## Community



Finance Minister Ravi Karunanayake, called on the Mahanayake of Malwatte Chapter, Most Ven. Thibbotuwawe Sri Siddhartha Sumangala Thera at the Malwatta Vihara, Kandy recently. Pic: M.S.M. Munthasir, Panadura Central Gr. Cor.



His Holiness, Assheikh Muhammad Al-Fassy Al-Makkie Ashshazuli of Saudi Arabia, the spiritual leader of Shazuliya Tharuka paid a visit to Thotawatha Jumma Masjid, Panadura recently. Here His Holiness lays the foundation stone for a proposed development project of the Masjid. Auditor, Masjid Administrative Society, Al-Haj A.S.M. Ikram, Al-Haj A.W.M. Fassy and A.I.M. Nawas are also in the picture.

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



The Ratnapura District Journalists' Association felicitated the newly appointed Secretary to the Ministry of Mass Media, Karunaratne Paranavithana, who hails from Ratnapura at the Ratnapura Rest House. Here Paranavithana addresses the journalists.

Pic: Joseph Anthony, Dehiowita Spl. Cor.



Chairman, Puttalam Urban Council, K.A. Baiz with the Vietnam Ambassador to Sri Lanka, Ms. Phan Kieu Thu, the chief guest view some of the exhibits at an exhibition held recently at Puttalam Zahira Infant School.

Pic: M.U.M. Sanoon, Puttalam TKN Cor.



The 56th AGM of the National Chamber of Commerce, Sri Lanka was held at the Kingsbury Hotel recently. Here the chief guest, Public Administration, Provincial Councils and Local Government Minister Karu Jayasuriya presents a memento to the Past Chairman Asoka Hettige. New Chairman Thilak Godamanne looks on.

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



Chairman, Puttalam Urban Council and Chief SLFP Organiser for Puttalam, K.A. Baiz congratulates the Puttalam League team who were the champions in the volleyball tournament held recently in Puttalam. Pic: M.U.M. Sanoon, Puttalam TKN Cor.



The Kandy Young Men's Hindu Association and the Kandy 6 Ys Association organised the 'Thai Pongal Vizha 2015' at the Young Men's Hindu Association auditorium in Kandy recently. Here YMHA president R.Baskaran and former President P. Balasubramaniam presents a memento to the Assistant High Commissioner of India in Kandy, Miss Radha Venkataraman.

Pic: D. Vasanthakumar, Nawalapitiya Roving Cor.



The Muhurath ceremony of the International movie, Gunananda Himi Migettuwaththe was held at the Pipathutta Rama Maha Vihara, Kotahena, Colombo 13 recently. Here the chief trustee of Bodhikara Mandalaya, Kalutara, Ajith Soysa lights the oil lamp to inaugurate the ceremony. The chief guest, Buddhist Affairs Minister, Karu Jayasuriya and film director Sisil Gunasekera are also in the picture.

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



The new Governor of the Western Province K.C. Logeswaran assumed duties at the Governor's Secretariat, Colombo recently. Here WPC Chief Minister Prasanna Ranatunga greets the Governor. Colombo Mayor A.J.M. Muzammil, Governor's Secretary, Sunil Abeyawardene, Chief Secretary of the Western Province, Jayanthi Wijetunge are also in the picture. Pic: M.S.M. Munthasir, Panadura Central Gr. Cor.



The Bank of Ceylon Ampara district Pensioners' Society presented gifts to the BoC Akkaraipattu branch recently. Here a retired officer G. Parasuraman presents a gift to a former Manager, M.A.M.A. Naseer. Society Secretary M.L.M. Farook looks on. Pic: I.L.M. Rizan, Addalaichenai Central Cor.



The public vehicle park and wash room in Puttalam town, the brainchild of Chairman, Puttalam Urban Council and the Chief SLFP Organiser for Puttalam, K.A. Baiz was opened recently.

Pic: M.U.M. Sanoon, Puttalam TKN Cor.



The Japanese Government donated a consignment of canned fish, under the World Food Program to the children in schools in the north at the Finance Ministry, Colombo recently. Here Japanese Ambassador to Sri Lanka Mubuhito Hobo and Resident Representative, WFO, Ismail Omer with the Finance Minister.

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



A friendly match between the London Football Club and Muthuwella Veterans Sports Club was held at the City League Grounds, Colombo recently. Here the chief guest, Public Administration, Provincial Councils, Local Government and Buddhasasana Minister, Karu Jayasuriya presents a memento to the British Ambassador to Sri Lanka John Rankin.

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



An art competition organised by the Diabetes Education Unit of the Colombo National Hospital, among staffers to mark World Diabetes Day was held recently. Nursing Officer Chandrika Malkanthi won the first prize. Here Malkanthi receives her prize from the Special Grade Nursing Officer Sandya Karunadasa. Nursing Officers Chandra and Y.P.C. Athukorale look on.

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



The annual Buhari Majlis was held at the Pitawala Shazuliya Zaviya China Fort, Beruwala recently. Here Asseikh Mohammed Al Fasy Al-Mackie Assha Zuli addresses the gathering.

Pic: B.M. Mukthar, Beruwala Spl. Cor.

## **EVENTS**

## Krishnamurti talk

A recorded public talk on, "A religious mind is a very factual mind" delivered by the late Indian sage J. Krishnamurti will replayed at the Anula Nursery School Hall, High Level Road, Colombo 6 today, February 15 at 9.45 a.m.

It is organised by the Krishnamurti Centre, Sri Lanka Inc.



Minister of Provincial Council and Local Government Karu Jayasuriya visited his Ministry office at Union Place, Colombo recently. Here the Minister addresses the staff. Ministry Secretary G. Thadallage is on his left.

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



R.P. Wijesinghe's Sinhala translation of Rabindranath Tagore's Gora was launched recently at the Dayawansa Jayakody Bookshop, Colombo 10. Here the publisher Dayawansa Jayakody (Right) presents a copy of the book to the author. Award-winning novelist Gunaratne Ekanayake looks on.



Mast. Cedric Eyerkaufer of Main-Kinzik-Kreis, Germany donated sports items to the Sunrise Sports Club, China Fort, Beruwala recently.

Pic: B.M. Mukthar, Beruwala Spl. Cor.