Community



Major Mithraratne Weerasuriya of Mission Road, Kotte and his family donated a Ran Wiyana to cover the Dalada casket. Here Ven. Anamaduwe Dhammadassi Thera and Ven. Naranpanawe Ananda Thera of the Asgiriya Chapter with the Diyawadana Nilame, Nilanga Dela Bandara inspect the Ran Wiyana. The donors, the Weerasuriya family look on. Pic: Upananda Jayasundera, Kandy Sports Spl. Cor.



A new electricity project was commissioned by Transport Minister Kumara Welgama at Thebuwana, with funds provided by Western Provincial Councillor Ven. Thebuwana Piyarathana Thera. Here the Minister unveils the plaque. Pradeshiya Sabha member Pradeep

Pic: K.K.D. Premalal, Matugama Spl. Cor.



The Director of Aroggya Foundation for the Disabled, Ven. Unapane Ariyadhamma Thera was treated at the Mt. Elizabeth Hospital, Singapore for an ankle ailment. A supporter costing around Rs. 100,000 was donated by a Singaporean philanthropist, a Buddhist by faith Mrs. Jenny Young.



Mass Media and Information Minister Keheliya Rambukwella laid the foundation stone for an ayurvedic dispensary at Kundasale recently. Here the Minister enjoys some refreshments in the company of Provincial Councillors and Pradeshiya Sabha members of the area.

Pic: Sunil Gunawardene, Kundasale Gr. Cor.



A ceremony to felicitate the senior priest of Sri Muthumariamman Kovil, Jampettah Street, Kotahena, Colombo 13 was held recently organised by the Sri Vidya International Hindu Religious Peedam at the Kovil premises. Here Sivashri Mani Sivagnana Kurukkal garlands the priest after draping him with a golden shawl. Kovil Trustees, Board members look on.



A mothers' clinic at Nimalagama, Ingiriya built at a cost of Rs. 3.5m under the Gama Naguma program was opened recently. Here an officer of the MOH's office, Ingiriya, Priyani Karunarathna unveils the nameboard.

Pic: Priyadarshani Kahawala, Ingiriya Central Gr. Cor.



The AAL Free Port Group celebrated its 30th anniversary at the Nungamugoda, Kelaniya Container Yard, under the patronage of its Chairman Manik Pereira recently. A blood donation campaign was also held on the initiative of Haththalla, Manager of the com-

Pic: Edward Weerasinghe, Kelaniya Gr. Cor.



The Ramadan program organised by the Ithihaad Ahlissunathi Wal Jamathi was held at the Shahran Banquet Hall, Dehiwala recently. Here the President Dr. M. Fahmy Ismail addresses the gathering.

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



The 73rd anniversary of the Bank of Ceylon was celebrated by the Akkaraipattu branch with several promotional programs organised by the branch Manager M.I.M. Haniffa and the staff. Here the Area Manager Ampara Priyantha Kumara presents a pass book to one of the new savings account holders. Asst. Managers M.A.C. Natheer, H.L. Najimudeen and I.M. Munawwer look on. Pic: I.L.M. Rizan, Addalaichenai Central Cor.



The Korean Government sponsored a one - year diploma course for 100 teachers in Sri Lanka to learn the Korean language at the National Institute of Education (NIE) initiated by Minister of Education, Bandula Gunawardana. Here the Korean Ambassador presents a scholarship to a teacher. Director General of NIE Prof. Abeyratne Bandara was also present.



The Eriyacatiya Road in the Padukka Secretariat Division was renovated under the 'One-project-for-one village concept' of Economic Development Minister Basil Rajapaksa. Here Provincial Councillor Hector Bethmage opens the new road. SLFP chief organiser for the Awissavella electorate, Provincial Councillor Sumith Vijayamuni Zoysa, Seethawaka Urban Councillor Manjula Pradeep Kumara and Kaduwela Municipal Councillor Manoj Bethmage are also in the picture.

Pic: Wehelle Piyathilake, Maharagama Spl. Cor.



The Maternity and Children's Clinic at Galle Road, Pothupitiya, Kalutara was renovated with allocations from the Western Provincial Council and was renamed "Pothupitiya Health Centre". WP Health Minister Jagath Angage, Divisional Secretary Kalutara Sirisoma Lokuwithana, Kalutara Acting PS Chairman Sanjeeva Ariyarathne, Kalutara PS members T.D. Jayasiri, Wijesiri Gunawardena and Roshan Abeygoonawardena were also present. Here Deputy Minister of Ports and Road Development Rohitha Abeygoonawardena registers an expectant mother.

Pic: H.L. Sunil Shantha, Kalutara Daily News Cor.



The Malay Rupee Fund (MRF) distributed dry rations among 500 poor families at the Malay Grounds, Colombo recently. Here Senior Minister A.H.M. Fowzie and ITN Director Hashim Omar presents a bag of dry rations to a recipient. MRF President Ms. Sasniya Musaraf and A.R. Palli were also present.



The annual Mahotchava festival of Arulmihu Sri Kandaswamy kovil Panadura town was held recently. Here Director of Hindu Cultural Department, Mrs. Shanthi Navukkarasan and devotees participate in the Punkawana utchavam.

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



The foundation stone for the Viru Upahara housing project at Mahasenpura, Polonnaruwa was laid under the patronage of Construction, Engineering Services, Housing and Common Amenities Minister Wimal Weerawansa and Health Minister Maithripala Sirisena recently. The project to be launched under the Janasewana one million housing program is estimated to cost Rs. 6 million and benefit 30 terrorist-hit families. Colombo District MP Thilanga Sumathipala, Construction Ministry Secretary P.H.L. Wimalasiri Perera and NHDA General Manager Brig. Mahinda Mudalige were present.

Pic: Ashraff.A.Samad, Dehiwala-Mt.Lavinia Spl.Cor.



Senior Minister P. Dayaratne, the chief guest at the Eastern Province Sports Festival at the Addalaichenai Public Grounds, pres-

Pic: M.A. Phakurdeen, Addalaichenai Gr. Cor.



The Panadura Keselwatta Service Centre of the People's Bank was relocated at Galle Road recently. Here Sunethra Lal Fernando, Chairman, Panadura Pradeshiya Sabha accepts the first deposit at the new location. Deputy General Manager (Operations) M.A. Boniface Silva, Kalutara Regional Manager, Jayasena Guruge and Manager Panadura Main Branch Ananda Prematilake were also present.

Pic: Susil Ratnaweera, Panadura North Gr. Cor.



Kavitha Velupillai of Karaithivu, a customer of the Karaithivu HNB branch was the winner of the Pathum Vimana raffle draw of the Kalmunai HNB branch. Here the Manager A.L. Anverdeen presents the documents of the motorcycle to the winner.

Pic: M.I.M. Azhar, Maligaikadu Gr. Cor.



Higher Education Minister S.B. Dissanayake laid the foundation stone for the three-storeyed building of the Management Faculty of Rajarata University recently. The building estimated to cost around Rs. 216 million is due to be completed by January end

EVENTS

Visakha Dinner Dance on Sept. 8

The Visakha Dinner Dance organised by the Visakha Vidyalaya Old Girls' Association will be held on September 8 at the Cinnamon Grand.

The proceeds from the biennial get-together, is in aid of "English Medium Education Fund" of the Senior School.

The musical groups "Misty" and "Black" will be in attendance.

AGM of Thai Society

The fifteenth Annual General Meeting of the Sri Lanka-Thailand Society will be held on September 14 commencing 5.00 p.m. at the Sasakawa Memorial Cultural Centre, Colombo 3.

Poldej Worachat, Ambassador of Thailand will be the chief guest while Mrs. Nirmalie Gunatilleke will

COSLAM lecture today

The Conference of Sri Lankan Malays (COSLAM) and the Trustees of Wekanda Jumma Masjid will hold its monthly Islamic lecture series, 'In the shade of the Holy Quran' today from 10.30 a.m. upto Luhar prayers at the Wekanda Jumma Masjid. The topic will be "The aftermath of Ramadhan".

Krishnamurti talk

A recorded public talk on 'The quite of the self forgotten' delivered by the late Indian sage J. Krishnamurti will be replayed at Anula Nursery School hall, High Level Road, Colombo 6 today at 9.45 a.m.

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

Free seminar at SLIP

The Sri Lanka Institute of Printing (SLIP) has organised a workshop-cum-seminar on 'Graphic Design and Multimedia Education on September 2 from 8.30 a.m. to 2.30 p.m. in the Department of Government Printing, Danister de Silva Mawatha, Colombo 8.

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A public awareness program organised by the Waste Management Authority of the Western province, with assistance of the Horana Pradeshiya Sabha was held in the Moragahahena town recently. Here the officers explain the importance of systematic waste management to the townfolk.

Pic: Priyadarshani Kahawala, Ingiriya Central Gr. Cor.



The Pre-school Education Bureau of the Eastern province which was functioning at Trincomalee has been shifted to Batticaloa, on the instructions of former EP Chief Minister S. Chandrakanthan. Here the former Member of Provincial Council, S. Prasanthan and the Chairman of the Bureau Pon. Chelvenayagam light the oil lamp to open the new location.

Pic: M.A. Phakurdeen, Addalaichena



The latest addition to the Kandurata Group showrooms was opened at Main Street, Pettah, Colombo recently. Here the Chairman M.T.M. Noushad and the Managing Director M.T.M. Noufal after the ceremony. The Group which manufactures umbrellas, mosquito nets, rain coats, socks and underwear, won the Surya Sinha award recently.