



Rajakeeya Panditha Ven. Weihene Pannaloka Thera's *Maha Parinirvana Sutrathaya Dhamma Paryaye* was launched recently at the Dayawansa Jayakody Bookshop, Colombo 10. Here the publisher, Dayawansa Jayakody presents a copy of the book to the author. The Adhikarana Sanghanayake of Sri Dharma Rakshitha Amara-pura Sect, Ven. Ahangama Ananda Nayaka Thera looks on.



The New Year festival organised by the Cancer Care Welfare Society for Warded Children at the Maharagama Cancer Hospital was held recently. Here Director, Dr. Kaniska Karunaratne presents a memento to the chief guest, Secretary to the Law and Peace Department, Nanda Mallawarachchi. Chairman of the Society, Ven. Weganthalai Seevali Thera looks on.
Pic: Wehelle Piyathilake, Maharagama Spl. Cor.



The Thanthai Chelva Welfare Society felicitated teachers and social workers for the services rendered to the community, at a ceremony commemorate the party leader, the late S.J.V. Chelvanayagam at the Vivekananda Society Hall, Kotahena, Colombo 13 recently. Here a senior member drapes a golden shawl around the principal of St. Anne's Girls' College, Wattala, Rev. Sr. Kanthi Perera.
Pic: A. Maduraveeran, Colombo North Gr. Cor.



Minister of Industries and Commerce, Rishard Bathiudeen, Mannar Zonal Director of Education, M.M. Siyan, Northern Provincial Council members Rifkhan and M. Janoofar being welcomed by the principal of Puttalam Thillaiyadi Al-Cassim City Muslim Maha Vidyalaya, M. Najmi at the school's inter-house sports meet held recently.
Pic: M.U.M. Sanoon, Puttalam TKN Cor.



The District Secretariat's conference was held at the Public Administration and Home Affairs Ministry auditorium recently, under the patronage of Minister W.D.J. Seneviratne recently. Ministry Secretary P.B. Abeykone, Western Province Chief Secretary, Jayanthi Wijetunge, Additional Secretary to the Ministry, Deepthi Fernando and other officials are also in the picture.
Pic: M.S.M. Munthasir, Panadura Central Gr. Cor.



Concord Apparel (Pvt) Ltd. of the Seethawaka Industrial Park donated a sucker machine worth around Rs. 2 lakhs to the Avissawella Base Hospital recently. From left: Nurse-in-Charge, ICU, Mrs. Malakanthi, Hospital Accountant, Mrs. R.A.N. Ranatunge, Nursing Officer, Mrs. Ajantha Malimbada, Medical Superintendent, Dr. Aruna Jayatillake, Managing Director, Concord Apparel (Pvt) Ltd., Prasanna Jayasinghe and Deputy Medical Superintendent, Dr. (Mrs) P. Gamlath.



The Hindu Religious and Cultural Department presented Tamil religious books to "Shakthi Illam", the orphanage home at Ratmalana, on a request by the All Ceylon Hindu Congress (ACHC). Here Secretary, ACHC, M. Kathirkamanathan receives the gift from Directress of the Department, Mrs. Shanthi Naukarasan while the Advisor, "Shakthi Illam", Mrs. Abirami Kailasapillai looks on.
Pic: A. Maduraveeran, Colombo North Gr. Cor.



Senior Partner of P.E. Mathew & Company, the Chartered Accountants, R.A. Jayaweera discusses a point with the CEO of Asia-Pacific of the Geneva Group International (GGI), Peter Kaeser when he visited the Colombo office of the company recently to finalise the admission process. GGI is the world's leading alliance of independent professional firms.
Pic: Wimal Karunathilaka.



The Zonal Organiser of the Sri Lanka Freedom Party, Obeysekerepura, Anura Jayasekera organised the New Year celebrations at the Aronodaya Mawatha, Rajagiriya recently. Here ITN Director, Hashim Omar presents a gift to a winner of the Avurudu Kumari contest. Tale-drama artistes Pathum Rukshan, Shereen and Anura Jayasekera were also present.
Pic: Ruzaik Farook.



A new office complex for the Galgamuwa Pradeshiya Sabha, Kurunegala is being built at a cost of Rs. 30 million. Here Minister of Local Government A.L.M. Athaula and Provincial Councils and Deputy Minister of Local Government and SLPF Chief Organiser for Panduwasnuwara, Indika Bandaranayake while on an inspection tour examine the plan of proposed building complex. Chairman, Galgamuwa PS, H.M. Wimalaratne and Kurunegala district parliamentarian, Tharanath Basnayake are also in the picture.
Pic: S.M. Wijayarathne, Kurunegala Cor.



The awards ceremony of the "Shiwa Gurunadan Challenge Cricket Trophy" for the winner of the cricket encounter between Ananda College, Colombo and Hindu College, Jaffna was held in Bandaragama, Horana recently. Here the chief guest, former Test cricketer and opening batsman of Ananda College, Sidath Wettimuni presents the trophy to the captain of the winning team, Ananda College. Principal, Ananda College, Kithsiri Liyanagamage, Principal, Hindu College, V. Ganesharaja look on.
Pic: Priyadarshani Kahawala, Ingiriya Central Gr. Cor.



The Negombo Hoteliers' Association donated Rs. 800,000 to the Negombo Base Hospital to develop the Psychiatric Ward. Here Past President, Negombo Hoteliers' Association Ms. Rookamani Fernando presents a cheque to Medical Superintendent, Negombo Base Hospital Ms. Champa Aluthweera, President Neville Rogers, Treasurer Priyantha Marambe, Deputy Superintendent Dr. Lal Arunasiri and Chief Matron, Ms. Chandani Kariyawasam.
Pic: H. Fernando, Negombo Spl. Cor.



The Department of Probation and Child Care Services organised an exhibition, drama and arts competition awards ceremony at the Ananda College auditorium, Colombo recently. Here Secretary, Ministry of Child Development and Women's Affairs, E.W.F. Ilayaparachchi opens the exposition. Commissioner, Mrs. Yamuna Perera, ITN Director Hashim Omar and radio artiste Kalai Chelvan were also present.
Pic: Ruzaik Farook.



The Ampara District Journalists' Federation organised the annual get-together with their family members recently at Al-Madeena Vidyalaya, Maruthamunai recently. Here Akkaraipattu Municipal Councillor, S.M. Safoes present a gift to journalist M.I. Samsudeen. President, Meera M. Ismail looks on.
Pic: I.L.M. Rizan, Addalaichenai Central Cor.



The Korea International Co-operation Agency (KOICA) representatives called on WPC's Waste Management Authority officials at the Authority Secretariat, Colombo recently and discussed the volume-based bags project for waste management. Western Province Education and Local Government Minister Secretary, S.L. Kodikara, Waste Management Authority, Chairman Asela Perera, Korean team leader, Jung Jinyong, Deputy Director of Waste Management Authority, Nalin Manapperuma, Hye Yun Park, Lee Dayouog, Asst. Director Y. Karunaratne are also in the picture.
Pic: M.S.M. Munthasir, Panadura Central Cor.



The sixth Annual General Meeting of the Eastern Provincial branch of the Union of Postal Department was held at the Maligaikadu Bismillah Hotel recently. Here Deputy Post Master General, (Eastern Province), Mrs. Yasuki Arulraja receives the first copy of the 'Postal News' from the editor, S.L. Kalideen.
Pic: M.I.M. Azhar, Maligaikadu Gr. Cor.



The opening ceremony of Rifayiya Arabic Boys' College, Kapuwatha, Weligama was held recently. Here His Holiness Rifai Moulana Up Seyyed Mohamed Ashique Thangal, As Seyyed Hassan Moulana, Prof. Deen Mohamed, Vice Chancellor of the Sharia Faculty, University of Qatar being conducted to the venue.
Pic: M.B. Mukhtar, Beruwala Spl. Cor.



A donation of Rs. 45,000 was made to a veteran journalist, under the "Cancer Helping Hand" project at a ceremony at the Ananda Samarakoon auditorium of the Sri Lanka Broadcasting Corporation (SLBC) recently. ITN Director Hashim Omar, V. Radhakrishnan MP, former SSP K. Arasaratnam and well-known social worker, Mrs. Kausalyadevi were also present.
Pic: A. Maduraveeran, Colombo North Gr. Cor.

EVENTS

Krishnamurti talk

A recorded public talk on 'Security in Illusion' delivered by the late Indian sage J. Krishnamurti will be played at the 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.

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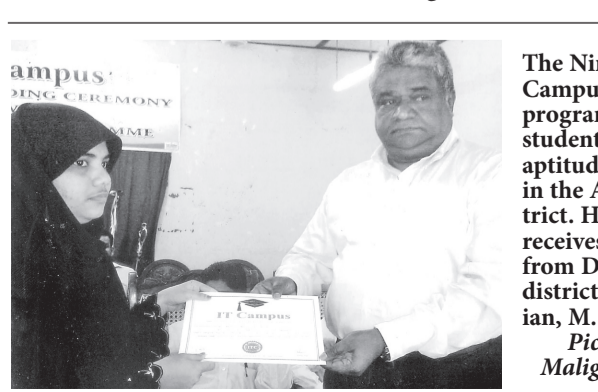
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Wheel-chairs were distributed among differently-abled persons on May Day, near the A.E. Goonesinha statue at Goonesinhapura, Colombo 12 organised by the Lanka Labour Association to mark Labour leader, A.E. Goonesinha's 123th birth anniversary. Former Minister Dr. Karunasena Kodituwakku, President, Vijitha Kadiragonna, Lakshman Gunawardena and members were present.
Pic: A. Maduraveeran, Colombo North Gr. Cor.



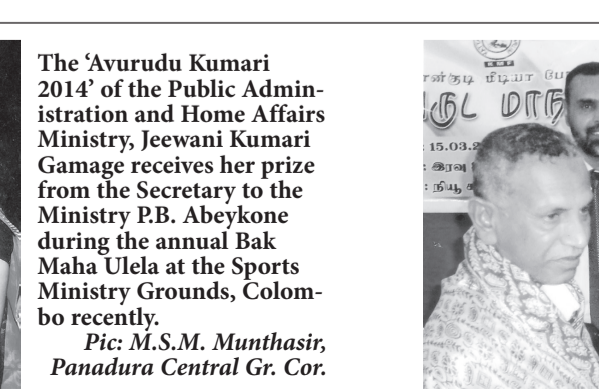
Sixty three nurses from different parts of the country completed their one-year training at the Kotagala Nurses' Training School recently.
Pic: Aruna Ponnambalam, Kotagala Gr. Cor.



The Ninthavur IT Campus launched a program to felicitate students with special aptitudes and skills, in the Ampara district. Here a student receives her certificate from Digamadulla district parliamentarian, M. Faizal Cassim.
Pic: M.I.M. Azhar, Maligaikadu Gr. Cor.



The 'Avurudu Kumari 2014' of the Public Administration and Home Affairs Ministry, Jeewani Kumari Gamage receives her prize from the Secretary to the Ministry P.B. Abeykone during the annual Bak Maha Ulela at the Sports Ministry Grounds, Colombo recently.
Pic: M.S.M. Munthasir, Panadura Central Gr. Cor.



The Kattankudy Media Forum organised a ceremony to honour the founder of "Rizala FM", journalist Kabeer M. Hassan recently. Here Hassan being honoured with a golden shawl by the chief guest, Eastern University of Sri Lanka, Vice Chancellor, Dr. Kidnam Kovin-tharajah.
Pic: I.L.M. Rizan, Addlaichenai Central Cor.