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## California City Managers With Oregon Service

To this day Oregon is a beautiful picturesque State with nature's green landscapes and cool fresh air. Oregon's first European explorers were Spanish in the late 17th Century. British explorer **James Cook** sailed the coast in 1778 in search of the Northwest Passage. Also in search of the illusive northwest passage, the Lewis and Clark Expedition travel through the region, building a winter fort at Fort Clatsop near the mouth of the Columbia River. The Oregon Trail brought many new American settlers to Oregon Country starting in 1842-43. Oregon became a State in 1859 and is now home to more than 3.5 million residents. Starting on page 2 we are spotlighting some California City Managers who have served the Oregon public.



Executive Director **Chris McKenzie** of the League of California Cities, and retired Cypress City Manager **Darrell Essex**, who is active in the City Manager Range Rider program, at the February meeting of the Gateway Cities City Managers,. Chris addressed the group updating the League's Initiative efforts to protect local government revenues from the State.






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With the help of the ICMA Who's Who Directory, we have cobbled a list of California City Managers who have work experience in the State of Oregon: the home to the University of Oregon Ducks in Eugene, and Oregon State University Beavers in Corvallis. The rest of the PAC 10 knows them well. Of course, this is not the know-all-end-all list. For instance, we left out Maywood Interim City Manager **Paul Philips**, who worked in Lowell, Oregon, because he found a place on Page 4 of the February issue. Also, Pomona City Manager **Linda Lowry**, who began her public service career in Josephine County, Oregon, was left off this list because she is on Page 8 of that same February issue: <http://www.trackdownmanagement.com/newsletters/2010-2.pdf>

We have tried to include as many current California City Managers in the "Oregon experience" category as possible. We apologize in advance to those we unknowingly left off the list. We left no one off "knowingly."



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**Dee Andros**, former Oregon State football coach and Director of Athletics, passed away at the age of 79 at his Corvallis home in October, 2003.

League of California Cities City Managers' Department President-Elect **Linda M. Barton**, Livermore City Manager, began her public management career as a Management Analyst with the Colorado Department of Commerce in 1974. In 1975 Linda was appointed to an Administrative Assistant post in Lakewood, Colorado, and in 1978 she was promoted to Assistant to the City Manager there. In January, 1980 Linda was selected to serve as the **Corvallis, Oregon** Deputy City Manager, and she served there until 1985 when she was appointed City Manager in Burnsville, Minnesota. In January, 1991 Linda was appointed Commissioner of the State of Minnesota Department of Employee Relations. She served there until the end of 1994 when she was recruited by Bedford, Texas to be their City Manager. In 1997 Linda moved to Bellevue, Washington as the Deputy City Manager, and she started her current assignment as the Livermore City Manager in 2001. Linda has a BA from Colorado College and an MPA from the University of Colorado. She has earned a 30-year ICMA Service Award and she is an ICMA Credentialed Manager.



**Pam Newcomb** and **Janees Williams** of Kinsell, Newcomb & De Dios Investment Banking, and Paramount Community Services Director **Vince Torres** and Bellflower City Manager **Mike Egan** pose at the February meeting of the California Contract Cities Association at the Rio Hondo Events Center in Downey.



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Orange Cove City Manager **Alan J. Bengyel** began his public management career in 1975 as a Management Intern in Yuba City. In 1976 he was appointed to a Programs Director position with Butte County where he served until July, 1978 when he was appointed City Administrator in Adelanto. Between 1979 and January, 1986, Alan worked with the State of California and he gave the private sector a try. In 1986 he was selected to be the City Administrator in **Mt. Angel, Oregon**. In June, 1988 Alan came to Orange Cove at City Administrator for the first time. He served there until 1993 when he took the Marysville City Administrator position. In June, 1996 Alan was appointed City Manager in Farmersville. During the first 6 months of 1997, Alan served as the Cotati Interim City Manager, and in August of that year he was appointed to be the Mendota City Manager. Alan was appointed to the Lone City Administrator post in August, 1999, and served there until Fairfax selected him to be their Town Manager in August, 2001. August, 2005 found Alan as the Interim City Manager in Huron and he was appointed City Manager in August, 2006. Alan left Huron in 2008 to take his current post as City Manager in Orange Cove. Alan has an AA from Yuba College, a BA and an MPA from California State University. He has earned a 25-year ICMA Service Award.

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**John M. Bramble** began his public service career in 1969 as an Administrative Assistant in **Salem, Oregon**. After four years in Salem, John tried the private sector for almost two years before being appointed Management Analyst in Las Vegas, Nevada in January, 1975, and was promoted in 1977 to be the Director of the Office of Budget & Management Services. In January, 1979 John left Nevada to become the Assistant City Manager & Finance Director in Belmont where he served until March, 1981. At that time John was appointed City Manager in Commerce City, Colorado, and in 1984 he was recruited to be the Pueblo, Colorado City Manager. He spent the ten months between February and December, 1987 as a Professor at the University of Southern Colorado. In January, 1988 John returned to California at the Interim Director of Administrative Services in Atascadero. He was appointed City Administrator in Bell in 1988 and served there until his appointment in 1993 as the County Administrator in Adams County, Colorado. Between October, 1996 and November, 2008 John served as City Manager in Brighton, Colorado. He returned to California again in November, 2008 to take his current assignment as the City Manager in Merced. John has a BS from Oregon State University and an MPA from the University of Nevada. He is an ICMA Credentialed Manager and has earned a 35-year ICMA Service Award.

American distance runner **Steve Prefontaine**, born January 25, 1951 in Coos Bay, Oregon, won four consecutive NCAA titles in the 5,000 meters. His favorite quote was: "To give anything less than your best is to sacrifice the gift."

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Petaluma City Manager **John C. Brown** started his public management career in 1983 as a Finance Analyst in Oxnard. He was appointed to Management Analyst in 1986 and in 1987 he left the city to take an Administrative Analyst post with Yuba County. John was appointed Assistant County Administrative Office in 1988, and elevated to Yuba County Administrator in October, 1994. John returned to cities as the Jackson City Manager in September, 1995. In 1998 he was recruited to be the City Administrator in **Woodburn, Oregon**. After nearly 10-years in that post, John returned to California to take his current assignment in April, 2008. He has a BA from the University of California and an MPA from California State University. John has earned a 25-year ICMA Service Award.

Desert Hot Springs City Manager **Richard Alan Daniels** began his public management career in 1981 as the Director of Land, Use & Transportation with **Washington County, Oregon**. Rich worked in Washington County during **Don Stilwell's** tenure as County Administrator (1983-86) and did not move on until after our former Paramount colleague **Charles D. Cameron** was elevated from ACA to the County Administrator position in 1986. Rich left Washington County in February, 1987. He then took a long walk on the private enterprise side. He served as President and CEO of M&NE Reclamation Corp. in California from 1991 to 2001, when he began working as President of Richard A. Daniels, Inc. In September, 2004 Rich became the President and CEO of the Coachella Valley Economic Partnership, and served in that capacity until April, 2006 when he was appointed Executive Director of the Salton Sea Authority. Rich was selected for his current assignment in September, 2007. He has earned a BS from the University of Oregon.

Washington County is one of the 36 counties in the State of Oregon. When established in 1843 the county was originally named Twality County, but the territorial legislature renamed it in 1849 in honor of the first President of the United States. The 2000 census put the county's population at 445,342, and the population was estimated at 519,925 in 2008, making it the second largest county in Oregon. The County Seat is Hillsboro, and the other cities include: Beaverton, Tigard and Forest Grove.



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**Brad, Janay and Kody Mayree McKinney.** Brad, who is a former executive with Willdan and eCivis, is currently serving on the Anaheim city staff.



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Receiving national distinction and celebrity in 1992 when he co-authored "Reinventing Government" with **David Osborne, Ted Gaebler** continues to be a leader in California's city management community. Ted began his career odyssey in 1963 with a 3-month paid internship in Oxford, Ohio. In 1964 Ted served 6-months as an Administrative Assistant in Dayton, Ohio, and in June, 1965 he moved west to accept an Administrative Assistant post in **Salem, Oregon**. He was elevated in Salem's management team to the Assistant to the City Manager position in 1969. In June, 1970 Ted headed east to become the Assistant Manager in Columbia, Maryland, and after nearly two years in that position he was appointed City Manager in Vandalia, Ohio in June, 1972. Ted moved back to the west coast, this time to California in November, 1975 to accept the Assistant City Manager post in Visalia, and in 1978 he was appointed Visalia City Manager. Ted served in Visalia until the summer of 1985 when he served five months as the San Rafael City Manager prior to taking the reins as President of The Gaebler Group, Inc. in December, 1985. While the private business, consulting and academic endeavors of his company moved forward, Ted served a three-month assignment at Interim City Manager in Hercules in 1987. He also served in a 6-month assignment as the Assistant Chief Executive Officer in Washington, D.C. in 1998. In January, 2000 Ted moved back into full-time local government employment as the County Executive Officer in Nevada County, California where he served until 2003. After a 6-month assignment from March to September, 2003 as the Interim City Manager in East Palo Alto, Ted was appointed to his current post of Rancho Cordova City Manager in October, 2003. In addition to the BA from Miami University, Ted earned a MGA from the University of Pennsylvania. Besides his 30-year ICMA Service Award, Ted is the 1979 recipient of the ICMA Management Innovation Award, and the 2009 recipient of the ICMA Career Development Award in Memory of L. P. Cookingham.



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Boston Red Sox center fielder **Jacoby Ellsbury** was born September 11, 1983 in Madras, Oregon. He was drafted by Boston in 2005 after attending Oregon State University for three years. He is the first Native American of Navajo descent to reach the Major Leagues.

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**Thomas J. Haglund** has been City Administrator in Gilroy since May, 2008. He began his career as a District Executive for the Boy Scouts of America in **Oregon** in 1984. In 1989 Tom tried a Grocery Manager job for a little more than a year before he hooked on with the **League of Oregon Cities** as a Legislative Assistant in January, 1991. In From May to July, 1992 Tom was a Development Director for the Food Lifeline program in Washington, before he moved to California. Starting in July, 1992 Tom worked as a Special Project Manager for Galt. In October, 1994 he was appointed to an Administrative Analyst position in Hanford. Tom was promoted to Assistant to the City Manager in 1996 and served in that position until October, 2002. At that time he move to Brentwood as the Assistant City Manager. However, in July, 2003 Tom moved back to Hanford as the Deputy City Manager, and remained there until taking his current post. Tom has a BS and MPA from Portland State University. He has earned a 10-year ICMA Service Award.

For three-years beginning in May, 1964 **Peter C. Harvey** served as an Assistant to the City Manager in **Salem, Oregon**. In May, 1968 Pete moved to the Assistant City Manager post in Tacoma, Washington, and came to California following that assignment to become the City Manager in Yuba City starting in September, 1969. After a little more than nine-years. Peter returned to **Oregon** as the City Manager in **Lake Oswego**. His next position moved took place in May, 1992 when he accepted the appointment as City Manager in Peoria, Arizona. He returned to California in September, 1997 to be the City Manager in Red Bluff, and left that assignment in 2001. Peter has a BA from Willamette University, Oregon, and an MPA from **USC**. He is a past President of the Oregon Section of ICMA and he earned a 35-year ICMA Service Award.



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Brisbane City Manager **Clayton L. Holstine** began is public management career 1980 as an Administrative Trainee in **Medford, Oregon**. He seems to have rose through the **Medford** ranks: Administrative Analyst, 1981; Administrative Assistant, 1983; and Assistant to the City Manager, 1984. Clay left **Medford** in May, 1987 to become the Assistant to the City Manager in Reno, Nevada. In 1989 he was promoted to Assistant City Manager, and in 1991 he became Acting City Manager in January, and City Manager in May. Clayton left Reno in 1996. He came to California to accept the City Manager post in Brisbane in August, 1998 and has been serving there since. He has a BA from the University of California and an MPA from Portland State University. He is the recipient of the 2007 ICMA Program Excellence Award for Community Partnership for cities with a population of 50,000 or greater. He has earned a 25-year ICMA Service Award.



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**Ahmad Rashad**, currently a sportscaster, was an All-American running back and wide receiver for the University of Oregon, then known by his birth name: **Bobby Moore**. He was born in Portland. In the NFL he played for the St. Louis Cardinals, Buffalo Bills, Seattle Seahawk, and Minnesota Vikings.

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Past President of the City Managers' Department of the League of California Cities (1998-99) and Clovis City Manager since April, 1991, **Kathy Millison** began her career as an Assistant Planner in Mason County, Washington in 1978. In February, 1979 Kathy move to the Planning Director position in **The Dalles, Oregon**. She then served in an Administrative Assistant capacity for **The Dalles** from 1980 until the end of 1982. In 1983 Kathy came to Clovis to accept the Assistant City Manager position. In March of 1991 she was appointed Acting City Manager, and in April she quit "acting" and took the permanent post. She has a BS from Michigan State University. Kathy has earned a 30-year ICMA Service Award.

**Dr. Brian S. Nakamura**, 45, began career as a Budget Analyst in 1993 with the Elk Grove Community Services District. In September, 1993 he took became a Planner in Winter. He moved to Yolo County in 1994 as a Budget & Grants Manager. In 1996 Brian was appointed City Manager in Sutter Creek. In 1999 he was selected to be City Manager in **Oregon City, Oregon**. Brian returned to California in 2003 to be the Public Works Director in Riverside. In 2005 he was appointed City Manager in Reedley, and he became Banning City Manager 2008. Brian was appointed to the Hemet City Manager post in August, 2009. He has a BA from California State University, Sacramento and an MPA and DPA from **USC**. Brian is an ICMA Credentialed Manager and has earned a 10-year ICMA Service Award.

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Orland City Manager **Paul H. Poczobut, Jr.**, 53, served in the United States Navy from October, 1974 until he was honorably discharged as a Personnel Specialist in October, 1994. Between 1995 and 2001 Pozy worked in Japan for the U.S. Federal Government. In December, 2001 he was appointed City Administrator/Clerk in Greensburg, Kansas. In March, 2004 Pozy came west to be the City Administrator in **Turner, Oregon**. In August, 2006 he took the Assistant Town Manager position in Taylor, Arizona, and then he came to California to accept the Orland appointment in November, 2008. Paul goes by the nickname "Pozy." He earned a BA from the University of Maryland-University College, and an MPA from Troy State University, Alabama. Pozy is an ICMA Credentialed Manager.



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**Gary F. Pokorny** began his career in 1970 as an Executive Secretary to the "Woodbury Cn Res Conf, IA." We have been unable to figure out what that means, but Gary left there in 1973 to be the Assistant City Manager in Sioux City, Iowa. In 1974 Gary was selected to be the City Manager in Sioux City. In 1978 Gary was recruited to be the City Manager in **Corvallis, Oregon**. He founded Pokorny Associates in Oregon prior to leaving the City Manager post in 1988. He stayed on in **Corvallis** as a consultant until April, 1989 when he became El Cerrito City Manager. In 2000 he left El Cerrito and became the Director of Arts, Recreation & Community Services in Walnut Creek, and after a little more than a half dozen years in that post he was appointed in September, 2006 to be the Walnut Creek City Manager. Gary has a BA and an MA from the University of Nebraska. He has earned a 35-year ICMA Service Award.

**Nina D. Regor** never worked for a California public agency until she was appointed to the Cloverdale City Manager job in 2007. After working in the private sector, Nina got her public management career started in 1991 with a Budget Analyst position in **Gresham, Oregon**. In December, 1992 she became the Executive Assistant Secretary in **Gresham**, and in August, 1993 she was appointed Assistant City Manager. Nina moved to Spokane Valley, Washington in June, 2003 to take the Deputy City Manager post there. She left there for her current assignment. Nina has earned a BA from Stetson University, Florida and an MS from the Carnegie Mellon University in Pennsylvania. She has earned a 10-year ICMA Service Award.

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**J. Edward Todd** began his public management career in **Lane County, Oregon** as a Budget Analyst in 1972. In 1974 Edward was appointed to the Assistant Finance Director position in **Springfield, Oregon**. He was promoted to Finance Director in 1981, and he left **Springfield** in 1983 to be the Financial Services Manager in **Corvallis, Oregon**. In 1985 he was appointed Deputy City Manager in **Corvallis**. In May, 1988 he came to California to accept the appointment to the Dinuba City Manager position. Some 22-years later Edward continues to served the Dinuba community. He has a BS and an MPA from the University of Oregon. He served as a member of the board of the Oregon Section of ICMA (1987-88). Edward has earned a 35-year ICMA Service Award.



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Honorable mentions in this "Oregon experience" list include: Retired long-time El Cajon City Manager **Robert M. Applegate**; Fillmore Deputy City Manager **Steven William Bartels**; Merced Assistant City Manager **William D. Cahill**; retired Sonoma County Administrator **Robert E. Deis**; Tuolumne Deputy County Administrator **Maureen Frank**; Santa Clarita Deputy City Manager **Darren Hernandez**; Glenn County Deputy Director of Planning & Public Works **Randolph P. Murphy**; former Angels Camp City Administrator Timothy A. Shearer, Sacramento City Manager **Ray Kerridge**, and **Alexander McIntyre**, who did it in reverse, as he developed in California and is currently the **Lake Oswego, Oregon** City Manager. Of course, there must be many more who satisfy the prerequisites for the group, but this is a pretty good representative list. Most of the information we gathered we got from the ICMA Who's Who Directory so we are at a disadvantage in finding those who are not members. We hope you enjoy the information we have gathered and presented in this March issue of the City Manager Newsletter by Trackdown.



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## Gateway Cities City Managers Meet

Pico Rivera City Manager **Chuck Fuentes** hosted the February 17 meeting of the Gateway Cities City Managers. League of California Cities Executive Director **Chris McKenzie** addressed the group about the signature gathering effort to qualify the League's Initiative for the ballot. He specifically congratulated and thanked Paramount City Manager **Linda Benedetti-Leal** for her community's early extraordinary efforts. Chris also touched on pension reform noting that the current system is not sustainable. He quoted Governor **Arnold Schwarzenegger** as saying early in her State house tenure, "Everything is connected to everything!"

South Gate City Manager **Dr. Ron Bates** reported that if appears that the Richmond pension reform ballot initiative might be dead unless it attracts some major support in the very near future.

City Managers at the meeting included: Chair **Steve Helvey** of Whittier; **Ernie Garcia** of Norwalk; **Mike Egan** of Bellflower; **Paul Philips**, the Interim City Manager in Maywood; Lakewood City Manager **Howard Chambers**; **Ken Farfsing** of Signal Hill; Long Beach City Manager **Pat West**; **Dr. Ron Bates** of South Gate; Lynwood's **Roger Haley**; La Mirada City Manager **Tom Robinson**; **Shauna Clark** of La Habra Heights; Paramount City Manager **Linda Benedetti-Leal**; and Pico Rivera City Manager **Chuck Fuentes**.

Others attending the meeting included: **John E. Oropeza**, Director of Public Works in Bell Gardens; Lakewood Assistant City Manager **Lisa Novotny** along with **Peggy Beam** and **Carol Flynn Jacoby** of Lakewood; consultant and former City Manager **Raul Romero**; Lakewood Public Works Director **Lisa Rapp**; Paramount Assistant City Manager **John Moreno**; **Tom Modica**, Long Beach Manager of Government Affairs; California Contract Cities Association Executive Director **Sam Olivito**; Assistant to the City Manager **Anne Haraksin** of La Mirada; **Kristine Guerrero** of the League of California Cities; Range Rider and retired long-time Cypress City Manager **Darrell Essex**; Whittier Assistant City Manager **Nancy Mendez** and **Trina Miller** of the Whittier City Manager's Office.

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Initiative Petitions are being passed to collect the signatures of registered voters in order to qualify the ballot measure for the November 2010 Statewide election.

### California Contract Cities Association February Meeting in Downey

With the economy still needing defibrillation or, at least, a good kick-start, it is encouraging to see public officials pulling together. Downey hosted the February 17, 2010 CCCA meeting at the Rio Hondo Event Center. **Don Knabe**, Los Angeles County 4th District Supervisor, addressed the group.

Duarte Mayor **Lois Gaston** is CCCA President and **Frank Zerunyan** of the Rolling Hills Estates City Council is the immediate Past President. City Managers in the room included: **Darrell George** of Duarte, who currently Chairs the CCCA City Managers' Committee; **Jorge Rifa** of Commerce; **Jim De Stefano** of Diamond Bar; **Mike Egan** of Bellflower; Lakewood's long-time City Manager **Howard Chambers**; **Ernesto Marquez** of Hawaiian Gardens; **Tom Robinson** of La Mirada; and **Jerry Caton** of Downey.

In addition to the many Mayors and Council Members in attendance, others included: former City Manager **Katie Wilson**, currently with Willdan Financial Services; former City Manager **Raul Romero**; Paramount Community Services Director **Vince Torres**; past CCCA President **Fred Guido**, retired from Los Angeles County; **Wesley Wolf** of Wolf & Associates; **Kristine Guerrero** of the League of California Cities; Independent Cities Association Executive Director **Debbie Smith**; **John Kelly** of TNT Fireworks; **Pamela D. Newcomb** and **Janees Williams** of Kinsell, Newcomb & De Dios, Inc.; **Ron Morales** of the L.A. County CAO's office; and a number of Supervisor Knabe's staff, including: Chief Deputy **Curt Pederson**, **Mike Gin**, **Erin Stibal**, and **Connie Sziebl**. Of course, the crack CCCA staff was all there too: **Sam & Sharon Olivito**, and **Tony, Maria** and **Ashley**. They continue to do excellent work.



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**P**icking Up the Pieces: Sacramento City Manager **Ray Kerridge** has submitted his resignation and plans to take a position in the private sector. His final day on the job will be March 12. Ray worked for Portland, Oregon for 25-years. He originally came to Sacramento under City Manager **Bob Thomas**. Sacramento Assistant City Manager **Gus Vina** has been appointed Acting City Manager. Members of the Pico Rivera City Council have unanimously voted to "release" City Manager **Chuck Fuentes**, according to City Attorney **Arnold Alvarez-Glasman**, as reported in the Whittier Daily News. A replacement or Interim City Manager has not been announced. Chuck first came to Pico Rivera as a consultant following the service of former City Manager **Dennis Courtemarche**. **Jaime Fontes**, 52, is the new Santa Paula City Manager. Jaime is the former City Manager of Nogales, Arizona; and CEO for the Economic Development Authority of the Tohono O'odham Nation, a recognized Arizona Indian tribe. Public Works Director **Cliff Finley** has been serving as the Interim City Manager since former City Manager **Wally Bobkiewicz** resigned in July to take the City Manager post in Evanston, Illinois. On February 17, Palo Alto City Manager **Jim Keene** dealt with a good 10-hours with his city "unplugged" when an airplane crash brought down a major transmission tower disconnecting Palo Alto's city-operated electric utility, and leaving 28,000 customers without power from morning to nightfall when PG&E was able to restore the electric feed. Former Oakdale (2004-06) and Suisun City (1998-2004) City Manager **Steve Baker**, 52, has been selected to be the new Yreka City Manager. Steve has a BA from the University of California, Davis and an MPA from California State University, Hayward. Former Lakewood Crime Prevention Manager **Carol Flynn Jacoby** has been appointed Assistant to the City Manager with City Manager **Howard Chamber's** Lakewood management team. Sonora City Administrator **Greg Applegate** recently celebrated his 21st anniversary in his current position. After serving as a Recreation Supervisor in Merced between November, 1980 and 1984, he was appointed Assistant Director of Parks & Recreation in Dos Palos. In February, 1985, at the age of 27, he was appointed Dos Palos City Manager. He was recruited for the Sonora City Administrator post in December, 1989 at the age of 32 and is still there today. Hanford City Manager **Gary Misenhimer**, 61, announced some time ago that he will retire in the Spring. Gary has been with Hanford for 21-years. He was the Public Works Director prior to being named City Manager in May, 2007 when City Manager **Alan Christensen** resigned while facing a criminal

investigation for theft of public funds. Urban Futures President **Michael Busch** has been retained by Indio to develop a city budget recovery plan to address deficits and to create sustainability. A Long Beach native, who was a "Tail Gunner" who flew 50 World War II missions, and served as the Needles City Manager from 1978 to 1989 when he retired, **Vernon Bailey** passed away at the age of 85 on September 13, 2009 in Yuma, Arizona. After serving as Chief Administrative Officer in Culver City for nine months, **Mark Scott**, 60, resigned to accept the City Manager position in Fresno. Mark had taken over in Culver City from **Jerry Fulwood** following Jerry's retirement. Mark, a former Beverly Hills City Manager, is a Fresno native. New Santa Monica City Manager **Rod Gould** was quoted as saying, "Prioritization is easy in Santa Monica because everything's number one." Stockton Interim City Manager **Kevin O'Rourke**, through the assistance of an applied research class at the University of Pacific taught by Professor **Qingwen Dong**, is for the first time polling residents to learn what services are most valued by the community. The focus group survey will help the City of Stockton determine priorities when budget reductions are considered. Santee City Manager **Keith Till** and Huron City Manager **Jerry Forde** enjoyed some good surf at the Cardiff Reef on the Wednesday morning prior to the League of California Cities City Managers' Department meeting in Carlsbad. **Robert Wesley Nichols**, former Fillmore City Manager, who was known to many as "Mr. Fillmore," passed away last November 24 at the age of 88. Born October 19, 1921, Bob was a lifelong resident of Fillmore. He first worked for Fillmore as the Superintendent of Public Works in 1959 and was appointed City Manager in 1968. He served as City Manager until October, 1981. **Mark Deven**, City Manager in Woodland, began his public management career as a Community Services Manager in Lakewood in 1981. Happy Birthday to **Randy Economy** who recently turned 50. Pictured below are three daughters, Tyler and two Tyler mothers, or Tyler and three mothers and a country music singer.

**Harold Reynolds**, a broadcaster and former Major League Baseball second baseman, was born in Eugene, Oregon and attended Corvallis High School and starred in football, basketball and baseball. He was on the 3A State Championship football team in 1978. He was inducted into the Oregon Sports Hall of Fame in 1998.

