

# NEWSLETTER

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Join us during the:

## **2<sup>nd</sup> Grand Reunion - CLSU International Alumni Group**

Las Vegas, Nevada, ***“The Entertainment Capital of the World”***

September 18-19, 2010 (Early Arrivals are Welcome)

*Reunion Theme: “Reconnect with Old Friends and Relive the Sweet  
Memories of Your Youth at CLSU”*

### Reunion Program Hotel and Lodging

The Reunion Program will be held at the South Point Hotel and Casino located in the Las Vegas Valley, just minutes from the “Center Strip.” Adjacent to Interstate 15, the hotel is only few minutes from McCarran International Airport. The South Point Hotel Las Vegas is one of the newest in Vegas and offers stunning, all new rooms and amenities.



South Point Hotel and Casino

### Hotel Contact Information:

South Point Hotel and Casino

9777 Las Vegas Boulevard South

Las Vegas, Nevada 89183

Toll-free: (866) 791-7626

Local Tel: (702) 796-7111

**Hotel Reservation (Guaranteed Group Rates):**

Friday, September 17, 2010, Deluxe Room, single or double occupancy - **\$85.00**

Saturday, September 18, 2010, Deluxe Room, single or double occupancy - **\$85.00**

Sunday – Thursday, Deluxe Room, single or double occupancy - **\$50.00/day**

Other user fees: Room tax-12%; in-room Internet/wireless-\$12.99/24 hours (if desired); fitness center-\$15/day (if desired); parking-complimentary.

**Please reserve your room as early as you can. The cut-off date for group rate reservation is August 27, 2010. To obtain the group rate, be sure to mention the CLSU International Group Reunion.**

**Airport Shuttle:**

Transportation using the airport shuttle from McCarran International Airport to South Point Hotel is complimentary. The shuttles are reserved for the use of hotel guests only. If you are planning to use the Airport Shuttle, please call 1-866-796-7111 for reservation at least 24 hours prior to arrival.

For additional information about the hotel, visit the South Point Hotel website at:  
[www.southpointcasino.com](http://www.southpointcasino.com)

**Registration and Reunion Program Tickets**

The Souvenir Program Committee is currently in the process of printing program tickets and registration form. These materials will be mailed separately to you soon. Please complete the registration form together with your payments for the program tickets and mail them to:

Ohma Bonzato-Viray  
CIAG Treasurer  
4524 Elwell Court  
Elk Grove, CA 95758  
Tel: (916)-897-9001  
[ohmaviray@aol.com](mailto:ohmaviray@aol.com)

Costs of program tickets are:

- a) Dinner & Dance Program on September 18, 2010 (South Point Hotel) - \$75/person
- b) Brunch on September 19, 2010 (Silverado Ranch Community Park) - \$20/person
- c) Business Meeting on September 18, 2010 (South Point Casino) – No charge

Please note that we need to confirm with the Hotel Catering Department the total number of participants attending the Dinner and Dance Program approximately 30 days before the event (August 18, 2010) and make full contract payment to the Hotel by August 27.

**Tentative Program**

**September 17, 2010 (Friday morning)** – The Reunion and Local Arrangements Committees and CIAG Officers are planning to have a breakfast planning meeting Friday morning. If you are already in town, you are welcome to join us in the meeting. We are planning to meet at the South Point Hotel Lounge and may have the informal breakfast meeting in one of its restaurants. Call any member of these committees or officers if you have any questions.

September 17, 2010 (Friday evening) – Some participants may be arriving already as early as Friday afternoon. For those of you who are arriving early there may be an informal gathering that night. The Reunion Committee is coordinating with the Local Arrangements Committee for an informal reception. It is either a get together at the South Point Casino Buffet Restaurant (KKB, aka Dutch Treat) or may be hosted by local Las Vegas CLSU alumni/friends at an alumni residence. Details will be provided later.

September 18, 2010 (Saturday)

Morning Program, General Assembly Meeting (South Point Casino – Sonoma A Conference Room, 8:30am to 12n)

- Registration
- General Assembly Meeting (see tentative agenda below)

Lunch Break at South Point Hotel Restaurant or other restaurants in town (KKB aka Dutch Treat).

Afternoon (Free Time)

- More Social/Fellowship
- Tour local attractions (Plan your own) or Group Trip to “Center Strip”
- Enjoy the amenities at South Point Casino (spa, pool, bowling, 16-screen Century Theater Movie Complex, casino games, etc.), or
- Just hang around and enjoy each others company

Evening Program, Dinner and Dance (South Point Hotel, Sonoma A & B Conference Room), 6:00pm to 12:30am)

- Registration, Social, and Cocktails (No-host bar available)
- Welcome and recognition of guests and participants
- Invocation
- Dinner
- Introduction of Guest Speaker(s)
- Inspirational Message(s)
- Recognition of Current Officers (outgoing, CY2008, CY2009 & CY2010)
- Presentation of Newly Elected Officers (incoming, CY2011 & CY2012). Formal induction of newly elected officers will be scheduled sometime in January 2011.
- Closing Remarks and Final Announcements
- Dance, Dance, Dance-till daylight do us part? (Local DJ – providing music).

Attire is semi-formal, preferably Barong Tagalog for men and evening dress/party dress for the ladies.

For your Vegas style dining enjoyment, CIAG has contracted with South Point Catering Department to serve its popular Dining Buffet selection “NAPA Valley.” Salad: spinach-Arugula salad with Cabernet vinaigrette; grilled eggplant; squash; Roma tomatoes, baby vegetable, Sonoma Valley Chicken and grape salad; and broccoli-raisin-sunflower salad. Entrees: dry rubbed and smoked baby back ribs; herb infused roast chicken; grilled rib-eye steak; Dijonaise halibut; fresh asparagus; baked potatoes with sour cream, bacon bits, shredded cheddar cheese and whipped butter. Desert: peach pie; apple pie; strawberry shortcake; baked French breads; brewed coffee/iced tea.

September 19, 2010 (Sunday, Silverado Ranch Community Park, 9:00am-3:00pm)

- CIAG “Pinoy Brunch” at the Silverado Ranch Community Park
- More Fellowship

- Concluding comments from officers/committee chairs
- Feedback from participants before adjournment
- 3:00 pm, 2010 CIAG Las Vegas Reunion official adjournment



The famous “Nanay Gloria’s” Letson in Vegas

Feeling nostalgic of missing Filipino food? No problem. CIAG has contracted with Nanay Gloria’s Filipino Specialty Restaurant to serve Filipino food during our Pinoy Brunch at the Park. Authentic Filipino food may include various “putahes” such as minudo, dinuguan, pansit, kaldereta, kare-kare, laing, pinakbet, sinigang, etc. Biko or ginatan for dessert. (DG Elegado aka Lakay and wife Ellie tentatively committed to donate one letson during the CIAG Brunch...thanks, Lakay)

### GUEST SPEAKERS

We initially sent an invitation to Dr. Ruben Sevilleja, CLSU President, to be our guest speaker during our Dinner and Dance program on Saturday night, September 18, 2010 and join us also in our General Assembly Meeting Saturday morning. Dr. Sevilleja positively responded on February 28, 2010 indicating that in principle, he is accepting the invitation subject to confirmation later. Hopefully, he will confirm his participation soon. Dr. Leo Abenes and wife Ning generously offered that Dr. and Mrs. Sevilleja could stay with them while they are in Las Vegas attending the event. (Thanks, Leo and Ning). California Interim Lt. Gov. Mona Pasquil, grand daughter of Filipino immigrants was also invited earlier and positively responded. We are now finalizing our formal invitation.



CLSU President Ruben Sevilleja



CA Lt. Gov. Pasquil

### GENERAL ASSEMBLY MEETING

During the General Assembly Meeting, several topics will be covered including:

- Special Presentation, Dr. Ruben Sevilleja, CLSU President (CIAG is still waiting for confirmation for his participation).
- Report from CIAG President, Val Pascual. Status of CIAG, accomplishments and future plans and directions.
- Report of Constitution and By-Laws Committee – This committee will present the latest revised version of CIAG’s Constitution and By-Laws for ratification by the general members. Rod Dioso chairs this Committee
- Report of Endowment Fund Committee – Status of Endowment Fund. This Committee is chaired by Dr. Ed Cabacungan.

- **Report of Alumni Homecoming and Reunion Committee – Participants’ Report of the 2010 CLSU Grand Alumni Homecoming; Update on the upcoming CIAG group trip and participation in the planned 2011 CLSU Grand Alumni Homecoming; plans for future CIAG Grand Reunions in USA and Canada. Chaired by Gerry Galinato. (See additional comments below.)\***
- **Election Committee: Election of the new sets of officers will take place in the general assembly meeting. The Election Committee will present slate of candidates for various positions in the organization and conduct the election. The newly elected officers will be presented during the Dinner Program. Formal induction of officers will take place sometime in January 2011. CIAG President Val Pascual recently appointed Mar Estioko, Lorie Malonzo, Ray Peralta, Rob Bugawan and Ohma Viray as members of the Committee. Please contact any member of the Election Committee if you are interested to run for office.**
- **Report of other standing committees as appropriate: Scholarship and Educational Programs Committee; Membership Committee; Finance Committee; Website and Publicity Committee; and others. Please visit our website for other listing of committees and current chairs: [www.clsuiag.org](http://www.clsuiag.org)**

**\*Dr. Zenaida Serna, Director of CLSU Alumni Relations Office (ARO), plans to participate in our CIAG Reunion in Las Vegas. We will ask Dr. Serna to brief us about the recently concluded and successful 2010 Grand CLSU Alumni Homecoming held on April 24<sup>th</sup> at CLSU campus. CIAG can also start discussing with Dr. Serna concerning our upcoming plans to participate in the CLSU Grand Alumni Homecoming in April 2011.**

### **CIAG 2010 Las Vegas Reunion Program Souvenir Book**

**The Souvenir Program Committee is currently accepting subscription to the Program Souvenir Book. Please consider buying a subscription to the Program Souvenir Book for your future reference, enjoyment and support to CIAG. The following are the rates of advertisements:**

- **Outside back page ..... \$200**
- **Inside front/back page..... \$150**
- **Inside full page..... \$100**
- **Half page..... \$ 60**
- **One-fourth page..... \$ 35**
- **Sponsor line name only..... \$ 25**

**Please refer to the solicitation letter sent to members in March 2010 for details. The letter is also posted at the CIAG website:**

**<http://www.clsuiag.org/pdf/CIAG%20Solicitation%20Letter%20030910.pdf>**

**You can contact any of the following committee members if you are interested to purchase an ad or have any questions:**

**Chair: Rodrigo Dioso, Jr., (408) 510-9969, [rdiosojr@yahoo.com](mailto:rdiosojr@yahoo.com)**  
**Members: Johnny Raniel, (408) 209-6236, [jrael@comcast.net](mailto:jrael@comcast.net)**  
**Ray Peralta, (408) 988-4709, [rayperalta16@aol.com](mailto:rayperalta16@aol.com)**  
**Ohma Viray, (916) 897-9001, [ohmaviray@aol.com](mailto:ohmaviray@aol.com)**

### HELP - Other Committees:

We are still creating other interim working committees to help in the planning, organizing and implementing the 2010 CIAG Reunion in Las Vegas (i.e. Registration, Decoration, Fund Raising, etc.). If you are interested in helping and serving in any committee, please let us know – *the CIAG Reunion Committee*

*For Questions and Comments, please contact any of the following Committee Members and Officers:*

### CIAG Alumni Reunion Committee:

Chair: Gerry Galinato, Boise, Idaho (208) 409-3100; Email: galinatoid@aol.com  
Members: Lorie S. Malonzo, Hercules, CA (510) 799-7700; Email: lsmalonzo@comcast.net  
Rodrigo Dioso, San Jose, CA (408) 510-9969; Email: rdiosojr@yahoo.com  
Norma B. Viray, Sacramento, CA (916) 897-9001; Email: ohmaviray@aol.com

### Local Arrangements Committee: (CLSU Alumni Residents of Las Vegas & Supporters)

Members: Angela and Rizalino Gaetos, Henderson, NV (702) 897-0559  
DG (Lakay) & Ellie Elegado, Las Vegas, NV (702) 429-9122  
Lito & Marie Baldazo, Las Vegas, NV (702) 202-0935  
Susan Rodriguez, Las Vegas, NV (702) 871-7613  
Vising Panahon, Las Vegas, NV (702) 432-8094  
Cesar Caindec, Henderson, NV (702) 260-1291  
Leo & Ning Abenes, Las Vegas, NV (702) 739-7939  
Pete & Lilia Lopez, Las Vegas, NV (telep. not available); lpetelopez@gmail.com  
Gloria and Ike Tan, Las Vegas, NV (702) 655-2881

### CIAG Officers, 2008-2010:

President: Val Pascual, Santa Clara, CA (408) 244-6967  
Vice-Pres: Rod Dioso, San Jose, CA (see above)  
Secretary: Floro, Gutierrez, Fremont, CA (510) 794-7599  
Treasurer: Norma Bonzato-Viray, Sacramento, CA (see above)

*Interim Newsletter Editor: Gerry Galinato*  
*Website & Publicity Committee: Chair - Rob Bugawan*

*Associate Editor: Norma-Bonzato Viray*  
*Vice Chair: Floro Gutierrez*

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