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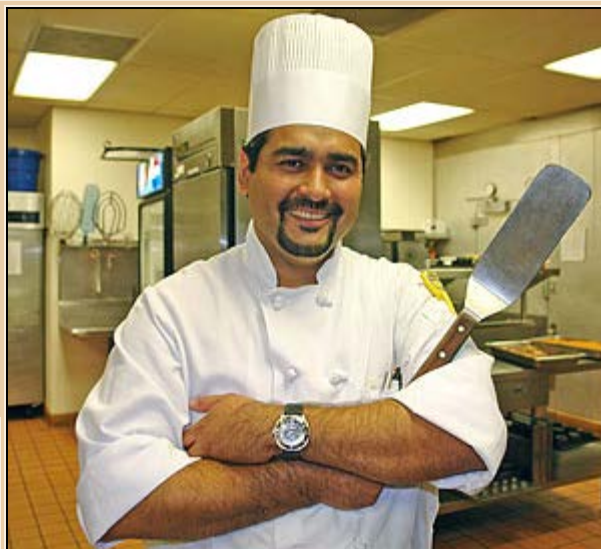
New manager Jose Muniz takes charge; Russell Carlson takes a bow.



Taking the cake: Diana Estrada, foreground, welcomes Manager Jose Muniz to Metro Cafe while Rubi DePompa bids farewell to departing manager, Russell Carlson, center right. Aramark District Manager Ruben Crane, at right, rear, treated Metro employees to congratulatory cake baked in honor of Carlson.



Carlson and Muniz hand out slices of cake to many well-wishers who stopped by to give their best regards. Carlson put a year in at Metro, joining Metro Cafe last June after managing the cafeteria at the



Save room for the ravalis: Chef Eddie Garcia's specialty is Italian food. Chef Garica is already drawing

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| Los Angeles times. | aves for the main menu presentation, the perfectly seasoned roasted vegetables and the tasty, hearty soup. |
| The Scoop: | |
| Russell Carlson: After nearly 30 years in the food service industry, Carlson is heading to the hills of Echo Park to spend some quality time with his children "while they're still children:" 8-year-old Jacqueline and 18-month-old son, Shawn. | Manager Jose Muniz: He just flew in from managing the cafeteria of the aerospace giant Boeing facility in Anaheim. He's been with Aramark for 10 1/2 years. A newlywed, Muniz lives with his wife Ileana in Hawthorne. |
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