



The test to admit students for Grade 6 at Sri Sangaraja Central College, Maradana, Colombo 10 was held recently. The students were selected from four less popular schools in the Colombo Central area under the Mahinda Chinthana Students Educational Awakening Program. Principal Ven. Demalusse Medhankara Thera, Deputy Principal K.R. Wijeratna, Western Provincial Governor Alavi Moulana, Colombo District UPFA chief organiser M. Ajmal Mawjood, WPC Educational Director A.G. Gamage and other officials participated.

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



Modern Darvnic Digital Intermediate System and its associated techniques were introduced to the local cinema and television media by the Fine Vision of Colombo at its main studio at Polhengoda, Narahenpita recently. Mass Media and Information Ministry Secretary Charitha Herath was the chief guest. Director General of Information, Dr. Ariyaratne Athugala, ITN Chairman Rosmand Senarathne, Presidential Advisor Ravindra Randeniya, Rupavahini Training Institute Chairman, Devapriya Abeyasinghe, cine artiste Jackson Anthony, film directors Dharmasena Pathiraja and Sunil T. Fernando and others participated.



The blessing of the new chapel of St. Jude's International School at Kurana, Negombo took place recently. The main celebrant was Malcolm Cardinal Ranjith Archbishop of Colombo. Here the chief guest and guests of honour being conducted to the venue accompanied by (left) Rev. Fr. Dr. Leslie Fernando (Director), St. Jude's International School, Sarath Kumara Gunarathna, Deputy Minister of State Resources and Enterprise Development and J.A. Royce W. Fernando, Negombo Municipal Councillor.

Pic: H. Fernando, Negombo Spl. Cor.



A blood donation campaign organised by the Sri Lanka Freedom Party's Central organisation, Horana was held at the Horana Town Hall recently. Over 150 persons including Kalutara district Parliamentarian Vidura Wickramanayaka donated blood. Senior Minister Rathnasiri Wickramanayaka also participated.

Pic: Priyadarshani Kahawala, Ingiriya Central Gr. Cor.



The new office building of the Western Province Economic Bureau and Divisional Engineer's Office was opened at Maligawatta, Colombo. Here WPC Governor Alavi Moulana and Western Province Chief Minister Prasanna Ranathugna open the building.

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



Prof. Mohan Munasinghe, co-winner of the 2007 Nobel Prize for Peace with Jody Williams, the 1997 Nobel Peace Prize winner at the international conference on 'Communications and Sustainability' in Brasilia, Brazil recently.



High Commissioner of Cyprus to Sri Lanka Ms Mariya Mitchell called on Foreign Employment Promotion and Welfare Minister Dilan Perera at his Ministry to promote employment opportunities to Sri Lankans in Cyprus. Here High Commissioner Mitchell presents a memento to the Minister.

Pic: Sugath Narayana



A ceremony to felicitate, Selvam Jayapoojithan Sarma who was ordained a Hindu priest was held at the residence of Traditional Industries and Small Enterprise Development Minister Douglas Devananda recently. The event was organised by the Sri Vidya International Hindu Religious Peedam and the International Hindu Priests' Forum. Here the Minister with Jayapoojithan after draping him with a golden shawl. Jothidamani Sivaneshan Sarma, Mrs. Sarma and Secretary, Hindu Religious Peedam R. Babu Sarma are also in the picture.

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



The 50th anniversary of the Cumaratunga Munidasa, Public Library of the Matara Municipal Council was celebrated recently. Here Chief Minister, Southern Provincial Council, Shan Wijayal de Silva presents a set of books to Deputy Mayor, Matara, Ranjith Yasaratne. Mayor, Sasindra Handunge looks on.

Pic: A.W. Gunawardhana, Matara Central Cor.



Retired District Rural Development Officer, Ampara, S. Aboosali was sashed with a golden shawl by Rural Development Officer of Kalmunai Divisional Secretariat (Muslim division) S.M. Jamaldeen recently. M.T.A. Nahib and M. Kamaldeen, Rural Development Officers, Akkaraipattu and Nintavur are also in the picture.

Pic: I.L.M. Rizan, Addalaicheani Central Cor.



A two-day workshop on 'Child Rights' was organised by the Children's Development Fund (CDF) in Akkaraipattu for the benefit of members of the community based organisations recently. Here Jenifer Alfred, Attorney-at-Law conducts the workshop.

Pic: I.L.M. Rizan, Addalaicheani Central Cor.



A public awareness program for pharmacists organised by the Food and Medicine Inspector, Medical Services Division, Kalutara, Nuwan Perera was held at the MOH's office, Ingiriya. About 50 pharmacists represented Ingiriya, Bulathsinhala, Horana, Agalawatta and Bandaragama MOH divisions participated. Here Deputy Manager, Ceylon Electricity Board, Kolonnawa Branch, P. Kalubowila speaks on refrigerators and air-conditioners.

Pic: Priyadarshani Kahawala, Ingiriya Central Gr. Cor.



The Central Tennekumbura YMMA, Kandy donated cash to the family of Nawas of Talwatte to build a house at Galaha. Here Treasurer M.H.M. Salahudeen presents the cheque. Life General Secretary of the Association A.A.M. Nagoorpichai looks on.

Pic: H.A. Shakoor, Pathadumbara Spl. Cor.



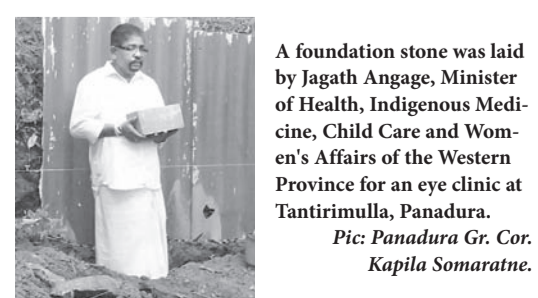
The latest CD of Tamil songs titled *Kalailugalil Naan* sung by popular artiste, Siva Pradeepan was launched at the Colombo Tamil Sangam, Wellawatte recently. Here the first CD is being presented by the K. Karthadas Swamigal (right) to President Navodya Youth Foundation K. Krishna, while the singer Pradeep looks on.

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



Students of Sigiri Art Circle, Eheliyagoda performed the *Jaya Jaya Wee*, a music and dance item at a felicitation at the Eheliyagoda Cooperative Conference hall, in connection with the reception accorded to the newly elected Sabaragamuwa Provincial Councillor (UPFA) Naminda Anurapriya.

Pic: Nimal Wijayatunga, Eheliyagoda Spl. Cor.



A foundation stone was laid by Jagath Angage, Minister of Health, Indigenous Medicine, Child Care and Women's Affairs of the Western Province for an eye clinic at Tantirimulla, Panadura.

Pic: Panadura Gr. Cor. Kapila Somaratne.

EVENTS

Cancer clinic on Oct 14

The Sri Lanka Cancer Society at Bullers Lane, Colombo 7, will hold its next cancer-screening clinic on October 14 from 8.30 a.m. to 11.30 a.m., to screen for breast, cervical and oral cancer.

All services will be free.

SLEA Annual Sessions

The Sri Lanka Economic Association (SLEA) will hold its 2012 Annual Sessions from October 19-20 at the Centre for Banking Studies, Central Bank of Sri Lanka (CBSL) at Rajagiriya. The theme will be 'Export Growth for Sustained Development.' The inaugural session on Friday October 19 from 4pm - 6pm.

The sessions will be inaugurated by the chief guest, D.E.W. Gunasekare, Senior Minister for Human Resources and Enterprise Development, while Prof. Sisira Jayasuriya, Prof of Economics, Monash University, Australia will be the Guest of Honour and Keynote Speaker.

Krishnamurti talk

A recorded public talk on 'Looking at fear, that extraordinary jewel' delivered by the late Indian sage J. Krishnamurti will be replayed at the Study Centre, Beddagama, Duwa Road, Kotte today at 10.30 a.m. It is organised by the Krishnamurti Centre, Sri Lanka Inc.

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The Old Girls' Association of Fathima Muslim Ladies' College organised the Awards Day to recognise past pupils and Academic High Achievers at the Advanced Level examination at the Tower Hall, recently. Here OGA Secretary Ms. Hafsa Faiz, a third year Political Studies undergraduate in the University of Colombo receives an award from ex-principal Mrs. Fowziya Raheem.

Pic: Ruzaik Farook