

**Buddha statue enshrined at Weheragoda**



A Buddha statue brought down by Prime Minister Ranil Wickremesinghe from Myanmar was enshrined at the Bodi Maluwa of the Weheragoda Purana Viharaya by its chief incumbent and advisor to the Prime Minister on Buddhist Religious Affairs, Ven. Ambanwala Gnanaloka Thera recently. The Weheragoda temple was a donation by the well-known philanthropist, the late Helena Wijewardene of Sedawatte.  
*Pic: A. Sumanasena, Kolonnawa Gr. Cor.*



**Unveiling ceremony**

The unveiling ceremony of the Reformed St. Anthony's statue near St. Anthony's Church, Kochchikade Colombo 13, was held recently, organised by the St. Anthony's Youth Front, Kochchikade and sponsored by a well-known social worker, P.K. Anthony. Rev. Fr. Crysty Fernando, members of the Youth Front and the invitees carry out religious observations.  
*Pic: A. Maduraveeran, Colombo North Gr. Cor.*



**Sarvarathi Pirth in Parliament**

The annual special Sarvarathi pirth pooja organised by the Parliament was held at the Parliament Complex recently. Speaker Karu Jayasuriya, Minister Gayantha Karunathilaka, Deputy Speaker Thilanga Sumathipala, Secretary General Dammika Dassanayake, Asst. Secretary General Kushani Rathanadeera and the Staff at the ceremony.  
*Pic: M.S.M. Munthasir, Panadura Central Gr. Cor.*

**Senior principals felicitated**



Selected senior school principals were felicitated at the Tower Hall, Maradana, Colombo 10 recently, for their outstanding contributions to the profession and the community, organised by the Commerce Students' Association. Here Principal of Vipulananda Tamil Vidyalayam, Dematagoda, Colombo 9, K. Shanmuganandan receives a memento from the chief guest, Finance Minister, Ravi Karunanayake.  
*Pic: A. Maduraveeran, Colombo North Gr. Cor.*

**USAID, Justice Ministry sign MoU**



The USAID and the Justice Ministry signed a MoU to develop the judicial services at the Ministry, recently. Here, Acting Project Director Reed Aeschliman and the Ministry Secretary P. Jayamanne exchange copies of the agreement. Justice Minister Dr. Wijayadasa Rajapakse looks on.  
*Pic: M.S.M. Munthasir, Panadura Central Gr. Cor.*

**Events**

**'Scientific Hand Analysis' on June 26**

The Bharathiya Kala Kendra of the Assistant High Commission of India in Kandy has organised an awareness program-cum-workshop on 'Introduction of Scientific Hand Analysis' on Sunday, June 26 from 9.30 a.m. to 11.30 a.m. in the auditorium of Kala Kendra, 31, Rajapihila Mawatha, Kandy. The workshop will be conducted by renowned hand analyst, Dr. Kanchana Kohombange, PhD, explaining the purpose of hand analysis as a subject for the first time in Sri Lanka.

**Krishnamurti talk**

A recorded public talk on 'Watching without Recording' by the late Indian sage, Jiddu Krishnamurti will be replayed at the Anula Nursery School, High Level Road, Colombo 6 today, June 12 at 9.45 a.m. It is organised by the Krishnamurti Centre, Sri Lanka Inc.

**Offices-bearers**

**Sri Lanka Scout Association**

Colombo District Branch  
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ADC Singithi Scouts: Ms. Subodha Samarasinghe  
ADC Logistics: P. Rajaratnam  
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Committee: Lay Members: Y. Rajakaruna, Harindra De Mel, Haritha Adhikary, Wasantha Gajanayake, Jayantha Gunawardena, Ms. Sunethra Bloc, Lalith Dassanaikie, Ms. Dilumini De Mel and Sanjeewa Jayawardane.  
Warranted Members: Capt. J.M.R.K.K. Jayathilake (ADC), Amil Abeysondera (ADC), A. Jeganathan (ADC), Ravi Ranasinghe, A.A.C.M. Shabeen, Arun Pragash, Dr. Crishan Kularatnam and Lal Premaratne.

**IGP at AGM of Sri Lanka Scout Association**



The Annual General Meeting of the Sri Lanka Scout Association (SLSA) was held at the Scout Headquarters, Colombo 2 recently. Here, the chief guest Inspector General of Police, Pujith Jayasundara stands beside the statue of the founder of the World Scout Movement, Lord Baden Powell, with his school-mates of Dharmaraja College, Kandy, who are SLSA office-bearers. From left: Assistant Chief Commissioner and former Deputy Principal of Dharmaraja College, Sarath Matharaarachchi, Vice President, SLSA, Lalith Kulathunga, Headquarters Commissioner and Ex-Co Member, Sarath Kumarasinghe, Pujith Jayasundara, former Secretary, SLSA, Ananda Melpitiya and Ex-co member, Shabbir Sadikot.

**Media seminar on prevention of malaria**



A media seminar on 'Elimination and Prevention of Re-introduction of Malaria in Sri Lanka' organised by the Kalmunai RDHS Regional Anti Malaria Campaign was held at the RDHS auditorium recently. Here Regional Director of Health Services, Dr. A.L. Alaavudeen displaying a new T-shirt at a meeting, sponsored by the Family Choice, Sainthamaruthu. The medical officer, Dr. N. Ariff, medical officer (Planning), Dr. M.T.M. Marzook and Health Department officials at the meeting.  
*Pic: I.L.M. Rizan, Addalachenai Central Cor.*

**New technical officers at WPC Service**



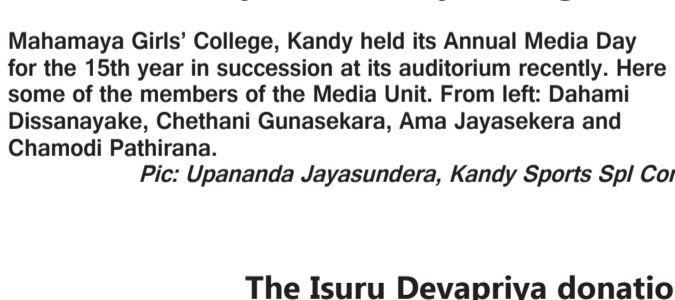
Sixty technical officers who were appointed to the Western Provincial State Service received their letters of appointment under the patronage of WPC Chief Minister, Isuru Devapriya at the Chief Ministry Auditorium. Here Provincial Councillor, A.J.M. Faiz presents the letter of appointment to a new technical officer. Chief Minister Isuru Devapriya and Provincial Minister Gamini Thilakasiri look on.  
*Pic: M.S.M. Munthasir, Panadura Central Gr. Cor.*



**A gift of cement from Deputy Minister**

Deputy Minister of Housing and Construction, Indika Bandaranayake donated cement worth Rs. 900,000 to restore damaged dwellings during the recent floods in the Kurunegala District. Here, the Minister presents the cement bags to a victim.  
*Pic: S.M. Wijayaratne, Kurunegala Cor.*

**Media Day at Mahamaya College**



Mahamaya Girls' College, Kandy held its Annual Media Day for the 15th year in succession at its auditorium recently. Here some of the members of the Media Unit. From left: Dahami Dissanayake, Chethani Gunasekara, Ama Jayasekera and Chamodi Pathirana.  
*Pic: Upananda Jayasundera, Kandy Sports Spl Cor.*

**The Isuru Devapriya donation**



The Isuru Devapriya Foundation donated chairs and tents to the Social Services Society of the Maharagama Divisional Secretariat recently. Here the President of the Foundation, Mrs. Anjana Kolombage presents the items to a member of the society.  
*Pic: M.S.M. Munthasir, Panadura Central Gr. Cor.*



The Department of Muslim Religious and Cultural Affairs organised the awards ceremony for winners of the Holy Quran-Reciting Competition at the Post, Postal Services and Muslim Religious Affairs Ministry Auditorium recently. Minister M.H.A. Haleem, State Minister A.H.M. Fowzie, Cader Masthan MP and diplomats were present on the occasion.  
*Pic: Ruzaik Farook.*



**School Transport Owners Association AGM**

The Annual General Meeting of the Western Province School Children's Transport Owners' Association was held at the Community Centre Hall, Bambalapitiya, Colombo recently. Here, the Association President M.A.M. Fairoos, Secretary, Mapriya Peiris, Treasurer Nandana Wickramasinghe the members stand to attention to the National Anthem.  
*Pic: A. Maduraveeran, Colombo North Gr. Cor.*