

The Associated Newspapers of Ceylon Ltd. (Lake House) felicitated staffers who had completed 35 and 25 years of service at the Hotel Taj Samudra last week.



25 YEARS' SERVICE

Seated (first row): S. G. Mahipala (Building & Maintenance), E. B. A. Fernando (Personnel), Dr. R. L. W. Kogalage (Chief Technology Officer), Rohana Ariyaratne (CAO), Kamal Wijesuriya (DGM - Printing & Maintenance), Abhaya Amaradasa (General Manager), Upul Dissanayake (Director operations), Nihal Ratnaik (Director

Editorial), Bandula Padmakumara (Chairman & Managing Director), Shan Shanmuganathan (Director Finance), Rasanga Harischandra (Director Admin & Legal), Mrs. K. H. Gunawardena (Company Secretary), Mrs. D. C. C. Galagedera (HD/P&HRD), W. H. Mallawarachchi (Advertising Unit 1), W. G. Fernando (Circulation Dept.), A. D. R. Gunasekera (Advertising Unit 2), Mrs. A. P. Mahakumara (Front Office).

(Second row): H. J. Hewapana (Kreeda editorial), H. Udaya (Admin. Operations), W. W. Piyadasa (Transport), P. H. Premaratne (Production), W. P. Wilson (VDT editorial), S. S. Jayasekera (Production), A. B. M. M. Abayasekera (Circulation), A. G. Vithanage (Rotary Press), H. T. J. Peiris (Rotary Press), G. R. J. P. Gunawardena (Purchasing), A. A. N. Ananda (Foreign News), K. A. L. Ratnasuriya (VDT editorial), A. Sudasinghe (Circulation), W. A. Premawardena (Admin. Operations), E. A. N. L. T. Edirisinghe (Sarasaviya editorial), K. E. S. Sumanaweera (Stores).

(Third row): B. St. G. O. Gunaratne (Sunday Observer editorial), R. M. A. Somaratne (Transport), R. M. S. Rajapakse (Advertising Unit 4), W. K. Mendis (Silumina editorial), W. K. V. Premalal (Internal Audit), J. M. R. Jayaweera (Dinamina editorial), R. P. S. Rajapakse (Accounts), A. D. Balasuriya (VDT editorial), D. L. Ranjith (Editorial Administration), S. A. R. T. Wimalasuriya (Security), W. A. L. Fernando (Building & Maintenance), K. S. Jayathilake (Transport), B. A. H. A. Peiris (Purchasing), H. B. Sunil (Cash), U. L. S. Fernando (Production), K. K. Harischandra (Dinamina editorial), W. K. W. Pushpakumara (Rotary Press).

(Fourth row): J. K. W. Jayawardena (Despatch), K. M. C. Somasiri (Silumina editorial), G. G. R. Gunaratne (Transport), D. K. S. Disanayake (Advertising Unit 2), S. M. Premakumara (Production), H. B. M. J. W. Herath (Transport), D. S. S. Jinawansa (Advertising Unit), H. U. C. Alwis (Production), W. W. C. T. Fernando (Transport), S. P. M. Sirisuriya (Production), P. M. Jayawardena (Production), S. W. Wickramasinghe (Transport), W. D. Nihal (Electro Mechanical), P. A. De Silva (Production), E. Chandrasiri (Circulation), H. D. Jedin (Transport).



35 YEARS' SERVICE

Seated from left (First row): Mrs. G. M. F. S. Perera (Admin. Operations) - (35 years), R. A. Wimalasena (Transport) - (35 years), Karunadasa Sooriyaarachchi (Editor Silumina), K. G. S. Gammie (Despatch) - (35 years), Upul Dissanayake (Director Operations), Nihal Ratnayake (Director Editorial), Bandula Padmakumara (Chairman & Managing Director), Shan Shanmuganathan (Director Finance), Rasanga Harischandra (Director Admin & Legal), Mrs. M. L. C. M. Jayasooriya (Editorial Admin - Chairman's Office) - (35 years), K. W. Upali (Advgt. Unit 4) - (35 years), Mahinda Abeysundara (Editor Dinamina).



A new branch of Sainsbury Pawning Centre, a sister company of Crown Group of Companies was opened at Gannoruwa, Peradeniya recently. Here the chief guest, Central Province Superintendent of Police Sisira Weerakoon, and the special guest Head of the Peradeniya Dental Faculty, Prof. Prasad Amarathunga special guest, cut the ribbon to open the shop. Managing Director, Crown Group, Lt. Comd. Ajith Kangaraarachchi, Ven. Lagamuwe Somananda Thera and Branch Manager, Premadasa Kangaraarachchi look on.



The first *Isuru Udana* Account Unit of the Ganemulla People's Bank branch was opened at Kendaliyadda Paluwa Malitha Pre-School recently. Here the Principal Mrs. Ratna Kanthi Perera unveils the nameboard while Gampaha People's Bank Regional Office Business Promotion Officer, R.U.W.K. Dissanayake Branch Manager Mrs. Kamani Hapurarachchi and Assistant Manager, A.W. Ajith Premakumara look on.

Pic. Malawana G. Cor. Mahanama Vithanage



Silumina Editor-in-Chief Karunadasa Suriyarachchi hands over a copy of his latest Sinhala novel entitled *Kalu Donkara* to Defence Secretary, Gotabhaya Rajapaksa at his office. Director General of the Media Centre for National Security, Lakshman Hulugalla, Defence Ministry Additional Secretary, B.K.U.E. Wickramasingha and publisher Dayawansa Jayakody look on.



A *Bajan*, jointly organised by the Lake House Hindu Mandram and the All Ceylon Baghavan Sathiya Sai Seva Samithi, Barnes Place, Colombo was held at the All Ceylon Hindu Congress (ACHC), Sir Chittampalam A. Gardiner Mawatha, Colombo 2, on Maha Sivarathri.

Pic: A. Maduraveeran



The Chairman and Managing Director of the Peumi Pharma Group of Companies, Moratuwa Tennyson Peiris, one of the leading pharmaceutical importers and distributors receives the GSK award from the Sales Administration and Service Manager, GSK Denzil Perera at an awards ceremony at the Hilton Hotel recently.



Buddhist Ladies' College, Colombo 7 held the sports meet recently at NCC Grounds. Here the members of the Board of Management Mohanlal de Mel, Deepthi de Mel and the Chief Executive Officer Kithsiri Rathnayake conduct the chief guest Secretary to the Ministry of Sports and Public Recreation S. Liyanagamage to the venue. The Deputy Principal of the College Mrs. P. Jayasooriya, Consultant Mrs. D. Dharmarathna, Senior Assistant Teacher Mrs. Kumari Silva and the sectional heads follow behind.



Purawalar Puththaka Poonga to mark the International Women's Day launched four books by four women authors at the Tamil Sangam auditorium, in Wellawatte recently. Here Mrs. Mariam Sulaiba Hashim Omar receives the first copy of the book authored by Ms. Arayur Thamarai. Ms. Suganthi Rajakulendran and Ms Gnanam Gnanasekaran are also in the picture.

Pic: Ruzaik Farook

TVS Lanka Limited introduced TVS King, a new three-wheeler model to the market recently. OSEDHA TVS, the pioneer TV sales outlet was appointed the TVS King agent for Avissawella. Here OSEDHA TVS Managing Director, Gammie Jayaratna and the Operations and Spare Parts Manager TVS Lanka Limited, Lalantha Vikumsiri hand over the sales documents to the first buyer of TVS King. Marketing and Commercial Manager, TVS Lanka Ltd., Prasanna Waitiyaratna is also in the picture. (LSAW)

Obtains her PG at South Australia

Pamoda Divakara Mohotti of Kalutara completed her post graduation in "Education early childhood" at the University of South Australia recently.

Pamoda, who holds a Bachelor of Arts degree of the Kelaniya University obtained her Diploma in Journalism and English earlier, is an old girl of Siriseewaly, Kalutara Balika, Anula V., Horana Taxila and Sirimavo Bandarayanaya Vidyalayas. Pamoda is the



only daughter of Kalabhushana, media personnel D.M. Divakara Mohotti and late teacher Kalyani Mohotti of Alwiswatta Kalutara.

Moratuwa Elders' Home is 90



Some keep themselves engaged in their familiar vocations.

The Home for Elders, Moratuwa, managed by the Moratuwa Social Service Society completes ninety years this week.

The Home with Hendrik de Mel as Founder President was established on 27 March, 1920 with seven destitute elders when it was then known as "Copleston Home". Gradually dormitories and other buildings began to be gifted by philanthropists and today the Home consists of 05 dormitories and provide a haven for 145 (43 men and 102

women) destitute older persons both male and female, providing loving care for 7091 to-date.

The management has decided to observe the 90th anniversary with Seth Pirith, Dharmadeshana and praise and thanksgiving service on that day.

The management makes an appeal for contributions in cash or in kind. The contributions in kind could be sugar, tea leaves, dhal, and soap washing powder, pampers, coloured bed sheets and pillow cases.

EVENTS

Krishnamurti talk

A recorded public talk on "The nature, depth and beauty of death," delivered by the late Indian philosopher J. Krishnamurti will be replayed at the Public Library auditorium, Colombo 7 today, at 10.30 a.m.

It is organised by the Krishnamurti Centre, Sri Lanka Inc.

AGM today

The Annual General Meeting of the Nalanda Junior Old Boys' Association under the patronage of the Additional Secretary, Ministry of Education and former Principal, Nalanda College Hemantha Premathilake will be held at the Colombo New Town Hall, today March 21 at 2.00 p.m.

Matara Convent AGM

The Past Pupils' Association of the Convent of Mary Immaculate, Matara (Colombo branch) will hold its 37th Annual General Meeting on Saturday, March 27 at 12.00 noon at the Peach Valley Chinese Restaurant, Flower Road, Colombo 7, followed by lunch. New members will be enrolled on that day.



The book titled *Yaripanthu Neervalam* (Water Resources in Jaffna), written by Nadasanapathy was launched at Deshiya Kalai Peravai auditorium, Wellawatta, Colombo 6 recently. Here a copy is being presented by Dr. C. Sivasekaran to Mrs. Vijitha Rajasekaran.

Pic: A. Maduraveeran