



President's Message

We are all aware of the importance of food to our culture. In Canada and the United States, we are fortunate to have foods from every part of the world. This enriches the culture of our respective countries.

As the holidays approach, we all have our various traditions – they seem to differ from house to house. My daughter told me yesterday that her favourite part of the season is being able to get Clementine oranges from Spain or Morocco. I look forward to the turkey dinner and all of the trimmings. I befriended a young student from Hong Kong who is going to come and make me a traditional Chinese meal. I have learned a lot from him as he is learning a bit of my culture and language from me.

In our line of work, we have to be sensitive to all of the cultures we encounter – and what a great opportunity for us to learn and perhaps embrace some new traditions.

We have had a challenging year (what a surprise), but we have shown that we can accept the challenges and learn from each other when we are open to the opportunities.

Happy Holidays.

Sincerely,

Dan Plunkett
President



CASA -NFC 2009 Holiday Meeting Chef's Restaurant – Buffalo, NY

CASA - NFC 2009 **Holiday** Training Meeting

It is that time again to get together during the holiday season to meet with our fellow members of the NFC. This year, we will be holding the meeting at Chef's Restaurant located in Buffalo, NY.

There will be a variety of presentations by government and industry members.

WHERE

Chef's Restaurant
291 Seneca Street
Buffalo, NY
14204
(716) 856-9187
<http://www.ilovechefs.com>

WHEN

Friday, December 11, 2009
11:00 a.m.

COST

\$20 USD

LUNCH

Rigatoni
Oven-roasted potatoes
Banquet-cut Italian sausage with onions and peppers
Chicken Parmesan
Vegetable medley
(Served family style.)



PLEASE RSVP BY FRIDAY, DECEMBER 4th TO:

Dan Plunkett
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HAPPY

HOLIDAYS!!!