City Manager in December 2019.

"Remember, it isn't brain surgery. Most solutions really are rooted in common sense." --Jeff Stewart, <u>Bellflower</u> City Manager



"Proof of Life" lunches grew from informal gettogethers originally held at the Tap's Fish House & Brewery in <u>Brea</u>. This is **Don Wagner**, **Doug Dunlap**, **Gary Chicots**, **Gary Sloan**, **Ray Harris**, **John Jameson** and **Gregory Korduner**.

Former Covina City Manager (1993-1999) and Azusa City Manager (2005-2011) Francis "Fran" Delach, who worked on the HdL Companies team (1999-2005), is Vice President with Delach Development Resources in Covina and he serves as an Adjunct Faculty member and City Manager in Residence for the University of La Verne. We are correcting our errors of the January 2022 issue regarding retired City Manager Martin Lomeli. He began his public service career in 1975 as an Administrative Intern in the City of West Covina. In January 1976 he took a Personnel Coordinator position with the City of La Verne. In December 1978, Marty went to work with the City of Rosemead and then-City Manager Frank Tripepi. He left there in December 1979 to take an Administrative Analyst position with the County of San Luis Obispo. He became the Assistant City Manager in La Verne in January 1981 and was appointed City Manager there in June 1987. Marty retired after 23-years as the La Verne City Manager and he moved to Morro Bay in 2016. He served as the Morro Bay Interim City Manager in 2017. In addition, Marty also served as Interim City Manager in Irwindale, La Puente and Upland.



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Still More Pieces Picked Up: Colton City Manager William R. Smith is among the finalist for the City Manager position in Kearney, Missouri. The other

finalist is **Greg McDaniel** of Mayville, Missouri. Both candidates are finalists to replace **Michael Morgan**, who is retiring as City Manager. Bill previously served as Community Services Director.

SHORTS: *Former Manteca (2008-2011) and Davis (2011-2014) City Manager Steve Pinkerton is the current General Manager for the Mountain House Community Services District in the San Francisco Bay Area.*Retired City Manager Donald Jeffers has relocated to the Rancho Bernardo area of San Diego County.*Orval Overall, winning pitcher of the Chicago Cubs' final game of the 1908 World Series, was born in Farmersville. *Los Angeles County Assessor **Jeff Prang** once served as the Assistant City Manager for the City of Pico Rivera.*Former California State University, Fullerton Head Women's Basketball Coach Barbara Ehardt, is a member of the Idaho Falls City Council. *Mike Futrell, a former submarine officer in the U.S. Navy, began serving as the City Manager for the City of South San Francisco in April 2014 after being the Chief Administrative Officer of Baton Rouge, Louisiana where he is a former member of the Baton Rouge City Council.*Russell Leavitt is a Planner and Evironmental Coordinator for the Central Contra Costa Sanitary District, and served as President of MMANC in 2002. *Janice Mathis, formerly of the city of Norwalk staff, California State University, Long Beach staff, Pomona City Manager's office, CCMF and a Senior Personnel Management Consultant, earned an MA in human behavior from National University.*Yes! Lindsay City Manager **Joe Tanner** is the son of retired veteran City Manager Joe Tanner.*Retired City Manager Norman R. King, who served as the ICMA President in 1995, was the City Manager in Claremont (1975-1979), Palm Springs (1979-1990) and Moreno Valley (1991-1996), and worked as the Executive Director of the Bernardino San Associated Governments-Transportation Commission (1996-2005).



Retired City Manager Wade McKinney at the 2022 City Managers' Annual Meeting in Monterey. Wade is the CCMF immediate past President.



<u>Letters and Notes for</u> <u>Readers</u>:

Great Yogi quote...new one for me ...George Aiassa used to visit me during my South El Monte

days...always enjoyed it when he would stop by ... --Gregory Korduner

Thank you for including me in Trackdown! --Jan Mathis

Great job Susan. Say hi to Jack.

--Wesley Wolf Wolf & Company Inc.

Nice pictures and lots of Central Valley news - my old hangout.

--Roy Pederson

Loved the photo of Bob Dickey in Tahiti. Looks like he could still play racquetball as well as he did when in Rosemead way back when. I got to know him a bit while working on an RDA bond issue. Say hi for me.

--Alan Miller Santiago, Chile P.S. Thanks for publishing my note about George Aiassa.



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These two young women both retired after working in <u>Lakewood</u> and <u>Bellflower</u>. **Debbi Chase Manley** lives in <u>Oakdale</u> and **Theresa Teney** (Battaglia-Gutierrez) lives in <u>Big Bear</u> <u>Lake</u>.