



## California Rare Fruit Growers San Diego Chapter Newsletter

**Thursday, August 23, 2007**  
**General Meeting: 7:00 – 7:30 pm**  
**Program: 7:40 pm – 8:30 pm**  
**Opportunity Drawing: 8:45 pm**

*The Year of the Mango*

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**Meeting Place**

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**Program: Celebrate the Fruit Festival!**

### FROM "EL PRESIDENTE"

CRFG San Diego Chapter THANK YOU VERY MUCH!!

Blessed by beautiful weather, high attendance, informative presentations, many plants to purchase and a great activity were only some of the highlights of the Festival. But most important was seeing the volunteers make the Festival happen.

The Festival was brought together by an amazing group of volunteers who work hard for many, many hours for over 7 months of brainstorming, intensive planning meetings, and a collaborative partnership between our two Chapters to carry off this huge event. I saw many of you go beyond what we had originally asked to help during the Festival. I heard wonderful stories from the people attending the Festival, telling me how they were helped by our volunteers and how they saw volunteers scurry like ants to make the much-heralded event a bigger and better event. Your efforts meant so much to many; you did not go unnoticed.

I worked on the 1998 Festival of Fruit. This year's Festival was an absolutely amazing experience for me by the type and quality work that our volunteers did. Some were long time CRFG members, and many new ones - all with a diverse skills and expertise who believe in the spirit of the Festival, and without them, we never could have pulled it off.

We would like to invite you to celebrate the success of the festival by recognizing all of our volunteers and those who went beyond the "call of duty". Come and join us for some ice cream and mangos and to say thank you to those who made this event possible and so successful.

Please take a look at this website where some fantastic photos of the Festival were posted. If you have Festival photos to share, please bring them to the meeting. <http://www.flickr.com/photos/joesabol/sets/72157601469078993/>

We are soliciting your comments on how we can continuously improve for the future Festival. Let us know what you liked and what areas need improvement on 3x5 cards we'll provide at the meeting.

Thank you to our volunteers for making the 2007 Festival of Fruit an amazing success!

**El Presidente, José**

