

Lions service projects in Jaffna

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Lions Club of Colombo Western City conducted a number of service projects in the Jaffna Peninsula which benefited a large number of underprivileged persons. The service projects were spearheaded by Regional Coordinator, Lion S. Jayavathsalan.

Over 200 nutritional food parcels were presented to cancer patients at the Jaffna Cancer Centre. This was sponsored by Lion Anne Gunasekera, Chairperson, Graceful Oaks Foundation Sri Lanka. 200 mammoties too were gifted to needy farmers.

A new Lions Club was also inaugurated at Manipallevam, Jaffna in order to help the needy persons. Wheelchairs too were distributed to disabled persons by the Lions Club of Manipal, Jaffna. Regional Coordinator, Lion S. Jayavathsalan told the Daily News that all service projects benefited a large number of needy persons in the Jaffna Peninsula and all service projects turned out to be a big success. Lion Jayavathsalan said that his club hopes to carry out many more service projects in the near future.



Regional Coordinator, Lion S. Jayavathsalan presents wheelchairs from Lions Club of Manipal Circle Jaffna to disabled persons. Others in the picture from left, Vice President, Lion A. Balachandran, Zone Chairman, Lion Sri Wimalaswaran, Club President, L.S.L. Sebarasa, Lion R. Srikantha and Regional Chairperson, Lion C. Sunthareswaran.



The President of the new Lions Club, Lions Club of Manipallevam, Jaffna, Lion S. Jayavathsalan being congratulated by Regional Coordinator, Lion S. Jayavathsalan.



Lion S. Jayavathsalan presents Nutritional food parcels to cancer patients. This was sponsored by Lion Anne Gunasekera, Chairperson of Graceful Oaks Foundation Sri Lanka.



Lion S. Jayavathsalan presents mammoties to needy farmers at Uvashakthi Community, Suthumalai, Jaffna.

Gampaha Jaycees YOLA 2009 on high note

Gampaha Jaycees, the most outstanding local chapter of the Sri Lanka branch of the world's largest youth leadership development organisation presented the Youth Leadership Academy 2009 (YOLA 2009) on a high note at Bellihuloya.



Zoltan Jacob with Gampaha Jaycees

This was a management training & leadership development program in the wilderness. 30 youth leaders participated at this great exciting event. The training partner the Wild Drift, one of the leading adventure based management teams in Sri Lanka delivered a magical experience for all of the participants.



Gampaha Jaycees on a boat ride in Bellihuloya

They did a treasure hunt which they had to find five clues along with the grand treasure took them 4-5 hours with lot of leadership experiences, two teams of 15 members had to find two treasures using a map, compass and different tools. They had to execute their roles at 100% in order to survive in the jungle.

'Strategic Eggs' was the game that all the participants had to swim across a river, complete set of activities in order to unlock the kayaks, each of them had to do kayaking to the other side of the river. They had to strategically earn more marks to buy barrels, planks & ropes in order to build a raft within a given period to survive their lives.

Ultimate acrobat (High ropes) activity was the pumping activity which all of them went beyond their perceived limitations.

They completed the seven layer high rope course with the flying fox activity at the end of the event. Video de briefing technique was used to do the unlearning while they shared their experience to enhance their leadership skills. The project was chaired by Je Nalina Wanasinghe who was the Director Individual of the Chapter. This was a two day in-house training program. Program was conducted by JCI Senator, Rukmal De Silva, Anurudda Bandara and Zoltan Jacob from Hungary. The training provider was Wild Drift Pvt Ltd.



The fourth charter celebrations of the Lions Club of Colombo Western City was held at Excel World, Colombo 10. To mark the occasion, Regional coordinator Lion S. Jayavathsalan presents a wheel-chair to a needy person. Others in the picture are (from left) President, Lions Club of Colombo Western City, Lion M. Senthilnathan, Region Chairman, Lion S. Kuhavarannathan and District Governor, 306B1, Lion Nimal Rajapaksa.

Kandy Metropolitan Rotarians conduct major eye clinic

The main objective of the Rotarians of Kandy Metropolitan Rotary Club is to serve the less fortunate people.

They conducted a major health camp in Habarana. During this camp a major Eye Camp too was conducted and thousands who were in need of spectacles, eye correction and cataract surgery treated.

This was immediately attended by sending the patients to Kandy Hospital.

Eye camps were conducted in the Kandy district in a villages of Botota and Galaha. The Rotarians of Kandy Metropolitan made contact with the P.D.G. Rekha Shetty of District 3240 Madras who kindly took upon the responsibility of providing these valuable spectacles through the Rotary Rajan Eye Centre in Madras.

The centre is the brainchild of Rt. Dr. Mohan Rajan.

The spectacle were delivered to Kandy due to the



A section of the crowd at the projects



Waiting to receive spectacles



Eye Clinic in progress



Patients awaiting treatment

efforts of D.G.E. B.D.R. Rajan and distributed in three centres. The project valued at over

Rs. 2 million was successfully implemented by the Rotarians of Kandy Metropolitan ably led by P.P. Joe Paiva, President danu, Rtn. Sunil. Rtn. Gal Lakshman Nugawela, PP waduge, Rtn. Paul, Rtn. Indra Wijebhete, PP Ajith and Inner Wheeler Silva, Rtn. Timothy Pal-Ruvini.

Chevron joins Colombo Orient Lions on Health Camp

Lions Club of Colombo Orient District 306B2 launched a Mega Health Camp focusing the Fishery Community in Negombo with their usual sponsorship from Chevron Lubricants Lanka PLC.

Thousands of needy within this community received treatments while over 500 patients received Calibrated Spectacles.

The health camp included a general clinic, an Eye Camp and also screening for diabetes.

Coupons were issued by the officials of Chevron to the owners of the boats in order that they purchase their lubricants from nominated Caltex outlets at discounted prices. According to the President Lion Amal Samarantunga, this has been their seventh Mega Health Project under the sponsorship of Chevron Lubricants Lanka PLC. There are two more Health Camps to be launched under this programme.

He said that the next health camp has already been arranged in Bandaranayakapura, Rajagiriya focusing the three wheeler community.

The other two focusing the three wheeler community will be held in Pannipitiya and the 10th project focusing the Fishery Community in Hikkadawa.



Calibrated Spectacles are received by the patients from Lion Lady Nianthi Gunathilake and Lion Lady Priyanthi Samarantunga.



A patient is being screened for diabetes by the Club President Lion Amal Samarantunga.



Calibrated spectacles are being issued by the members of Lions Club of Colombo Orient, Lion Sirosha Gunathilaka and Sridharan.