

Canada Rongali Bihu celebration



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Rongali or Bohag Bihu marks the coming of spring and beginning of a new year. This festival also signifies fun, prosperity and growth. During this joyous spring season, the traditional Assamese Bihu is being celebrated regionally at different cities throughout North America.

Assam Association of Alberta hosted the community event in Calgary, a fast growing cowboy town of the western Canada. On April 12 with much fanfare at the Scandinavian Cultural Centre about 17 families including 45 adults graced the occasion. There were guests from Edmonton and Red Deer as well.

The event started with meet and greet session . Then the people relished Jolpan which included doi, bora chaol, gur, cream along with different pithas and laroos. After that Assam Association of Alberta continued with a annual general body meeting . Than the new committee was formed for 2014-2015.

In the evening after a short tea break, activities resumed with the days attraction - the cultural show. The function began with the Assamese Anthem - O Mur Apunaar Desh. The cultural show started with a entertaining Bihu dance by the kids - Ivy, Dhruv, Heeya, Rivan and Shivan. Then scintillating bollywood dance was presented by Maya Dutta Boruah. Modern Assamese Dance was performed by Arnav and Omkar. Then much awaited Bhaona "Xokunir Pratishud" was presented by the members. The Bhaona was written and edited by Ashwini Sharma. The Bhaona was initiated and assisted by Geetashree Apte and Shanaz Rahman. Abhishruti Boruah did the sound mixing. All the members contributed in making the costumes and getup.

Kudos to all the children and all the members of Assam Association of Alberta and the guests for the day. We are grateful to all the food volunteers who brought home cooked delicacy to the event to share with the community. Without such community volunteers, we cannot successfully host such an event





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