

THURSDAY, MARCH 12, 2009

## EVE DUQUE REIGNS



Escort Maury Duque and Queen Eve Duque decked in leis from friends accept congratulations after the ceremonies from July DeVirgilio .

The spotlight shone and radiated brightly on Eve Duque. She reigned and was crowned HBDA's 2009 Telemark Queen at the Palladium on March 7. Her husband, Maury, held the honor of being her comely escort.

Eve's Royal Court proudly boasted their family pride and ties with their five participating grandchildren: Paliku Winchester and Kamaile Maeda carried the Telemark Queen's flag; Waipehe Winchester became the royal scepter bearer; Laakea Maeda was the flower girl; Pikai Winchester was the crown bearer.

Telemarks is the organization which all HBDA instructors belong to. Eve and Maury became Telemark members in 1997 and joined the rank of Rotating Instructors. Today, they contribute their talents by teaching, choreographing routine formations for students, and being the official publishers and printer of HBDA newsletters, student/membership cards, event tickets, and programs. Maury is also an Assistant Dance Director.

Jack Legal executed his MC talents as well as ever. Paul Billington, President, presented the opening message. Karen Kotake, outgoing Telemark Queen and her escort, John Kotake, danced a beautiful and dramatic Viennese Waltz. Karen wore a gown beautifully accented with gold.

The Parade of 56 Telemark Instructors followed with very special live vocals by Solana Higa and Bernadette Pedro. The Queen's Court entry and the Crowning Ceremony followed. This was followed by Eve and Maury who elegantly and gracefully danced the waltz to the music, "Sam," choreographed by Peggy Freeman. Eve's gown was a full skirted with a beautifully decorated blinged bodice.

Dance Exhibitions graced the floor with solos by: Romeo and Miriam Quemado (bolero); Albert Lui and Sheu Weng (international fox trot); Mike Agor and Marcia Sorbo (cha cha); Mel Camat and Susan Masumoto (Tango). A Telemark Group Medley Formation (waltz, samba, swing hustle, rumba, cha cha) choreographed by Lucas Jamie and Yanna Samkova involving 11 couples capped the exhibitions and entertainment section.

Ben Agbayani, Dance Director, delivered the closing message. Henry Lee dutifully carried out the DJ duties.

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