

Dear Members, greetings from your Executive Committee.

By the time you read this newsletter, we will be in Summer mode and ready to pursue all that we have planned for the weeks ahead. We have a few events that have been planned for this time of the year and want to bring you up to speed on the same.

Saturday, July 19th around the noon hour:

Bowling outing at Lucky Strike Entertainment (formerly Bowlero) in Tyson's Galleria mall. Manoel, your VP will share more details closer to the event. Please email the president or contact Manny directly if you are interested in this fun outing.

Saturday, August 16th around 2.00 pm at Rio in Gaithersburg:

The long awaited showing of the acclaimed Konkani movie "**Nachom-ia Kumpasar**". This is brought to us through the tireless efforts of Harriet who is in the process of finalizing the details. I will share the flyer when available so members can register and pay for their tickets. Let us support this very noble cause of recognizing Goa's unforgettable unsung music icons who have brought so much joy to our lives. This is a not to be missed one time opportunity.

Sunday, August 24th:

Our very own traditional picnic at Cabin John Shelter. This year we will celebrate the 25th anniversary of world Goa Day in support of this global movement and in solidarity with Goans worldwide. The flyer with picnic details will be uploaded to the website shortly.

Saturday, December 6th:

Feast of St. Francis Xavier at St. Timothy's Church in Centreville, VA.

This may come to many of you as a surprise with the venue change. Your executive committee went to great lengths to try and block the usual venue but without success. We then tried several other possible venues in MD but were told they were not available for either Saturday or Sunday, the day we always choose to celebrate the feast. Finally, we managed St. Timothy's and that too could only block it for Saturday.

There will be no change in how we celebrate the feast apart from it being in VA this time around.

My committee wishes you all an enjoyable and safe Summer. Please stay cool and hydrated as we expect scorching Temps in the weeks ahead

Sincerely,

Rabbie Godinho.

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