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Orange County Refugees gather in Northern California: City Managers who served in OC but who also served in Northern California. The refugees gathered at Dan and Debi Keen's home. This photo was taken at the Keen's home in Mendocino. The aatherina included a hike to a waterfall, lunch at Pacific Star Winery and dinner at the Ledford House. Attendees include David and Cate Biggs, (City Manager, Hercules), Daryl and Maggie Halls (Solano Transportation Authority Executive Director), Debbie Kurita, (Deputy Executive Director of OC LAFCO), Richard and Diane Ramirez (retired American Canyon City Manager), Mike and Deanna Parness (retired Napa City Manager), Dan and Debi Keen (retired Vallejo City Manager), and Kevin O'Rourke (retired Fairfield City Manager). [Thank you, Kevin for the picture.]

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Continuing Alphabetically From Novato Listing Women Professionals

A listing of dedicated city government women professionals is presented in this the 19th in the Trackdown series present women. This issue begins alphabetically with the City of Novato and continues through the City of Oakley.

We have confinued to confirmed that there are many highly dedicated professional women serving in California cities. Our list is impressive and addresses the question: Where are the women in city management?

We apologize to those who we may have missed in these lists. Many peole ail to post thorough career profiles and we cannot find that which is not there. We try, and will continue to try, to discover complete information, but sometimes it is not in the cards. We apologize for our information failures.



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Milky Way taken from East San Diego County by retired City Manager **Mark Ochenduszko**.

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Alphabetical, the last in the California group of cities that have names that begin with the letter "N" is the City of Novato. Novato was incorporated in January, 1960 in Marin County in the North Bay region of the San Francisco Bay Area. The city's 2016 estimated population is 56,004. Hall of Fame Major League Baseball Pitcher Lefty Gomez lived the last years of his life in Novato. The Novato City Manager is Regan M. Candelario, and Russ Thompson and Michael Antwine are the Assistant City Managers. Terrie Gillen is the City Clerk and Theresa Brown is the Assistant City Clerk.



Vicki Parker, 58, started in Novato as the Community Development Director in January, 2019 following the retirement of **Bob Brown**. Vicki began her career in 1999 working as a Senior Planner for a private planning firm, and

she moved to another private company in 2005 as a Project Manager. In March, 2002 Vicki joined the city staff in the City of Vista in San Diego County as a Principal Planner with then-City Manager Rita Geldert. [Rita retired in December, 2011.] After a little more than 7-years in the City of Vista, Vicki took a position with the County of Santa Barbara as Deputy Director of Long-Range Planning. Vicki went to work for the City of Cotati in July, 2011 as the Community Development Director and she work there until joining Novato earlier this year; a little more than 8-years. Vicki earned a BA in geography and environmental studies and an MA in geography from California State University, San Diego. She has also completed her coursework in a joint Ph.D. program in geography offered by California State University, San Diego and the University of California, Santa Barbara.

Oakdale was incorporated in November, 1906 in Stanislaus County in the San Joaquin Valley. The Oakdale community was founded in 1871 when the Stockton and Visalia Railroad met the Copperopolis Railroad, and the settlement was the site of Taylor's Ferry Crossing, which is located in Oakdale. The city's 2016 estimated population is 22,564. The City Manager is former Hughson City Manager Bryan Whitemyer, Rouzé Roberts is the City Clerk and Christine Sulhoff, an Accounting Technician, is the City Treasurer.

Former <u>Oakdale</u> Director of Parks & Recreation **Cheryl Bolin** is currently a Quality Assurance Manager in the private sector in Richland, Washington. She served as a Recdreation Superintendent in <u>Gilroy</u> (2002-2006) before joining the <u>Oakdale</u> staff as Director in 2006. When she left <u>Oakdale</u> in April, 2010, she worked as a Division Manager for the City of Austin, Texas (2011-2016) and then the City of Kennewick, Washington as Recreation Director (2016-2018). Cheryl earned a BA from Central Washington University.



<u>Lynwood</u> City Manager **Jose Ometeotl** on a visit to the Star Wars exhibit at Disneyland in <u>Anaheim</u>. Jose replaced City Manager **Alma Martinez**, who resigned in 2018.



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Sabrina B. Landreth, 43, an Oakland native, is the City Administrator, and previously worked as the Oakland Budget Director, Legislative Analyst and Deputy City Administrator. She rejoined the Oakland city staff in July, 2015 at City Administrator

after working as the <u>Emeryville</u> City Manager (2013-2015). A University of California, Berkeley graduate, Sabrina took the <u>Oakland</u> post after two interims followed the resignation of City Administrator **Deanna Santana** in March, 2014.



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Sandra Armenta, Rosemead Mayor Pro Tem, and President of the California Contract Cities Association, is shown here with Los Angeles Dodgers great Steve Garvey.

Former Oakland Assistant City Administrator Christine Daniel is the City Manager in Emeryville, and a former Berkeley City Manager (2011-2015). Christine began her public service career as a Deputy City Attorney in Berkeley (1992-2000). In 2000 she became a Deputy City Attorney for the City of Fremont, and in 2002 Christine took the Fremont Deputy Director of Community Development position. In 2004 she became the Fremont Deputy City Manager. Christine joined the Berkeley city staff in November, 2007 as Deputy City Manager, and she became the City Manager in November, 2011. She left that assignment in July, 2015, and in August she became the Assistant City Administrator in Oakland. After working a little more than 3-years in that post she was appointed City Manager in Emeryville starting in September, 2018. Cristine earned a BA from Mills College, and a JD from the University of California, Davis - School of Law.



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This is a long shot of the picture posted on Page 1 of this issue of the City Manager Newsletter by Trackdown showing a group of "Orange County City Manager Refugees" gathered together in Northern California. Many thanks go to retired Fairfield City Manager Kevin O'Rourke for providing the picture. Kevin describes the room as an "amazing microbrewery/wine making room." Kevin, a past President of the City Managers' Department of the League of California Cities and a former West Coast Vice President on the ICMA Executive Board, is currently a Senior Consultant for PARS. Kevin may be contacted at: Kevin@kolgs.com



A long way from the Pacific Ocean surf,

<u>Pismo Beach</u> City Manager **Jim Lewis** is shown here
with her daughter Gracie and son Troy at
Badwater Basin in Death Valley.

<u>Oakland</u> Deputy City Administrator **Stephanie Hom** is the Interim Assistant City Administrator. Stephanie began her public service career as a Principal Financial Analyst in <u>Oakland</u> in September, 2002. She became the Administrative Services Manager for the City's Public Works Agency in July, 2004 and worked in that post until October, 2011. Stephanie left <u>Oakland</u> in 2011 to become the Administrative Services Director in the Town of Moraga. She



returned to the City of <u>Oakland</u> in July, 2015 at the Deputy City Administrator. She earned a BA from the University of California, San Diego, and an MPA from Columbia University in the City of New York.

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from Amherst College and a Juris Doctorate in Law from Stanford University. She is a member of the Board of the California State Parks Foundation.

El Cerrito Assistant City Manager Alexandra Orologas is a former Assistant to the City Administrator in Oakland. She joined the El Cerrito city staff in January, 2019 after working for the Oakland City Administrator's Office between August, 2011 and January, 2019. Prior to Oakland Alexandra worked for the City of San Jose. She earned a BA from the University of California, Santa Cruz and an MPA from San Jose State University. She also completed extension work at Stan



A picture is worth a thousand words: here are some random archive pictures. That is retired <u>Bellflower</u> City Clerk **Debbie Bauchop** sitting on her husband Dave's lap.



Oakley is a Contra Costa County city that was incorporated in July, 1999. The 2016 estimated population is

placed as 40,622. Bryan Montgomery is the Oakley City Manager, and Nancy Marquez is the Assistant to the City Manager - Human Resources Manager. Nancy joined the Oakley city staff in 2012. She was a community organizer prior to that. Nancy earned a BA and MA from San Francisco State University.

Deborah Sultan is the <u>Oakley</u> Finance Director. She began her public service career as an Accountant with the City of Santa Cruz in 1996. She became the Assistant Finance Director in Grass Valley in May, 2004 and worked there for nearly 7-years. Deborah became the Finance Director for the City of Sanger in March, 2011, and work there until joining the Oakley city staff in September, 2015. She succeeded former Director Paul Abelson, who retired. Deborah earned a BS in business from California State University, San Jose.



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We hope that this issue provides some good reading and interesting information. We will continue our effort to list professional women who work hard serving cities in California, and continue to do our best to provide "thread to stitch together the fabric of the California city manager community."

Please let us know your suggestions and criticism. We need all the help that we can get. Again, we are thankful for Kevin O'Rourke contributing the "Orange County Refugees" picture. Please send us pictures that you would like to see us use. Best wishes to you all for a safe and enjoyable Summer 2019. ***

LETTERS:

I saw your write up on Jim Marshall retiring as LOC City Manager's Department Senior Advisor for the Central Valley Division. I wanted to let you know that I have been chosen by the ICMA/League Senior Advisor members to replace him. My first day on the job is this Monday, July 1. I have some big shoes to fill. Jim was an awesome mentor and advisor for the Central Valley city managers.

I was hoping you would help me get the word out. Looking forward to seeing you at the League conference in September. Take care

Brad Kilger, AIP

[**NOTE:** Congratulations Brad and best wishes for continued success.]

I like your feature on women professionals in your newsletter. If you had written such a series when we first got into city management, it would have been short! There would have been only two women to write about: Judy Kelsey and Nancy Manners.

Here's a small world story. One of the women featured in the 2019 June Special issue of the newsletter is Anne Stedler. Even though Anne worked for Long Beach many years, I never met her then. Our paths never crossed. Instead, I met her when she worked for the City of San Jose. One day years ago when we were comparing notes, we discovered that she had lived practically across the street from me when we were kids in Daleville, Indiana (pop. 1,500). Her father was a Methodist minister and one of his career stops was my hometown.

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The firm operates on a very personal...family...and professional level, always working hard to accomplish client goals. Joe Gonsalves once told a LA Times writer: "Lobbyist are like parachutes. You don't need them very often, but when you need them, they'd better work."



Picking Up the Pieces: Veteran city management professional Tamara S. Letourneau is the new Laguna Niguel City Manager. Tammy began her public service career in 1989 in the City Clerk's office in Monrovia. She became an

Administrative Intern in Arcadia in 1991, and joined the full-time Arcadia staff in 1993 as an Administrative Aide. Tammy went to work in <u>Claremont</u> in 1995 as a Management Analyst and left there in 2001 as the Assistant to the City Manager on her way to serving as the Sierra Madre City Manager (2001-2004). She was the Yorba Linda City Manager in 2004-2008; worked as a consultant (2008-2014); and has been the Assistant City Manager in Costa Mesa since 2017. McFarland has officially terminated missing City Manager John Wooner. John was last seen on May 14 at the Hillcrest Cemetery in Bakersfield. evidence has been found that suggests anything violent happened to John. The Bakersfield Police Department are investigating his disappearance. Santa Paula City Manager Michael Rock may be the next City Manager in Yuba City. Michael started in Santa Paula in May, 2017. His proposed employment agreement in Yuba City is proposed to start in September, 2019. Michael previously worked as the Town Manager in Fairfax (2008-2012), and City Manager in Lomita (2012-2015), and Banning (2015-2017). Michael earned a BA and MPP from California State University, Sacramento. El Monte City Manager Alex Hamilton will retire when his employment agreement expires in January. Alex joined the El Monte staff in 2015 in community development after holding similar positions in the Cities of Los Angeles, Norwalk, Glendale, Commerce and Montebello. Brentwood City Manager Gustavo "Gus" Vina, 58, will retire at the end of the year. Gus worked in Stockton from 1989 to 2000; leaving there as the Assistant Finance Director. He joined the Sacramento city staff in 2000 as a Budget Manager; Director of Finance in 2001; Assistant City Manager in 2006; and served a year as City Manager 2010-2011. Gus served as the Encinitas City Manager from 2011 to 2014, prior to becoming the Brentwood City Manager in 2014. Gus earned a BA from California State University, Sacramento and an MPA from the University of San Francisco.



"Be a dreamer. If you don't know how to dream, you're dead." —**Jim Valvano**



This picture was was featured on the front page of the July, 2018 issue of the City Manager Newsletter by Trackdown. This is **Bill R. Manis** and his son **Kyle Manis** at an Ironman race along the Kohala Coast on the Big Island of Hawaii. Bill has since retired as the <u>Upland</u> City Manager and is currently working as the President and CEO of the San Gabriel Valley Economic Partnership.

Costa Mesa's female City Manager Lori Ann Farrell Harrison has begun her tenure. Lori previously worked as Assistant City Manager in Huntington Beach. She is the 8th City Manager in the city since Costa Mesa incorporated in 1953, and the first woman permanently appointed to the position. Lori takes over from Interim City Manager Tamara Letourneau, who filled in after City Manager Tom Hatch left the post in November. Tamara is the Assistant City Manager. Whittier City Manager Jeffrey Collier, who plans to retire at the end of the year, served as the Planning Director (1992-1998) and Public Services Director (1998-2000) in West Covina. In May, 2000 Jeff joined the Chino Hills staff as the Director of Community Development. He moved to Whittier in November, 2004 as the Director of Community Development, became Assistant City Manager in July, 2010 and was appointed Whittier City Manager in January, 2012. Jeff earned a BS in urban planning from California State Polytechnic University, Pomona, and an MPA from California State University, Fullerton. Burbank City Manager Ron Davis is stepping down after a 20-year career with the City of Burbank. Ron began serving as the Burbank City Manager in 2016. He came to Burbank in 1999, transitioning from Puget Sound Energy, Inc., to become the General Manager of Burbank Water and Power. Former longtime Los Angeles County Supervisor **Don Knabe** has been attending the "Proof of Life" lunches in La Mirada. Many "Thanks" for sharing his time.



More Pieces Picked Up: Former Pico Rivera City Manager Rene Bobadilla has been retained by the City of Montebello as the city's next City Manager. Montebello has been operating with Interim City Managers since City Manager Francesca Tucker-Schuyler left on leave in November, 2017. Rene replaces

Interim City Manager Paul Talbot, who replaced Andrew Pasmant, who replaced Danilo Batson, the former Assistant City Manager. Rene served in Pico Rivera for nearly 4-years prior to his resignation in March, 2018. Interim City Manager James Vega is the new Ojai City Manager. James has been serving in the position as "Interim" since City Manager Steve McClary left for personal reasons. Ojai Mayor Johnny Johnston, a former county executive and city manager, praised the former City Manager for recruiting excellent personnel. James Sacramento native but grew up in Ventura County. He earned a BA in English from California State University, Channel Islands, and a law degree from the Santa Barbara and Ventura colleges of law. He has worked as the Assistant to the Ojai City Manager since 2017. John N. "Jack" Matzer Jr. passed away March 17, 2002 at the age of 67. Jack served as the City Manager of Beverly Hills (1978-1979), and he was the City Administrator in San Bernardino starting in August, 1982 through June, 1986. He was a visiting professor at California State University, Long Beach and at the University of Southern California (USC). Jack began his public service career as an Administrative Intern in 1957 with Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. He served as the City Administrator in Trenton, New Jersey between 1964 and 1970. Jack earned a BA and MA from Rutgers University in New Jersey. California City Management Foundation Executive Director Ken Pulskamp was the Master of Ceremonies at the Retirement Dinner for Wade McKinney. Ken described Wade "...as a true celebrity among City Managers." ICMA President Karen Pinkos, El Cerrito City Manager, and Kevin **Duggan.** Senior Advisor for ICMA, presented Wade with a Life Membership to ICMA. Karen observed that Wade has had a National, impact on city management.



Retired City Managers
Wade McKinney and
Dr. Carlos Urrutia at a
"Proof on Life" lunch.



Trackdown's **Lilo** the Siberian Husky

SHORTS: *Local government banker José Vera, formerly of **Stife**l, has joined the Raymond James firm with their efforts to expand their public finance capabilities in California. *Robert J. Franz, who began his public service career in Montebello in December, 1971, earned a BA from Occidental College and an MBA from the University of Southern California (USC). *Bakersfield plans to hire 100 new police officers in the next three years, but due to the length of time it takes to train those officers, residents will not see the first influx of new police on the streets for at least a year. *In the Summer of 1980, Richmond Recreation and Parks Director Joseph Salvato was appointed to the Richmond City Manager position. *Members of the Orange County Grand Jury has opined that some cities do not take important the urban forest, and the Jury states that Laguna Beach needs more trees. *Amanda Hughes has been sworn-in as a South Orange County Economic Coalition Board Member representing the University of California, Irvine. *Retired San Dimas Director of Parks and Recreation Theresa Bruns earned an MPA from California State University, Long Beach. *Winters City Manager John W. Donlevy, Jr. began his public service career as an Administrative Intern in the City of Pico Rivera in 1984. *Vernon city staff colleague recently held a thoughtful baby shower for Administrative Analyst Jessica Balandran, a former Tripepi Smith & Associates team member. *Rex Osborn is the City Manager of Plymouth, California; his first municipal government position. *Lakeport Police Lt. Jason Ferguson is the new City of Cloverdale Chief of Police. *Craig O. Luedeman, a University of Oregon graduate, was the Assistant to the City Manager in San Rafael in 1977 after serving as an Administrative Assistant in Mill Valley in 1976-1977.