

CARNIVAL

TEGSA celebrated Carnival with all its splendor on Feb. 13, 2015 at the Commander Hall.

The host for the evening was Austin Pinto who defined the word 'Carnival' for us which means 'to take away meat' an expression of the 40-day period of fasting for Lent and abstinence from meat.

The Carnival kicked with a blast with the entrance of legendary King Momo (Glenn Stanley) and his Queen (Vilma Noronha) together with their family. His Majesty then read his proclamation of 'susegad' to his subjects. This was then followed by Nestekaram(Kunbi dance) and Couridinho (Portuguese dance). The dancing depicted the tradition and culture of our Goans in a unique way. Thanks to Effie and Derrick Coelho.

How can we forget Bebdo - drunkard husband (Menino Vaz) and his wife (Effie Coelho) enacting to the lyrics of the song when Bebdo tells his wife " if you don't give me a drink, I will break your head with this bottle")

In commemoration of the oncoming Valentine's Day, the committee brought beautiful bouquets of chocolate roses wrapped in red foil and handed them to all the men to offer it to their spouses or their loved one. All single ladies were invited to the floor to Beyonce's tune of "All the Single Ladies" and Bel Remedios and Paul Madeira handed them the chocolate roses.

The grace before meals was said by Cecilia Coutinho and the caterer was David Correia.

Needless to say, it was a colorful evening of masked revelers, gorgeous costumes, on the spot jokes, singing and dancing to DJ Nasim, bingo, and finally the closing ' thank you' by President Bel Remedios.

Three cheers to the committee – come snow or rain they are always on the GO.

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