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30-Year ICMA Service Awards For California City Managers

ICMA holds its 96th Annual Conference this month in San Jose. In our last issue we highlighted California managers who are being recognized by ICMA for 40-years and 35-years of service. The 40-year ICMA Service Award recipients are: **Ken Frank** of Laguna Beach, **Bill Huston** of Tustin, and **Gary Pokorny** of Walnut Creek. Once again we salute each of them!

We also provided short write-ups on all those who have earned 35-year Service Awards. It occurs to us that 35 or 40-years is a big chunk of a person's life, but so is 30-years. The ICMA list does not identify the jurisdiction, but only the individuals who earned the awards. For this reason we are concerned that we may have inadvertently missed a deserving California public management professional. If that is the case, please accept our apologies in advance.



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Those Californian's we have identified as receiving 30-year ICMA Service Awards at the 96th Annual Conference include: **Greg Applegate**, Sonora; **Perry Beck**, Loomis; **Steve Casey**, Marysville; **Larry Cheeves**, Union City; **David Edgar**, Fontana; **Bruce Feng**, Camarillo; **Rita Geldert**, Vista; **Pall Gudgeirsson**, San Clemente; **Steve Jepsen**, Yuba City; **Jeff Kolin**, Beverly Hills; **Debra Kurita**, San Bernardino; **Susan Loftus**, San Mateo; **Clay Phillips**, Escondido; **Judith Smith**, Palos Verdes Estates; **David Tooley**, Madera; and **David Tyson**, Eureka. Also, **Craig Pedro** of Tuolumne County, Fire Chief **Rich Price** of the San Ramon Valley Fire Protection District, and **Peter Hames**, a former Tracy Assistant City Manager who currently workings in Montgomery, Ohio.

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Sonora is the only incorporated city in Tuolumne County, and it serves as the county seat. At the 2000 census Sonora had a population just under 4,500 people. The late **Melvin Belli** was born in Sonora before moving to Stockton, and later graduating from Boalt Hall School of Law at the University of California, Berkeley. **Melvin Belli** earned the reputation as "The King of Torts," and represented many celebrity clients, including: **Zsa Zsa Gabor**, **Errol Flynn**, **Chuck Berry**, **Muhammad Ali**, the Rolling Stones, **Lana Turner**, **Tony Curtis**, **Mae West** and others. It is said that he won more than \$600 million in judgments during his legal career. He had an office on Montgomery Street in San Francisco near restaurants named Dorro's and Ernie's. Both served very good, if not great, food.

Sonora City Administrator **Greg M. Applegate** began his public management career as a Recreation Supervisor in Merced in 1980. In 1984 Greg moved to Dos Palos as the Assistant Director of Parks & Recreation, and in 1985 he was selected to be the Dos Palos City Manager. In 1989 Greg was recruited for the Sonora City Administrator post and served there until this year. **Timothy A. Miller** is the current Interim City Administrator. Greg has an AA from American River College, a BS from Sacramento State University, and an MPA from Golden Gate University.

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Bellflower staff and alumni, including: **Gonzalo Vazquez, Marlene Tomlin Towns, Kathleen Chambers Askew, Bruce Leach, Mike Egan, Jack Simpson, Theresa Gutierrez, Steve Hageman, and Richard Pierce.** Mike is the current Bellflower City Manager and Rich is the Director of Parks & Recreation. Gonz is a water quality manager in Cypress. Bruce retired from the Santa Monica Planning Department. Theresa works in the Lakewood City Manager's office. Jack is with Trackdown Management.

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Loomis is located along Interstate 80 in Placer County ten minutes from Folsom Lake and a little over an hour from Lake Tahoe in one direction and the San Francisco Bay in the other. **Perry E. Beck, Jr.** has been the Town Manager in Loomis since 2000. He began his public service career in 1976 as an Administrative Assistant in Walnut. Perry moved to the La Verne management team in 1977 and was the Assistant City Manager when he was elevated to La Verne City Manager in 1980. Perry left La Verne in 1982, and took an Analyst position with the County of Los Angeles. In 1985 he was appointed Executive Director of the Midval Alcohol Center, and in 1987 Perry was appointed City Manager in Winters. Perry went east to Chandler, Oklahoma in 1992 to serve as City Manager there, and returned to California in 2000 when he was selected for the Loomis Town Manager post. Perry earned an AA at Pasadena City College, and a BA and MS from California State University.

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Marysville is the county seat of Yuba County with a 2000 census population of nearly 12, 300. Incorporated by the State Legislature in 1850, Marysville, during the Gold Rush days, was one of our State's largest cities, and since has become known as "California's Oldest Little City." More than \$10 million in gold was shipped from the banks in Marysville to the U.S. Mint in San Francisco. **Stephen R. Casey** has served as the Marysville City Manager since 2002. He began his career in 1979 as a Kings County Planner. In 1983 Steve was appointing Director of Planning & Community Development in Avenal. In 1984 he became the Avenal Deputy City Manager and he was appointed City Manager in 1986. In 1990 Steve was recruited to be the City Manager in Crescent City, where he served until 1998 when he took the City Manager post in Solvang. Steve then moved to his current Marysville job in 2002. He has an AA from the College of the Sequoias in Visalia, and a BA from California State University, Stanislaus.



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Larry D. Cheeves started his career in public management career in 1976 in Cerritos as an Administrative Intern. In 1977 he moved to an Administrative Aide position in Pico Rivera, and in 1979 he was hired by Buena Park as an Administrative Assistant. In 1984 Larry was appointed to the Assistant Director of Public of Public Works slot in the City of Norwalk, where he served until 1989. That year Larry ventured north to become the Director of Public Works in Union City. For a time in 2001, in addition to his Public Works Department duties, he served as the Interim City Manager, a task he repeated in 2003. In 2004 Larry was appointed City Manager in Union City and has served in that capacity since. He has a BA from Pepperdine University and an MPA from California State University, Fullerton.



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Fontana, home to Auto Club Speedway where **Tony Stewart** recently won the 2010 NASCAR Pepsi Max 400, has nearly 200,000 residents. Fontana Deputy City Manager **David Edgar** began his public service career in Garden Grove in 1980. Dave work there in various positions until 1992 when he went to work for the San Bernardino Economic Development Agency as a Housing Manager. In 1995 Dave became the Fontana Housing Manager, where he was appointed Housing Director in 1997. He was elevated to a Fontana Deputy City Manager in 2005. Dave has a BS from **UCLA** and an MPA from San Diego State University. He joins the 2010 ICMA group to be honored with 30-year Service Awards.



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Camarillo's **Bruce S. Feng**, the Assistant City Manager who moved up to the City Manager post when City Manager **Jerry L. Bankston**, 64, retired at the end of September, will also receive a 30-year ICMA Service Award. Bruce began his career in 1979 as a Plan Check Engineer in San Diego. He moved to Santa Ana in 1981 to be a Supervisor Plans Examiner, and in 1983 he joined the Burbank staff as a Building Official in the Community Development office. In 1988 Bruce began his move up in the Burbank city organization when he was appointed Assistant Director of Community Development; 1994, Assistant Director of Public Works; 1998, Director of Public Works; and in 2003 he was appointed Burbank Deputy City Manager. Bruce left Burbank in 2005 to become the Assistant City Manager in Camarillo. He has a BS from the University of Massachusetts and an MBA from California State University, Long Beach.

Atascadero Assistant City Manager **Jim Lewis** and his wife **Debi Lewis** attended the Sunset Magazine "Savor The



Central Coast Festival," which was held at the Santa Margarita Ranch, September 30 - October 3. The festival showcased the talents of the areas wine makers, chefs, lavender growers, and artisanal food producers. Sunset's expert editors and renowned celebrity chefs guided attendees through culinary tours, winemaker

dinners, wine blending seminars, historic excursions and culinary showcases. Some had a unique driving experience at the Volvo Test Track, and many toured the beautiful Santa Margarita Ranch on train cars designed and built by Walt Disney for use at Disneyland in 1955.

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Rita L. Geldert began her career in 1978 as the Personnel Director in Vacaville, and she served there until 1982 when she moved to Washington, D.C. with her husband. While there she worked as a contracts administrator for the Xerox Corporation. In 1984 Rita was appointed Assistant City Manager in Merced, and she worked there until 1992 when she moved to Southern California to be the Director of Finance & Administration in Dana Point. In 1995 Rita was appointed by then-City Manager **Morris Vance** to serve as Assistant City Manager. When her boss retired in 1995, Rita was appointed to the City Manager post. Rita is a past Cal-ICMA Board Member (2004-2007). She is a member of Women Leading Government. Though Rita has noted that she has earned AA, BA and MBA degrees, they are not listed on her personal profile in the ICMA Who's Who Directory.



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In 1980 **Pall Gudgeirsson**, a native of Reykjavik, Iceland, went to work in Kitsap County, Washington as a Fiscal Officer. He worked there until he was appointed Director of Finance in Redmond, Washington in 1985. Following a time working for the accounting Firm Ernst and Young, in 1992 Pall was appointed to assume the Assistant City Manager/City Treasurer post in San Clemente. The City Treasurer's position is an elected post and he has been elected twice. Pall has a BA from the University of Washington and an MBA from the University of Puget Sound. Immediately following graduation Pall served in the U. S. Air Force as a policeman in Okinawa.



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Steven R. Jepsen began his career in public management in 1975 as an Engineering Technician in Lincoln, Nebraska. He then served as an Analyst in Lincoln until he move to Dubuque, Iowa in 1979 as a Traffic Engineer. In 1982 Steve became the City Traffic Engineer in Boulder, Colorado, and was elevated to Director of Transportation there in 1984. Steve tried the "private business" side for awhile starting in 1985, but was appointed Director of Transportation in Concord in 1988. He was promoted to Assistant City Manager in 1990, but he left Concord in 1994 to become the Director of Communication/Public Works in Oceanside. He was appointed Deputy City Manager in 1999 and then selected to be City Manager in 2000. Steve returned to Northern California in 2006 when he was chosen to be the City Manager in Yuba City, where he currently serves. He has a BS, MS and MCRP from the University of Nebraska.



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Jeffrey C. Kolin started his city government career as a Recreation Superintendent in Newport Beach in 1980. In 1985 he took a similar position with the City of Anaheim, and in 1989 he was appointed Director of Parks & Recreation in Santa Clarita. In 1996 Jeff moved to Pittsburg, California when he was selected to serve as City Manager. Then in 2000 he was appointed City Manager in Santa Rosa where he served for 10-years. With the retirement of **Rod Wood** as the City Manager in Beverly Hills at the end of last year, Jeff was selected to fill that post. He has earned a BA and MA from California State University, Long Beach. Jeff is a past president of the City Managers' Department of the League of California Cities.

<http://www.beverlyhills.org/government/manager/kolin.asp>



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San Bernardino Assistant City Manager **Debra Kurita** is a past member of the ICMA Executive Board as a West Coast Vice President. Debbie began her public management career as an Administrative Intern in Los Angeles in 1979 and Lawndale in 1980. In 1981 she was appointed to an Administrative Specialist position in Torrance and in 1984 she took an Administrative Assistant job in Santa Ana. Debbie was promoted to Assistant City Manager in Santa Ana in 1989 and served in that post for about 16-years. In 2005 she was selected to be the Alameda City Manager where she served until 2009. That year she moved back south to become the Assistant City Manager in San Bernardino, a city of more than 207,000 people: the 18th largest city population in California and the 99th largest in the United States. Debbie has a BA from the University of California and an MPA from **USC**. Debbie is married to former City Manager **Keene Wilson**. She and Keene are "huge" hockey fans.



Retired Pico Rivera City Managers **Dennis Courtemarche** and retired Yorba Linda City Manager **Terry Belanger** at the 2010 Lakewood Education Foundation Annual Golf Tournament.

"Most of the trouble in the world is caused by people wanting to be important."

--T. S. Eliot

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San Mateo was incorporated in 1894. San Mateo City Manager **Susan M. Loftus** began her public service career as an Economic Development Manager with the Sacramento Housing & Redevelopment Agency in 1978. In 1987 she joined the San Mateo staff in a similar position. She was promoted to Assistant to the City Manager in 1990; Assistant City Manager in 1995; Deputy City Manager in 2000; Acting City Manager in 2008; and San Mateo City Manager later that year. Susan has a BA from the University of San Francisco and an MBA from California State University, Sacramento.

Clayton Phillips start his career as an Accountant with the City of Santa Ana in 1980. He was hired to serve as a Deputy Finance Director for Irvine in 1984. Clay was recruited to be the Deputy City Manager in Escondido in 1986 and was selected to serve as City Manager in 2003. Clay has a BS from Loma Linda University and an MBA from Pepperdine University.

Palos Verdes Estates Assistant City Manager **Judith J. Smith** is receiving her 30-year ICMA Service Award. She began her career as a Performance Auditor in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania in 1980. In 1984 she became the Finance Officer in the Borough of Forest Hills, Pennsylvania, where she served until moving to California in 1986 when she was appoint to a Management Analyst position in Beverly Hills. In 1989 she joined the Rolling Hills Estates staff when current City Manager **Doug Prichard** was the ACM. Judith was appointed Director of Finance, and she served there until moving to Palos Verdes Estates for a similar post in 1995. She was appointed Assistant City Manager in 1996 and has served in that position since. Judith has a BA from Pennsylvania State University and an MPA from the University of Pittsburgh.



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David R. Tooley began his public service career in Texas as a Management Intern in Dallas County in 1977. In 1978 Dave took a Budget Analyst position in Beaumont, Texas, and was promoted to Administrative Assistant to the City Manager in 1980. In 1984 Dave left Beaumont to become City Manager in Sulphur Springs, Texas. After three-years there, Dave came west



to California to accept the Eureka City Manager post in 1987. He was appointed City Administrator in Madera in 1993 and has served there since. Dave has a BS and MPA from Southern Methodist University.

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Eureka has a population of about 26,000 and is the county seat in Humboldt County located on the Humboldt Bay about 270 miles north of San Francisco. Founded in 1850, Eureka is one of California's remarkable historical landmarks. Eureka City Manager **David W. Tyson** started his municipal management career as an Auditor for the State of California in 1979. In 1980 Dave took an Accountant post with the City of Arcata, and in 1981 he was appointed Arcata Director of Finance, where he served for some nine-years. In 1990 Dave moved to the Eureka Director of Finance position, and in 2000 he was appointed Eureka City Manager. Dave has a BS from Humboldt State University.


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We tried this once before and seemed to develop some interest. MMANC Past President **Russ Leavitt** of the Central Contra Costa Sanitary District was first with the answer last time when the picture showed the Cliff House looking north from the northwest corner of Golden Gate Park. The original Cliff House was built in 1863. Here's some history too. Where do you think this is'

Former Tracy Assistant City Manager **Peter Hames** has spent most of his career in Minnesota and Ohio starting in 1974 as an Administrative Assistant in St. Paul. He was the Executive Assistant to the St. Paul Mayor when in 1987 he came to California to take a City Policy Analyst position in San Jose. He left there in 1991 to take the Tracy Assistant City Manager post. He returned to Minnesota in 1992 and served as the Director of Finance and Administration/Deputy City Manager in Brooklyn Park. He later returned to work in St. Paul and in 2002 he went to work for Hamilton County, Ohio. His last listed position in the ICMA Who's Who Directory is Finance Director in Montgomery, Ohio between 2006 and 2007. His current address is in Cincinnati.

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Tuolumne County Administrator **Craig L. Pedro** is also receiving a 30-year ICMA Service Award. Craig got his start in public management as an Administrative Analyst in Madera in 1980. In 1891 Craig became a Transportation Analyst/Planner for Madera, and he work in that post until 1984 when he went to work for Tuolumne County as a Management Analyst. He moved steadily up in the county organization: Senior Administrative Analyst in 1988; Assistant County Administrator in 1997; and Craig was appointed County Administrator in 2006. He has a BA from Fresno State University.

Chief **Richard R. Price** is also receiving a 30-year ICMA Service Award. Rich started his career as a Firefighter for the South County Fire Authority in 1979. He was promoted to Captain in 1982 and Battalion Chief in 1987. In 2006 he was selected to be the Operations Chief for the San Ramon Valley Fire Protection District, and in 2008 he was appointed District Administrator. Chief Price has an AA from Chabot College, a BA from the University of San Francisco and an MPA from California State University, Hayward. He also attended the National Fire Academy and the Naval Postgraduate School Executive Leaders Program (ELP).

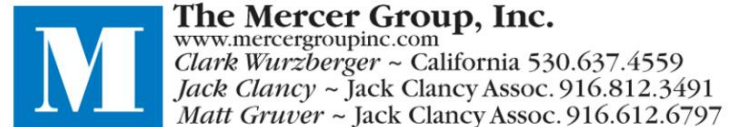
We salute you all! Thirty years of doing anything is an amazing undertaking. Thirty years in public management is even more noteworthy. The public deserves the very best service possible, and demands public servants of the highest quality, both of skills and of character. Certainly it is a high calling and requires good people to serve. Let's not establish standards and criteria that will eliminate the best from wanting to serve.



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Picking Up the Pieces: It is official! The Long Beach Press-Telegram says so. Lakewood City Manager **Howard L. Chambers**, 65, will end a 38-year Lakewood career; 34 of those years as City

Manager. He officially announced his retirement at an October City Council meeting. Claremont has tentatively decide not to use private refuse disposal companies and continue disposal with city employees. Claremont City Manager **Jeff Parker** is working to develop a 20-year agreement with San Bernardino County to deposit refuse at the Mid Valley landfill in Rialto. Retired La Mirada Assistant City Manager **Gerald R. Winterburn** once served as the Director of Workforce Planning in the City of Whittier (1977-1980). Former Pinole City Manager **Charlie Long**, currently a faculty member of the Urban Land Institute's School of Real Estate, has been appointed Interim City Manager in Hercules while City Manager **Nelson Oliva** is on medical leave for at least the next three months. Charlie has also served as Town Manager in Mammoth Lakes and was the Fairfield City Manager for 18-years (1978-1996). After more than 40-years in public service, first in the U.S. Army and then in various California cities, City Manager **Jim Erickson** retired in July and continued in the Benicia City Manager position as "Interim" while the recruitment to fill the slot was completed. October 15 was Jim's last day as Interim City Manager unless the City calls upon him for additional service. Jim is a University of California, Berkeley alumnus who rarely misses a Cal home football game. La Palma, where **Dominic Lazzaretto** is the City Manager, has been considering a proposal to prohibit the use of all tobacco products in the La Palma Central Park. Temecula City Manager **Shawn Nelson** received a letter earlier this year from **Svetlana Mintcheva** of the National Coalition Against Censorship regarding the removal of a painting of a nude, a work by artist **Jeff Hebron**, from an exhibition at the gallery of The Merc, a city-owned facility. The artist is a Temecula resident and the exhibition was part of an art show put on by the non-profit Arts Council of Temecula Valley. The city has apologized and is developing appropriate guidelines for future artistic expression. Lafayette City Manager **Steven Falk** has been dealing with a proposal to build a new, jump-heavy BMX bike park near the Lafayette Community Park. Beverly Hills City Council members have approved a \$1.6 million at 3% housing loan for City Manager **Jeff Kolin**,

according to the Beverly Hills Patch. Reportedly, Jeff needs to find housing within a "reasonable distance" to Beverly Hills pursuant to his employment agreement. City of Bell Director of Administrative Services, **Lourdes Garcia**, who was reportedly making \$422,707 a year, has agreed to take a 61% pay cut, bringing her compensation in salary and benefits to \$165,000 a year, city officials said. It was reported in the Sacramento Bee that Atwater City Manager **Greg Wellman** said that he is disappointed with the State budget because it's siphoning more money away from cities. "The state of California continues to perpetuate unjustified raids on local government funds to make its own budget appear less onerous," he said. **Brett Channing** of the Brea management team served as the 2010 MMASC Award Selection and Presentation Chair, and as such coordinated the deliberations of the Awards Selection Committee that included: **Dave Mora**, retired Salinas City Manager and currently representing ICMA; **Chet Newland** of the University of Southern California (USC); and **Jack Simpson** of Trackdown. Original PublicCEO editor **James Spencer** has resigned to go back to sports writing where among other things, he will be covering the Sacramento Kings of the NBA. **Dan Oney** is the new PublicCEO editor. It has been reported that **Steve Goodling**, the President and CEO of the Long Beach Area Convention and Visitors Bureau, a non-profit corporation, is the highest paid Long Beach official with a total compensation package of \$333,600. Veteran Barstow City Manager **Richard Rowe** will retired (again) at the end of 2010. Richard has served as City Manager in La Palma, Chino, Needles and Barstow, plus staff positions in Anaheim, Bakersfield, El Monte, Hemet, and he served as the Interim Librarian for the Ventura County Library. Lincoln City Manager **Jim Estep** attended the 113th Annual Conference of the League of California Cities in San Diego. Livingston City Manager **Richard Warne** was reportedly surprised by a presentation to the City Council by Community Development Director **Donna Kenney**, who expressed support for the City Manager. California's Legislature adopted a budget 100-days after the start of the fiscal year. An interesting fact about October, 2010 courtesy of



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Gaylord Knapp Golf Classic

A fund raiser for Huntington's Disease Research

"Aloha Doug" La Belle, retired Chino Hills City Manager, provided a recent update of the plans for the 2011 *Annual Knapp Golf Classic*. The 2011 tournament will be held in June, most likely at the Western Hills Golf and Country Club in Chino Hills. The Tournament Committee is in the process of planning a "kick-off" fundraising even on Saturday, March 19, 4 until 7 p.m. The date is still tentative and will be confirmed within the next 30-days or so. The event will be held at the Lew Webb Motor Car Company Classic Car Museum and Even Center in Aliso Viejo. It will be a reception and tour of the Lew Webb's classic car museum. The event is planned to distribute materials on the 2011 Knapp Golf Classic golf tournament, and efforts to raise funding for the Knapp Family Fund for Huntington's Disease research. Anyone with question may contact Doug. Among those on the Knapp Golf Classic committer are: retired Santa Fe Springs City Manager **Don Powell**, Santa Ana City Manager **Dave Ream**, retired Mission Viejo City Manager **Dan Joseph**, Laguna Hills City Manager **Bruce Channing**; retired Yorba Linda City Manager **Terry Belanger**, Orange County CEO **Tom Mauk**, Chino Hills City Manager **Mike Fleager**, Cerritos City Manager **Art Gallucci**, retired Anaheim City Manager **Jim Ruth**, retired Moreno Valley City Manager **Gene Rogers**, and the late-City Manager **Gaylord Knapp's** son **Scott Knapp**. Aloha Doug maybe be emailed at mauidoug3@hotmail.com

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Halloween 2010!

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Active managers who have begun to consider retirement as well as "encore" managers who have already begun their next life phase are invited to attend a Senior Manager/Encore Manager Support Network Meeting and Wine and Cheese Gathering in the Foster City Recreation Center on Friday, November 12. The support network meeting will be conducted from 3 to 5 p.m. followed by the wine and cheese networking opportunity.

The purpose of this informal gathering is to learn from each other, network and support colleagues as we all explore "encore" options. The meeting will feature a panel of three managers who will share some of the lessons from their journey to date.

According to retired City Manager **Kevin O'Rourke**, the event is hosted by the Cal-ICMA Senior Manager/Encore Manager Committee. This is the first in a series of support network meetings. The next such event will be conducted in Southern California in Spring 2011. For meeting details plus the agenda, and to please RSVP for the event, contact **Frank Benest** at frank@frankbenest.com

Couple more piece picked: Long Beach Chief of Police **Jim McDonnell** was the keynote speaker at the 28th Annual Leadership Long Beach Prayer Breakfast earlier this month. Willdan's **Max Bridges** served most of his "public career" in counties. Though he still does some work for Willdan, he is essentially retired. Max recently sent a note noting he was in route to a hunting trip in Siskiyou County. **Don Mattingly**, 49, will replace veteran manager **Joe Torre**, 70, for the Los Angeles Dodgers' 2011 season. Former Paramount Mayor **Rich DeBie** has passed away. He is a past President of the CCCA.

