



Junior Chamber International Sri Lanka held its Ten Outstanding Young Persons of Sri Lanka (TOYP 2012) awards ceremony at the Waters Edge, Battaramulla recently. Here Lt. Yoshitha Rajapaksa receives the Personal Accomplishment Award from Economic Development Minister Basil Rajapaksa. Managing Director CIC Holdings PLC Samantha Ranatunga, National President JCI Radhika de Silva and Project Chairman JCI Sen. Ruwan Senanayake look on.

Pic: Ruzaik Farook



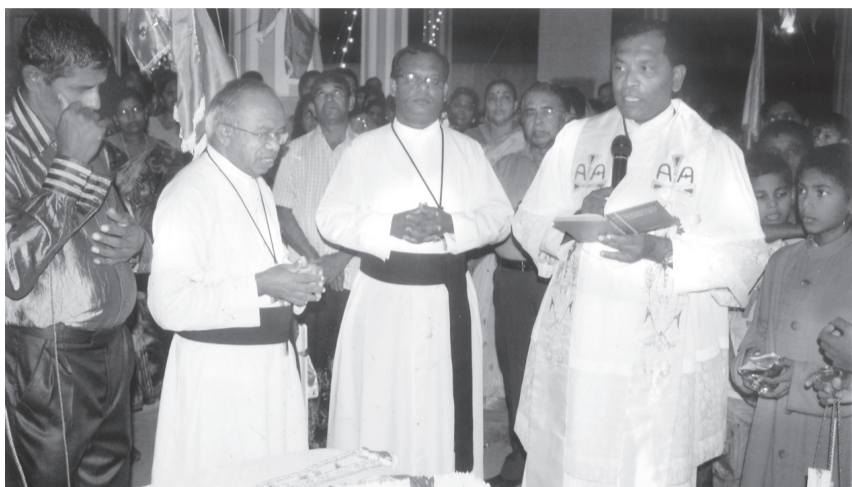
A ceremony was held at the "Keth Sevana" reception hall, Pokunuwita to mark the 61st anniversary of the Sri Lanka Freedom Party recently. Here Senior Minister for Good Governance and Infrastructure Facilities, Rathnasiri Wickramanayake, presents a memento to the Minister of Youth Affairs and Skills Development Dullas Alahapperuma.

Pic: Priyadarshani Kahawala, Ingiriya Central Gr. Cor.



A project was launched by the Old Boys' Union of De La Salle College, Colombo 15 to distribute T-shirts and caps among schools' sports clubs in the Colombo North area. Here the first consignment is being presented to Archbishop of Colombo the Most Rev. Dr. Malcom Cardinal Ranjith, also a past pupil of the College by the Principal Rev. Br. A.E. Tarcisius while the committee members of the Union and the members of the tutorial staff look on.

Pic: A. Maduraveeran, Colombo North Gr. Cor.



The flag-hoisting ceremony of the Church of Our Lady of Sorrows, New Chetty Street, Colombo 13 was held with the participation of Rev. Fr. M. Britto to mark the commencement of the annual festival. Rev. Fr. Marsella, and Rev. Fr. N. Jeyabalan are also in the picture.

Pic: A. Maduraveeran, Colombo North Gr. Cor.



Indian High Commissioner Shri Ashok K. Kantha, who was the guest of honour at the Tagore Day celebrations at Sri Palee College, Horana lights the oil lamp to inaugurate the function. Senior Minister for Good Governance and Infrastructure Ratnasiri Wickramanayake, MP Vidura Wickramanayake, Principal Edward Weerasinghe and President, Sri Palee PPA (Colombo branch) Dr. S.S.Jayarathne also participated.

Pic: Milton Dharmasinghe, Bulathsinhala group cor.



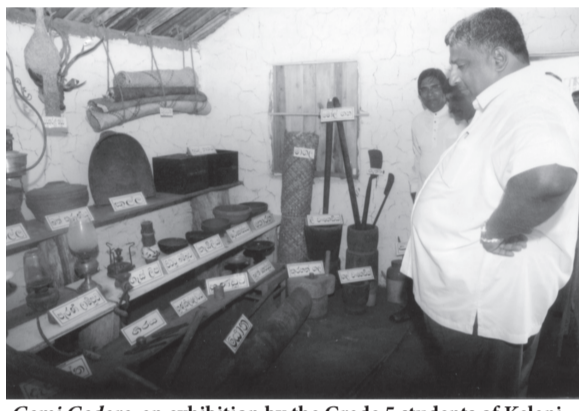
The English Day 2012 of St. Anthony's College, Wattala was held recently, under the patronage of Executive Secretary, Bishops' Conference in Sri Lanka, Rev. Fr. Tony Martyn. Here the chief guest and the invitees being conducted to the venue by the principal Rev. Fr. Mal Fernando.

Pic: A. Maduraveeran, Colombo North Gr. Cor.



The second edition of the five masterpiece books authored by veteran scholar, the late Arisen Ahubudu was presented to Cultural and Arts Affairs Minister T.B. Ekanayake at his office recently, by his wife Mrs. Sada Ahubudu and his granddaughter Saduni Ahubudu were also present.

Pic: Wehelle Piyathilake, Maharagama Spl. Cor.



Gemi Gedara, an exhibition by the Grade 5 students of Kelani Janadhipathi Vidyalaya was held at the school premises recently. Here WPC Chief Minister Prasanna Ranathunga view some of the exhibits.

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



Chairman, Puttalam Urban Council K.A. Baiz together with NWP Member, N.T.M. Thahir, Divisional Director of Education Puttalam North A.C.M. Maharooof and dignitaries being conducted to the venue at the Puttalam Zahira Primary School.

Pic: M.U.M. Sanoon, Puttalam Thinakaran Cor.



The Bank of Ceylon Minuwangoda was adjudged the third Best Performer in the whole island recently. Here the Manager, K. Wijesinghe and the staff display the shield.

Pic: Ivon Nissanka, Divulapitiya Gr. Cor.



The Annual Literature and Art Festival was held by the Minuwangoda Urban Council to celebrate the literature month at the Minuwangoda Weekly Fair building. Here the UC Chairman Fedrick Alahakoon presents a special memento to artist Gamini Dharmasiri Jayasinghe in recognition of his contribution to the field of art for a long period.

Pic: Ivon Nissanka, Divulapitiya Gr. Cor.



Hettipola Primary School in the Panduwasnuwara electorate in Kurunegala was earmarked for development as a Lama Mithuru School (child-friendly school). Here Deputy Minister of Local Government and Provincial Councils and Panduwasnuwara SLFP Chief Organiser Indika Bandaranayake cuts the sod for a children's park in the school. Dharmasiri Dassanayake, Chairman of NWP PC is also in the picture.

Pic: S.M. Wijayarathne, Kurunegala Cor.



The Embassy of Saudi Arabia organised its National Day at the Cinnamon Lakeside Hotel recently. Here the chief guest Senior Minister Dew Gunasekera and the Ambassador Abdul Aziz A.R. Al Jammaz cut the cake.

Pic: Ruzaik Farook



The Sri Lanka Sumithrayo, Colombo organised a Walk to mark World Suicide Prevention Day recently. Here the volunteers near Horton Place, Colombo.

Pic: Ruzaik Farook



Minister of Foreign Employment Promotion and Welfare Dilan Perera and the Chairman, Sri Lanka Bureau of Foreign Employment Amal Senadhilankara at a session at the training centre of the SLBFE, which trains would-be Sri Lankan migrant workers.

Pic: Sugath Narayana



A special environment seminar, organised by the Western Provincial Solid Waste Management Authority and "KOICA" Solid Waste Authority of Korea, was held under the patronage of the Advisor of the Solid Waste Authority of Korea, Prof. Young Che Ahn at the Sri Lanka Foundation Institute, Colombo. Here the chief guest with the chairman of the Authority, Wattala, Asela Perera, Local Government Commissioner Mrs. Chandrani Samarakoon, Legal Officer Palitha P. Abeywardana and officials.

Pic: A. Maduraveeran, Colombo North Gr. Cor.



The Bharathanatya Arangetram of Miss Aarani Mohanasundaram, a disciple of Divya Sivasanas, Director of Abhinayakshetra Dancing School was held at the Ramakrishna Hall, Wellawatte.



Provincial Minister of Road Development, Electricity, Housing and Fisheries of NWP Sanath Nishantha Perera addresses the gathering at the Udappu Hindu Cultural Hall, after opening the housing scheme at Udappu 6 Division.

Pic: M.U.M. Sanoon, Puttalam Thinakaran Cor.



The Old Boys' get-together and the meeting of the Colombo Central Hindu Maha Vidyalaya (former Government Tamil Vidyalaya) Kotahena, Colombo 13 was held at the Vidyalayam premises recently, organised by the Colombo Young Men's Welfare Foundation. Here President of the Foundation T. Mani addresses the gathering.

Pic: A. Maduraveeran, Colombo North Gr. Cor.



Ten artistes in Wattala were awarded honorary titles at the Literary Festival organised by the Wattala Pradeshiya Sabha recently. Here veteran artiste "Kalabosanam" A.J. De Soysa receives his award from the Chairman of the Sabha Thiyagaratna Alwis.

Pic: A. Maduraveeran, Colombo North Gr. Cor.

EVENTS

National Christian Literary Festival on Oct. 5

The Department of Christian Religious Affairs of the Ministry of Buddhasasana and Religious Affairs will organise the National Christian Literary Festival – 2012, on October 5 at 2.30 p.m. at the Sri Lanka Foundation Institute auditorium, Independence square, Colombo 7. The event, organised for the third time under the patronage of Archbishop Malcolm Cardinal Ranjith, President, Catholic Bishops' Conference in Sri Lanka and the Archbishop of Colombo with the participation of M.K.A.D.S. Gunawardana, Deputy Minister of Buddhasasana and Religious Affairs.

Krishnamurti talk

A recorded public talk on "Creation is never ending" delivered by the late Indian sage J. Krishnamurti will be replayed at Anula Nursery School hall, Colombo 6 today at 9.45 a.m. It is organised by the Krishnamurti Centre, Sri Lanka Inc.

Dr. A.M.A. Azeez commemoration meeting 2012

The thirty-ninth Dr. A.M.A. Azeez commemoration meeting and the memorial oration will be held on Thursday, October 4 at 4.30 p.m. at Zahira College, Colombo 10.

Dr. M.A.M. Shukri Director, Jamiya Naleemah, Beruwela will deliver the oration on "Relevance of Iqbalian Philosophy to Contemporary Issues".

The public meeting will be jointly chaired by Dr. A.M.A. Azeez Foundation President S.H.M. Jameel and National President of the All Ceylon YMMA Conference K.N. Deen.

A re-print of the book *Arabu Thamil Engal Anbu Thamil* written in Tamil on Arabic-Tamil by Dr. A.M.A. Azeez in 1973 will be released on the occasion.

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