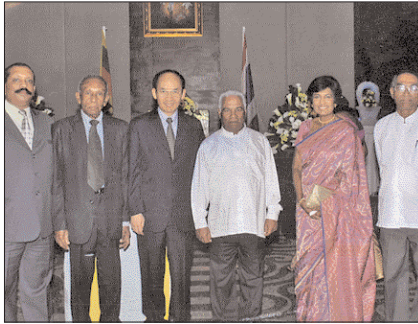


COMMUNITY



Founder, Panadura Community Service Cultural Centre Sydney de Alwis has been conferred the 'Deshabhimani Dharmabandu Lanka Putra' honorary title on a proposal made by the Anagarika Paropakara Padanama. De Alwis receiving the scroll bearing the honorary title from Most Ven Agga Maha Panditha Dawuldena Gnanissara Supreme Mahanayaka Thera Sri Lanka Amarapura Maha Sangha Sabha at the awards ceremony held recently by the Padanama. Ven Ahangama Dharmarama Thera, Chief Adhikarana Sanghanayaka Thera of the Dhammarakshita Nikaya is also present.



National Day of Thailand was celebrated recently at Colombo Cinnamon Grand. At this occasion, Sri Lanka - Thailand Society Executive Director K. Jayakumar, Sri Lanka - Thailand Society Secretary Upali S. Jayasekera, Thailand Ambassador Thinakorn Kanasuta, Chief Guest Rural Affairs Senior Minister Athauda Senewiratne, Society President Nirmalle Gunatilake and Member G.M.A. De Silva were present.



Transport Minister Kumara Welgama handing over a tricycle to a handicapped person at a ceremony to mark the 63rd Independence Day celebrations held at the Kalutara District Secretariat recently. Kalutara GA Kamal Padmasiri was also present. Picture by Divakara Mohetti, Kalutara Group Corr.



Prefects Investiture 2011 of Ave Maria Convent Negombo took place at the school grounds recently with the chief guest former Principal Ave Maria Convent Negombo Rev Sr Leticia Cooray. Present principal of Ave Maria Convent Negombo Rev Sr Francine Muthugala pinning the prefects badge on to the lapel of the Head Prefect Nathalia Weerawardena. Pix by H Fernando Negombo Special Cor.



63rd Independence Celebrations organised by the Southern Provincial Council was celebrated at Samanala Playground, Galle. The Chief Guests Southern Province Governor, Kumari Balasuriya and the Southern Province Chief Minister Shan Wijayalal de Silva being led to the venue in a procession. Picture by Richmond Wijesekera, Bentota Group Cor



World Children's Day Sisu Udana winning draw competition was held by Minuwangoda People's Bank. The winners with Minuwangoda People's Bank Manager Ganga Priya Senanayaka. Picture by Ivon Nissanka, Divulapitiya group correspondent.



A project to give a glass of milk to 2,400 underprivileged students of 6-selected Government schools in the Moneragala district commenced recently at Buttala Central College. This project has been undertaken to coincide with the Deyana Kinula exhibition 2011 according to a concept of Cooperatives and Internal Trade Minister Johnston Fernando in line with the President Mahinda Rajapaksa's vision to ensure a healthy student population. Children of schools who are from poor families in the district are to be benefited. The Minister feeding a child with a glass of milk.



Ambanpola Police Station OIC Nalaka Nuwansiri receiving some office equipment donated to the police from Arts and Cultural Affairs Minister T B Ekanayake recently. Picture by Arjapala Wansathilake Karunegala, Central Special Correspondent



The annual general meeting of the Samurdhi Vimukthi Society of Kehelwarawa in the Ambagamuwa (Gingathena) DS division in the Nuwara Eliya district was held at the Morathotayawatte Vidyalaya recently. Nuwara Eliya district MP V. Radhakrishnan at the occasion addressing the gathering. Picture by G.A. Gunaseena, Gimgathena Special Cor



Relief for the flood victims in Batticaloa and Samanthural in Ampara district were distributed with financial assistance received from Johanniter in Germany, under the direction of St John's Ambulance Association Chairman Rajah Sinnathurai.



Agrarian Services and Wildlife Minister S M Chandrasena unveils a plaque to commission the Maradanmaduwa rural electricity scheme in Horowathana recently. Provincial Councillor S M Ranjith Samarakoon was also present. Picture by Tennakoon Kulasekara

