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## City Managers in Cities Who's Names Start with the Letter "B"

### California's "Killer Bees"

We are again utilizing the ICMA Who's Who Directory as our primary research tool to account for City Managers in California's cities that begin with the letter "B." However, we have supplemented our information with other available sources. Hopefully, we have kept the content interesting and entertaining.

**Please do not forget that October 31st is HALLOWEEN**



**Please keep it safe & fun!**

Okay! This month we present City Managers who serve in California Cities that have names starting with the letter "B." Why "B"? Why not? This newsletter is about having fun and doing the unexpected. My 5-year old Grandson Tyler's soccer team is named the "Bumble Bees," but "bumble" seems to have the wrong "feel" for professional managers. So, though we have borrowed the name from our Orange County friends, we think we'll call our list California's "Killer B's!"

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We take the journey from the large City of Bakersfield in the San Joaquin Valley to Burlingame in the Bay Area. The 2008 Bakersfield population estimate is 328,692. It is California's 11th largest city. Burlingame, originally an area around a Country Club, was incorporated two years after the Great San Francisco Earthquake in 1908, named for **Anson Burlingame**. Our "Killer B's" are a diverse group of California's cities. Though we stick fairly close to the cities with members in ICMA, we touch the other "B" communities too. Unfortunately, we ran out of room; even pushing to 11 pages. We hope you find this material interesting and entertaining. Oh, and please check out the Jones Hall piece of Page 10. **"Killer Bees"**  
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## California's City Manager "Killer Bees"

Bakersfield City Manager **Alan E. Tandy** has a BA from the University of Oregon and an MA from the University of Iowa. He began his public management career as an Administrative Assistant in Rock Island, Illinois in 1973. Alan served there until he was appointed City Manager in Napoleon, Ohio in 1977. In 1981 he was selected to be the City Administrator in Gillette, Wyoming, and in 1985 he took a similar position in Billings, Montana. Alan completed his trek westerly when he was appointed City Manager in Bakersfield in August, 1992. He participated in the ICMA Exchange Program with the United Kingdom in 1995, and has served on the Committee on Regionalism, the Professional Development Committee and the Great Open Spaces City Management Association. Alan has a 30-year ICMA Service Award.

**John W. Stinson** is an Assistant City Manager in Bakersfield, and like his boss **Alan Tandy** has a 30-year ICMA Service Award. John got started in a North Bakersfield special district as an Administrative Analyst in 1977. In 1982 he became a Park Supervisor for the district and when he left for a City Budget Analyst position in 1985, John was a Special Projects Supervisor. He served as Assistant to the City Manager from 1986 until 1993 when he was appointed to an Assistant City Manager position. John earned a BS at San Jose State University and has an MPA from California State University.



**Christine Butterfield** was appointed to a Bakersfield Assistant City Manager post in 2007. Prior to joining the Bakersfield staff she worked in various positions in St. Paul and Roseville, Minnesota. She also served in the Villages of Woodridge and Oak Park, Illinois. She has a BA from the University of Minnesota-Duluth and an MA in Public Policy and Administration from the University of Wisconsin-Madison, Robert M. La Follette Institute of Public Affairs, Madison, Wisconsin.

After working for the Bakersfield Chamber of Commerce from 2002 until 2007, **Steven Teglia** was appointed to an Administrative Analyst III position with the City. Steven has a BA from California State University, Bakersfield. He is an ICMA Member.



Trackdown's **Jack A. Simpson** and Professional Legislative Representative **Paul A. Gonsalves** of Joe A. Gonsalves & Son at **Paul & the former Jamie Jaramillo's** September wedding in Carmichael.

Baldwin Park Chief Executive Officer **Vijay Singhal** has an MBA from the University of La Verne. Prior to joining Baldwin Park he served from 2000 until 2005 in Barstow as the Deputy City Manager/Interim City Manager and Finance Director. Historically Baldwin Park was a part of San Gabriel Mission cattle grazing land. The community became known as Vineland in 1880, and by 1906 it was renamed for **Elias J. "Lucky" Baldwin** and became Baldwin Park, which incorporated in 1956. One of the City's claims to fame is that Baldwin Park is the home of the very first In-N-Out Burger, which opened October 22, 1948 as the first "drive thru" in California. Now the burger place has more than 200 stores in 4 States.

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## California's City Manager "Killer Bees"

In February of this year **Brian S. Nakamura**, 43, was selected as the Banning City Manager. Brian has a BA in economics from California State University, Sacramento and an MPA and DPA from **USC**, so we can call him "Doctor." He got his public service start in March, 1993 as a Budget Analyst for the Elk Grove Community Services District, and in September of that year accepted a Land Use Planner position in Winters. In August, 1994 Brian took a Budget & Grants Manager post in Yolo County, and in June, 1996 he was appointed City Manager in Sutter Creek. Brian then moved to the City Manager position in Oregon City, Oregon in November, 1999 where he served until February, 2003. In March, 2003 Brian took the Director of Public Works post in Riverside, and in May, 2005 he was appointed City Manager in Reedley where he served until his appointment in Banning. He has taught at **USC**, and Brian has a 10-year ICMA Service Award.



**Brian R. Smith**, Assistant Director of Public Works in Bellflower is listed as an ICMA Affiliate Member. **Michael Egan** is the Bellflower City Manager. Mike came to Bellflower from a management position in the food service industry. He worked in assistant capacities in nearly all of the cities departments before being appointed Assistant City Administrator. Mike took the city's top executive position when **Linda C. Lowry**, currently the Pomona City Manager, left in mid-1997.



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Veteran City Manager **Richard D. Rowe** is currently the Interim City Manager in Barstow. Richard began his career as a Police Officer in Anaheim in 1965. In 1968 he served as an Anaheim Administrative Intern and in 1969 he was appointed to a Staff Aide position prior to leaving to take an Administrative Assistant position in Bakersfield. Richard's next move was to El Monte in 1973 as the Assistant City Administrator. In 1981 Richard was selected to be the La Palma City Manager, and he served there until 1986 when he became City Manager in Chino. He retired from Chino after more than 10-years in November, 1996, but could not stay out of the saddle, and took the Interim County Library Director position in Ventura County in 1997. He served there until May, 1999, and in August of that year became the Interim Community Development Director in Hemet. He left there in October, 2000, and in November, 2000 he was appointed Interim City Manager in Needles. In January, 2003 the Needles City Council removed the "Interim" and made him City Manager. He served in this "unretired" role until December, 2007. He was appointed Interim City Manager in Barstow in February, 2008. Richard is one of those rare folks who earn a 40-year ICMA Service Award. He has a BA and MPA from California State University, Fullerton.



Casey, Samantha and Susan Simpson pose in the Capitol Building in San Juan, Puerto Rico in August, 2008

Incorporated in 1927, the Los Angeles County City of Bell became a Charter City in 2005. **Robert A. Rizzo** has been the Chief Administrative Officer in Bell since May, 1993.



Bob began his public service career in 1978 as an Intern in the Alameda County Housing Authority. In 1979 he became an Administrative Inter in San Leandro, and he was appointed Administrative Aide in Rancho Cucamonga in 1980. There he rose through the ranks to Administrative Analyst, Assistant to the City Manager and Assistant City Manager, and in 1988 he was selected to be the Hesperia City Manager where he served until June, 1992. After a short stint in the private sector, Robert received his appointment in Bell. He has a BA from the University of California and an MPA from California State University. He has earned a 25-year ICMA Service Award.

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Situated about half-way between San Francisco and San Jose are the 26,000 people in Belmont. **Jack R. Crist** is the Belmont City Manager. Jack began his career in 1974 in Sacramento as the city's chief accountant. He became Director of Finance and Deputy City Manager. In April, 2000 Jack was appointed Modesto City Manager, where he served until he retired in 2004. In May, 2005 he became Interim City Manager of Belmont when **Dan Rich** left to become Campbell City Manager. In March, 2006 "retired" Jack went traveling, while veteran City Manager **Terry Belanger** served as Interim. When Jack returned he became Belmont City Manager in January, 2007. Jack has a BA and MBA from California State University, Sacramento and he has earned a 30-year ICMA Service Award.



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Belvedere City Manager **George J. Rodericks**, 40, began his career as an Intern in La Mirada in 1991. In 1993 he took a Code Enforcement Officers position in Rancho Palos Verdes, and in 1995 he was appointed a Management Assistant in La Habra Heights where he served for about seven months before going back to La Mirada in an assistant capacity to City Manager **Gary Sloan** that eventually became Assistant to the City Manager. In December 2001 George was selected to be the City Manager in Villa Park where he served until moving to his current post in Belvedere. He has a BA from the University of Central Oklahoma, an MPA from California State University, Long Beach and a JD from Concord Law School, Kaplan University. He has served as a U.S. Army Reserve officer, and George has earned a 10-year ICMA Service Award.



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Founded 1847, **Benicia** is a waterfront city of about 27,000 people in Solano County that served as California's State Capital from February 11, 1853 to February 25, 1854 prior to it being located in Sacramento. **James R. "Jim" Erickson** has been the Benicia City Manager since February, 2003. Jim began his public service career in 1971 as an Administrative Assistant in Vacaville, and was promoted to Assistant City Manager in 1973. He was selected to be the City Administrator in Folsom in 1975 and served there until he was appointed City Manager in Millbrae in 1982. Jim served in Millbrae for 21-years. He has a BA from the University of California and an MA from the University of North Dakota. Jim has earned a 35-year ICMA Service Award.

Berkeley staff folks who are members of ICMA include Senior Management Analyst **Gail Geldan**, worked in Solano County prior to her Berkeley post. Berkeley's Public Safety Business Manager **Lynne Ohlson** and Budget Manager **Tracy Vesely** are also ICMA members. Berkeley's City Manager since 2003 is **Phil Kamlarz**. At his appointment Phil was a 28-year Berkeley veteran serving as Deputy City Manager. He began his career with Berkeley in 1975 as an Associate Accountant with the Berkeley Library Department. In 1976 he moved to the City Manager's Office as a Financial Management Analyst, and became the ACM in 1986. He was appointed Deputy City Manager in 1997. Phil has a BS from Long Island University. He replaced retiring City Manager **Weldon Rucker**.

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Beverly Hills is still known world-wide for its celebrity status, luxurious homes and specialty shops. The community was already a special place when the city incorporated January 28, 1914 with a population of 550. The City's population was estimated in 2006 at just under 35,000. **Roderick J. "Rod" Wood** has served as the Beverly Hills City Manager since January, 2004. Rod began his public management career in 1972 as an Administrative Intern in Escondido. His excellent performance led to his being hired in the Escondido Planning Department where beginning in November, 1972 he served as an Assistant Planner, Associate Planner, Assistant City Manager, and Interim City Manager for a time in 1981/82. Rod left his ACM position in Escondido in August, 1989 to accept the appointment as City Manager in Indian Wells. He served there until July, 1992 when he was selected to be the Novato City Manager, where is served for nearly a dozen years before he was selected for the Beverly Hills post. Rod has an AA from Palomar Community College and a BPA from San Diego State University. He has been very active as a leader within California's city management community. He is currently the Chair of Cal-ICMA, and he has served several years at various times on the Board of the City Managers' Department of the League of California Cities. He also served on the CCMF Board. Rod has earned a 35-year ICMA Service Award.

Beverly Hills Assistant City Manager is former Malibu City Manager **Katie E. Lichtig**. After serving in Federal Government posts 1984 through 1992, including a stint as a Management Analyst in the Office of Management & Budget in Washington D.C., Katie was appointed Assistant to the City Manager for Management Services in Santa Monica in March, 1992. She went to Malibu as Acting City Manager in June, 2001 and was subsequently appointed City Manager in August, 2002. Katie left Malibu in 2006 to accept the Beverly Hills Assistant City Manager post. She earned a BA at the University of California, Davis and an MPA at Syracuse University. She has a 10-year ICMA Service Award.



The City of Big Bear Lake is a community of some 5,500 people located along the south shore of  Big Bear Lake in San Bernardino County. The City incorporated in November, 1980. **Jeffrey P. "Jeff" Mathieu** is the City Manager of the City of Big Bear Lake. Jeff earned his BS at California State University, Long Beach. The 56-year old began his career in 1987 as the Economic Development Manager in Santa Monica. In September, 1989 he became the Chief Leasing & Development Officer in Orange County, and in 1990 he returned to Santa Monica as the Airport Director. From 1993 to 2006 Jeff was the Santa Monica Director of Resource Management. He received his current appointment in July, 2006.



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Home to NASCAR driver **Stanton Barrett**, Bishop nestles at the foot of the Sierra Nevadas at the northern end of the Owens Valley. This Inyo County community is known as the "Mule Capital of the World" and annually holds a week long Mule Days festival. Outdoorsman **Richard F. "Rick" Pucci** (pronounced "Poochie") has been the Bishop City Administrator since June, 1980. Prior to that he got his career started as an Intern in Temple City in 1970, and became an Administrative Assistant in La Mirada in 1976. Rick was selected to be the Assistant City Manager in Temple City in 1978 and headed up Highway 395 to Bishop in 1980. Rick earned an AA at Eastern Los Angeles College, a BA at California State University, Fullerton and a JD from Southwestern University. He has a 30-year ICMA Service Award presented in 2005.



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Blythe incorporated in 1916 and is named for gold prospector **Thomas Blythe**, who owned Colorado River water rights for the region in 1877. **David A. Lane** is the new Blythe City Manager, starting in August, 2008. Dave has an AA from San Diego Evening College, a BA from San Diego State University and an MA from the University of Redlands. He began his career in 1990 as an Economic Development Coordinator in Humboldt County. He was appointment County Administrator in Iron County, Michigan in July, 1996. He moved in May, 1997 to the County Administrator position in Centre County, Pennsylvania. In May, 1999 Dave came west as City Administrator in Clearlake. In 2005 he moved to the Calimesa City Manager post in December where he served until accepting the Blythe appointment.



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**Tim O'Donnell**, son of **Bill** and **Maggie O'Donnell**, and brother-in-law to South El Monte City Manager **Tony Ybarra** and retired La Mirada City Manager **Gary Sloan**, has been the Brea City Manager since July, 2000.



Tim began his public management career in 1976 as an Administrative Assistant in Bellflower. In 1979 he became the Human Services Manager in Garden Grove and in 1983 he was selected to be the Assistant City Manager in Signal Hill. Tim joined the Brea staff as the Assistant City Manager in September, 1990. He has a BA from California State University, and has earned a 30-year ICMA Service Award. He has been an active city management leader with the League of California Cities City Managers' Department and a Board member of Cal-ICMA. <http://www.ci.brea.ca.us/article.cfm?id=106>



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Brea's Assistant City Manager is former Blythe, Stanton and Agoura Hills City Manager **Terry S. Matz**. Terry joined the Brea staff in December, 2001. He began his career in 1973 as a Recreation Supervisor in Artesia. In 1974 he took a similar position in Lawndale and in November, 1974 he became a Recreation Center Director in Commerce. In Commerce he advanced to Recreation Supervisor and in December, 1981 he was appointed Administrative Analyst. In 1982 Terry moved to Duarte as the Assistant to the City Manager. He was selected to be the Blythe City Manager in 1985 and served there until 1989 when he was appointed City Manager in Stanton. He left Stanton in 1993 to accept the Agoura Hills City Manager post, and returned to the Stanton City Manager position in 1995 where he served until joining the Brea team. Terry has an AA from Cerritos Community College, a BS and MPA from California State University, Long Beach. He has earned a 30-year ICMA Service Award.

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Brentwood's ICMA member is Assistant City Manager **Karen L. "Stein" Chew**. Karen began her public management career in 1989 as an Administrative Assistant in Lafayette. She then moved to Moraga as the Assistant to the Town Manager in 1994, and in 2001 she was appointed Town Manager in Moraga. She left that assignment and joined the Brentwood staff in September, 2003. Karen has a BA from the University of California and an MPA from California State University, Hayward. She has earned a 10-year ICMA Service Award.

Brentwood City Manager **Donna C. Landeros**, appointed in 2005, started her career in 1970 in Los Angeles as a District Recreation Manager. In 1979 she became a Personnel Analyst in Butte County where she was Deputy Chief Administrative Officer in 1983. She was City Administrator in Yolo from 1989-95 when she was appointed City Manager in Ventura. She has a 30-year ICMA Service Award. Donna has a BA from **UCLA** and an MS from Cal State University.



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Brisbane is a small community in San Mateo County. **Clayton L. Holstine** is the City Manager in Brisbane. He began his career in 1980 as an Administrative Trainee in Medford, Oregon. He continued working in Medford, first in 1981 he was appointed Administrative Analyst, and then in 1983 he was selected to serve as an Administrative Assistant. In 1987 Clay left Medford to become the Assistant to the City Manager in Reno, Nevada. In January, 1991 he was selected to be the Acting City Manager and in May of that year he was appointed Reno City Manager where he served until January 1996. Clay joined the Brisbane staff as City Manager in 1998. He has a BA from the University of California and an MPA from Portland State University. He has earned a 20-year ICMA Service Award. **Fred Smith** is currently the Assistant to the City Manager in Brisbane, and **Wendy Ricks** is the Executive Assistant. **Clayton Holstine** was presented the 2007 ICMA Program Excellence Award for Community Partnerships.



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Buellton City Manager **Steven L. Thompson** got his start in 1972 as an Assistant City Manager in Sierra Vista, Arizona. He became Town Manager in Buckeye, Arizona in 1977 and in 1981 moved to Cottonwood, Arizona in a similar position. In 1985 Steven became Town Manager in Prescott Valley, Arizona, moving to the Town Manager post in Kearny, Arizona in 1987. In 1990 he came to California to become City Manager in Farmersville where he served until his appointment in Buellton in 1995. Steven has a BS from Carson-Newman College, Tennessee. He has earned a 35-year ICMA Service Award.

Soon to retire **Mary J. Alvord** is the celebrated City Manager in Burbank. She began her career in December, 1984 as a Burbank Recreation Supervisor, became an Administrative Analyst in 1988, and was appointed Assistant Parks & Recreation Director in 1990. Mary was then selected to the Burbank Parks & Recreation Director post in 1991, and she served with distinction. In 2000 she was chosen to be the new Assistant City Manager and then in 2003 she was appointed to the Burbank City Manager position. She has a special certification from California State University, Northridge as well as a BA at the same institution. Mary has earned a 20-year ICMA Service Award.



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Burlingame City Manager **James M. Nantell** began his public management career in 1973 serving in various positions in San Mateo. In 1981 Jim became the San Mateo Community Services Superintendent, and in December, 1985 he was appointed Assistant City Manager. Jim then was elevated to Deputy City Manager in 1990 and served in that post for more than 10-years until he was selected to be the Burlingame City Manager in November, 2000. Jim earned a BA from the University of Wisconsin and an MS from San Francisco State University. He has a 35-year ICMA Service Award, and he was the recipient of the ICMA Program Excellence Award for Community Partnerships for city with populations greater than 50,000 in 2007. Another Burlingame ICMA member is the City's Finance Director/City Treasurer **Jesus Nava**, who has earned a 20-year ICMA.



California "B-cities" that are without member listings in the ICMA Who's Who Directory include: Beaumont, Bell Gardens, Biggs, Blue Lake, Bradbury, Brawley, and Buena Park.

**Alan C. Kapanicas** is the City Manager in Beaumont. **John A. Ornelas** is just leaving the Bell Gardens City Manager post, and the Assistant City Manager there is **Philip Wagner**. The League of California Cities lists **Peter R. Carr** as the City Administrator in Biggs located in the heart of rice country in the Northern Sacramento Valley. Veteran public manager **Jeffrey Butzlaff** is currently serving as the Interim City Manager in Blue Lake until mid-February, 2009. **Michelle Keith** was recently appointed Bradbury City Manager, and **Gary Burroughs** is the Brawley City Manager. Buena Park's City Manager is **Rick J. Warsinski**, a 30-year veteran of municipal government.

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**Picking up the Pieces:** Former Rolling Hills City Manager and Bellflower staff member **Craig Nealis** would have been 50 on Friday, September 19, 2008. **Shauna Clark**, 57, who has been the La Habra Heights Interim City Manager for 10-months, has been inked to a 3-year contract as the permanent City Manager to replace **Ron Bates**, who left to be the South Gate City Manager. Reedley City Council Member **Matthew "Scott" Brockett**, 43, was found dead in his home September 15 with no signs of foul play. He was the General Manager of the Sequoia Safety Council, a nonprofit agency that provides ambulance service to Reedley, Parlier, Orange Cove and Squaw Valley. The Reedley City Manager is **Rocky Rogers**. In its effort to reduce overall paper use, Mill Valley officials will only be purchasing recycled paper. City Manager **Anne Montgomery** said, "The city is clear in our intent to reduce our ecological footprint, so reducing our impact from paper use is essential." Retired Camarillo City Manager **William "Bill" Little**, 72, is a candidate for a seat on the Camarillo Unified School District Board. Former Assistant Director of the San Luis Obispo County Department of Planning and Building **Pat Beck** has been appointed by City Manager **Bob Perrault** as Interim Community Development Director in Grover Beach. Following selection as Willits City Manager, Mendocino County Assistant Chief Executive Officer **Alison Glassey** graciously rejected the appointment. Veteran manager **Bob Christofferson** will continue as Interim City Manager as he has since **Ross Walker** reigned June 30 this year. Jackson began as a gold mining camp in 1848 and today is the County Seat of Amador County where **Michael Daly** is City Manager. While sporting the motto "Ho 'O Mau," Hawaiian for "persevere," Rolling Hills Estates City Manager **Doug Prichard** successfully swam the ten miles between the Hawaiian Islands of Lanai and Maui in 4:54:05. Apple Valley Deputy Town Manager **Patty Saady** has announced plans to



retire. Former Tracy City Manager **Dan Hobbs** has been appointed Redevelopment Director for the City of Redlands. The Los Angeles Angels of Anaheim, who play all their home games in Orange County, clinched the Western Division Pennant. **Gary Luebbers**, 61, the West Jordan, Utah City Manager will replace retiring Sunnyvale City Manager **Amy Chan**. **Frederick W. Latham** was appointed Santa Fe Springs City Manager to in July, 1999. Riverside Assistant City Manager and Chief Financial Officer **Paul Sundeen**, 66, will retire at the end of December, 2008. Irvine City Manager **Sean Joyce** was the 2007 Irvine Valley College alumnus of the year. After graduating from Irvine High School, Sean attended classes at Irvine Valley College prior to earning a BA and MPA at California State University, Fullerton. West Sacramento City Manager **Toby Ross**, a veteran of Park City, Utah and San Luis Obispo, is an urban planner with a Ph.D. from the University of California, Berkeley. City Managers who attended the September 17 meeting of the California Contract Cities Association at the County of Los Angeles Fire Museum in Bellflower included: **Bob Griego** of Irwindale; **Gregory Korduner** of Huntington Park; **Doug Prichard** of Rolling Hills Estates; and **Mike Egan** of Bellflower. Former City Managers at the meeting were: **Wes Wolf**, **Raul Romero**, **Bill Crowe** (currently the ACM in El Segundo), **Gary Chicots** and **Jack Simpson**. Former Lancaster City Manager **Bob LaSala** is the new County Administrator in Pinellas County, Florida. Assistant City Manager **Scott Tulloch** will hold down the fort until a replacement is named following the immediate dismissal of Chula Vista City Manager **David Garcia**, who leaves without a severance package. Veteran Chino Hills City Manager **Doug La Belle**, who has a 40-year ICMA Service Award, has announced that he will retire effective February 27, 2009. Retired Pasadena City Manager **Cynthia Kurtz**, currently a Senior Vice President with Planning Company Associates, has been appointed Interim City Manager in Covina. 70s & '80s Los Angeles Times writer and editor **Larry Lane** currently lives with his wife "Apple" in New Orleans. **Joe Riker** is Orland Interim City Manager. **Ira Gunn** was the first Walnut Creek City Manager in 1956.

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