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## University of California, Berkeley Grads Serving in the California City Management Community

Recently retired Greenfield City Manager **Roger Wong**, who is looking forward to a long and active retirement, suggested that we consider trying to piece together a list of city management community graduates of the University of California, Berkeley. Great idea! Our son-in-law **Mike Beebe** played football there and graduated from Cal before going on to earn a doctorate in Physical Therapy. We should have done a Cal list a long time ago.

With more than 350 academic programs, the University of California, Berkeley remains the flagship University of California campus, and is one of the preeminent universities in the world.



Former City Manager **Jack A. Simpson** of Trackdown poses here with **Janees Williams** and **Pam Newcomb** of the **Kinsell, Newcomb & De Dios** investment banking firm during a recent meeting in Del Mar.

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Those who are practicing the "getting together" that we preach. Shown here at a lunch at **Bill Holt's** home in the local mountains are: retired City Manager and L.A. County Executive **Ray Harris**; retired Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department Commander **John A. Hammargren**; and **Richard Powers**, former City Manager and current Executive Director of the Gateway Cities COG.

As usual, our primary research tool has been the ICMA Who's Who Directory so those not listed should understand why we missed them. We apologize in advance to everyone we missed. We try to be as complete as possible. Please help us out and let us know if you should have made this list but were missed.

On the other hand, **Roger Wong**, the recently retired Greenfield City Manager **Roger Wong**, was previously the City Manager in Gustine. He graduated from the University of California, Berkeley with a degree in business in the early 1970's. Roger also earned an MPA from California State University, East Bay and a DPA from **USC**. Because he is not listed in the ICMA Directory, we missed Roger on the previous lists we did on his institutions of high education. We apologize to Roger and others who we have missed.

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ICMA Range Rider **Paul V. Berlant** retired as the Town Manager in Windsor in 2005. Paul began his public service career in 1971 as an Associate Planner in Fullerton. He was appointed Senior Planner in 1972, and became the Fullerton Community Improvement Director in 1974. Paul left Fullerton in 1977 to work in the Ventura Community Development Department. In 1986 he went to work on the "private side" for Willdan, a consulting firm, as a Planning Manager. In 1988 Paul was appointed Planning Director in Santa Monica. He served in that post for a couple of year before being appointed the Director of Land Use & Transportation in Santa Monica. Paul moved north in 1993 to become the City Manager in Sebastopol. He was selected to be the Windsor Town Manager in 1998. Paul earned a BA from the University of California, Berkeley and an MPL from USC. In 2002 he was awarded a 30-year ICMA Service Award. Paul began serving as a Range Rider in 2005.



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**Martha J. Bennett** has been the City Administrator in Ashland, Oregon since 2006. She began her public service career in 1989 as a Legislative Intern with the League of Oregon Cities. Martha was appointed to an Assistant Project Manager position in Portland, Oregon later in 1989 and served there to 1991. In 1992 she took a Management Intern post in Pinole, and between 1993 and 1994 she worked in the private sector. Martha was appointed Assistant to the City Manager in Albany, Oregon in 1994 and served there until 1998 when she was selected to be the Assistant City Manager in Milwaukee, Oregon. She left Milwaukee in 2001 to become the Executive Director of the Columbia River Gorge Commission. Martha served with the Commission for about five-years until she was appointed City Administrator in Ashland. She earned a BA from Willamette University and an MPP from the University of California, Berkeley. She received a 10-year ICMA Service Award in 2001. Martha has been active with the Oregon City/County Management Association where she served as President in 1998-1999.

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Five Simpson Grandchildren in one picture: **Jessie Hearther, Eric Beebe, Jamie Hearther, Dani Beebe and Katie Hearther.** The Hearthers are daughter Kellee's girls, and the Beebes are daughter Cookie's children.

**Kenneth C. Frank** began his public service career as a Staff Assistant with the League of California Cities in 1970. He left the League in 1975 to accept the Assistant to the City Manager post in Berkeley. In 1979 Ken was appointed Laguna Beach City Manager and he served in that post until his retirement last year (2010). Ken earned a BA at San Francisco State University and an MAPA at the University of California, Berkeley. In 2010 Ken was the recipient of one of those rare 40-year ICMA Service Awards. Upon his retirement Ken told the press that his immediate plans include a trip to the Galapagos Islands and Machu Picchu.

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Alameda Deputy City Manager **Lisa K. Goldman**, 43, began her public management career in 1990 as an Administrative Intern in Palos Verdes Estates. Between 1992 and 1995 Lisa worked for Congressman **Henry Waxman** as a Legislative Assistant and in 1999 she was appointed to the Intergovernmental Relations Manager post in Fremont, where she worked for the next half-dozen years. In 2007 Lisa was selected to serve as the Deputy City Manager in Alameda. On the Alameda web site, Lisa is currently listed as Assistant City Manager to City Manager **John Russo**. Lisa earned a BA from Harvard University and an MPA from the University of California, Berkeley.

**Stephen L. Hollister** started his public service career in 1977 as a Police Officer in Berkeley. He left the department in 1984 to take the Assistant Planning Director job in Los Banos. In 1987 he moved to Livingston as Assistant City Manager, and in 1990 he was appointed City Manager in Newman. After seven-years in the Newman post, Steve was selected to be the Reedley City Manager in 1998. In 2004 Steve left Reedley when he was appointed Assistant City Manager in San Leandro. After about five-years as the ACM, Steve was selected to serve as the San Leandro City Manager in 2009. He retired in 2011 and Assistant City Manager **Lianne Marshall** is currently serving as San Leandro City Manager. Steve earned a BA from the University of California, Berkeley and an MCP from the University of California. He was the recipient of a 30-year ICMA Service Award in 2008.



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Grandson **Eric Beebe** shows his 1956 Topp's **Minnie Minoso** baseball card ...all mounted and framed. In 1976 at the age of 50 **Minnie Minoso** played three games for the Chicago White Sox and became the second-oldest player to get a base hit in the Major Leagues.

In 1972 **Robert W. Murray** became a Deputy Sheriff in Alameda County. Bob left the county in 1974 to be a Police Officer in Walnut Creek. After about five years with the police department Bob was appointed Assistant to the City Manager in Walnut Creek. He left California in 1982 to join the Olympia, Washington city staff as a Supervisor, and he was appointed City Manager that year and served in that post until 1985. In 1985 Bob returned to California and joined the Ralph Andersen & Associates management consultant and executive recruitment firm. Bob left that firm in 1992 and became a Vice President with DMG – Maximus, and in 2000 Bob kicked off his own executive recruitment firm: **Bob Murray & Associates** where he serves as President. Bob and his staff bring a personal approach to providing quality executive recruitment services. (Among the firm's current recruitments is for the Salinas City Manager position, which has an application period closing on September 16.) Bob earned a Bachelor's degree in Criminology from the University of California, Berkeley and has completed graduate studies at California State University, East Bay. Bob earned a 10-year ICMA Service Award in 1988. He has been active in the ICMA Corporate Partner Program.



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**Deanna J. Santana** began her municipal management career in 1995 as a Management Analyst in Oakland. Deanna left Oakland in 1999 to become the Assistant to the City Manager in San Jose. She was appointed Acting City Clerk in San Jose in 2004 and became Chief of Staff in 2005. Deanna was appointed to a San Jose Deputy City Manager post in 2006. She returned to Oakland this year (2011) to become the new Oakland City Administrator where the elected Mayor is the appointing authority. Oakland is governed by a "strong Mayor" form of government and is responsible for appointing the City Administrator, who in turn is responsible for the day-to-day operations of the City agencies and departments. Deanna earned a BA at the University of California, Berkeley and an MA from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.



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**Daniel R. Schwarz** embarked on his public service career working for the Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) in Orange County. He helped administer the incorporations of both Rancho Santa Margarita and Aliso Viejo in Orange County. In 2000 Dan became the Executive Officer for the Napa County LAFCO, and he served in that post until 2006. That year he was appointed Assistant City Manager in Rohnert Park. He served as Interim City Manager in Rohnert Park between 2008 and 2010, and was appointed Larkspur City Manager in 2010. Dan earned a BA at the University of California, Berkeley and an MA at UCLA. Between 2002 and 2008 Dan served as the Legislative Chair for the California Association of Local Agency Formation Commissions. Dan is a fourth generation San Franciscan.

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**Douglas G. Detling** went to work for the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG) in 1974 as an Assistant to the Public Affairs Director. In 1976 he was elevated to Administrative Officer and in 1984 he was selected to serve as the Assistant to the Executive Director for ABAG. Doug did some management consulting in 1989 through 1991, and in 1991 he was selected to be a Management Analyst/Risk Management Coordinator for El Centro. Doug was appointed to the El Centro Personnel Manager position in 1995 and served there until he was selected to be the Human Resources Director in Medford, Oregon in 2000. Doug earned an AA from Shasta College, a BA and an MPP from the University of California, Berkeley. In 2010 he was awarded a 35-year ICMA Service Award.



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**Connie Jackson**, is the San Bruno City Manager. She was appointed City Manager by the City Council in 2003. Prior to her appointment as City Manager in San Bruno, Connie served as City Manager for the northern coastal community of Fort Bragg on the Noyo River. She previously served as Assistant City Manager in Hercules. Connie earned a BA in social and cultural anthropology from the University of California, Berkeley and completed the course work towards a Master's degree in business administration also at the University of California, Berkeley.


### Eric Middleton

A standing room only memorial service for **Eric Middleton** of Alliance Resource Consulting was held in a beautiful park setting at Rancho Palos Verdes' Fred Hesse Park on Saturday, August 13, 2011. City Managers and former City Managers in attendance included: **Gregory Korduner; Paul Philips; Jeff Stewart**, Los Alamitos City Manager; **Mike Paules; Bob Murray; Bill Crowe; Tom Odom; William Kelly, Daryl George**, and South Gate Assistant to the City Manager **Bryan Cook**. Eric is the victim of a serious stroke at the age of 49.



**Jill Keimach** has been the Town Manager of Moraga since November 1, 2010. Previously, Jill was the Community Development Director in Fremont, where **Fred Diaz** is the City Manager. Prior to joining the Fremont management team, Jill worked for a variety of government agencies, including: eight-years with the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG); the Bay Area Rapid Transit District (BART); and the cities of Walnut Creek, El Cerrito, and Wilmette, Illinois. She also served in a number of small cities in the State of New Hampshire. Jill earned a Bachelor's degree in Architecture and a Masters degree in City and Regional Planning at the University of California, Berkeley.

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**Dianne Thompson** was a Facilities Planner in Santa Rosa from 1992 until 2004. She then joined an architectural firm on the private side as a Project Manager. In 2006 Dianne was selected to serve as the Assistant City Manager in Cotati and in 2007 she was appointed Cotati City Manger. Dianne earned a BA at the University of California, Berkeley. Cotati has a 1.89 square mile corporate area in Sonoma County between Rohnert Park and Petaluma. It has a population of about 7,265. E & J Gallo Winery has a 400-acre vineyard called Two Rock Vineyard in the hills west of town. Cotati incorporated in 1963.

**Alfred Bito, Jr.** began his public management career in 1990 when he was hired as an Administrative Assistant I in Daly City. In 1997 Al moved to Campbell as the Assistant to the City Manager and this year (2011) he was appointed Interim City Manager while the recruitment for a permanent City Manager is being conducted to replace City Manager **Daniel Rich**, 47, who is the new Mountain View City Manager replacing the retired **Kevin Duggan**, who is currently the West Coast Manager for ICMA.



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**Walter J. Slipe** was an Associate Planner in Bakersfield from 1959 until 1961. In 1962 Walt was hired as a Senior Planner in Fresno and he served in that position until 1966 when he was promoted to Deputy Chief Administrative Officer. In 1969 Walt left Fresno to take the Assistant City Manager post in Sacramento. He served as the Sacramento City Manager from 1976 until he retired in 1993. Walt earned a BA from Columbia College and an MCP from the University of California, Berkeley. Walt received a 30-year ICMA Service Award in 1989. His current address is listed in Granite Bay, California.

Of course, we did not find all the University of California, Berkeley graduates who have and are serving in the city management community. We do not have unlimited space and we do not have unlimited research time. We apologize to those we missed. We hope that you enjoy the list we present in this issue of the City Manager Newsletter by Trackdown.



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### Picking Up the Pieces: Livermore

City Manager **Linda Barton**, President of the California Redevelopment Association, and other RDA supporters are encouraged with the decision of the California Supreme Court to hear a lawsuit challenging the State's actions to take Redevelopment Agencies funding. **Michael McHatten**, 48, is the new City Manager in Angels Camp replacing **Dave Richards**, who's employment agreement was not renewed. Mike was previously the Director of Administrative Services in Madera. In June Cotati City Manager **Dianne Thompson** appointed former Santa Barbara RDA Deputy Director **Vicki Parker** to the Cotati Community Development Director post, allowing **Marsha Sue Lustig** to return to the Assistant to the City Manager post. Stockton City Manager **Bob Deis**, 55, announced his retirement. About 13-months ago he took over for Interim City Manager **Kevin O'Rourke**. Stockton Police Chief **Blair Ullring** has also announced his resignation. Orland City Manager **Paul Poczobut Jr.**'s employment agreement expires November 1 and will not be renewed. Paul will have served three-years in Orland. He is an ICMA credentialed city manager, and he is looking for another position in local government. Atherton is working with *Interwest Consulting Group* to outsource services and, according to Interim City Manager **John Danielson**, will save the city \$350,000 in the current fiscal year. **Bret Plumlee** is the new La Puente City Manager. He served previously as Assistant City Manager in La Quinta, Director of Administrative Services in El Segundo and Assistant Finance Director in La Mirada. La Puente has had a quick succession of City Managers during the past few years. **Hal Ledford** was appointed in 2002 and left La Puente in December, 2006; **Carol Cowley** replaced Hal in January, 2007 and retired in September, 2008; **Frank G. Triepi** became Interim City Manager and he was replaced by **Josie Kenline** in 2009; **Al Holliman** became Interim City Manager when Josie resigned and veteran City Manager **Raul Romero** replaced Al in the Interim City Manager post. Raul brought Bret on to assist him as a contract employee. Early in August, though the beach remained open, sharks were sighted and warning signs were posted at Pismo Beach where **Kevin Rice** is City Manager.

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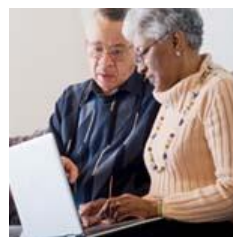
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**More Pieces Picked Up:** When Assistant City Manager **Karen Majors** retired last year, Martinez City Manager **Phil Vince** selected **Alan Shear** to fill the vacancy. Alan had been the Assistant City Manager in Huntington Park working with City Manager **Gregory Korduner**. Phil and Alan previously worked together when they both served on the Novato city staff. While with Novato, Phil served for a time in 2004 as President of MMANC. Coalinga City Manager **Bill Skinner** left the job in August. The Fresno County Grand Jury critical of the city reported in 2009 that Coalinga had 17 city managers and 9 police chiefs in the previous 18-years. **Bill Skinner** took the City Manager post in 2009 after City Manager **Stephen Julian** was dismissed in April, 2008. In Bill's absence, Assistant City Manager and Financial Services Director **Robert Barron III** will serve as Interim City Manager. **Laura Snideman**, former Economic Development Manager in San Mateo, has served as Half Moon Bay City Manager since December, 2010. Laura took over for Interim City Manager **Michael Dolder**. Former Redondo Beach administrator and Justin City Manager **David Biggs**, 51, will replace Carson City Manager Jerry **Groomes**, who resigned to take a top redevelopment post in San Diego. David has been working as a part-time City Administrator in Montebello with the *Kosmont Companies*. Bell has appointed retired San Mateo City Manager **Arne Croce** as the city's Interim Chief Administrative Officer while a permanent replacement is being recruited. Arne replaces Interim Chief Administrative Officer **Ken Hampian**, retired San Luis Obispo City Manager. Windsor Assistant Town Manager **Christa Johnson** is the new Laguna Beach Assistant City Manager. Former ACM **John Pietig** is the new Laguna Beach City Manager. Woodland City Manager **Mark Deven** will leave office September 23 to become the City Manager of Arvada, Colorado, a community with a population of 106,433. **Tony Manolatos**, 41, the former Deputy Chief of Staff for San Diego Council Member **Kevin Faulconer**, was recently arrested on suspicion of domestic violence and vandalism. **Joe Felz** serves as the Fullerton City Manager. Hemet City Manager **Brian Nakamura** is looking to add an Executive Analyst to his management team who will be responsible for monitoring the public safety cost-effective performance. With former City Manager **Karen Brust** taking the City Manager post in San Juan Capistrano and former Coronado City Manager **Mark Ochenduszko** serving as Interim City Manager, the City of Del Mar has retained an executive search firm to help with the recruitment of a new City Manager. Atascadero Assistant City Manager **Jim Lewis** is a successful winemaker.



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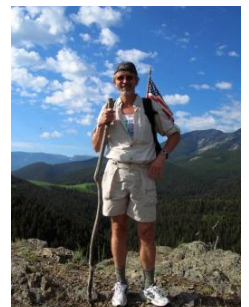
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Vista City Manager **Rita Geldert** is a graduate of Anderson Union High School in Anderson, California, and the University of California, Davis. **Susan George**, 59, Woodside City Manager for the past 18-years, will retire in January. The city is in the process of recruiting for a replacement. Stockton City Manager **Bob Deis** has been harassed and intimidated by Stockton police officers, according to Mayor **Ann Johnston**. The POA bought the residence next door to the City Manager's home. Though the union claims they only bought it as an investment, it is noted that County records show that the union does not own any other property in San Joaquin County. The City has filed a civil complaint against the union at behalf of the City Manager. **Joyce A. Venegas** is the Interim City Manager in Corcoran. Former Corcoran City Manager **Ron Hoggard** resigned in June. Ron served in Corcoran as City Manager for nearly 10-years. He made headlines in 2007 when he was lost on a hike in the Yosemite National Park, but was found in good health two days later following a massive multiple agency search. Eureka City Manager **David Tyson** continues to be under-the-gun due to the dismissal of Police Chief **Garr Nielson**. A council member helped organization and passing petitions calling for David's dismissal.

**MUNISERVICES** **Still More Pieces Picked Up:** Delano Director of Economic Development and Redevelopment Agency **Maribel Reyna** has been appointed to be the next Delano City Manager. Maribel previously work as a Development Associate in the Bakersfield Economic and Community Development Department. **Tim Chapa** was appointed to the Arvin City Manager post in June during the current economic downturn, and has been focusing on the city budget shortfall. All travel and city conferences have been eliminated for Arvin city officials across the board. Brentwood City Manager **Donna Landeros**, 62, will retire September 30 to spend more time with her husband at their Lake Tahoe home. Assistant City Manager **Paul Eldredge** will become Brentwood City Manager October 1. Donna has served as City Manager for the past seven-years. Former Midway Sanitary District General Manager **Greg Nordbak** is currently a Public Affairs Managers for Republic Services, Inc. Greg is also a member of the Whittier City Council. Former Ridgecrest City Manager **Harvey Rose** passed away at the age of 66 on Thursday, August 25, 2011. Harvey served in Ridgecrest for seven-years before retiring in 2008. He came out of retirement to serve as Interim City Manager when City Manager **Mike Avery** stepped down, and prior to the appointment of current City Manager **Kurt Wilson**. Long-time Palos Verdes Estates city employee **Judy Smith**, 55, has served as Interim City Manager since City Manager **Joe Hoefgen** was dismissed. She has been unanimously appointed City Manager. She first came to the Palos Verdes Estates management team as the Finance Manager in 1995. New Oakland City Administrator **Deanna Santana** has appointed San Jose Finance Director **Scott Johnson**, 55, to serve as an Oakland Assistant City Administrator. He will be responsible for internal business: the finance and budget departments, information technology and human resources, including labor relations and pension issues. Budget cutting like most California cities, Wildomar City Manager **Frank Oviedo** is taking 17.25 furlough days for \$15,000 in salary savings and City Hall will be closed on Fridays. Frank was appointed following the service of Wildomar Interim City Manager **John Danielson**. South Lake Tahoe City Manager **Tony O'Rourke** is dealing with public safety departments reorganization. Fire Chief **Lorenzo Gigliotti** has resign and Police Chief **Brian Uhler** has added the Fire Department to his command. Past-MMASC President **John Keisler** has been promoted within the Long Beach organization from Animal Care Services Manager to Business Operations Manager for the Parks, Recreation and Marine Department. Long Beach City Manager **Pat West** knows a good man

when he sees one. Fullerton City Manager **Joe Felz** recommended an independent internal investigation into the Fullerton Police Department's policies and handling of the death of a suspect and into the departments use-of-force and methods for dealing with the homeless and mentally ill. CCMF President **Wade McKinney**, Atascadero City Manager, urges everyone to take a look at the new CCMF web site at:

<http://www.cacitymanagers.org/>



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