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Krisna Sweets conducts social awareness programs

By Our Staff Reporter

Sri Krishna Sweets (53, Venkatamaranya Boud, T. Nagar) has been conducting social awareness programs through the year under the banner 'Naal Thorum Nalathu Seivom'. Recently there were programs under the banner 'Adhisaya Ragam Anantha Ragam', 'Kalangalil Avan Vasantham' and Guruvae Saranam by Ramanan and 'Tholgal Namathu Thozhirsalai' by Illaku.

Apart from the awareness programs, Sri Krishna Sweets organized dinner for about 40 students of Kakkum Karangal in West Mambalam and lunch for about 40 senior citizens including destitute women in Thai Old Age Home in Mylapore under the banner 'Indru Pudhidai Piranthom' and 'Iniyathu Iniyathu Ulagam'.

R. Varalaxmi, music teacher of Vidyodaya Higher Secondary School, T. Nagar, and organizer Udayadithian were honoured with 'Nallor Virudhu' for their outstanding contribution to the field of music. Kavithalaya Krishnan was honoured with 'Therntha Rasigar Virudhu' under the banner 'Kalangalil Avan Vasantham'. Ramanan with Musician Ramesh Adhityan presented an entertaining program on Kavignar Kannadasan.

The program was co-ordinated by Vasuki Badri.
A pit and the earth dug from it by Metrowater workers are blocking half of the carriageway of Lakshmi Street, near its junction with Pushpavathi Ammal Street, West Mambalam. They are blocking the way for motorists and pedestrians. According to nearby residents, the pit was dug more than a fortnight ago to locate leakage in the underground pipeline. They said that though the work was completed a week back, the pit has still not been closed.

Applicants will be given an appointment date and time and they should bring the required documents in original, along with a printout of the ARN.

Only registered applicants will be allowed at the venue.

After 4-year hiatus, TET on April 30

5-day Theppa utsavam in Kothandaramar Temple from Feb. 8

By Our Staff Reporter

Residents have appealed to Corporation officials to repair the damaged hand pump located at the junction of Kodambakkam Road and Nagathamman Koil Street, West Mambalam. They said that the pump has not been functional for more than two months.

“After several complaints, a worker came and took away the handle a fortnight back but it has not been replaced with a new one”, they said.
By Our Staff Reporter

Residents of Nesapakkam, K. K. Nagar set ablaze a tanker in the afternoon of Jan. 28 after it fatally knocked down a 27-year-old biker.

Police identified the deceased as P. Ramesh of Erikkarai Street, Ramapuram and said the sewage tanker rumbled him from behind. Ramesh was dragged under the vehicle and crushed to death.

Traffic problems aplenty near Duraiswamy subway

The entrance to Duraiswamy Subway, Mambalam High Road, T. Nagar is riddled with traffic problems due to erratic driving by bikers in its service lanes.

As per norms, the service lanes are meant for vehicles coming from the road where a subway or a flyover is located. But the service lanes on both sides of the subway are used as 2-way streets for both entering and leaving the subway which is causing congestion at the entrance of the subway. This gets worse during peak hours and school opening and closing times. The subway, which was constructed in 1960, was widened from 2 meters to 5.6 meters last year and the floor height raised to prevent flooding during rains. Motorists living nearby also prefer to use the service lanes to go around it instead of using Mambalam High Road to enter the subway which adds to the problems.

Motorists have appealed for posting of a constable at the entrance to the subway to regulate traffic and prevent motorists from using the service lanes to get access to the subway.

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Pedestrian plaza 2nd trial this month

By Our Staff Reporter

Chennai Corporation is planning to conduct a second trial run of the pedestrian plaza in T. Nagar in mid-February.

The first trial was organized in November last year.

A 700-metre stretch between Thanikachalam Road junction and Panagal Park will be made exclusive for pedestrians, and no private and public vehicles or hawking will be permitted from 9 a.m to 6 p.m. Traffic diversions, alternative parking areas and other arrangements will be similar to those made during the previous trial.

A Corporation official told Mambalam Times, “the difference is that last time the trial was for three hours, but this time it will be for the whole day to help us understand the pros and cons in one of the city’s busiest areas”.

When Panagal Park was put to test last November, pedestrians and residents enjoyed the reclaiming of a public place, but traders downed shutters in protest saying their livelihood would be affected by the project.

The Rs. 80-crore project was announced in 2012, which was to be funded by the World Bank, and the Corporation released a blueprint of the plan in 2014. But when the collaboration with World Bank was shelved after several procedural delays, the pedestrian plaza project was eventually included in Chennai’s smart city proposal.

Special archanai in Siva Vishnu Temple on Thursday

By Our Staff Reporter

On account of Thai Poosam, special abhisheka and archanai will be performed to Lord Subramanya Swamy from 7.30 a.m to 12 noon on Thursday, Feb. 9 in Siva Vishnu temple (Usman Road, T. Nagar). The charge for the archanai is Rs. 250.

For more information, call the temple office in 2434 6031.

Daasya conducts Hayagriva pooja for girl students

By Our Staff Reporter

Daasya (an NGO, 12th Avenue, Ashok Nagar) conducted a special Hayagriva pooja for Std. 10 and 12 students of Govt. Girls Higher Secondary School, West Mambalam in Panigraha Kalyana Mandapam, Arya Gowda Road, West Mambalam.

On account of ‘Thai Poosam’, special abhisheka and archanai will be performed to Lord Subramanya Swamy from 7.30 a.m to 12 noon on Thursday, Feb. 9 in Siva Vishnu temple (Usman Road, T. Nagar).

The students will appear for the State Board examination in March, the dates for which are to be announced soon.

Free eye check-up on Monday

By Our Staff Reporter

Jaimaa Trust (an NGO, Vadapalani) has organized free eye check-up from 9.30 a.m to 12.30 p.m on Monday, Feb. 6 in Sree Krishna Nursery and Primary School (6, Nagathamman Street, Mettupalayam Road, West Mambalam, near Govindan Road).

A team of doctors from Sankara Nethralaya will do the check-up.

The free eye screening will include vision assessment, eye pressure, retinal imaging and free consultation.

Anyone identified with cataract during the check-up can undergo free surgery in Sankara Nethralaya.

For registration, call 8842 84348.

Free yoga and meditation class tomorrow

The Life Vision Academy (Yoga and Meditation Center) will conduct free yoga and meditation class covering simple exercises for the body and mind from 10 a.m to 11.30 a.m on Sunday, Feb. 5 in 2nd Floor, Tripura, 4/6, Giri Road, T. Nagar.

According to the organizers, cyclic meditation technique, importance of diet for meditation and the use of ‘Dhama’ mobile application for improving concentration will be taught to the participants.

They said that the class will also be beneficial for Std. 10 and 12 students appearing for board exams this year.

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Maha Kumbabishekham in Burkit Road temple today

**By Our Staff Report**

Maha Kumbabishekham will be performed by Bharadwaja Swamigal of Yogayama Bhuvanewari Peetam (Ambattur) from 9 a.m to 10.30 a.m on Monday, Feb. 6 in Sri Selva Vinayagar Temple (Burkit Road). There will be 73 pujas and a poornabhooshthi in the morning and evening on Sunday, Feb. 5.

From Feb. 7, 4-day mandala pooja will be performed in daily morning.

All are welcome.

**Bharathir birth anniversary celebration in Vani Malah today evening**

**By Our Staff Report**

Chennai Bharathi Arts and Literary Association (a wing of Shriram Group of Companies) will celebrate Mahakavi Subramania Bharathir's 135th birth anniversary at 5 p.m on Monday, Feb. 6 at Vanl Malah, G. N. Chetty Road, T. Nagar.

It is being held for the 29th consecutive year. The Association each year presents awards to scholars, eminent litterateurs and social workers who involve themselves in glorifying the poet's writings and thinking.

This year, Dr. Vasuki Kanapann, Mohammed Farishat (Tamil scholars) and Vasantha Sengottian, 24 hours, the 2nd floor, for "Bharati Murusi" and Bharati Isaiusandar awards.

The function will be presided over by poet Srinivasan (Chennai Post Advatement). Suki Sivan (Tamil scholar and orator) will render the keynote address.

All are welcome.

**OBITUARY**

K. SRINIVASAN

K. Srinivasan (resident of Vanal Malah, T. Nagar, 249 1301) passed away on Jan. 9.

He was 88 and had been the Managing Trustee of Vanal Malah.

He was the Managing Trustee of Sri Ram Samaj (Ayodhya Mandapam, Mambalam).

To pay homage, Saajam members will unveil his portrait on Saturday, Feb. 4 in the Samej's premises.

He is survived by his wife Sukanta, son S. G. Subramanian, daughter Nirmala and granddaughters.

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Dr. Natarajan to inaugurate ‘Geriatric Foundation’ on Monday
By Our Staff Reporter
Renowned geriatrician Dr. V. S. Natarajan will inaugurate ‘Geriatric Foundation’ at 5 p.m on Monday, Feb. 6 in Vani Mahal, G. N. Chetty Road, T. Nagar.

The Foundation will work for the welfare of the elderly. The program includes:
2. Launch of a comprehensive geriatric resources directory.
3. Launch of a bilingual online magazine for senior citizens.
4. Launch of a comprehensive geriatric resources directory.
5. Launch of a bilingual online directory.
6. Launch of a comprehensive geriatric resources directory.
7. Launch of a bilingual online directory.

Drawing contest for students on Tuesday
By Our Staff Reporter
As part of ‘Oil Conservation Week’, Thakkar Baba Vidyalya in association with Harijan Sevak Sangh and Bharat Petroleum Corporation Ltd., will conduct a drawing cum painting competition for school and college students at a.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 7 in Thakkar Baba Vidyalya Campus, 56, Venkatanarayana Road, T. Nagar.

R. Gopal (Dy. Manager, Sales, BPCL) will inaugurate the competition.

More details can be had from P. Maruthi (76624 28358, 2434 3302, 2436 2103) or website www.thakkarbapa.org.in

72-year-old woman makes and sells fruit squashes
By Our Staff Reporter
72-year-old Napinnai Badarinarayanan (resident of Aishwarya Complex, Duraisamy Road, T. Nagar) has been making and selling fruit squashes from her home for more than 40 years.

She makes grape, orange and lemon ginger squashes.

“I started making it for my family and close relatives, but later decided to venture into it commercially”, she said. It is prepared hygienically and is priced at Rs.150 for a 750 ml bottle which can be used upto 2 years.

Anyone interested in buying, may contact Napinnai in 94447 65480 or 93810 71345.

Concrete pipes dumped in South West Boag Road
By Our Staff Reporter
A number of concrete pipes belonging to Metrowater Board have been lying on the margin of South West Boag Road, near its junction with Mooparappan Street, T. Nagar for several months.

Garbage is also found dumped around the spot.

The pipes are blocking the way for pedestrians who are forced to walk in the road.

In spite of several reminders by nearby residents, no action has been taken by the officials concerned to remove the pipes.

M. L. Rajesh (Founder, Gandhi World Foundation) told Mambalam Times that in the ‘Letter to Gandhi’ contest, the students had to write and explain their solutions for the economic/political/social situation of the society and offer solutions for the same.

Man held for torching autorickshaw
By Our Staff Reporter
Subramani of Ramapuram was arrested on Jan. 30 for setting fire to the parked autorickshaw of Nagaraj in West Mambalam on Jan. 29.

On the night of Jan. 29, Nagaraj (43) had parked his autorickshaw outside his house in Umaipathi Street, West Mambalam.

He suddenly heard a lot of noise from outside and rushed out to see his auto going up in flames. He, along with his family members and neighbours, tried to douse the fire with water but the vehicle got badly damaged.

He immediately filed a complaint with Ashok Nagar Police Station.

A police team under Ashok Nagar A.Sst. Commissioner Hari Kumar, and led by inspector Ramesh, arrived at the spot.

They saw a CCTV camera installed in the building opposite where the auto was parked. They checked the footage and saw a man set the fire with water but the vehicle got badly damaged.

He immediately identified the autorickshaw as Nagaraj as his friend’s lover Subramani of Narasimha Perumal Koil Street, Rama-
puram.

Police arrested Subramani from his house.

He told the police that he was angry with Nagaraj’s increasing closeness to his lover and decided to destroy his autorickshaw, which was Nagaraj’s only means of livelihood.

Subramani was remanded to judicial custody and further investigations are on.

Thiruvasagam chanting tomorrow
By Our Staff Reporter
The 50th Thiruvasagam muhurth chanting will be performed at 8 a.m on Sunday, Feb. 5 in Sri Sakthi Vinayagar Temple, Dr. Rajendra Prasad Road, Sathyamoorthy Block, Ashok Nagar.

All are welcome.

More details can be had in 90031 51343 and 94440 33841.