COMMUNITY



The 'Earth Hour 2012' was held in Kandy recently, under the patronage of President Mahinda Rajapaksa. Here WPC Chief Minister Prasanna Ranatunga, presents the Earth Hour 2012 memento to the President. Environment Minister, Udaya Gammanpila looks on.

Pic: M.S.M. Munthasir, Panadura Central Gr. Cor.



A special Bajan program was held by the Sri Sathya Sai Baba Centre, Colombo at the "Sai Shrine", New Chetty Street, Kotahena, Colombo 13 recently. The event was organised to mark its 45th anniversary. Here an item is being presented by a popular North Indian musical group.



The 77th Inter-Division Police Athletic Sport Competition was held at the Police playground, Colombo recently, under the patronage of Speaker Chamal Rajapaksa. The Presidential Security Division (PSD) team won both the women's and men's championships. Here IP Harsha Prasad receives the championship trophy from Speaker Chamal Rajapaksa. Inspector General of Police N.K. Illangakoon is also in Pic: A Maduraveeran the picture. Pic: Priyadarshani Kahawala, Ingiriya Central Group Cor.



The Institute of Quantity Surveying of Sri Lanka (QSSL) held its annual meeting at the Colombo Jaic Hilton recently. Here the chief guest, Minister of Engineering Construction, Housing and Common Amenities Wimal Weerwansa presents an award to the Past President of QSSL, Dr. Sithera Wedicara. QSSL President Hemantha Aponsu is also in the picture.



Minister of Social Services Felix Perera presented fourteen wheel-chairs to the Negombo Municipal Councillor M.Z. Fareez to be distributed among differently-abled people in the area. Here Z. Fareez with Mrs. M.Y. Sithi Sharia, a recipient.



The Centre for the Physically Handicapped, Thihariya, distributed spectacles to students recently. Here the International Advisor of the Centre Hashim Omar puts on a pair of spectacles on a student. Director of the Centre Jiffry Haniffa. A.M.A. Nabavi and Samoogajothi M.M. Rafeek were also present. Pic: Ruzaik Farook



The annual music and dancing program of Visaradha Vijaya Bandara Samaraweera of Vijaya Kalayathanaya, Kelaniya was held at the John de Silva Memorial Hall, Colombo recently. Here a group of students present an item.

Pic: Edward Weerasinghe, Kelaniya Gr. Cor.



Transport Minister Kumara Welgama donated wheel-chairs, in association with the Rekiya Labinge Ekamuthu Padanama at the Beruwela Beach Park recently. Here the Minister donates a wheel-chair to Wimala Elders Home, Payagala. Bulathsinala Pradeshiva Sabha Chairman Susitha Kularatne and Madurawela Pradeshiya Sabha Chairman Pushpajith Sheelawickrema Pic: K.K.D. Premalal, Matugama Spl. Cor. look on.



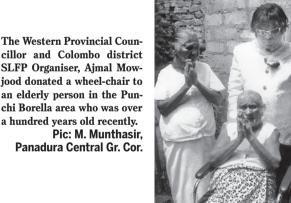
The Free Trade Zone, Katunayake donated medical equipment worth Rs. 13 lakhs to the Negombo district General Hospital. Here Dhamikka Fernando, President, Producers' Association of the BOI of the Free Trade Zone, Katunayake presents the gift to the Medical Supdt. of the Hospital Dr. Ireka Dassanayake. President, Hospital Development Foundation Dr. M. H. C. J. Ian is also in the picture.

Pic: H. Fernando, Negombo Spl. Cor.



The Dunagaha Pahan Sith Foundation donated a Mal Aasanaya to the Anuradhapura Sarananda Pirivena under the Punya Bhoomi Vandana program sponsored by Sunil and Sons, Minuwangoda. Here Sunil Jayasinghe, Dr. Mervin Danawardana Guruge and the founder of Dunagha Pahan Sith Foundation Sami Kumarasinghe unveil the Mal Aasana, Viharadhipathi Sasanakeerthi Girambe Ananda Thera also participated.

Pic: Ivon Nissanka, Divulapitiva Gr. Cor.





The New Year Festival organised by the Mattakkuliya police and the Eksath Tharuna Kela organisation was held at the Gemunupura playground, Mattakkuliya recently. Here the pupils of the pre-school Aliwatta, dressed in Sinhala, Tamil and Muslim attire with the police officers. Pic: A Maduraveeran



Sasara Gee Sara, a musical program was held at Minuwangoda Sri Rathanasara Maha Vidyalaya, under the patronage of Principal Sudesh Nelumdeniya. Here music advisors Rohana Chandrakumara Jayakody and Madika Babile participate in the pro-Pic Ivon Nissanka, Divulapitiya Gr. Cor.



The Association of Justices of the Peace, Kalutara district organised a seminar for JPs in the area recently at the Panadura Divisional Secretariat auditorium, under the patronage of the President M.R. Chandradasa. Here a section of the gathering. Senior Supt. of Police, Panadura H.M. Dharmasena, Panadura Divisional Secretary K.G. Wijesiri, Attorney-at-Law Chandana Amarasinghe and Chairman, National Council for Road Safety, K. Gamage were also present.

Pic: M. Munthasir, Panadura Central Gr. Cor.



sports items to the Dharga York Sports Club, Dharga Town recently. Member of Pradeshiya Sabha Faizah Naizer looks on. Pic: B.M. Mukthar, Beruwala Spl. Cor.





Differently-abled students of the schools for the Deaf and the Blind, Ratmalana displayed their talents at the Siyawasaka Ridmaya concert, at the Ladies College auditorium, Colombo recently, to mark its centenary. Nirosh and Mrs. Anoji de Silva were the chief guests



The annual prize-giving of "Sakthi Illam" Orphanage School, Ratmalana was held recently. Here Principal, Ramanathan Hindu Ladies' College, Bambalapitiya, Mrs. Kothai Nagularajah presents a prize to a student while patron Mrs. K. Abirami looks on. Pic: A Maduraveeran



The annual Manakib Majlis was neud at the A control of the Moulavi M. Ikram (Al-fassy) addresses the gathering.

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EVENTS

AGM of Piliyandala Central JPPA

The 15th Annual General Meeting of the Piliyandala Central College's Junior Past Pupils' Association (JPPA) will be held on Saturday, April 28 at 3.00 p.m. at the College auditorium.

Krishnamurti talk

A recorded public talk on "Attention is like a fire" delivered by the late Indian sage J. Krishnamurti will be replayed at Anula Nursery School, Colombo 6 today at 9.45 am. It is organised by the Krishnamurti Centre, Sri Lanka Inc.

Nethra Prathisthapana ceremony at Sri Sambuddha Jayanthi Dakshinaramaya

The opening of the new vihara building and the Nethra Prathisthapana ceremony will take place at Sri Sambuddha Jayanthi Dakshinaramaya, Malwatta, Hokandara on April 25. The foundation stone for the new dagoba will also be laid on the occasion. A weeklong religious ceremonies organised by the Samadhi Seela Samadana Samithiya, Samanera Ayathanaya, Daham Pasal Sanwardhana Samithiya and Hada Nayana Yauwana Samajaya will be held to mark the event.

Maharagama Vidyakara Vidyalaya PPA New **Year celebrations**

The Maharagama Vidyakara Vidyala Past Pupils' Association will hold its yearly New Year celebrations on Sunday, April 29 from 8.30 am at the Pamunuwa Polwatta Sports Academy Grounds. Many traditional games with special events of fun and entertainment will be held on this day. All past pupils and their family members will participate.

Reunion of Senior Old Anandians

A get-together and a reunion of Senior Old Anandians will be held today at the Organisation of Professional Associations (OPA), Stanley Wijesundara Mawatha, Colombo 7. Senior Old Anandians is a group of Anandians who were students of Ananda College Colombo during the period ranging from 1930s to the mid 1980s.

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