

## PORTUGUESE POLITICIANS IN CALIFORNIA

In the works and nearly ready for publication, Portuguese Publications of California, Inc., is promoting its latest research offering. Compiled from the research of Dr. Alvin Graves, author of PHPC's "*The Portuguese Californians: Portuguese in Agriculture*", the book offers background and biographical sketches of California's politicians of Portuguese descent serving at the State and Federal levels.

To the well documented history of the contribution of the Portuguese to the economic development of the State of California, the upcoming book *Portuguese Politicians in California*, by Dr. Al Graves brings into focus the lesser known history and contributions by the many Portuguese-Americans who have been elected to state and federal office.



This well documented and richly illustrated publication, to be released by this summer of 2013, introduces every Portuguese-American elected to federal or state office and analyzes the circumstances that have led to the election of a very large number of Portuguese-Americans from the San Joaquin Valley, a number that far exceeds the smaller percentage of the Portuguese American population in the valley.

*Portuguese Politicians in California*, a joint effort by FLAD ( Fundação Luso Americana Para o Desenvolvimento), and Portuguese Heritage Publications is another important work in this publisher's efforts to research, document and disseminate the history of the Portuguese experience in California.