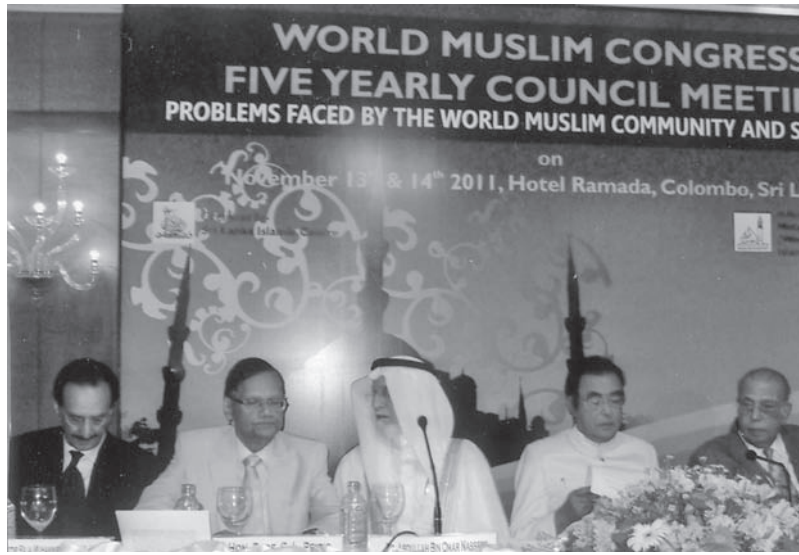




The 147th birth anniversary commemoration of Srimate Anagarika Dharmapala, founder of the Mahabodhi Society was held recently at the Mahabodhi Society of Sri Lanka headquarters. Prime Minister D.M. Jayaratna was the chief guest. Founder of the Lyceum International Schools and the Mohan Lal Grero Foundation's Mohan Lal Grero was honoured for his service to uplift the quality education and for pioneering English Medium teaching in the country. Here Grero receives the award from the President of Mahabodhi Society Ven. Banagala Upathissa Thera.



The Sri Lanka Islamic Centre in association with the Motamar Al Alam Al Islami (World Muslim Congress) organised a two-day conference at the Hotel Ramada recently. Here the chief guest Prime Minister D.M. Jayaratne, Foreign Minister Prof. G.L. Peiris, Senior Vice President, World Muslim Congress and Sri Lanka Islamic Centre Chairman M.H. Mohamed, President Dr. Abdullah Bin Omar Naseef and Secretary General Raja Muhammed Zafar Ul Haq at the conference.

Pic: Ruzaik Farook



Central Provincial Councillor and Chairperson Shramashakthi Organisation Mrs. Shanthini Kongahage donated goats to unemployed persons in Ganga Ihala Korale, in Nawalapiyita to launch self-employment projects. Here Mrs. Kongahage and Ganga Ihala Korala Pradeshiya Sabha member Sunil Priyathana, M.H.M. Naizer and Pasbage Korala Pradeshiya Sabha members Mahinda Gunasekera and Riswan, Leslie participated in the ceremony.



A debating contest organised by the Youth Affairs Ministry among schools in the Colombo district was held recently at the Youth Theatre, Maharagama in which 24 schools took part. Dharmapala Vidyalaya became champions and carried away prizes worth Rs. 75,000. Here Youth Affairs and Skills Development Minister presents a set of books to Principal K.G. Wimalasena. Secretary to the Ministry S.S. Hewapathirana was also present.

Pic: Wehelle Piyathilake, Maharagama Spl. Cor.



The provincial media personnel of Maharagama were felicitated at the annual literary Festival organised by the Maharagama Urban Council recently. Here the Deputy Chairman of the UC Sunil Kodithuwakku presents an award to veteran photographer Saranapala Pemunuwa of Rivira, Chairman of the UC Kanthi Kodikara also seen in the picture.

Pic: Wehelle Piyathilake, Maharagama Spl. Cor.



Arunasalam Balraj, Director of the Toastmasters Club International has been conferred with the title Sahithya Award for the services rendered by him in social and cultural activities by the Ministry of Education, Central Province. Here the Chief Minister Sarath Ekanayake presents the award to Balraj, while Deputy Minister Economic Development Muthu Sivalingam and other Ministry officials look on.



Sports Minister Mahindananda Aluthgamage laid the foundation stone for the Uva Provincial Sports complex at Vincent Dias Stadium, Badulla recently. Here Irrigation and Water Resources Management Minister Nimal Siripala de Silva donates a shield to Foreign Employment Promotion Minister Dilan Perera.

Pic: Badulla South Group Cor. - G.P.A. Weerasuriya



The launching ceremony of the book *Nishanthaye Sankalana*, authored by Miss Anula Kahandagamage was held at Zahira College, Colombo recently, organised by the All Ceylon Union of Teachers (ACUT), to mark International Teachers' and the International Children's Day. Here the author presents the maiden copy to Education Minister Bandula Gunawardana while President ACUT, Gerard Fernando looks on.

Pic: A. Maduraveeran



The new Mega Wasana draw for savings accounts was held by the Minuwangoda branch of the Bank of Ceylon at the branch recently. Here the Manager K.A. Wijesinghe explains the Mega Wasana draw. Bank officers and customers are also in the picture.

Pic: Ivon Nissanka, Divulapitiya Gr. Cor.



An award and felicitation ceremony for scholarship students of Zahira College, Colombo was held under the patronage of Industry and Commerce Minister Rishad Bathiudeen at the College hall recently. Here a student receives his medal from the Minister while the Principal, M.H.M. Jiffry looks on.

Pic: A. Maduraveeran



Mr. Novice Body Building Championship organised by the Sri Lanka Body Building and Fitness Federation was held at the New Town Hall, Ananda Coomaraswamy Mawatha, Colombo 7 recently. Here the participants in action.

Pic: A. Maduraveeran



A *Sisu Udana* Savings Unit of the People's Bank branch, Modera, Colombo 15 was opened at St. Anthony's College, Mahawatta, Colombo 14 recently. Here the Bank Manager K. Rangala hands over a savings account book to a student. Regional Manager Piyatissa Kodikara, Assistant Manager Neil Kodikara and the staffers look on.

Pic: A. Maduraveeran



A shramadana campaign organised by the Old Boys' Association of Sri Sumanajothi College, Ingiriya was held at the college recently. Here a section of the group cleaning the compound. President of OBA Janak Abeyrathna and Secretary, Vijitha Ramawikrama also participated.

Pic: Ingiriya Central Gr. Cor. Priyadarshani Kahawala



The 41st International White Cane Day was held recently at the Public Library, Colombo. Here the chief guest, Deputy Minister of Social Services Chandrasiri Sooriyaarachchi presents a cassette radio to a mother of a vision impaired student. The ceremony was organised by the Sri Lanka Council for the Blind.

Pic: Wehelle Piyathilake, Maharagama Spl. Cor.



The latest set of books by retired teacher-instructor, Milton Maddumage, Kadupul and Goyam Kumari were launched at the Guru Gedara Books Ceremony recently. Here the author presents the first set of copies to G.A. Matupema.

Pic: Priyadarshani Kahawala - Ingiriya Central Gr. Cor.



A ceremony to commemorate the founder of the 'Munidas Wickramanayaka Scholarship Foundation' was held at the Randara Reception Hall recently. Here the portrait of the founder is being garlanded by Minister of Good Governance and Infrastructure Facilities Ratnasiri Wickramanayaka and Kalutara district Parliamentarian Vidura Wickramanayaka.

Pic: Ingiriya Central Gr. Cor. Priyadarshani Kahawala



Former Sri Lanka envoy to Saudi Arabia and Chairman of China Fort Mosque Society, Alhaj Nowfel S. Jabir, Chairman, Urban Council, Beruwala, Milfer Caffoor, Hajiyani Fowziya Nowfel Jabir, Hajiyani Rafeeka Naleem being conducted to the venue of the Prayer Hall and renovated Library of Naleem Hajiyar Ladies' College, China Fort, Beruwala recently. Principal Noor Haleema Najibdeen is also in the picture.

Pic: B.M. Mukthar, Beruwala Spl. Cor.

## EVENTS

### "Green Flash 2011"

"Green Flash 2011", a get-together and musical evening organised by the 92 Group of Isipathana College, Colombo will be held at Shalika Hall, Narahenpita on November 26, from 7 p.m. The event is coordinated by Nilanga (0772057166) and Upul (0714762393).

### RASSL lecture tomorrow

Dr. Jomo Kwame Sundaram, Assistant Secretary-General for Economic Development of the United Nations will deliver a public lecture on 'A National Development Strategy for Sri Lanka? It is organised by the Royal Asiatic Society of Sri Lanka (RASSL)' tomorrow at 5 p.m. at the Gamini Dissanayake auditorium, Ananda Coomaraswamy Mawatha, Colombo 7.

### Krishnamurthi talk

A recorded public talk on "Can our minds be in disorder create order?" delivered by the late Indian sage 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.

### Devians' Back to School on Nov 26

Back to School, a get-together organised by the Junior Past Pupils' Association of Devi Balika Vidyalaya will be held at the school premises on Saturday, November 26 from 9.00 a.m.

### 'Law Week' exhibition on Nov 26

The Bar Association of Sri Lanka (BASL) will hold the 'Law Week' 2011 Exhibition cum Legal Aid Clinics under the theme 'The role of the Lawyer towards national peace and harmony' on Saturday Nov 26 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. to provide the public with an opportunity to obtain free legal advice from eminent lawyers at the court premises, Hulftsdorp St. Colombo 12.

A special awareness program on 'Traffic Laws' will be conducted by the City Traffic Police, at the exhibition from 10.30 a.m. to 1.00 p.m.

## OFFICE-BEARERS

### Sri Lanka Federation of University Women

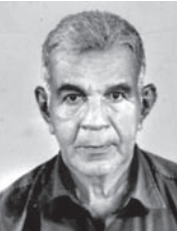
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### The Junior Old Students' Association of Moratuwa Maha Vidyalaya

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**Auditor:** Sreenath Gunaratne.  
 Maharagama Spl. Cor.

### Retires from Perera & Sons after 40 years

K. M. G. Wimalasiri, popularly known as Kariywasam retired from Perera & Sons Ltd., Colombo, after 40 years of service. He was felicitated recently by the company's Food, Beverages and Tobacco Employees Union.



A seminar on 'Breast Cancer', followed by a 'Peace Walk' was held at the Negombo Town Hall, organised by the MOH's Office, Lions Club, Rotary Club and the Inner Wheel Club of Negombo.

Pic: H. Fernando, Negombo Spl. Cor.



A cultural item was presented by the students of Hambantota Vidyalaya recently on Universal Children's Day.

Pic: M. Irfan Zakariya, Hambantota TKN Spl. Cor.



Negombo Ave Maria Throw Ball team emerged champs at the Under 15 A Division All-Island competition. Squatting from left: Ashka Weerawardana, Manudya Chandrasiri, Shankini Pathirana, Nipuni Senadeera, Shayani Madurawala. Second row: Shalini Senarath, Andrea Marina (Captain), Jaane Jayana, Diana Fernando, Preshansa Rodrigo and Rushila Silva.

Pic: H. Fernando, Negombo Spl. Cor.