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Those with an educational background at either Sonoma or Humboldt State University

In this Special March, 2012 issue of the City Manager Newsletter by Trackdown, we take a look north. Those who are listed were discovered in an ICMA Who's Who search. It has been our experience that this method is not comprehensive so we apologize in advance to those we miss. We found a manageable number of folks in the local government management community to make this issue of interest. We have first listed the Sonoma State University (SSU) people before we moved further north to Humboldt State University.

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Veteran long-time Lakewood City Manager **Howard Chambers**, who just recently "re-upped" for another three years, stands on a public stairway/sidewalk in San Francisco. What do you think **Jon Shull**?



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Public Managers Who Are Sonoma and/or Humboldt State University Alumni

Sonoma State University (SSU) went from being a mustard field to earning recognition as a major public university. SSU is celebrating its 50th year in 2011-2012. Classes opened in 1961 in leased buildings on the Rohnert Park campus at 265 College View Drive. Though 274 students came to the new campus in 1961, it was in the academic year 1962-63 that the university's first crop of freshmen came to take SSU classes.

Robert McNamara is the Political Science Department Chair at SSU. The department offers programs that will lead to degrees of Bachelor of Arts in Political Science and a Master's in Public Administration, in addition to Teaching Credential Preparation and a Certificate Program in the Administration of Nonprofit Agencies. The Sonoma State University Political Science program offers opportunities for the study of government and politics with more than 40 different courses offered.

"Global warming is not only the number one environmental challenge we face today, but one of the most important issues facing all of humanity... We all have to do our part to raise awareness about global warming and the problems we as a people face in promoting a sustainable environmental future for our planet."

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Here is a list of those in the city management community who are SSU grads. Our primary research source is once again the Who's Who Directory of ICMA for both the SSU and the Humboldt State University lists. We apologize in advance to those we may have missed.

In 1977 **Henry M. Tingle** went to work as a Plant Operator for the East Bay Municipal Utility District, and he worked there until 1982 when he was appointed Waste Water Superintendent in the City of Richmond. Between 1988 and 1990 Henry served as an Associate Manager in the San Francisco organization, and in April, 1990 he was selected to serve as the Assistant Director of Public Works in Richmond. In 1995 Henry was promoted to the Richmond Deputy City Manager post. Henry joined the Citrus Heights city staff in October, 1998 as the City's first General Services Director. On October 8, 1999 Henry was appointed to be the second City Manager of Citrus Heights. In 2009, Henry was named "Public Administrator of the Year" by the Sacramento Chapter of the American Society of Public Administration (ASPA). He earned a BA at Sonoma State University and an MPA at the University of San Francisco. He served as the Co-Chair to the Municipal Management Association of Northern California (MMANC) in 1989-1999. In 2008 **Henry Tingle** received a 30-year ICMA Service Award.



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Alexandra Sheeks is currently the Woodinville, Washington Assistant to the City Manager. She began her public management career in 2000 as a Customer Service Representative in the City of Santa Rosa. In 2004 Alex went to work as a Senior Accounting Technician for the City of Rancho Cordova. In 2005 she was promoted to Management Assistant and in 2007 she was appointed to a Management Analyst I post in Rancho Cordova. She left the city in 2010 to take her current position in Woodinville. Alex has a BA from Sonoma State University and an MPPA from California State University, Sacramento. In 2009 she served on the Board of MMANC and is a member of ICMA and ASPA. Alexandra works with Woodinville City Manager **Richard A. Leahy**, who began his public service career as a Paramount Administrative Assistant in 1982.
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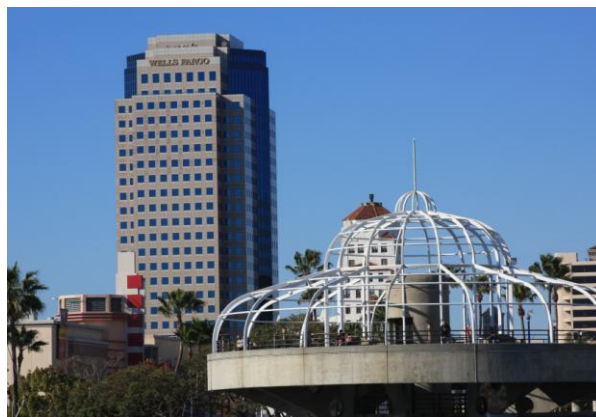
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Mary G. Neilan began her public management career in 1994 as a Management Analyst/Deputy City Clerk in Sonoma. She moved up in that organization in 1997 when she was appointed Senior Management Analyst, and again in 2000 when she was selected to serve as the Assistant to the City Manager. In 2003 Mary left Sonoma to accept the Assistant City Manager post in Novato. After serving a half-dozen years in Novato, Mary was appointed City Manager in St. Helena in 2009. She served there until 2011 when she was terminated. At that time, Finance Director **Karen Scalabrini** was appointed Interim City Manager. Mary has a BA and an MPA from Sonoma State University. She received a 10-year ICMA Service Award in 2006.



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In 1987 **Nancy L. Watt-Collins** took a Solid Waste/Recycling Coordinator position with East Greenwich, Rhode Island. In 1991 Nancy moved to California to take a similar position with the City of Napa. After a half-dozen years with the city, Nancy was hired by Napa County in 1997 as a Management Analyst. She has since moved up in that organization: 1999, Assistant Chief Executive Officer; 2004, Acting County Executive Officer; and later in 2004, County Executive Officer. Nancy has a BS from **USC** and an MPA from Sonoma State University. Nancy is a Past President of the County Administrative Officers Association of California. She has also served on the Cal-ICMA Board of Directors, and as the County Liaison to the League of California Cities. In 2009 she received a 20-year ICMA Service Award.

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Retired City Manager **Ralph Leonard Jaeck**, 67, began his public management career in 1967 as an Intern with the California County Supervisors Association. In 1968 Ralph was hired to serve as a Personnel Analyst for Santa Clara County, and in 1970 he went to work in the City of Mountain View as an Administrative Assistant. Ralph moved up in the Mountain View staff, first as the Assistant City Manager in 1976, and then as City Manager in 1988. He left the city in 1990, and took a position as a Municipal Consultant with Hughes Heiss for about a year. In 1992 Ralph was appointed Assistant City Manager in Reno, Nevada, where he served for a dozen years. In 2004 he returned to California when he was appointed City Manager in Millbrae. He retired in 2009. Ralph earned a BA at Sonoma State University and an MPA from San Jose State University. He is the 2007 recipient of the ICMA Program Excellence Award for Community Partnership, and in 2009 he received a rare 40-year ICMA Service Award. Ralph most recently was a College Instructor at Monterey Peninsula College.

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Sonoma State University's (SSU) web site reminds us that March is "Women's History Month," and the 2012 theme for 2012 is "Women's Education--Women's Empowerment." From analyzing the impact of "Barbie" dolls to exploring the ways mainstream media portrays women, **Women's History Month** in March is a particularly relevant event for Sonoma State's mostly female student body. The theme brings a range of compelling and thought-provoking speakers, films and lecturers to the campus community.

It is in the spirit of recognizing women's contributions to science that the SSU Library is celebrating with *Women in the Sciences*, a three-part lecture series where female scientists - biologists, chemists, physicists and engineers - from campus and the community share their contributions, role models, and the pull of science in their lives.

In addition to the "Women, Art & Science" exhibit in the SSU Library, many different speakers and events honoring women were planned for the SSU program. Speakers included: Associate Professor **Janet Hess**; a presentation by **Angela Rose** about "Shattering the Silence of Sexual Violence;" media performance artist, **Lynda Williams**; a performance of "Oblivious to Everyone" by **Jessica Lynn Johnson**; writer **Peggy Orenstein** speaks on "From Princesses to Pop Tarts: What the New Culture of Girlhood Means for Girls;" and many other important speaking events and film presentation.



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Serena M. Lienau is an Administrative Technician for the City of Santa Rosa. She began her public service in 2006 as a Recreation Specialist for the Santa Rosa Parks and Recreation Department. Serena earned a BA and MA from Sonoma State University. **Tom Richardson**, a Training Manager for the County of Sonoma has an MPA from Sonoma State University, and **Sheri A. Mannion**, a Ukiah Management Analyst in the Human Resources Department, is shown as a Sonoma State graduate on an ICMA Who's Who Directory search.



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Humboldt State University (HSU) is the northernmost campus of the California State University system. The university was originally a teacher's college established in 1913. The Cities of Arcata and Eureka competed in order to site the new campus, which opened April 6, 1914 in the former Arcata Grammar School building with 78 students and five faculty members. The school was named Humboldt State College in 1935 and the Lumberjack was adopted as the school mascot. In 1972 the institution was renamed California State University, Humboldt, and two-years later the name was established at Humboldt State University (HSU).

HSU's main campus is nestled on the Northern California Coast at the edge of the coastal redwood forest. Given the location in one of the world's most beautiful places, it seems only natural that **Humboldt State University** has a long-standing commitment to studying and understanding the preservation of our environment. HSU has a reputation for excellent science and natural resource programs and environmental responsibility. In addition to infusing sustainability into the curriculum, Humboldt State University is a leader in researching clean, renewable energy, developing "green" technologies and promoting an environmentally sound ethic.

"We won't have a society if we destroy the
environment."
~**Margaret Mead**

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Here is a list of local government community folks we found in the ICMA Who's Who Directory with Humboldt State University as part of their educational background:

April "Dawn" Jaeger is the Assistant City Administrator in Great Bend, Kansas. She began her public service career in 2002 as a Special Projects Manager for the Madera County Economic Development Commission. 2004 found Dawn in Greeley, Colorado work the private sector side in real estate. In 2008 she was appointed Assistant to the Town Manager in Windsor, Colorado, and she served there until she move to her current post in 2010 in Great Bend. She has served on the ICMA Advisory Board on Graduate Education (2010-2011). Dawn has a Journalism degree from Humboldt State University, a BA from Ashford University and an MPA from the University of Colorado.

Cheryl R. Dillingham went to work for the County of Humboldt in 1987 and served in that position for some 11-years. In 1998 she was appointed Public Works Business Manager for the county in 1998 and then Deputy Public Works Director in 2003. Cheryl was appointed Humboldt County Deputy Auditor-Controller in 2008, and promoted to Deputy County Administrative Officer in 210. She has a BA and MBA from Humboldt State University.



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In 1979 **David W. Tyson** went to work for the State of California as an Auditor. He left State employment and joined the Arcata city staff as an Accountant in 1980. David was appointed Arcata Director of Finance in 1981 and served in that position for about 9-years. In 1990 David was appointed Director of Finance in the City of Eureka. In 1995 he was selected to serve as Assistant City Manager, and was appointed to the Eureka City Manager position in 2000 where he continues to serve. David earned a BS from Humboldt State University. In 2010 David received a 30-year ICMA Service Award. Though there has been talk of his pending retirement, he is still listed as the Eureka City Manager.

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Daniel E. Hauser is a graduate of Humboldt State University. He served two-terms on the Arcata City Council between 1974 and 1982. He served in the California State Assembly from 1982 until 1996. During his Assembly service he Chaired the Committee on Housing and Community Development for 9-years. After leaving the Legislature, Dan served as the Executive Director of the North Coast Railroad Authority, General Manager of the Northwestern Pacific Railroad, and also as City Manager in Arcata.

City Manager **Eugene M. Palazzo** of Crescent City started his career in 1988 as a Planning Technician in Nevada County, California. Between 1990 and 1993 Gene work as an Assistant Planner and Associate Planner in Folsom. In 1993 he was appointed Director of Planning, Building & Economic Development in Riverbank and he served in that post for 5-years. In 1998 he moved to Yuba City as the Assistant to the City Administrator. He moved to South Lake Tahoe in 2003 as the Director of Redevelopment/Housing, and in 2011 he was selected to serve as City Manager in Crescent City. Gene has a BA from Humboldt State University, and an MPA from Golden Gate University. In 2008 Gene earned a special certificate from the Senior Executive Institute.

Thousand Oaks Senior Environmental Analyst **John Brooks** started his public service career as an Associate Analyst for the Integrated Waste Management Board in Sacramento in 1990. In 1996 John was appointed Vice President for the Regional Council of Rural Counties, where he served for 5-years. In 2001 John was appointed to a Senior Analyst post with the City of Palmdale. He became a Contracts Manager for the County of Ventura in 2008 and in 2009 he was hire for his current position as the Senior Environmental Analyst in Thousand Oaks. John has a BS in Environmental Planning & Communications from Humboldt State University, and an MPA from **USC**.

Karen L. McLaughlin worked in the private sector between 1983 and 1986. In 1987 Karen was hired as an Executive Analyst with Manteca, and began her rise in that organization. In 1990 she was appointed Assistant to the City Manager and in 1998 she was elevated to Assistant City Manager. Karen was appointed City Manager in Manteca in 2011 when former City Manager **Steve Pinkerton** accepted the appointment to be the City Manager in Davis. Karen has a BA from Humboldt State University and in 2011 she received a 25-year ICMA Service Award.

"We do not inherit the earth from our ancestors,
we borrow it from our children."

~ Native American Proverb

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Retired American Canyon City Manager **Richard J. Ramirez**, 60, began his career in 1975 as an Administrative Assistant in South El Monte where the City Manager was the late-Peter B. Feenstra. In 1977 Rich was appointed the Director of Community Development in South El Monte. In late 1978 Rich was hire to serve as the Director of Community Development in Stanton where he worked on the same staff with retired City Manager **Kevin O'Rourke**. [In 1978, Kevin was the Stanton Human Service Director and **Andy Lazzaretto** was the City Administrator.] In November, 1991 Rich was appointed City Manager in "El Paso De Robles," AKA, Paso Robles. After leaving there in 1997, he served as the Interim Public Works Director in Modesto, and in April, 1998 he was appointed City Manager in Hemet. He left Hemet for an Assistant City Manager post in Sacramento. Once his boss left and the working environment changed, he looked to finish his career elsewhere. He was appointed City Manager in American Canyon starting in June, 2006, and served there until his retirement effective October 1, 2011. Since retiring, Rich has been appointed Interim General Manager of the El Dorado Hills Community Services District. He earned a BA from Humboldt State University and an MPA from **USC**. Rich is the proud father of Actress **Jessica Ramirez**. In 2010 Rich received a 35-year ICMA Service Award.



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In 1985 **Susan C. Schlerf** began her public management career as a Research Analyst for the City of South Lake Tahoe, and she was promoted to Administrative Assistant in 1987. Susan was appointed to a South Lake Tahoe Management Assistant II post in 1988, and in 1990 she was selected to serve as the Assistant to the City Manager. She was appointed Assistant City Manager in South Lake Tahoe in 1995 after working for the city some ten years. In 2003 Susan moved to Reno, Nevada as the Assistant City Manager; her current post. She earned a BA from Humboldt State University and an MA from California State University. Susan is a Past President of the Local Government Managers Association of Nevada. In 2010 she received a 25-year ICMA Service Award.

Concord Assistant City Manager **Valerie J. Barone** was a Community Development Specialist for the US Peace Corps in the Philippine Islands from 1987 to 1989. In 1993 she was hired by Redwood City as "self-employed" Planning Consultant, and in 1994 she took a Senior Planner position with The Company of Eric Jay Toll, AICP Inc. in Nevada. In 1997 Valerie joined the Milpitas staff as the Planning, Recreation & Neighborhood Services Director. She moved over to the Walnut Creek staff in 2002 as the Community Development Department Director. and in 2009 Valerie was selected to serve as the Assistant City Manager in Concord. With Concord City Manager **Dan Keene** leaving office February 22 to accepted the City Manager post in Vallejo, Valerie has taken the Concord City Manager position on an "interim" basis will a replacement is being recruited. Valeria earned a BS at Humboldt State University.



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Picking Up The Pieces: Lake Forest Assistant to the City Manager **Ben Siegel** is going to work for Laguna Beach as both the Assistant to the City Manager, and Director of Community Services. His last day in Lake Forest with City Manager **Bob Dunek** was March 15. West Sacramento City Manager **Toby Ross** will retire before July 1 of this year. Toby came to West Sacramento in November, 2002 from Park City, Utah to take over for the then-retiring City Manager **Joe Goeden**. Former Temecula City Manager **Shawn Nelson** is being added to the Temecula City Center's Wall of Honor; 14th to be so honored. **Gary Broad**, the current St. Helena City Manager, worked in the Town of Ross for 20-years. Retired Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department Captain **Susan A. Burgoon**, 75, passed away on February 26, 2012. Sue joined the department on June 8, 1967 and retired January 8, 1996. After retiring she served as the Assistant General Manager of the Sheriffs Relief Association. Professional and efficient, she was a pleasure to work with. **Marcia Somers** has been appointed to the Los Altos City Manager post. Marcia was the Danville Community Services Director starting in 1993 and was appointed Danville Assistant Town Manager in 2006. In February former Seaside Assistant City Manager **Jill Anderson** attended her first City Council meeting as the new



Riverbank City Manager. Jill also previously worked in Norwalk. Mexico's 87th

President **Vicente Fox** addressed the 8th grade class at Coronado Middle School March 2, 2012. President Fox served as Mexico's President from 2000 to 2006. He was the first member of Mexico's National Action Party to serve as President in the past 71 years. Cupertino City Manager **David Knapp** is leaving California to be the next City Administrator in Highland Park, Illinois. He has been Cupertino City Manager for a dozen years and has a degree from **USC**. **Adrian Garcia**, 23, Acting City Clerk in La Puente, has resigned to accept the appointment of Assistant City Clerk in Rancho Cucamonga starting this month (March). He took the "Acting" La Puente post when City Clerk **Pat Jacquez-Nares** was put on administrative leave. The City is talking to retired

City Manager and City Clerk **Carol Cowley** to possibly fill the City Clerk roll on contract. The La Puente City Manager is **Bret Plumlee**. Lake Elsinore City Manager **Bob Brady** has been placed on Administrative Leave. Former Anaheim Finance Director **Bob Wingenroth** is the Interim City Manager in Anaheim since City Manager **Thomas Wood** resigned last December. Former Stockton City Manager **Dwayne Milnes**, 66, who currently heads up the City's Association of Retirees, reportedly said that the aggressive approach of City Manager **Bob Deis** in his attempt to address Stockton's possible bankruptcy action is unnecessary. Finance Director **Brenda Bains** has been appointed Dunsmuir "Interim" City Manager, as City Manager **Jim Lindley** leaves office to become the new City Manager in Dixon. Long Beach Press-Telegram columnist **Tim Grobaty** published a nice interview with veteran Lakewood City Manager **Howard Chambers** on February 26. Howard retired last year after 34-years as the Lakewood City Manager, but has "unretired" and "re-upped" with a new 3-year employment agreement. **Tom Steele**, most recently the City Manager in West Jordan, Utah, is among the final three candidates for the City Manager post in Kalispell, Montana. Tom has a BA and an MPA from California State University, Long Beach. Atherton Interim City Manager **Theresa DellaSanta** will not be using the consulting services of former Interim City Manager **John Danielson** or his recruiting efforts to find a replacement city manager. John, a former Elk Grove City Manager, came to the Atherton staff in January, 2011. Since he earns a pension from CalPERS, his tenure was limited. Ventura City Manager **Rick Cole** appointed **James Mason**, 50, to be Ventura Assistant City Manager. He previously served as the Mercer Island Deputy City Manager in Washington State. Like Stockton, Mammoth Lakes is also trying to avert bankruptcy by using the new state mediation law. **Fulbright & Jaworski LLP** have been retained by Mammoth Lakes to help with negotiations, according to Interim Town Manager **Marianna Marysheva-Martinez**. City Manager "housing assistance" loans are issues in Seaside and Salinas. It appears that former Seaside City Manager **Ray E. Corpuz Jr.** is working out a repayment schedule for \$250,000 housing assistance loan he got from the city when he joined the Seaside staff. Ray is the new City Manager in Salinas where he replaced **Artie Fields**, who is currently the City Administrator in Inglewood, and is working to pay Salinas more than \$109,000 owed on the housing assistance loan he received when he went to Salinas nearly three years ago.

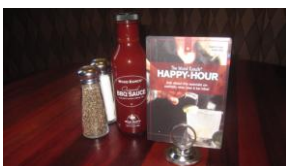
"When one tugs at a single thing in nature, he finds it attached to the rest of the world." ~**John Muir**

More Pieces Picked Up: Former Orland City Manager **Paul Poczobut** is among the four finalist for the Mesquite, Arizona City Manager post. Los Angeles Police Chief **Charlie Beck** supports the State issuing driver's licenses to illegal immigrants. **Larry Kosmont** left the Montebello Interim City Administrator post at the end of February to get back to running the **Kosmont Companies**. He replaced former Interim City Administrator **Peter Cosentini** in May, 2011. Former Lawndale City Manager **Keith Breskin** has replaced Larry while the city recruits for a permanent replacement. **Doug Yount**, Development Services Director, has been named Marina Interim City Manager following the termination of City Manager **Tony Altfeld**, 59, on a 3-2 vote. La Palma City Manager **Dominic Lazarretto** has been selected to replace retiring Arcadia City Manager **Don Penman** on March 26. Former El Segundo City Manager **Doug Willmore** filed a claim against the city alleging that his firing violated anti-retaliation and whistleblower laws. Former Hanford City Manager **Hilary M. Straus**, is a Past President of MMANC, and Past Chair of Cal-ICMA. He has an MPA from **USC**. Veteran Laguna Niguel City Manager **Tim Casey** will retired effect November, 2012 after 22-years as Laguna Niguel City Manager. Tim will turn 62-years old



in November. Lomita City Manager **Dawn Tomita** is a 47-year resident of the community and has worked for the city since its 1964 incorporation. In anticipation of Dawn's retirement, Lomita is currently recruiting for a new City Manager. Watsonville Administrative Services Director **Marc Pimentel** has been appointed to the Santa Cruz Finance Director post by Santa Cruz City Manager **Martin Bernal**.

Don't forget that March is Kidney Cancer Awareness Month!



Letter from Retired City Manager **John Goss**:

Here are a few misses in your March issue about San Diego, which some, but obviously not all, should have been in the ICMA records.

First, of course, I was an Administrative Analyst for the City of San Diego from 1963-64 before moving to Fremont as Assistant to the City Manager (**Howard Reese**). A couple of analysts whom I worked with at that time who were City of San Diego employees were **Lloyd de Llamas**, one of your sponsors (HdL), and **Tom Peterson**, former Lodi CM, now passed on. In addition, **Ray Silver**, former CM of a number of So Cal cities, at one time was the San Diego County Land Use Services Director (Planning Director). And how about **Mareen Stableton**, current General Manager of the San Diego Water Authority, who used to be the ACM for the City of San Diego? Another former San Diego ACM is **Dr. Penelope Culbreth-Graft**, who subsequently became the CM in Huntington Beach and Colorado Springs. I am surprised that the ICMA records would not have records on some of these people. I worked with all of these people when Chula Vista CM.

Second, while I don't think he was ever a member of ICMA, probably a shout out to former San Diego CM **Jack Mc Grory** is in order, unless I missed it in one of your Trackdown issues. In any case, as you well know, it was reported last October that Jack contributed \$1.2 million to the San Diego State School of Public Administration. So, while there has been many public reports of CMs 'stealing' from the taxpayers (Rizzo, Bell), clearly here is one CM who is "giving back.."

John

*Editor: Thank you John for keeping us on track. We used the ICMA Who's Who search tool to gather our list. We certainly missed some important San Diego alumni. Also, former Carson City Manager **Jerome Groomes** worked for the San Diego Airport. We missed many but we hope the reading was enjoyable.*