



Dr. Premadasa Mudunkotuwa presenting copies of five books on classical music written by him to Prime Minister Rasntri Wickramanayaka at the Prime Minister's Office recently.



Ten wheelchairs were distributed to disabled persons to mark the 15th anniversary of Indigenous Medicines Minister Tissa Karalliyadda's political career at a ceremony held at Maharagama Navinna Ayurveda Hospital recently. Here the Minister hands over a wheelchair to a disabled lady. Picture by Wehelle Piyathilaka, Maharagama Special Correspondent



The Islamic Republic of Iran distributed dates for Ramadan. Here Iranian Ambassador Mahood Rahimi Gorji handing over the dates to Muslim Religious and Cultural Affairs Department Director Ash Sheikh Y.L.M. Navavi at the Iranian Embassy, Colombo recently. Religious Affairs Minister Pandu Bandaranayake, Western Province Governor Alavi Mowlana and Petroleum and Petroleum Resources Development Minister A.H.M. Fowzie were present. - Picture by Ruzaik Farook.

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The Moneragala district 'Ranaviru Upahara' ceremony was held at the Moneragala Rajakeya Vidyalaya auditorium under the patronage of Uva Governor C. Nanda Mathew recently. Here a member of a Ranaviru family receives an award from the Governor during the ceremony. Picture by Ananda Hapugoda, Bandaranwela Group Corr.

Council of Management

All Ceylon Pensioners' Society Limited

The All Ceylon Pensioners' Society Limited its 39th Annual General Meeting on July 26, 2009. The following members were elected to the Council of Management for year 2009/2010.

Hony. President: K. S. Karunaratne;

Hony. Vice Presidents: Upali S. Jayasekera, A. Balasingam, T. Sathkunanathan, P. G. Hemachandra and B. G. Jirasinghe;

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The 20th year memorial day celebrations of TULF Leader Appallal Amirthalingam who was shot dead by the LTTE was held by the PLOTE at Vavuniya. Here former Chairman of the Vavuniya U.C. G.T. Lingsanathan lighting the lamp after garlanding the portrait of A. Amirthalingam. - Picture by T. Vivekarasa, Vavuniya Spl. Corr.

Library contest winners

RATNAPURA SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT

A contest to select the best Library in the Ratnapura District run by the Municipal Council, was held in keeping with the Local Administration week recently.

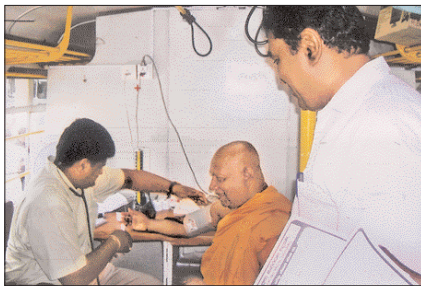
The following are the winners.

Under 15 years:
1. Devmini Hanshika of Aranyake - Nidahas Samaru Library

Under 17 years:
1. Thamarasa Thushari - Goluwawila Branch Library
2. Nipuna Dhananjaya - Devalagawa Branch Library
3. K. A. Aloka Piyawadani - Nidahas Samuru Library



The Future Muslim Leaders program organised by the All Ceylon YMMA Conference in collaboration with the Malaysian International Youth Dialogue was held in Malaysia recently. Here Past National Presidents Haleem A. Azeed and Zubair Hassan with a group of participants. - Picture by B. M. Mukhtar, Beruwala Spl. Corr.



Prof. Ven. Dr. Bellanwila Wimalarathana Thera being examined by Dr. Chula Senaratne during a HelpAge sponsored medical camp held at the Bellanwila Raja Maha Viharaya recently. Executive Director of HelpAge Samantha Liyanawaduge is also in the picture.



The Customers Association of the Bank of Ceylon (Nuggegoda branch) in association with the staff members recently donated wheel-chairs, crutches, clothing, medicines, to disabled Army personnel. Here, Chief Manager Chaminda Welagedera addressing those present.



A blood donation campaign and a Multi Health Campaign was organized jointly by the Lions Club of Colombo Maitland and the Slave Island Police recently at the Police Station premises. This community service project included an Eye clinic, Dengue awareness program, donation of Free spectacles and books for children, Diabetes clinic, Ayurvedic clinic, General health awareness program and presentation of wheel-chairs to the disabled. Lion Saliya Kaluarachchi, District Governor District 306 C 1 was the Chief guest and G.A.J. Sylvester, Government Agent for Colombo was the guest of honour. Lion Quintus Jayatilaka was the Project Chairman. Two hundred pairs of spectacles and. Six wheel-chairs were also donated.



Pradeshya Sabha member Abdul Wahab Mohamed Masnawi (Navee Hajjar) who is a prominent social worker from Atulgama, Bandaragama took his oaths recently as the Vice-Chairman of the Bandaragama Pradeshya Sabha. Here the Chairman of the Bandaragama Pradeshya Sabha Manoj Sanjaya hands over the letter of appointment to his deputy while Bandaragama Chief SLPF organiser Tudor Dayaratne and Western Provincial Councillor Chandrasiri Karunaratne look on.



Power and Energy Minister W.D.J. Sewerathne opening a new bridge at Devipahala in the Kuruwita area. Kuruwita Pradeshya Sabha Chairman Salitha Karunaratne was also present. - Picture by N.P. Rajadoral, Ratnapura Special Correspondent.



Peoples Bank Manager Baddegama Asoka Mawellage and the Opposition Leader Baddegama Pradeshya Sabha Ananda Lanerolle laid the foundation stones for the construction of a memorial for war heroes at Baddegama recently. Former Southern Provincial Council member Ananda Abeywickrema was also present. Picture by Somadasa Abeywickrema, Baddegama Group Correspondent



Upali Weerasinghe, a field officer of the Nuwara Eliya District Labour Office presenting the first copy of his book 'Ammage Kata Uththaya' to North Central Province Governor Karunaratne Divulgane.



The National Cadet Corps (NCC) has started 'Wiru Savaya', a counselling course for officers of the Armed Forces and the Police at the NCC Training Centre, Rantembe with the guidance of Defence Secretary Gotabhaya Rajapaksa. Officers of the Armed Forces and the Police participated in the course and a panel of competent resource personnel selected from NCC Officers and Professors and Lecturers of Universities conducted lectures. Here Major General Gami Jayasundara RWP RSP, Director, National Cadet Corps who was the Chief Guest speaking at the inauguration ceremony of the course.