



# CSFA Newsletter \*Special Edition 2007\*

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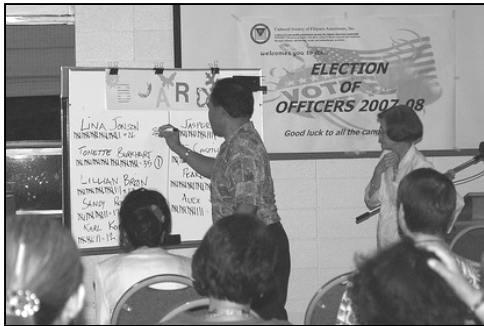
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## Jose Rivera Assumes the Presidency Unopposed

By Mar Alojado

On September 7, 2007, Friday, CSFA held its annual election of officers during the regular monthly membership meeting. This gathering was held at the Bethany Baptist Church in Roseville which commenced at 7 PM. Fifty-three registrants took part in the dinner, meeting, and elections. Moreover, representatives of the Philippine Student Association (PSA) of MN led by their president, RD Navarro, were present to report on their impending trip to the Filipino American Coming Together (FACT) conference organized by the PSA of the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. The trip will be partly subsidized by the CSFA.



Mar and Linda tallying votes.

After dinner, the incumbent President, Ludy Bergenthal called the meeting to order. The body amended the agenda to make the elections the first item of

business. The Nomination Committee was headed by Linda Davis with Mar Alojado, Fe Castillejos and Ferdie Oconer as members. Linda led the proceedings and informed members of qualifications of nominees and positions that needed to be filled. Each nominee was

called and asked to introduce him or herself. Filling up of secret ballots, its collection and counting followed. While the tabulations took place, the meeting resumed with respective agenda items.

For the position of president, Jose Rivera was nominated and was unanimously elected without any opposition. Therese Peterson, Tony Winick (re-elected) and Helen Hamman were also unanimously elected uncontested for Secretary, Treasurer and Auditor, respectively.



Jose Rivera is incoming '07-'08 CSFA president.

The only posts contested were the Vice-Presidency, won by Nina Jonson (incumbent member of the board of directors), the PRO won by Ligaya Carlos (outgoing chair of the board of directors), and five members of the board won by Tonette Burkhardt, Fe Castillejos (current vice president), Pearl Malit (current secretary), Lina

Jonson and Jasper Jonson (current PRO). Jasper will only serve a year as board director to fill the remaining year vacated by his wife, Nina. The rest will be in tenure for two years. The incumbent board members with a year left are Nena Alojado, Remy Ingenhutt and Lourdes Rivera.

The meeting was adjourned at 10 PM. Congratulations to the new set of officers and don't forget to purchase tickets for the Induction Ball on October 20, 2007.

*You are cordially invited to the*

*Cultural Society of Filipino-Americans*

*Thirty-Sixth Induction of Officers*

*Saturday, October 20, 2007, 6:00 PM*



**Zuhrah Shrine Center  
Minneapolis Ballroom  
2540 Park Avenue South  
Minneapolis, MN 55404**



*For inquiries and tickets, contact Tonette Burkhardt at 952-994-6015, Judith Hieiss at 952-457-1438 and / or Glen King at 763-639-7213.*

*Dinner-Program-Dance \$ 35.00  
After Dinner-Dance \$ 10.00*

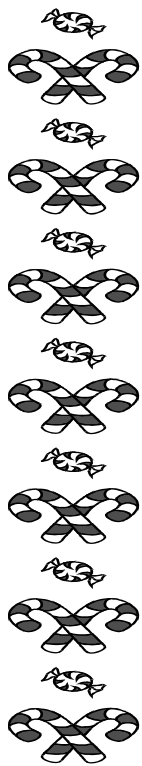


Do you enjoy the tunes and melodies of Christmas songs?

*Join or host the CSFA group of carolers!*

Add joy and cheer to the season through merry and heavenly harmonies.

**For details, contact Lourdes Rivera at 651-578-0540 or [joserma98@yahoo.com](mailto:joserma98@yahoo.com). Practices will begin this November.**



# CSFA's pasko sa nayon '07

(free admission)

**December 8, Saturday**

Doors open at 12:30pm. Program starts at 1pm.

Saint Bonaventure Catholic Church

901 East 90th Street

Bloomington, MN 55420



Interested palengke vendors, contact Nena Alojado at (651) 578-8431. For other details, contact Tonette Burkhart at (952) 994-6015 or Pearl Malit at (952) 484-8313.

*Food, Interactive Skit, Nativity Scene,  
Shopping, Friends, Santa Claus, Fun,  
Gifts, Carols, Prizes & More!!!*



**Note to parents:** Please bring wrapped and labeled gifts for your children. Santa will distribute these!



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Maraming Salamat Po!

## 2007 CSFA Schedule and Venue of Meetings

Nov 2, Membership

Dec 7, Board

Winick's (Burnsville)

Hiess' (New Hope)

*The public is invited to attend and participate in any of these  
Friday meetings beginning at 7 PM. Check website for directions.*

*Alam ba ninyo?*

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