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Work begins on Rangarajapuram Main Road subway



By Our Staff Reporter
 The work on constructing the pedestrian and 2-wheeler subway going under the railway track between Rangarajapuram

Main Road and Mambalam High Road, T. Nagar has begun.

Chennai Corporation workers were seen using an ex-

cavator to dig a trench on Mambalam High Road on Feb. 14. The subway, which will be 100 metres long, will be built at a cost of Rs. 1.4 crores.

Free check-up for neuro and spine related problems next Sunday

By Our Staff Reporter

Center for Brain and Spine Care (No 22, Balaji Avenue 1st Street, T. Nagar) will conduct free check-up for brain and spine related ailments on Sunday, Feb. 24, from 10 a.m to 1 p.m in its premises.

Patients having headache, giddiness, neck pain, back pain and other neuro or spine related problems can benefit from the program.

For registration, please call 93805 30885.

Free classes on Bhagavatham

By Our Staff Reporter

Free classes on 'Srimad Bhagavatham' are conducted at 11 a.m on Tuesdays at 2, 50th Street, Ashok Nagar.

All are welcome.

More details can be had in phone 98406 03064.

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RPF conducts special drive against transgendered offenders

By Our Staff Reporter
 In a special drive conducted by RPF (Railway Police Force), more than 15 cases were booked against offending transgendered persons at Mambalam Station and on suburban trains plying through Mambalam station last week.

S. R. Gandhi (Senior Divisional Security Commissioner,

RPF) said that the drive was conducted by a special team after frequent complaints from passengers about begging and harassment by the transgendered persons.

He said that many of them are also involved in anti-social activities like chain snatching and sexual harassment.



He said that passengers can contact RPF in 90031 61710 for assistance or to lodge complaints.

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By M.A. SADANAND

Pranab's Menu

Blessed by the great Constitution of India under Article 72, the final arbiter of whether a killer should hang or live is the President whose mercy is sought by the killer.

Unlike the Constitution of the United States of America which empowers its President under Article 11 Section 2 and Governors of its States to commute the death sentence to imprisonment for life, our mighty Constitution, born without butchery and blood, had under Article 72 provided the safety valve of mercy, imagining that all people in India deserve mercy which, according to good old Shakespeare is "a quality twice blest, for it blesseth the one that gives and the one that takes"

It looks like Pranab is not in the race for the blessed trophy, because he has cleaned up his bowl of blood waving away the honey cup of mercy. Next time the country looks for a merciful President, just call me and send me an air ticket.

The incentive to the Manila rope industry seems to be the only productive fallout of these executions. Veerappan's killing pals are in the queue to the gallows according to the latest newspaper intelligence, for their mercy petitions have also been trashed. Hello, Manila rope!

He offers doorstep service for repairing mridangams

By Our Staff Reporter

K. Natarajan, a resident of Perambur, has been earning a living by repairing percussion instruments, including mridangams, for more than 3 decades.

He said that he learned the repairing skill from his father when he was a child.

He offers doorstep service throughout Chennai and his charges vary depending on the condition of the instrument.

He uses the trunks of jack-fruit trees, powders of magnetic stone, cow, buffalo and goat leather to refurbish the instruments. He can be contacted in 98842 26550.



Traffic signboard covered by political banner

By Our Staff Reporter

A one-way traffic signboard on a pole on the pavement of Usman Road (T. Nagar) near Siva Vishnu temple is rendered useless as it is covered completely by a political banner.

A nearby traffic constable said that even though they remove these offending banners, they keep coming back.

Most of the traffic signboards installed for the convenience of the public by Traffic Department is misused for affixing advertisement and political banners.

With a number roads made one-way owing to the ongoing Metro Rail work in the city, these traffic sign boards are an important guide to motorists to avoiding confusion while driving.



If anything interesting is happening in your neighbourhood please inform **Mambalam Times.**

Signboard wrongly mentions Corporation Zone 10 as 8



By Our Staff Reporter

Corporation Zone 10 has been wrongly mentioned as Zone 8 on the newly installed signboard on the parapet wall of Usman Road flyover, opposite Nageshwara Road, T. Nagar.

RMD Trust wins top spot in contest on palliative care

By Our Staff Reporter

RMD Pain and Palliative Care Trust (T. Nagar) won the top spot in the poster presentation competition on the topic 'Challenges in Palliative Care' conducted during the 20th International Palliative Care Conference conducted on Feb. 9 and 10 by Indian Association of Palliative Care in Bangalore.

Students of Social Work Department of Madras Christian College represented the Trust and received the prize.



New dental clinic on South Boag Road Gold appraiser held for fraud

Dhantraalayam, a dental clinic and orthodontic centre, was opened on Friday, Feb. 1, at 33/2, South Boag Road, T. Nagar.

The clinic specializes inognito braces, lingual braces, clear aligner braces and does laser dentistry under conscious sedation. Its phone number is 6517 1678

By Our Staff Reporter

Police on Feb. 8 arrested Venkat Narayana Rao (resident of Nesapakkam, K. K. Nagar and employed as gold appraiser in a private bank in Koyambedu) for conniving with a bank customer and issuing false valuation to the bank for issue of loan worth Rs. 52 lakhs against fake gold jewellery last year.

The incident came to light a fortnight ago during a routine gold loan audit at the branch when the said gold was also physically examined and found to be fake.

On going through the records, the officials found that the appraisal was done by Venkat.

Based on the complaint lodged by the bank, Koyambedu police interrogated Venkat who confessed to the crime.

According to the police, Venkat colluded with his friend Mathiazhagan of Ramapuram in pledging the fake jewellery and cheating the bank.

The two then split the money.

Police are on the lookout for Mathialagan who is absconding.

Samyuktha and her students present Bharatnatyam concert on Thursday

By Our Staff Reporter

Samyuktha Varadarajan (Director, Srinivasa Kalalaya, Rajasri Apartments, 45, 18th Avenue, Ashok Nagar) and her students V. Sowbika, B. Nancy and M. Priyanka will together present a Bharath-



natyam concert at 6.30 p.m on Thursday, February 21, in Vani Mahal, G.N. Chetty Road, T. Nagar. All are welcome.

Handicrafts expo concludes on Tuesday

By Our Staff Reporter

All India Handicrafts Expo which is going on in Rajeswari Hall (168, Lake View Road, West Mambalam, Ph: 98845 12401) will conclude on Tuesday, Feb. 19.

On display are Odisha paintings, Tanjore paintings, palm leaf paintings, tribal jewellery, artificial and silver jewellery from Rajasthan and UP, Marappachi dolls, paper mache, terracotta items, Kashmiri carpets, wood carvings, Kondapalli toys for children, hosiery items, designer dress materials and more.

A special discount 20% on handloom items and 10% on other items is on offer.

Discourses on 'Saisath Saritha'

By Our Staff Reporter

Under the auspices of Sri Shiridi Sai Meditation Mandir (6, Sarojini Street, T. Nagar) there are discourses on 'Sri Saisath Saritha' at 6.30 p.m on Sundays in its premises.

T. Thiruvalluvan (Founder) told *Mambalam Times* that mass spiritual healing is conducted at 7.30 p.m on Thursdays and Sundays.

All are welcome.

More details can be had in phones 2643 2323, 4212 5118 and 94444 53777.

Program in Ramana Bhaktha Samajam

Sri Ramana Baktha Samajam, West Mambalam (BVSN Moorthy School, Thambiah Road, West Mambalam) conducts the following program on Sundays:

5 p.m: Veda paarayanam

5.30 p.m: Ramana Maharishi's Aksharamanamalai.

6 p.m: Discourse.

All are welcome.

More details can be had in phone 94441 72623.

Special puja is conducted and prasadam distributed among special children at 11.30 a.m on Ramana Maharishi's birth star day (Punarpoosam).

Free medical check-up program next Sunday

By Our Staff Reporter

Nellai Pharmacy (126, Arya Gowda Road, near Postal Colony Bus Stop, West Mambalam) will conduct free medical check-up on Sunday, Feb. 24, from 9 a.m to 2.30 p.m, in its premises.

Dr. A. Parameswari (General Physician) will examine the patients.

Participants will be checked for BP, sugar and general health.

Patients from weaker sections of the society will be given free medicines.

For registration please contact Siva in 98417 94548 or Kandasamy in 97907 43414.

Free Veda classes thrice a week

Kurichi Lakshminarasimhachariar (resident of 8, 2nd Main Road, CIT Nagar East, Nandanam) conducts free Veda and Suktham classes from 9 a.m to 10 a.m on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

More details can be had in phone 98406 40705.

Slanting board on high pedestal poses danger to motorists



By Our Staff Reporter

The signboard fixed on a designer pedestal at a height of 10 feet at the entrance of Kalaivanar flyover on G. N. Chetty Road (T. Nagar) is slanting precariously and is likely to fall on the road, posing a danger to motorists.

Kumbhabhisekham in Vishwanathar temple to inaugurate temple car

By Our Staff Reporter

Under the auspices of Kasi Viswanathar Thirukovil Thiruppani Arakattalai, Kumbhabhisekham will be performed in Kasi Vishwanathar temple (Kuppaiah Street, West Mambalam) to inaugurate the newly constructed temple chariot, at 6 a.m on Wednesday, Feb. 20.

E. G. Sekar (President) told *Mambalam Times* that procession of the chariot will commence from the temple premises and go along Madley Road Service Lane, Kothandaramar Koil Street, Ellaiamman Koil Street, Gandhi Street and Easwaran Street.

The chariot constructed under the guidance of Gajendran (Sthapathi, Thirumazhisai) was completed in 9 months.

The following are the other programs:

Feb. 19: 5 a.m: Ganapathi homam; 8 a.m: Kalasam karikolam; 6 p.m: Shanthi pooja.

Feb. 20: 5 a.m: Theru karikolam; 6.30 a.m: Procession. All are welcome.



Fallen pole blocks pavement



By Our Staff Reporter

The 10-foot-high metal pole carrying the signboard of a hospital at 52, South Usman

Road, T. Nagar, toppled across the pavement a week ago.

No one was injured in the incident. It has still not been

removed and continues to block the pavement.

The picture was taken on Feb. 13.

Sanskrita Bharati conducts free spoken Sanskrit classes

By Our Staff Reporter

Sanskrita Bharati (Nungambakkam) will conduct free spoken Sanskrit classes daily for all age group at various venues.

Following are the venue details:

Up to Feb. 20

11 a.m-1 p.m: No:15/12, Sri Sai Sadhan, Bharathi Street, West Mambalam, Ph: 94430 73795.

Feb. 16 - 25

6.30 p.m to 8.30 p.m: New No. 8, Old No. 43, adjacent to BSNL Quarters, 2nd Main Road, CIT Nagar East. 95001 81938 / 99406 83562.

Feb. 21 - March 2

6.30 a.m to 8.30 a.m: 10/44, Jain Anaswara, 1st Floor,

Ramanujam Street, I Block, 44778.

F.C. (next to VHP office), T. Nagar, Ph: 98403 87201, 94443 86877.

10 a.m - 12 noon: No. 40, Ramakrishnapuram 3rd

Street, West Mambalam, Ph: 2474 0916.

11 a.m - 1 p.m: No. 20, Giri Street, West Mambalam,

Chennai, Ph: 90940 27823

11 a.m - 1 p.m: Shankara Madam, Near Kuppaiah Chetty street, West Mambalam, Ph: 99529 45676

11 a.m - 1 p.m: Bharatiya

Vidya Bhavana, Thanikachalam Road, Opposite Mathsy Hotel, T. Nagar, Ph: 90033

4 p.m-6 p.m: Navin's Apartment, No.4, Near Brindavan Street Bus Stand, Ph: 97911 65116.

5.30 p.m-7.30 p.m: New No: 49/1 (20/1), Thambiah Road, West Mambalam, Chennai (Opposite Corporation Office), Ph: 95001 81938.

6.30 p.m - 8.30 p.m: Sarada Vidyalaya, Burkit Road, T. Nagar, Ph: 97911 65116.

10 a.m-12 noon: Anjaneyar Temple, 53rd Street, 7th Avenue, Ashok Nagar, Ph: 98412 22741.

All are welcome.

Buffaloes on transit to slaughter house rescued

Buffaloes which were on transit to a slaughter house in Kerala were rescued by Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to the Animals (SPCA) (Vepery High Road, Vepery) last week.

Jose Thangaiah (Dy. Commissioner of Police, Gummidipoondi) alerted SPCA after detaining the lorry overloaded with the animals near Kavappetai. It was on transit from Andhra Pradesh to a slaughterhouse in Kerala.

A case has been registered against the owner of the lorry.

P. Srinivasalu (Inspector, SPCA) told *Anna Nagar Times* that the animals are now safe



in the custody of SPCA.

They will be released after

receiving a directive from Ma-

dras High Court.

SPCA can be contacted in

2561 2160.

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Workshop on preparing for exams in classical music

By Our Staff Reporter

Unison School of Music Technology (22, Reg Complex, Maharajapuram Santhanam Salai, T. Nagar) will conduct a workshop on 'Examinations in Carnatic vocal and instrumental music at various levels' on Sunday, Feb. 24, at 4 p.m. in Infosys Hall (Ramakrishna Mission School, Bazullah Road, T. Nagar) as part of its 10th anniversary celebration.

The workshop will include audio-visual presentations about courses based on music and how to prepare for competitive exams on music.

Raj Vasanthan (Founder-Director, Unison School) told *Mambalam Times* that during the workshop, 'Unison Western Classical Examination Board', which will in the future conduct mock exams for students preparing for various music-based exams, will be

inaugurated.

All are welcome. More details can be had by calling 91765 26582.

Dolotsavam in Narasimhachariar temple on Tuesday

By Our Staff Reporter

Swathi Narasimha Maha Yagna Trust will conduct dolotsavam to Sri Yagnamoorthy at 10.30 a.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 19, in Mukkur Lakshmi Narasimhachariar temple (34/24, Venkatesan Street, T. Nagar).

Devotees can have darshan of Yagnamoorthy from 6 a.m. to 9 a.m. daily till Feb. 24.

Nearby residents interested in performing Dolotsavam at their residence in the evening may call 2435 3704 or 94454 03236.

Replica of dinosaur exhibited

By Our Staff Reporter

The 4-metre-tall replica of a dinosaur that existed many millions of years ago is on display in Government Museum (Pantheon Road, Egmore). Officials at the museum said that it was inaugurated on Feb. 11.

Costing Rs. 15 lakhs, the exhibit is made of silica gel to make it look realistic. A sensor enables the dinosaur to move its tail and create sound when it is operated with a touch of a switch.

The museum at present receives about 1000 visitors daily and double the number during weekends. This new exhibit is expected to draw more crowds from the neighbourhood Kilpauk and surrounding areas. The exhibit is shown in the zoology gallery every hour.

The museum can be contacted in 2819 3238.



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500 students participate in Hayagreeva homam



By Our Staff Reporter

More than 500 students appearing this year for the Std. 12 board exams participated in the Hayagreeva homam organized by K. K. Nagar Tamilnadu Brahmin Association for their benefit in PSBB School on Feb. 10.

Stationary items were freely distributed to the participants.

Wins top spot in Gita recitation competition



By Our Staff Reporter

S. Raghav (resident of 46, Srinivas Apartments, Unnamalai Ammal Street, T. Nagar) won the first prize in a Bhagavad Gita recitation competition conducted by the Egmore Samskrit School recently.

He is a pre-KG student in PSBB School (T. Nagar).

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Aavin parlours in schools and colleges soon

By Our Staff Reporter

Tamil Nadu Co-operative Milk Producers' Federation, popularly known as Aavin, is planning to set up parlours in schools and colleges in order to impart entrepreneurial and management training skill to students at their tender age.

All that the interested educational institutions have to do is to provide 100 sq.ft of space with electricity connection and a shelter.

Aavin will provide bottle cool-



ers, deep freezers and milk boilers on a monthly rental basis.

Parlours could be managed either by individuals or group of students or by the management.

At the recently held student entrepreneurs meeting organised by Entrepreneurship Development Institute (EDI) and Aavin, representatives of schools and colleges requested the officials to set up milk parlours on their campuses.

Alumni get-together of Sarada Vidyalaya

By Our Staff Reporter

R. K. M. Sarada Vidyalaya (No. 134 Usman Road, T. Nagar) will conduct an 'Alumni Meet' for its past students at 2 p.m. on Saturday, Feb. 23.

All alumni are welcome to attend.

The expense of the meet will be borne by the alumni fund. For registration, please call 2814 0153 or 2431 2809.

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Free Veda classes during weekends

By Our Staff Reporter

Free Veda classes are conducted from 6.30 a.m. to 7.30 a.m. on Saturdays and Sundays in Krishna Gana Sabha, Maharajapuram Santhanam Salai, T. Nagar.

More details can be had in phone 98843 05676.

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