



Lord Bishop of Colombo, Rt. Rev. Delo Canagasabay at mass with the young children who were confirmed and received Holy Communion from his Lordship at St. James Church, Chilaw. Vicar of St. James, Rev. Sam Raj and Vicar of St. Stephen's Church, Marawila, Rev. Anil Wickramasinghe were also present.



Devsiri P. Hewaridane's latest book *Ananda Bodime Rasakatha* was launched recently at the Ananda College auditorium, Colombo. Here the author presents a copy of the book to Defence Secretary, Gotabaya Rajapaksa. Publisher Dayawansa Jayakody looks on.



The fourth Defence Seminar of the Sri Lanka Army was held at the Hotel Galadari recently. Here the Army Commander Lt. Gen. Daya Ratnayake presents a memento to the chief guest on the third day, Senior Minister and Deputy Minister of Finance Dr. Sarath Amunugama.
Pic: M.S.M. Munthasir, Panadura Central Gr. Cor.

EVENTS

Ahadhiyyah schools' exhibition

The second exhibition and competition on Arabic Calligraphy, Islamic Art and Architecture will be held from September 6-8 at the National Art Gallery, Nelum Pokuna Mawatha, Colombo 7 (behind Viharamahadevi Park) from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Thirty-two Ahadhiyyah schools in the Colombo district will participate in the expo, organised by the Colombo district Ahadhiyyah Schools Federation.

Krishnamurti talk

A recorded public talk on 'Is there anything sacred in life?' delivered by the late Indian sage Jiddu Krishnamurti will be replayed 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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A chest clinic was opened at the Panadura Base Hospital by WPC Health Minister, Ranjith Somawansa recently. Here the Minister registers the first patient.
Pic: M.S.M. Munthasir, Panadura Central Gr. Cor.

Hony D. Litt for Prof. Daya Edirisinghe

Former senior professor and Chair of the Department of Philosophy, University of Kelaniya Daya Edirisinghe was conferred with a Honorary doctorate in literature by the University of the Visual and Performing Arts at the seventh Convocation ceremony at the BMICH. Prof. Edirisinghe received his B.A. Hons degree in Western Philosophy from Vidyodaya University of Ceylon (1970) and the M.A. in Philosophy from Dongguk University, Seoul, Korea in 1980. At present he is the President of Sri Lanka Republic of Korea Association and is also the President, National Child Education Foundation, New Town, Mulleriyawa.



Iceman Group of Companies, Kandana donated a large number of water barrels and portable water tanks to the drought-affected people in the Polonnaruwa district recently.



Minister of Irrigation and Water Resource Management Nimal Siripala de Silva opened several renovated roads in the estate sector in Badulla recently. Here the Minister with former Uva Provincial Councillor Ajith Hik-kaduwa and Pradhesiya Sabha member, K. Shakthi take a walk along a well-paved road.
Pic: M.S.M. Munthasir, Panadura Central Gr. Cor.



Residents of Akkaraipattu plan to beautify the Muslim burial grounds at Thaikkannagar. Here the Mayor, A. Ahamed Zackie plants a sapling to mark the occasion. Retired District Forest Officer, M.A. Ibnu Shuhood and S.L. Junoon were the chief organisers.
Pic: I.L.M. Rizan, Addalaichenai Central Cor.



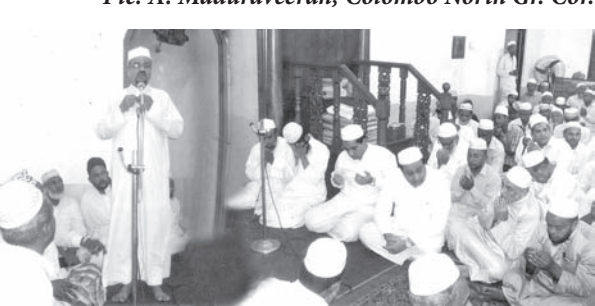
The Young Magician of the Year 2014 contest for the Donovan Andree Challenge Trophy and the Amateur Magician of the Year 2014 for Linda De Alwis Challenge Trophy was held at the Lyceum International School auditorium, Nugegoda recently. Here the winners Yas-itha Jayamal and Asanka K. Pathirana with the President of the Magic Circle, Joy De Silva.
Pic: Nanda Ekanayake, Kotte Central Gr. Cor.



The *Varalakshmi Thiruvilaku* pooja ceremony was held at the Gnanabairavar, Devasthanam, Grandpass Colombo recently. Here an event is in progress.
Pic: A. Maduraveeran, Colombo North Gr. Cor.



Indian journalists on a visit to Sri Lanka were accorded a reception organised by the Mass Media and Information Ministry at the Cey-Nor Restaurant, D.R. Wijewardene Mawatha, Colombo 10. Here Secretary to the Ministry, Charitha Herath addresses the gathering.
Pic: A. Maduraveeran, Colombo North Gr. Cor.



The twentieth day Kathmul Quran Majlis and Dua Praying Function in memory of the late Industrialist and Life Trustee of the Panadura Thotawatta Masjid, A.W.M. Makeen Haji was held under the patronage of Chief Katheeb Kaleefathushshazuli Moulavi M.T.M. Ilyas at the Thotawatta Grand Masjid recently. Here Moulavi Kattankudi Fouzesharki addresses the Majlis. Milfer Makeen, Miswer Makeen, Colombo District SLFP Organiser Fouzan Anwer and Macky Hashim are also in the picture.
Pic: M.S.M. Munthasir, Panadura Central Gr. Cor.



The foundation stones for a trade complex at Dangala in the Pitabeddara Pradeshiya Sabha area were laid by Deputy Minister of Public Administration, Wijaya Dahanayake, Chairman, Pitabeddara Pradeshiya Sabha Anil Weeraman and Chairman, Kotapola Pradeshiya Sabha, P.A. Dayananda.
Pic: Theja Vidyarupa, Akuressa Gr. Cor.



The prize-giving of Abrar Qran Madarasa, Maradana, Beruwala was held recently. Here Al-Haj A.M. Yusuf, former member of the Western Provincial Council addresses the gathering.
Pic: B.M. Mukthar, Beruwala Spl. Cor.



The Bank of Ceylon Trincomalee district won the championship trophy at the Grand Annual Sports Festival of the Bank of Ceylon, organised by the Eastern Province AGM's office at the Sri Koneswara Hindu College playground recently. Here the winners receive the trophy from Eastern Province AGM, K.P. Ananda Nadesan.
Pic: I.L.M. Rizan, Addalaichenai Central Cor.



The Ministry of Disaster Management provided two tractors-cum-bowsers at a cost of Rs. 4 million to the Divisional Secretariats of Paddippalai and Vavunativu, to transport water during the drought. Here Deputy Minister of Resettlement, Vinayagamoorthy Muralitharan presents the vehicle documents to the Secretaries, Batticaloa District Secretary P.S.M. Charles, Additional Secretary, S. Giritharan were also present.
Pic: Sivam Packiyathanan, Batticaloa Spl. Cor.



The newly carpeted Kalutara-Kandewatta Road built at a cost of Rs. 196 lakhs was opened recently by the Project Minister of Highways, Ports and Shipping, Rohitha Abeygunawardana.
Pic: Priyadarshani Kahawala, Ingiriya Central Gr. Cor.



One hundred and one new management assistants were appointed to the WPC service recently. Here the chief guest, WPC Agriculture, Arts and Cultural Minister Udaya Gammanpila presents an appointment letter. Chief Secretary, Mrs. Jayanthi Wijetunge is also in the picture.
Pic: M.S.M. Munthasir, Panadura Central Gr. Cor.



The Bank of Ceylon, Kantale branch donated gifts to Mega Vaazi raffle draw winners of the Eastern Province recently. Here the guest of honour, AGM (Province Sales Management), M.J.P. Salgado presents a cash prize to the Bangkok tour winner, A. Chithra, a customer of the Bank of Ceylon, Trincomalee branch.
Pic: I.L.M. Rizan, Addalaichenai Central Cor.



District Secretary of Puttalam, Kingsley Fernando presided over the opening ceremony at the Puttalam Thihali Madheena Muslim Maha Vidyalaya recently. Here North Western Provincial Councillor N.T.M. Tahir and educational officers at the event.
Pic: M.U.M. Sanoon, Puttalam TKN Cor.



Dr. Mahinda Malalasekara's latest book *Malalasekara* was launched recently at the All Ceylon Buddhist Congress hall, Colombo 7. Here the author presents a copy to the Principal, Nalanda College, Ranjith Jayasundera.
Pic: Geeth de Mel



A ceremony to felicitate senior artists, *Kalaingar Sangamam* was held at the Old Town Hall, Pettah, Colombo recently organised by the Krishna Kalalayam to mark its 38th anniversary. Here well-known social worker, Mrs. Kawsalyadevi Govindapillai presents the maiden copy of the souvenir to veteran artist, Mrs. Jeyagowri while committee member Jeyamohan looks on.
Pic: A. Maduraveeran, Colombo North Gr. Cor.



A dengue-prevention program organised by the office of the Medical Officer of Health, Padukka, Siri Piyaratana College, Padukka, the Padukka Police Divisional Secretariat and the Paradise Lions Club, Padukka was held recently. Padukka police, Bimal Perera, Divisional Secretary, S.H. Hewage, Chairman, Paradise Lions Club, M.D.H. Pushpakumara and a large crowd of volunteers participated.
Pic: Priyadarshani Kahawala, Ingiriya Central Gr. Cor.