



Chief incumbent of Wariyapola Bamunakotawa Isipathanaramaya Ven. Hirimbe Piyathana Thera hands over a Dhamma School Teacher Certificate to Kamal Dhayarsiri of Isipathanarama Dhamma school at a certificate distribution ceremony held recently. Picture by Ariyapala Wasanthilake, Kurunegala Central special correspondent



A ceremony to present the news letter on fibreglass reinforced plastic industry, Sri Lanka FRP News published by the Industrial Development Board Technical Services Division was held at its head office, Katubedda recently. Here, sub-editor Mohan Gunasinghe presents the first copy to IDB Chairman Gamini Gunadasa. General Manager Jesmin Mannapperuma is in the background.



The People's Bank Regional Office, Kalutara conducted a workshop for teachers of nursery schools in Panadura, Kalutara and Bandaragama at the People's Bank Auditorium, Moratuwa recently. Here, a nursery teacher receives a gift from Regional Manager Kalutara K. P. Nandasiri. National Education Institute Deputy Director General Dr. Dharmika Bible was also present. Picture by Susil Ratnawera, Panadura North group corr.



Industrial Development Minister Kumara Welgama donated clothes to members of the Bothlegama Gemuna Elders Home in Bulathsinhala. Coordinating Secretary Shantha Sirimanna was also present.



Giggles International pre-school, Matara celebrated International Children's Day recently with a series of special features conducted by the children. Here, the head mistress and teachers participate in an event.



Automobile Association President Dharmika Attygalle visited the Royal Automobile Association of Thailand (RAAT). Here Attygalle presents a memento to RAAT President Somchaiuk Engtrakul. RAAT General Manager Shisha Thanadajvir and RAAT EXCO Member Manusarat Sripana were also present.



A first-day cover to commemorate the start of the National Farmers' Week 2009 was issued at the Technical Institute for Post-Harvest Activities, Anuradhapura. Here Export Development and International Trade Minister and Posts and Telecommunications Acting Minister Prof. C.L. Peiris hands over the First-Day cover to Agriculture Development and Agrarian Services Minister Malthreepala Sirisena. Also in the picture are North Central Province Chief Minister Berty Premalal Dissanayake, Petroleum and Petroleum Resources Development Minister Duminda Dissanayake, Deputy Posts Minister M.S. Sellasamy and Food and Agricultural Organization Resident Representative Patrick P. Evans.



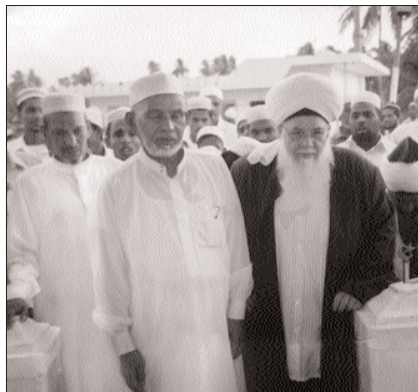
The Minuwangoda Divisional Secretariat organized the Annual Sinhala Literature Festival at the school hall recently. Here, Gampaha District Secretary P.A. Abeysakara handing over a certificate to a winner. Picture by Ivon Nissanka, Divulapitiya group correspondent



Several students were selected to follow degree courses under the Cuban Scholarships Program - 2009/2010. The students are G.A.C. Ganepola, Geology - Royal Institute International School, E.K.D. Jayawardana, Biology - Anula Vidyalaya, S.W.Y. Lokuge, Computer Science - Kelaniya Gurukula College, T.P. Kulatunga, Veterinary Science - Vitharamahadevi Vidyalaya, H.I.S. Kalansooriya, Economics - Royal College, S.A. Galapaththi, Pharmaceutical Science - Royal College, Polonnaruwa, M.H. Dharmawardana, Health Technology - Mahamaya Girls College, W.D.L. Thilodaka, Health Technology - Nananda College, N.D.B.S. Kelegama, Accountancy - Trinity College, Kandy and P.H.D. Kasun Chathurika, Sports - Horana Thakshila College.



SIP Academy held its fifth National Abacus and Mental Arithmetic Competition at St. Joseph's College Auditorium, Colombo recently. Here, Business SIP Academy Head Udaya Banu receiving a memento from Head of Operation Rishard Raheem. Director Kelvin Tham, Managing Director Dinesh Victor and Education Ministry Additional Secretary Mohamed Thamby look on. Picture by Ruzalk Farok



His Holiness Sheikh Mohammad Adnan Kabbani visited Kechimalai Dharga Mosque, Beruwala recently. His Holiness Al-Haj Kalb Alavi is also in the picture. Picture by B. M. Mukthar, Beruwala spl. corr.



A trade fair of Colombo Vidatha Centres was held in Maharagama town to mark International Science Day. The trade fair consisted of work of Vidatha beneficiaries. Science and Technology Minister Prof. Tissa Vitharana inspects the pottery productions at the fair. Picture by Wahelle Piyathilake, Maharagama special correspondent



A ceremony to mark World Teachers Day was held at the Diyalogoda Maha Vidyalaya, Maggona recently. On left, School Development Society Secretary S. P. K. Ravindra handing over a memento to D. A. Theodore, a member of the school staff. At right a former senior prefect Percy Wickramasinghe presenting a memento to C. C. S. O. Jayawardena. Picture by Sarath Siriwardene, Kalutara District Rowing corr.



Uva Governor C. Nanda Mathew granted a cheque for Rs. 20,000 from the Uva Governor's fund to A. H. A. Kitar Mohamed (right) of Hali Ela to an urgent heart surgery for his daughter Ahlia, aged one and half years. Governor's Secretary H. M. Somatilake is also in the picture. Picture by G. P. A. Weerasuriya, Badulla South group corr.



Students of K/Madina Central College (National School) primary section celebrated Universal Children's Day at the Ashroff Memorial Auditorium with teachers and the parents. Picture by H. A. Shakoor, Pathadumbura special correspondent



Pannala Elders Organizations Balamandalaya organised an elders variety entertainment under the patronage of Pannala Divisional Secretariat to mark World Elders' Day. Officials enjoy the entertainment (left). The *kalagedi netuma* performed by Makandura Elders organization (right). Picture by H. M. Abeysinghe, Kuliapitiya group corr.