Community



Residents of Balapitiya presented a house to a victim whose house was destroyed by the recent cyclone. Here a local businessman, T.M. Anilsiri hands over the keys to her. Ven. Shastrapathi Karaputugala Amarasiri Thera, Ven. Nugagahalanda Sumanajothi Thera and Grama Niladhari Indira Padmini were also present.

Pic: Wimal Karunatilleke.



The Kolonnawa Urban Council accorded a reception to Colombo district parliamentarian R. Duminda Silva at the UC auditorium recently. Here he is being conducted to the venue by Kolonnawa UC Chairman Ravindra Udayasantha. UC members Chinthaka Muthukumarana and Sudath Senaka were also present. *Pic: A. Sumanasena, Kolonnawa Gr. Cor.*



Pandit Amaradeva was felicitated by Sri Lankans domiciled in Los Angeles, USA recently. A pinkama to invoke blessings on him was held and a commemorative memento was also presented at the Sarachchandra Buddhist Centre. Here Pandit Amaradeva is being conducted to the venue by Methu Daham Perera, a pupil of the Daham Pasala. From left: Music Director Nalaka Anjana Kumara, Ven. Randombe Suneetha Thera, Ven. Yatirawana Sirinivasa Thera, Ven. Rajakeeya Panditha Ambalantota Kolitha Thera, Viharadhipathi, Sarachchandra Buddhist Centre and Wimala Amaradeva.

President: Dhammika Attygalle

Vice presidents: E.J. De Soysa, Vijaya Corea



The official website of the Western Province Health Ministry was launched recently. Here the WPC Chief Minister Prasanna Ranatunga launches the website. Provincial Health Minister Jagath Angage is also in the picture.

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



The All Ceylon Muslim League Youth Front's (ACMLYF) Ampara District Federation felicitated 34 social workers at a ceremony held to mark its 34th anniversary at Lloyds Hotel recently. Here M.I. Uthumalebbe who had served for more than 40 years was honoured with a 'Golden Shawl', by the chief guest Chief Magistrate, Batticaloa, Al-Hafeel N.M. Abdullah. The guests of honour, National President of the Naphiel Foundation M.N. Naphiel, National President of the ACMLYF Raheed M. Imtiyas and the Advisor A.B. Dewood are also in the picture.

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



The Old Johnian Girls' Association held a 'Step Forward Johnian's Walk 2013' to mark the contribution by Cyril A. Jansz and Mrs. Emelia Jansz to the English Education in Sri Lanka. Here the Walk is led by its Principal Mrs. Damayanthi Wickramasinghe, Sectional heads of OGA President Mrs. Dilrukshi Gunawardena and Secretary, Chryshanthi Gunawardane. Chairman of the Board of Trustees, C. Neil D. Perera and Manager L. Panditharathna joined the procession later.



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Prof. Mohan Munasinghe, the co-winner of the 2007 Nobel Prize for Peace was presented with a certificate of the Distinguished Citizen and the Keys to the City of Santo Domingo, by President, Danilo Medina and the Mayor Roberto Salcedo at a ceremony held recently. Here Mayor Salcedo presents the certificate to Dr. Munasinghe.



A social service program was organised by the staff of the Colombo City branch, Bank of Ceylon at the Ingiriya District Hospital recently. Here the Chief Manager, Daya Gunasiri and the BoC staff clean the ward. DMO, Ingiriya, Dr. O.A.M.E. Ekanayaka is also in the picture.

s also in the picture. Pic: Priyadarshani Kahawala, Ingiriya Central Cor.



French Ambassador in Sri Lanka, Christine Robichon visited the South Eastern University of Sri Lanka (SEUSL) recently is in discussion with the Dean of the Faculty of Islamic Studies and Arabic Language, As-Sheik A.B.M. Aliyar, Registrar, H. Abdul Sathar, Director/OTS, K.M. Mubarak, Director/Students' Support Services and Welfare, M.A.M. Samneem and Co-ordinator for Mission Officer, M.I.M. Hilal.

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



Two houses were built at a cost of over Rs.10 lakhs for two low income group families at Miyanakolatenna, a remote village, seven miles off Eheliyagoda town by the Sri Lanka-Belgium Association. Here the officials of the Association with the beneficiaries.

Pic: Nimal Wijayatunga, Eheliyagoda, Spl. Cor.



A ceremony to felicitate Kandy district parliamentarian and SLFP chief organiser Lohan Ratwatta was held, organised by the Trustees Board of Arulmigu Sri Muthumariamman kovil, Wattegama recently. Here the chief priest Sivashri Iyappadasa Sambasiva kurukkal presents an offering to Ratwatta, after the special pooja. President, Saiva Abimanigal Sangam, C. Sivaraj is also in the picture.

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A blood-donation campaign was organised by the Al Masjid Najmi Mosque, Keselwatte, in collaboration with the Colombo Central Masjid Federation at Al Hikma College Hall, Colombo recently. Here a volunteer donates blood. ITN Director Hashim Omar and the organisers look on.

Pic: Ruzaik Farook.



Sensei Anil Sudasinghe, a chief instructor for karate in Sri Lanka was felicitated by the "F.S.A. Kenshin Kan Karate Organisation in Japan recently. Sudasinghe is the pioneer of the F.S.A. Kenshin Kan Karate organisation in Sri Lanka. Here the chief instructor of Kenshin Kan Karate, Kancho Takeyuke Hayama and karate instructor of Zendo Karate Organisation with Sudasinghe.

pic: M. Maharuf, Kurunegala South Gr. Cor.



An Upahara ceremony, organised by Maputugala Central College, Maputugala in appreciation of the services of the music teacher, B. Chitra Rohini who has been appointed teachers' instructor in the Horana Education Zone, was held at the school premises recently. Here the Directress of the Education Zone, Horana, U.V. Molikanthi presents the award to Chitra Rohini. Principal P.M. Sunil is in the centre.

Pic: Priyadarshani Kahawala, Ingiriya Central Gr. Cor.



Donations were given to flood affected, low income group of families in Colombo North, organised by the Navodhya Youth Foundation recently. Here the Foundation President A.K. Krishna presents a cash cheque to a beneficiary.

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



The 33rd Annual General Meeting of the Maligawatte Janaza Welfare Society was held at the YMMA auditorium recently. Here the Secretary of the Society, Faizal Faleel addresses the gathering. President N.M.M. Razeen and the Treasurer, Harees Farook are also in the picture.

Pic: Ruzaik Farook



A dance performance by the children of Gokulam, the Baktivedanta Children's Home funded by Nandarani Devi during the 14th anniversary celebration was held recently at the Ramakrishna Mission Hall. Shanthi Navukkarasan, Director of Hindu Religious and Cultural Affairs was the chief guest.



The flag-hoisting ceremony of Arulmigu Sri Munneswarar Muthumariamman kovil, Jempettah Street, Colombo 13 was held recently. Chief priest, Sivashri S. Sivaneshan kurukkal, K. Mani kurukkal and President's Co-ordinator for Hindu Religious Affairs, R. Babu Sarma participated.

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



St. Peter's College, Colombo won first place at the recently concluded Annual Assessment Camp of National Cadet Corps' Air Wing Cadets (Boys) at the Sri Lanka Air Force Station Diyatalawa, under the aegis of the Commanding Officer Group Captain WWPD Fernando by the Officer Commanding Training, Wing Commander PVK Senadheera. Here the platoon with Rev. Fr. Travis Gabriel and Rev. Fr. Lakmin.



The Education Centre of All Studies (ECAS), Sammanthurai donated a Multi Para Monitor to the Children's Unit of the Sammanthurai Base Hospital. Here the Director of ECAS, A.M. Nowfees (right) presents the monitor to the Medical Superintendent Dr. Y. Abdul Azees (left) while Paediatrician Dr. Iflal Zubair (centre) and his staff look on.

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



The election of office-bearers of the Akkaraipattu Pensioners' Association was held recently. Here President, A. Abdul Azees, General Secretary, A. Ahamed Mohideen, Treasurer, A.B.M. Hashim and other committee members with the Akkaraipattu Divisional Secretary M.Y. Saleem (in tie).

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



The Divisional Development Committee meeting of the Nintavur Division was held recently at the District Vocational Training Centre, Nintavur. Digamadulla district parliamentarians, M.T. Hassan Ali and Faizal Cassim attended the meeting as co-chairmen. Here parliamentarian Hassan Ali addressing the gathering. Co-ordinating Secretary to the Minister A.L.M. Athaullah, A.B. Dawood, Eastern Provincial Council member Ariff Samsudeen, Pradeshiya Sabha Chairman A.M.M. Thahir, Opposition Leader of the Pradeshiya Sabha, Y.L. Sulaimalebbe and Divisional Secretary, R.U.A. Jaleel were also present. *Pic: I.L.M. Rizan, Addalaichenai Central Cor.*



The Tamil Union of Girls High School, Kandy organised the 61st Annual Kalai Villa at the school main hall recently. Here the chief guest, cricket commentator, Sri Lanka Broadcasting Corporation Muttaiah Jeganmohan, special guest an old girl, former Sectional Head and English Unit Coordinator at Hindu College, Colombo, Mrs. Nirmala Muttaiah, Principal Mrs. Malkanthi Abeygunasekera and Tamil Sectional Head Mrs. Kokilaswary Ram Kumar being conducted in a procession to the venue.