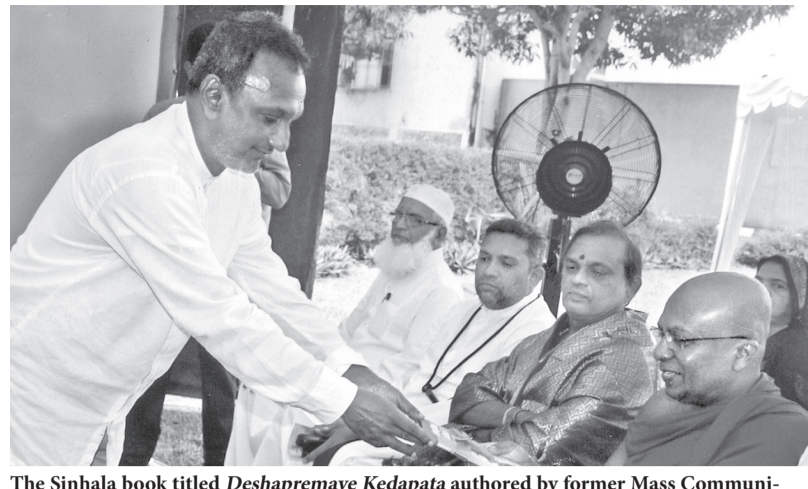




The second Dhamma book *Dhama Saha Jeevana Maga* authored by the Principal of Deepangoda Primary School and chief incumbent of the Sri Arahata Mahinda International Buddhist Centre, Ven. Dabarayam Samitha Thera was launched on Vesak Full Moon day. Here the author presents a copy to the chief guest, veteran musician, Rohana Beddage.
Pic: Wehelle Piyathilake, Maharagama Spl. Cor.



The Sinhala book titled *Deshapremaye Kedapata* authored by former Mass Communication Minister, M. Imtiaz Bakeer Markar was launched at Zahira College, Colombo, recently. Here the author presents the maiden copy to Ven. Galkande Dhammananda Thera. Thera's Co-ordinator in Hindu Religious Affairs, R. Babu Sarma, Rev. Fr. Mohan de Silva and Moulavi Seikh M.M.A. Mubarak look on.
Pic: A. Maduraveeran, Colombo North Gr. Cor.



A new CTB bus service between Malabada and Mithurgama was launched in Matugama recently by Ministers Kumara Welgama and Rohitha Abeysunawardene. Here children in the area welcome the Ministers. Provincial Councillor Senal Welgama is also in the picture.
Pic: M.S.M. Munthasir, Panadura Central Gr. Cor.



A staff delegation of the Sri Lanka Parliament visited the Karnataka Legislative Assembly, Bangalore, India recently, on a study tour. Here the staffers, R. Padmasiri (Senior Interpreter), Fathima Mushfika Munthasir (Asst. Editor, Hansard), J.S. Colombage, G. Rathnayake, R.M. Yaparatne, K.K. Jayasooriya, A.V. Janakaratna, A. Upali Premachandra, W.A.N.L. Silva and L.D. Gamini Perera with the Speaker of the Karnataka Legislative Assembly, K. Thimmappa.
Pic: Panadura Central Gr. Cor.



Chief Minister of the North Western Province, Dayasiri Jayasekara, Minister of Civil and Aviation, Piyankara Jayaratne, North Western Provincial Councillors, M.T.M. Thahir, S.H.M. Niyas, Chinthaka Amal Mayadhanna and the Chairman of the Puttalam Urban Council, K.A. Baiz participate in the opening ceremony of a new building at Erukkalampitti Muslim Maha Vidyalaya, Puttalam recently.
Pic: M.U.M. Sanoon, Puttalam TKN Cor.



The Giranchikanda Community Hall was opened at the Divisional Secretariat, Ingiriya on the initiative of Plantation Minister, Mahindisa Samarasinghe recently. It was constructed from the decentralised funds of the Minister. OIC, Ingiriya, I.M.A. Udaya Kumara also participated.
Pic: Priyadarshani Kahawala, Ingiriya Central Gr. Cor.

Honorary title conferred on Ven. Master Hai Tao

The chief incumbent of five Buddhist monasteries across the globe, including the Fa-Wong temple in Keelung in Taiwan, Ven. Master Hai Tao was conferred the honorary title *Dharmakirtti Sri* (Glorifying the Dhamma) at the Sri Bodhiraja Dharmayatana, Embilipitiya recently.



The ceremony was organised by the Sri Bodhiraja Foundation under the guidance of the chief Sanghanayaka of the Southern Province of Sri Lanka, Ven. Dr. Omalpe Sobhita Maha Thero.



French Ambassador, Jean Paul Monchau called on the Southern Province Governor, Dr. Kumari Balasuriya at her official residence in Galle recently. Secretary to the Governor, Lal Samarasekera and Assistant Secretary, E.P.I.G. Pathirana are also in the picture.
Pic: Dr. Richmond Wijesekera, Bentota Gr. Cor.



Sixty-five minor employees were made permanent in the Akkarpattu Municipal Council recently, at a meeting held under the chairmanship of Mayor A. Ahamed Zackie. Local Government and Provincial Councils Minister A.L.M. Athaula was the chief guest. Here one of the beneficiaries receives the letter of appointment. Deputy Mayor M.M.M. Rizam and Municipal Commissioner A.L.M. Azmi were also present.
Pic: I.L.M. Rizan, Addalaichenai Central Cor.



The Danasiri Amaratunga Foundation provided essential items to pregnant women in Dehiwala recently. Here Dehiwala SLPF Organiser and Mayor of Dehiwala-Galkissa Municipal Council, Danasiri Amaratunga presents food items to a pregnant woman. Deputy Mayor, Kesaralal Gunasekara is also in the picture.
Pic: M.S.M. Munthasir, Panadura Central Gr. Cor.

EVENTS

Zahira prize-giving on June 18

The annual prize-giving of Zahira College, Colombo will be held on June 18 at 2.30 p.m. at the Gaffoor Hall. Deputy Minister of Education, Mohan Lal Grero will be the chief guest and Saleem Marsoof PC, Judge of the Supreme Court of Sri Lanka will be the guest of honour. Principal Trizvi Marikkar will preside.

Pre-Ramazan Trade Fair at Zahira College

The Group '80 of Zahira College Colombo, will hold its annual 'Pre-Ramazan Trade Fair' for the fifth consecutive year on June 21 and 22 at the College grounds. The Fair on the first day will be from 3.30 p.m. to 10.00 p.m. and on the second day from 10.00 a.m. to 11.00 p.m. The event is coordinated by Milhan Laffir 0773200341 and Aslam Kamil 0773630060.

AGM of Lanka Mahila Samithi on June 28

The 84th Annual General Meeting of the Lanka Mahila Samithi will be held on Saturday, June 28 at 9.00 a.m. at the Lanka Mahila Samiti Training Centre, Welivita, Malabe. Deputy Director, Children's & Women's Bureau, Ms. Lanka Amarasinghe will be the chief guest.

OFFICE - BEARERS

Association of Cricket Umpires Sri Lanka (Kalutara district branch)

Patrons: Sirosha Gunatilake (President Association of Cricket Umpires Sri Lanka), Deepal Perera (President, Kalutara Town Club), and Sajith Gunaratne (Senior Business Manager & Marketing Manager, Prima Group, Ceylon Agro Industries)
President: Jagath P.P. Withana
Vice Presidents: Palitha De Alwis, Vidura Prasad, A.H.T. Wasantha, K. Ariyawickrama
General Secretary: P.P.Vishantha Fernando
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Asst. Secretary: C. De S. Weerakkody
Asst. Treasurer: D.Bodiyabuduge
Asst. Committee Members: M.A.D.Kumara, Asigira Prabod
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A home garden project was launched with crops such as brinjal, snake gourd, green chillies and pumpkin, under the *Divi Neguma* program. A harvesting ceremony was held recently with Divisional Secretary, V. Jegadesan.
Pic: I.L.M. Rizan, Addalaichenai Central Cor.



Fisheries and Aquatic Resources Development Minister, Dr. Rajitha Senaratne lights the lamp to open the Vesak *Buth Damsala* organised by the Ceylon Fisheries Corporation and the Deewara Velanda Samithiya at the Central Fish Market complex, Peliyagoda while the members look on.
Pic: A. Maduraveeran, Colombo North Gr. Cor.



A book titled *Methodism in Eastern 200th year* was launched at Wesley High School, Kalmunai recently. Here the author, Dr. S.I.A. Mathew presents the first copy to Senior Minister, P. Dayaratne.
Pic: M.L.M. Azhar, Maligaikadu Gr. Cor.



The staff of the WPC Education Ministry provided milk powder and gift items to child patients at the Maharagama Cancer Hospital recently. Here Assistant Secretary of the Ministry, Thanuja Rajakaruna, Chief Accountant, A.M.S. Malkanthi and K.T.P. Jayasanthi present a gift to a child.
Pic: M.S.M. Munthasir, Panadura Central Gr. Cor.



The Past Pupils' Association of Muslim Ladies College organised the annual Ramazan Trade Fair at the College premises recently. Here PPA Vice President, Mrs. Feroza Muzammil opens the Fair. Secretary, Mrs. Zahara Farook, Treasurer, Mrs. J. Ashroff and ITN Director, Hashim Omar are also in the picture.
Pic: Ruzaik Farook.



A ceremony organised by WPC Education Ministry staff to bid farewell to Ureka Dilrukshi was held at the Ministry recently. Here Assistant Secretary, Shanika Paranawithana presents a gift to the staffer. Senior Assistant Secretary, Malsiri Seneviratne (seated) is also in the picture.
Pic: M.S.M. Munthasir, Panadura Central Gr. Cor.



The Floral and *Divineguma* Trade Exhibition 2014 organised by the Bingiriya Development Foundation and the Sri Lanka Export Development Board was held in Bingiriya recently. Here Sampath Dissanayake, Director, National Lotteries Board presents the keys of a motorcycle to a prize winner, a student of Bingiriya MMV, W.S. Sajith Priyantha. M.D. Somaratne, Divisional Secretary, Bingiriya looks on.
Pic: S.M. Wijayarathne, Kurunegala Cor.



The Samurthi Development Unit of the Sainthamaruthu Divisional Secretariat presented houses to the widows in Samurthi recently under *Thiriya Piyasa* program. Here Divisional Secretary, A.L.M. Saleem presents the keys to a beneficiary.
Pic: M.L.M. Azhar, Maligaikadu Gr. Cor.



The CD songs of the short film, *Saval* was launched at Mahmood Ladies College Hall, Kalmunai recently. Here short film Director Mohamed Janooz presents the first copy to Ampara District Road Development Authority Engineer, Dr. A.M. Rizvi. Eastern Provincial Councillor, Aarif Samsudeen is also in the picture.
Pic: M.L.M. Azhar, Maligaikadu Gr. Cor.



A delegation from Iththihath Ahlus Sunnath Jamath visited Minathul Fassiya Ladies' Arab College, Matara recently. President, Al-Haj M. Thalath Ismail, Secretary, Dr. Al-Haj Fahmi Ismail, Kaleefa Moulavi, M.S.M. Isthikar (Bari), Moulavi M.J.M. Faslan (Ashrafi) were also present.
Pic: B.M. Mukthar, Beruwala Spl. Cor.



The Addalaichenai Sober Sports Club won 30 points to carry away the championship trophy at the 'Sports Festival-2014' of Inter Sports Clubs, organised by the Addalaichenai Divisional Secretariat at the Ashraff Memorial playground recently. Here Eastern Province Road Development Minister, M.S. Udumalebbe and Sports Minister M.I.M. Mansoor present the trophy to the winning team's captain. Divisional Secretary, I.M. Haniffa and other officials were also present.
Pic: I.L.M. Rizan, Addalaichenai Central Cor.



Senior Deputy General Manager (Sales and Channel Management) of the Bank of Ceylon, H.M. Mudiyanse was felicitated for his long-standing services in the banking field by the Eastern Province Assistant General Manager's office in Trincomalee recently. Here Assistant General Manager, Eastern Province K.P. Ananda Nadesan presents a memento to Mudiyanse. Operations Manager, G.P.L. Amarasekera, Senior Manager, M.I. Nowfel and Area Managers (Ampara), J.G. Priyanda Kumara, (Batticaloa) and Chindya Martin were also present.
Pic: I.L.M. Rizan, Addalaichenai Central Cor.