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Dear enthusiastic Khobor readers!

My deep gratitude to all of you for hanging in there patiently while yours truly stirred his way out of a world of lethargy and rust to place before you this summer edition of your fav newsletter – a blockbuster of words and pictures of winter frolic and spring stirrings from the heart and summer games in the outdoors! Not to mention of exciting times ahead and beyond! We are, needless to say, **a community for all seasons!**

We celebrated Winter with a Goan romp in the snow! Bringing typical Goan laughter, sun, sand and palm trees to the Arctic world....



Need I say more?



We celebrated spring with stirrings from the heart! Slipping into our work boots, arming ourselves with hardhats, and strapping on our work belts, we spiced the Edmonton Habitat for Humanity movement with some true Goan compassion! A special “thank you” to all those members who donated food items so generously! All this made for a sumptuous lunch much appreciated by the Habitat folks as is evident from the “Thank You” card appearing elsewhere in this letter.....



See what I mean?



We celebrated summer with our natural love of sunshine and warmth and, in defiance of those swarms of stinging critters and the wet stuff, we kicked the ball and played our games with traditional Goan gusto and feasted joyously in typical Goan fashion!



What else can I say!

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And the beat goes on.....We will celebrate Fall with a spectacular GOAFEST, "Fall for Goa" on October 15 - a cultural extravaganza! Details to follow! And voila! - Back comes Mr. Winter with his gifts of snow and ice and frost... and Christmas! Feast of St. Francis Xavier- Mass, a Celebration of Giving, a potluck dinner -you guessed it - details will follow! Yes, surely, a club for all seasons!



And now, we interrupt this letter to bring you a word from the prez

What an amazing year so far! Our Winterfest was a huge hit and we had a lot of fun frolicking in the snow! Our sports day was so much fun despite the overcast day. Of course the 2 badminton sessions we had were awesome as well! All those who volunteered to build or make lunch for habitat for humanity did an incredible job! I am so grateful that our committee is so organized and eager for each event. Everyone has done such an incredible job! Of course all those who have attended the EGA functions with your awesome enthusiasm made them successful!

Now we need to get our energy going once again for Goafest, it is coming up quickly. So if you and/or your children are interested in participating in performances, please let a committee member know as soon as possible, as practices will be starting right away.

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See you October 15th!

Sophia Lobo
President



We continuewith the lives and times of our community.....

Arrivals

Gary and Andrea Picardo announce the birth of their baby girl, Everly, in July. Congrats to the grandparents , Patrick and Dorothy.

Terry and Jenine Foster announce the birth of their baby boy, Dylan Terry Foster, in August. Congrats to Grandparents Angelo and Kamala, Uncle Vijay and Aunt Anisha

Departures

May they rest in Peace.....

Joan Aggarwal, wife of Pavan, and mother of Aaron (Jojí) and Ashley.

Ivone Filomena Paes, mother of Erwin, mother-in-law of Maureen, grandmother of Alayna and Carina.

Cremina Barreto, mother of Maria de Lourdes Moniz , mother-in-law of Heriberto , and grandmother of Nadine, Ralph and Simone.

Attachments

Wedding Bells for Christina Misquitta and Rio Gonsalves



Detachments

A letter from Maurice and Joanita (Jane) Fernandes:

“We want to wish you a fond farewell!

Dear friends of the Edmonton Goan Association:

After residing in Edmonton and being a part of the EGA for a very long time, we have decided that it was time to finally move and retire to the Coast, BC.

We want to thank the EGA for the good times and pleasant memories which will accompany and stay with us for a long time.

We have no doubt that, with the passion, enthusiasm, level of talent and remarkable commitment of the Executive Committee and its members, the EGA will continue to be a meeting place for the enjoyment and fellowship of its members and guests.

Keep up the good work - and continued success with all the events!

Bye for now! “

Maurice and Jane: The EGA thanks you for your deep commitment to the EGA cause from the time you helped in its foundation to the present. Thanks for the memories! We wish you a happy retirement! - The ED.



Achievements

A letter from a member of the EGA:

“PATRICK PICARDO, a long-time member of the EGA, is and has been, since 1995, involved with the Knights of Columbus (a Catholic Men`s Organization). He served as

Grand Knight of the St. Christopher Council, and soon after, in recognition of his outstanding service, was appointed District Deputy - an official representative of

the Alberta State Deputy and the Supreme Knight, based in Connecticut, USA.

You will be pleased to know that Patrick is the recipient of the following awards:

-District Deputy Of The Year Award for Alberta and NWT from the State Deputy.

-New Council Development Award from the Supreme Knight.

-New Council Award from the State Deputy for AB and NWT.

-Family Of The Year Award from the Supreme Knight.

-Star District Award for Outstanding Achievement from the Supreme Knight.

Congratulations Patrick! Your hard work, dedication and commitment has paid off - very well deserved! Wish you many more successes in life.

***Congratulations** to Kristin Gonsalves and Ethan Thomas who graduated from high school this past June.*



Updates

- Ah! Those pesky by-laws! We have made a number of minor edits to make the by-laws more workable and yes, we drafted and inserted a clause regarding the Caretaker Committee. There are still one or two points which Committee members brought up in our discussions which need to be addressed. We will keep you informed when we've finally dotted our "i's" and crossed our "t's"!
- The response to the New Year's questionnaire was very poor so the event will not be held this year!

Reminders

- If you're interested in advertising in the Khobor the rates are as follows:

SIZE	MEMBER	NON-MEMBER
Business Card	\$25	\$50
Half Page	\$50	\$100
Full Page	\$100	\$150

- **If you are or your friend is interested in advertising in the GOAFEST program, the above rates will apply. Gift donations are also most welcome!**
- Make sure you've paid your annual dues! It makes it easier to plan and accomplish our program of events!

And the final word.....

Every day is a Gift, that's why they call it the present!

And that brings us to the end of the letter, folks! I hope you enjoyed it!

SAUD!!! - The ED.

