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வேஷ்டியும் அலசலும்!

அரை டிராயரிலிருந்து நான் வேஷ்டிக்குத் தாவ வேண்டிய வேளை வந்துவிட்டது என்று தாத்தாதான் ஏகோபித்த முடிவெடுத்தார். குடும்பத்தின் மூத்த பிள்ளையாகப் பிறந்ததால் அண்ணாக்கள் உடுத்தி செகண்டு ஹாண்டாகிய வேஷ்டிகள் எனக்குக் கிடைக்க வேண்டிய துர்பாக்கியம் இல்லாமல் இருந்தது. சீமந்த புத்திரர்களுக்குக் கிடைக்கும் சில தம்மாத்துண்டு சலுகைகளில் இதுவும் ஒன்று என்று எண்ணி மகிழ்ந்தேன்.

இவனுக்கு மண்டையிலேயும் எதுவும் நிக்காது. இடுப்பிலேயும் எதுவும் நிக்காதேடா. பொம்மனாட்டிகள் இருக்கச்ச எசுகுபிசகா வேஷ்டி பொத்துனு அவந்து விழுந்திடப் போறதுடா என்று தாத்தா தன் கவலையைப் பதிவு செய்தார். 'உடுக்கை இழந்தவன் கை போல' என்ற குறளை மேற்கோள் காட்டினேன். 'கிழிச்சே' என்றார் தாத்தா.

மாதாந்திர ஐட்டங்களை வாங்க அப்பாவின் தலைமை குமாஸ்தா ராஜகோபால் ஒரு ஆர்ம்ஸ் டெலரின் கெத்துடன் மெட்ராஸுக்குக் கிளம்பியபோது கொள்முதல் பண்ணை வேண்டிய பொருட்களில் வேஷ்டிகளும் இருந்தன. ஈஆர்.பி. சிஸ்டம் இல்லாத அந்தக் காலத்தில் தாத்தாதான் வாங்க வேண்டிய உத்தரவுகளைக் கொடுப்பார். கையோடு 'சைனா பஜாரில் ரெண்டு கை போல' என்ற குறளை மேற்கோள் காட்டினேன். 'ரெக்ஸினா இருக்கட்டும்' என்றார் தாத்தா. அவர் PETA இயக்கத்தின் முன்னோடி.

வேஷ்டியை எப்படிச் கட்டுவது என்கிற முதல் நாள் தியரி பாடத்தை தமிழ்த் தாத்தா உ.வே.சா அவர்கள் மீனாட்சிசுந்தரம் பிள்ளையிடமிருந்து கேட்ட கவனத்துடன் உள் வாங்கிக் கொண்டேன். மறு நாள் பிராக்டிகல்ஸ். இதற்கு வேறு வாத்தியார். அவன் தான் சங்கர நாராயணன். சதா கொறித்துக் கொண்டு இருக்கும் அந்தக் தீனிப் பண்டாரத்துக்குத் திங்கநாராயணன் என்கிற இடுகுறிப் பெயரும் உண்டு. வேஷ்டி கட்டும் கலையில் அவன் ஏகலைவன். வண்டியைத் தள்ளிக் கொண்டே ஓடி, காலை சைக்கிள் சீட் மேல் எலிப்டிகல் கோடாக விகக் கொண்டு தூக்கிப் போட்டு அடித் தொடை தெரியும் அசிங்கம் நிகழாமல் 24 இன்ச் உயர சைக்கிளில் ஏறுவான். இறங்கவும் செய்வான். அந்த வண்டிக்கு பிரேக் உண்டு என்றாலும் பிடிக்காது என்பது அவனுக்கும், அந்த சைக்கிளுக்கும் தனியும்.

'டேய், உள்ளே ஏதானும் போட்டுண்டு இருக்கியா? அது முக்கியம்'னு கேட்டுண்டே வந்தான் சங்கரநாராயணன். வாயில் அரைபடும் உடைச்சகடலை! என்னுடைய புத்தம் புது நாலு முழ வேஷ்டியைக் காடா விளக்கு வெளிச்சத்தில் ஏலக்காரார் ஷோ லாப்புர் துப்பட்டாவை உதறிப் பிரித்துக் காட்டுவது போலக் காட்டி என்னைக் கூடத்தின் நடுவில் நிற்கப் பணித்தான். இரண்டு கைகளையும் சிக்ஸர் சிக்ஸல் கொடுக்கும் கிரிக்கெட் அம்பயர் போல உயர்த்தி நிற்கச் சொன்னான். 'ஒரு முனை உள்ளே போயிடும். மறு முனை லெப்ட்டா ரைட்டா, எது வாசு?' என்று கேட்டான். சுத்தமாகப் புரியாவிட்டாலும் 'லெப்ட் ஈஸ் நாட் ரைட்டு'னு சொல்லிக் கிடுக்குப்புடி போட்டுத் திகைக்க வைத்தேன்.

ஒரு வாரத்தில் வேஷ்டியைக் கட்டும் கலையில் விற்பன்னானாகி விட்டேன். ஆனால் கர்ணனின் கவசம் போல அரை டிராயர் உள்ளே இருந்து மானம் காத்தது. மழை பெய்யும் போதும், சேறு சகதியில் நடக்கும்போதும், பழக்கடைப் பக்கம் போகும்போதும். வேஷ்டியைத் தூக்கி டப்பா கட்டு கட்டும் பயிற்சியையும் கொடுத்து, 'நீ தேறிட்டே' என்று டிப்ளமா கொடுத்தான். டீர்ட் கொடுக்க அவனுடன் தி.நகர் நாதன்ஸ் கபேக்குப் போனேன். அங்கே தேங்காய் சட்னி விசேஷம். சாம்பார் கேட்டால் முழுவைப் பார்ப்பது போலப் பார்ப்பார்கள். கூட்டம் அதிகமானால் மாடியிலும் சப்ளை உண்டு. அன்று மாடிப் படியின் கீழ் வேஷ்டியை மடித்துக் கட்டிக் கொண்டிருந்தவரைப் பார்த்து, 'மாடியில் சப்ளை உண்டா?' என்று கேட்டேன். 'என்னைக் கேட்டா?' என்று அமிலம் கலந்த வார்த்தைகளை உமிழ்ந்தார். இதை சங்கரநாராயணன் மறு ஒலிப்பதாக எல்லோரிடமும் அவுட்டுச் சிரிப்போடு சொல்லிச் சொல்லி என்னைக் கலாய்த்ததை நான் ரசிக்கவில்லை.

சரிகைப் பட்டு, கைத்தறி வேஷ்டி என்று பல ரகங்கள் இருந்தாலும் மயில் கண் வேஷ்டியின் பிராண்டு அம்பாசடராக இருந்த பரமு மாமாவைப் பற்றி சொல்ல வேண்டும். மயில் கண் வேஷ்டிகளில் ஒரு பக்கம் சிவப்பு மறு பக்கம் பச்சைக் கலர் பார்டர்கள் இருக்கும். அவர் கட்டும் மயில் கண் வேஷ்டியில் ஒரு மர்மம் இருப்பதாகப் பேசிக் கொள்வார்கள். குளித்து விட்டு மாடியிலிருந்து கீழே வந்தால் கரை எந்தப் பக்கம் என்பதைக் குடும்பத்தார் கண்டுகொண்டு அடுத்த ஸ்டெப்பிக்குப் போவார்கள். பச்சைக் கரை கால்களைத் தொட்டு இருந்தால் மகிழ்ச்சி! பரமுவின் மனைவிக்குப் பட்டுப் புடவை, வைதேயிக்குத் தங்கச் சங்கிலி, ராமுவுக்குப் புதுக் கிரிக்கெட் பேட் என்று ஸ்பாட்டிலேயே சாங்ஷன் ஆகும். சிவப்பாக இருந்து தொலைந்தால் போச்சு, பரமு அன்று துர்வாசர்தான்!

பரமுவின் வீட்டிற்கு சாயங்கால வேளையில் வந்து நேரம் போகிறது தெரியாமல் அரட்டை அடித்துவிட்டுக் கிளம்பும் தேரடித் தெரு கண்ணன் அன்று நேரம் ஆகிவிட்டதால் தலையணையை வாங்கிக் கொண்டு காத்தாடத் திண்ணையில் படுத்துத் தூங்கியவன் பின் இரவில் குளிர் ஆரம்பித்ததால் மயில் கண் வேஷ்டியைக் களைந்து போர்த்திக் கொண்டு குறட்டை விட்டு அட்டகாசமாகத் தூங்கினான்.

காலையில் சாணி தெளிக்க வந்த முருகம்மா உள்ளே வந்து குரல் கொடுத்தார். 'சாமி! வாசத் திண்ணையிலே வந்து பாருங்க'ன்னு சொல்லி இளித்துவிட்டுக் கிணற்றுக்கு ஓடினார். கண்ணன் திண்ணை மூலையில் தலையணையை பட்டாப்பட்டி அண்டர்வேர் மேல் திரையாக வைத்து மறைத்து பேந்தப் பேந்த முழித்துக் கொண்டிருந்தான். 'மாமா! வேஷ்டியை ராத்திரி எவனோ திருடிண்டு போயிட்டான்' என்று ஈனஸ்வரத்தில் முன்கினான்.

பரமு அட்டகாசமாகச் சிரித்தார். 'டேய், கண்ணா! அந்தப் பெயர் கொண்டவர் குளிக்கும் கோபிகைகளின் உடைகளைத் திருடி வைத்து ஆட்டம் போட்டாரே அதுக்குக் கிடைச்ச பதில் மரியாதைடா... இரு மாத்து வேஷ்டி கொண்டு வரேன்!' writerjsr@gmail.com



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வேளச்சேரியில் உள்ள பீனிக்ஸ் மால், பெப்பர் ஸ்டூடியோவில் 'நீங்களும் ஓவியர் ஆகலாம்' என்கிற தலைப்பில் பிரபல ஓவியர் அரஸ் ஓவியப் பயிற்சி அளிக்கிறார். மே 6 ஞாயிறு மதியம் 2 முதல் இரவு 7 மணி வரை ஓவியப் பயிற்சி வகுப்பு நடைபெறும். கதைகளுக்குப் படம் போடும் முறை, கேரிகேச்சர், கார்ட்டூன் குறித்துத் தெளிவான விளக்கங்களும், நுணுக்கங்களும் கற்றுத் தரப்படும்.

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Sai Seva Chakra conducts free Veda classes

By Our Staff Reporter

Sri Sai Seva Chakra (15, Bharathi Street, West Mambalam) conducts free Veda, bhajans and sloka classes on Sundays in its premises from 3.30 p.m to 4.30 p.m.

It also conducts these classes in the following venues.

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'Kathri Veyil' till May 28

By Our Staff Reporter

The peak of the summer season, referred to as 'Kathri Veyil' in Tamil, began on May 4 and will end on May 28.

Though 'Kathri' is known to be the hottest period in Chennai, this year the heat wave started in mid-April with day temperatures touching 38 deg. Celsius.

The Met. department has announced that the temperature may hover around 40 deg. Celsius during the 'Agni Nakshatram' period.

Heat wave conditions witnessed in April will continue.

Doctors have advised people not to venture out between 11 a.m and 4 p.m when the sun will be at its hottest.

They have also advised consumption of adequate liquids to keep oneself hydrated.

Persons with symptoms of sudden giddiness should see a doctor immediately to prevent heatstroke.

ISKCON programs in neighbourhood

International Society for Krishna Consciousness (ISKCON) conducts programs in the following venues:

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Woman loses Rs. 18 lakhs in cryptocurrency fraud

By Our Staff Reporter
 Police are probing what could be a major digital currency fraud, with a conman duping a woman from West Mambalam into investing Rs. 18 lakhs in Wowcoin, an abandoned hybrid cryptocurrency, after meeting her on Facebook and promising

her big earnings on her cash. The investigation took off after the Anna Nagar police, acting on a Madras High Court directive, registered a case against the directors of a Chennai firm on a complaint by Indrani Maruthamuthu, a pharmacist from West Mambalam. Investigators said that they registered a case under IPC Section 420 (cheating) against Padmaj Bommi Shetty Srinivasalu, Aarthi Anavaram Bommishetty and Clint Joseph Rodrigues (Directors of Wow Digital Solutions Pvt Ltd, 2nd Avenue, Anna Nagar).

"We have received only one complainant so far but we expect more," an investigating officer said.

Indrani said in her complaint that she learned about Wowcoin through D. Madhesh whom she befriended on Facebook.

Madhesh introduced Indrani to a WhatsApp group called Wow Trade Coin, a group of

allegedly "likeminded cryptocurrency investors", and the deception fooled the pharmacist. "The directors of the firm stated that they managed the company's operations in India and brainwashed Indrani into believing that Wowcoin would grow manifold in a few years and got her to invest," said the officer.

"The directors of Wow Digital Solutions told her that Wowcoin was set to surpass Bitcoin in popularity and would be the online currency of the future. They opened a trading account in her name on a website (wowtrade.com) and claimed to show her how her investment was growing day by day. Indrani realised that she was the victim of a swindle when she failed to receive any of the profits her investments were allegedly earning", the officer explained. The case has been transferred to Central Crime Branch.

2 posing as couple rob bus passengers

A 32-year-old man and a woman relative were arrested for posing as a couple and robbing passengers of MTC buses on T. Nagar-Vadapalani route by diverting their attention.

According to the police, the accused, Rathi (30) and her brother-in-law Prabhakar (32), hail from Chittoor in Andhra Pradesh. Rathi has a year-old child.

The two posed as a couple along with the child. Their modus operandi was to hand over the child to a sitting woman passenger and, while getting off the bus, steal the passenger's chain, according to police.

On May 1, Rathi tried to steal the chain of Vijaya, a bus passenger, but the latter raised the alarm and, with the help of other passengers, caught hold of Rathi and Prabhakar and handed them over to Vadapalani Police.

Investigation revealed that Rathi and Prabhakar were involved in 13 similar cases. They also used to target women in crowded places including temples and markets.

42 sovereigns of jewellery and Rs. 82,000 in cash were recovered from them. They were remanded to judicial custody.

K. Pasupathi (Inspector, Vadapalani) is in charge of the investigation.

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Building plan permits not updated on CMDA website for 3 months

By Our Staff Reporter

The Chennai Metropolitan Development Authority (CMDA) has for the past three months not updated the list of special buildings in the city that have been issued planning permission, leaving homebuyers at the mercy of developers who, they fear, could saddle them with houses in unapproved buildings. The planning authority has also pulled out the land use map which tells one under which zone and survey number the property concerned falls.

Since Jan. 31, when details of the planning permission granted for 21 special category buildings were last updated, the window on the CMDA website where such information can be accessed has remained blank. All structures with ground plus three floors or stilt plus four floors are categorised as special buildings. On an average, the planning authority grants planning permission for more than 300 special buildings in a year.

The lack of this key information online has allowed unscrupulous developers to take buyers for a ride. It is not known why officials are not updating crucial information like planning permission while data on approval for layouts is available almost instantly on the CMDA's website.

CMDA has also removed the web-based GIS Land Use Information System (LUIS) from its website. The facility enables viewing of the map of a property and checking whether there are any restrictions for construction of buildings falling under the survey number concerned.

At the click of a mouse, one can also verify if any change has been made in the particular land zone, classifying it as residential, mixed residential or commercial.

"It is a deliberate attempt to suppress transparency by CMDA," alleged B. Kannan (Secretary, T. Nagar Residents Welfare Association).

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Concert of old Hindi songs on May 13

By Our Staff Reporter

Satrangi (a music troupe based in Mogappair) will present a concert of old Hindi songs from 6.30 p.m to 10 p.m on Saturday, May 13 in Mini Hall, Music Academy (TTK Road, Royapettah).

The program, titled 'Ek Fankaar Anek Geetkaar', will feature popular songs sung by Kishore Kumar.

The songs will be presented by Usha Raj and Pramod Nair. They will include hit songs composed by Majrooh Sultanpuri, Anand Bakshi, Gulzar, Hasrat Jaipuri, Indivar, Kaifi Azmi, Javed Akhtar and others.

For door delivery of tickets priced at Rs. 250 and Rs. 500, call 98847 78073 or send an email to pramod@satrangimusic.com.

A part of the proceeds will be donated to charity.

Krishnamachari donates Rs. 2 lakhs to Sivananda Saraswathi Sevashram

By Our Staff Reporter

R. P. Krishnamachari (Managing Director, Tex Biosciences Pvt. Ltd, Ashok Nagar) has donated Rs. 2 lakhs to the Endowment Fund created by Swamy Sivananda Saraswathi Sevashram (Kattangalathur).

The interest earned from the fund is utilized to meet the Sevashram's expenses. The Sevashram provides free shelter and education for around 400 children and shelter for 150 aged persons.



Temple chariot taken in procession

By Our Staff Reporter

Hundreds of devotees braved the heat and pulled the chariot of Arulmigu Kothandaramar Temple, K. R. Koil Street, West Mambalam on April 28 as part of Bramhotsavam festival. The chariot was pulled along K. R. Koil Street, Aranganathan Street, Ellaiamman Koil Street, Gandhi Street, Easwaran Koil Street and Madley Road service lane.



Rotary Club felicitates 100 on May Day



To commemorate May Day, Rotary Club of Madras Vadapalani honoured about 100 persons including entrepreneurs from various fields on May 1 in Sigaram Towers, Vadapalani. R. Sarathkumar (Actor and politician) presented a 'Certificate of Merit' to them. R. Srinivasan (Rotary District Governor 3232), R. Kannan (President, Rotary Club of Madras Vadapalani), Hema Mani (Secretary) and others were present.

TNRWA launches membership drive

T. Nagar Residents' Welfare Association (TNRWA) (a registered association under the Tamilnadu Societies Act) has launched a membership campaign. The association has been espousing the cause of residents of T. Nagar and is striving to make the area a livable place free from all kinds of pollution.

Residents who wish to become members can send details like name, address, e-mail id, mobile number by e-mail to tngarresidents@gmail.com or by snail-mail to T. Nagar Residents' Welfare Association (30, Rangan Street, T. Nagar).

Open drain being closed after report in Mambalam Times



Before



Now

Following the report 'Sewage filled open drain outside playground poses danger' published in *Mambalam Times* (April 21-27 issue), Corporation workers removed the stagnant water from the drain. Work is in progress to cover the drain with slabs.

Video lessons to be part of curriculum

By Our Staff Reporter

A Tamil Nadu Teachers Platform, to be launched shortly to go hand in hand with the changes being brought to the curriculum, will help incorporate technology and digital elements in teaching.

While speaking at a meeting organized by Tamil Nadu Students Parents Welfare Association, G. Arivoli (Director, State Council for Educational Research and Training) said that the platform will train teachers to create video lessons on various topics.

Every teacher in the state will be given a user ID linked to the TNTP portal and also access to videos posted by other teachers.

Arivoli also said all print as well as online content will be made available online for students and teachers.

While video tutorials have been posted by select teachers, the Council hopes to train more to do it through the portal. Video lessons are a concept the education department is already promoting through the new textbooks for the revamped syllabi of Stds. 1, 6, 9 and 11.

Every textbook is dotted with a number of QR codes across lessons as well as an ICT corner wherein links to video lessons are provided.

Free 3-day science program for students from May 16

Tamil Nadu Science and Technology Centre has organized a free 3-day science program for students of Stds. 7, 8 and 9.

The classes will be conducted from 10 a.m to 4 p.m from Wednesday, May 16 to Friday, May 18 in Periyar Science and Technology Centre (Gandhi Mandapam Road, Surya Nagar, Kotturpuram).

There will be lectures and experiments on Physics, Chemistry, Mathematics, Astronomy, Environmental Science and Psychology.

The program is limited to 50 students on first-cum-first-served basis. For registration, contact 2441 0025.

Calf tethered to wheel of parked car



By Our Staff Reporter

A calf was found tethered on May 2 to the wheel of a car which has remained parked on the margin of K. R. Koil Street, behind Vinayakar Temple, West Mambalam for several months.

Barricades may topple over



Barricades placed by traffic police without proper concrete foundation on Dr. Nair Road in T. Nagar near Vani Mahal are broken and may topple over any moment across the road.

'Therukoothu' workshop held in West Mambalam

Mugamudigal Performing Arts Group conducted an 8-day workshop to popularize the waning art of 'therukoothu' in Satya Mahal Mandapam (West Mambalam) last month.

The workshop culminated in a production called 'Dhuryian Padukalam' in which Priyanka and the 14 other participants essayed roles of the Pandavas, Kauravas and Draupadi.

The participants also got to do their own make-up. They were trained to apply the paints to suit villainous and heroic characters. The participants were from varied backgrounds like theater artistes, businessmen, college students and corporate workers. S. Sarathi Krishnan, who is doing research on 'therukoothu' in Madras University, trained the participants.

He said that the art is dwindling due to the attraction to modern forms of dance. He added that for someone wanting to pursue 'therukoothu' as a livelihood, the income is low in cities like Chennai and not very remunerative in villages either.

He said that 'therukoothu' is still popular in villages due to its close association with temple festivals. The workshop ended with a performance on May 6 at the same venue.

Maggiwala offers unlimited varieties at Rs. 99

By Our Staff Reporter

With the idea of serving Maggie with a twist and flavour, Maggiwala was founded in 2013 in Vadodara, Gujarat.

In Chennai, it has branches in Kilpauk and Kodambakkam. Its menu offers 26 varieties of Maggie based dishes.

According to the Kilpauk shop manager, its signature dishes include Maggie based Pizza, Bruschetta and Toasts. He said that the menu is wide, interesting and delicious with not only Maggie varieties, but also different types of pasta, milkshakes, thick shakes, juices, coffee and ice-teas.

It is offering unlimited Maggie for Rs. 99 from Monday, May 7 to Friday, May 11 from 12 noon to 5 p.m in both Kilpauk and Kodambakkam branches.

The Kodambakkam branch is located in 63/1 Arcot Road, United India Colony, near AR Enterprises, Ph: 73387 92777, and the Kilpauk branch in 62C, Ormes Road, near Ponniamman Temple, Ph: 4857 1301.

CREDAI launches 'Clean City Movement'

'Clean City Movement', a solid-waste management initiative of the Confederation of Real Estate Developers' Associations of India (CREDAI), has taken off in Besant Nagar. It will soon be launched in T. Nagar, Thiruvanniyur and Shenoy Nagar.

The initiative is aimed at sensitising communities to the need to dispose of waste responsibly. Residents are requested to segregate waste into biodegradable and non-biodegradable waste before handing it over to the conservancy staff of CREDAI. The biodegradable waste will be converted into manure.

S. Keerthi (Program in-charge) told *Mambalam Times* that around 100 kg. of waste is collected from around 750 houses every day. It has set up its composting unit in Besant Nagar crematorium to produce manure from the waste.

The manure is not for sale but will be handed over to the Corporation for use in its parks.

Thiruvagam recitation today

Nirmala Ravi and other devotees will recite 'Thiruvagam Mutrothal' from 9 a.m on Sunday, May 6 in Sri Sakthi Vinayagar Temple (Dr. Rajendraprasath Street, Sathyamoorthy Block, Jafferkanpet, Ashok Nagar).

All are welcome to participate in the program.

More details can be had in 90031 51343, 99417 55111 or 94440 33841.

Residents oppose skywalk project

By Our Staff Reporter

Chennai Corporation is gearing up to begin the construction of a multi-crore skywalk connecting Mambalam railway station and T. Nagar bus terminus, but the project has come under fire from residents who have urged the civic body to clear encroachments instead.

Last month, the civic body announced that a detailed report on the skywalk project, estimated to cost 30.35 crores, was ready and that construction will begin soon. The 600 meter long skywalk will be aligned parallel to Railway Border Road and Madley Road, offering a 4-metre wide path for pedestrians.

A number of residents and resident welfare associations have raised their voices against the project on the social media and via news media.

They contend that clearing of encroachments and retrieval of public space from the approach roads (Ranganathan Street, Natesan Street, Railway Border Road and the by-lanes) will be enough to solve the pedestrian problem instead of spending money on the skywalk.

According to a senior member of T. Nagar Residents Welfare Association, the way encroachments have been allowed to prosper on the roads, only shows the ineffectiveness of the Corporation. "Now what is the guarantee that the skywalk too will not be encroached upon after it is built," he asked.

According to members of Madley Road Civic Exnora, the movement of the residents of Thukkaram 1st, 2nd and 3rd Streets, off Madley Road, will be restricted due to the skywalk. "The first issue is whether it is safe to construct the skywalk's pillars along the Madley Road subway's parapet wall as the corporation has announced. The second problem is Thukkaram streets have narrow entry points. When construction begins, the residents of these areas will find it difficult to take their vehicles in or out," said P. Venugopal (Association President). The associations have written to Chennai Corporation urging it to drop the skywalk proposal for the time being and, instead, first concentrate on clearing encroachments. They are yet to receive a reply from the Corporation.

Damaged manhole cover poses danger

By Our Staff Reporter

The concrete cover of the sewer manhole in the middle of the road at the junction of Krishna Street and Chevalier Sivaji Ganesan Street, T. Nagar is badly damaged with the steel rods inside exposed.

It poses a grave danger to motorists at night as it is not clearly visible.



Burkit Road milled but not relaid

By Our Staff Reporter

One half of Burkit Road, T. Nagar, near its junction with Venkatanarayan Road was milled a fortnight back, but has still not been relaid.

The uneven surface with loose gravel stones on the milled stretch is making the ride slippery for motorists, especially 2-wheeler riders.

R. Saravanan, a nearby resident told Mambalam Times that a Corporation contractor milled the road a fortnight back, but there has been no further progress in the work.

He also complained that it causes dust pollution every time a vehicle passes over the stretch. He has appealed to Chennai Corporation to relay the damaged portion of the road immediately.



Saplings outside railway station withering



By Our Staff Reporter

The saplings planted on one side of the passage near the entrance to Mambalam Railway Station opposite the 2-wheeler parking area are withering.

According to a railway worker, the saplings are watered twice a day, but are withering due to the direct exposure to the sun and the increase in day temperature.

With 'Kathiri' approaching, the withering saplings need to be protected from the sun and watered more often.

Free talk on 'Governing Business and Relationship' on Saturday

By Our Staff Reporter

Under the auspices of Vedanta Institute (Madras), R. Aravindan will give a free talk on 'Governing Business and Relationship' at 10 a.m on Saturday, May 12 in Hotel Pratap Plaza (168, Kodambakkam High Road, Mahalingapuram).

All are welcome. For free registration, contact Chithra Sundarajan in 98404 93904.

Talk on Thiru Arutpa on Tuesday

By Our Staff Reporter

Under the auspices of Vallalar Sanmarga Sangam (VOC Street, MGR Nagar, Ph: 94453 43706), Dr. N. Thillai Nayagam will give a discourse on 'Thiru Arutpa - இறப்பொழிக்கும் சன்மாரிக்கம்' at 6 p.m on Tuesday, May 8, in Sakthi Vinayagar Temple (P. T. Rajan Salai, K. K. Nagar).

All are welcome.

Kuvikam Illam's annual day today

By Our Staff Reporter

Kuvikam Illam (Flat A6, 3rd Floor, Silverpark Apartments, 24, Thanikachalam Road, T. Nagar, Opp. Hindi Prachara Sabha) will release the Tamil book 'Sila Katturaikal' by Kavignar Vydheshwaran at 11 a.m on Sunday, May 6 in its premises. It will launch its E-library on the occasion.

It will be followed by storytelling and poetry reading sessions.

All are welcome.

More details can be had in 8939 604745 and 94425 25191

Nehru Park-Central metro services to begin soon

The inspection by the Commissioner of Metro Rail Safety (CMRS) may take place next week, paving the way for operation of metro trains from Nehru Park to Chennai Central, and from Saidapet to DMS by the end of this month.

CMRL plans to complete the work of laying the lower tracks of Corridor-I by May 15, so that the stretch from Chennai Central to St. Thomas Mount can be opened by the end of the month.

Once the 2.5-km. Nehru Park-Chennai Central stretch opens, commuters can reach the airport from Chennai Central or Egmore.

Similarly, Chennai Metro Rail will throw open the 4-km. blue line stretch from AG-DMS to Little Mount by May-end

Once these sectors are opened, Chennai Metro expects to increase the daily footfall from 34,000 to 1 lakh.

Free eye screening on Wednesday

By Our Staff Reporter

Jaimaa Trust (an NGO, Vadapalani) has organized a free eye screening camp from 9.30 a.m to 12.30 p.m on

Wednesday, May 9 in Little Flower Matriculation Higher Secondary School (62nd Street, Ashok Nagar, near Nallam Kuppam).

Doctors from Sankara Nethralaya will examine the patients.

The complete visual assessment will include eye pressure test and retinal imaging. Counselling will be given on eye related problems.

Persons detected with cataract can undergo free surgery in Sankara Nethralaya.

For registration, contact 99400 30939.

Discourse on Gita today

By Our Staff Reporter

Under the auspices of Ramakrishna Mission Ashrama (5, Maharaja Santhanam Salai, T. Nagar), Swami Satyaprabhananda will give a discourse on Bhagavad Gita in Tamil at 5.30 p.m, on Sunday, May 6 in the Ashram's premises.

All are welcome. For more details, call 2814 3896.

App to help cops curb inter-state robberies

By Our Staff Reporter

In an attempt to curb inter-state robberies, Chennai police have decided to expand the use of their FACETAGR app to other Southern states.

The FACETAGR app was first adopted in October 2017 by the T. Nagar police station in the city. With FACETAGR, once a suspect is scanned, it generates details about the person including the cases that have been registered against him/her and the police station the person comes under. After the scanning is complete, further steps are taken to deal with the criminals.

According to police sources, so far only Pondicherry Crime Record Bureau has provided the criminal data. Andhra Pradesh, Telangana, Kerala and Karnataka are yet to provide the details. Currently, the database has records of 67,000 criminals. This app will help police departments find details of a person who belongs to another State.

Access to this technology has been given to all beat policemen.

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S.B.S. RAJAN (80 yrs)
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Passed away on
Monday, 30th April, 2018
He was retired as Chief Engineer,
Rajasthan State Electricity Board
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Devi Mahatmyam in Sankara Madam on Tuesday

By Our Staff Reporter

Satha Chandi Maha Yagam will be performed on Tuesday, May 8 in Sankara Madam (West Mambalam) on account of Krishna Paksha Ashtami. The following is the program:

- 7 a.m.: Navavaruna pooja
 - 7.30 a.m.: Sri Vidhya homam
 - 7.45 a.m.: Devi Mahatmyam paarayanam with 51 suvasinis
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Reality TV shows may affect participants' education

Sir, Of late, most private satellite channels vie with one another to host talent shows, especially singing and dancing competitions among young children.

The parents too encourage their wards to enter these contests.

While these talent shows definitely hone the skills of the children and bring name and fame to them, what, however, pales into insignificance is the need for education. At a time when the children need basic education and this is the prime age at which a child learns, one wonders why some parents prefer such contests over education.

No doubt, every parent would like his ward to be a multi-talented person, but how can anyone sacrifice education at the altar of fame? Those who get selected for the talent show have to necessarily spend considerable time away from home (often go to another State) and school to get themselves readied for the contest. This means that the children have to skip studies and fully concentrate on the shows.

Peer pressure to present the best compels the children to over-do things and encounter stress in the process. Thus, the children lose interest in studies by the time the show concludes. Yet another big question that needs to be answered is: are those who participate and win prizes able to achieve the intent for which the talent shows are purportedly conducted? **K. Harihar, T. Nagar**

Plant trees to minimize effect of global warming

Sir, Global warming is an increasing danger to our world. The rapid urbanization and felling of lakhs of trees is the direct cause of global warming. What can we do to reduce/prevent it to ensure the survival of future generations?

The simplest method is by planting saplings to replace the felled trees by as trees protect our environment in many ways.

Trees have been felled in thousands to build apartments, but have not been replaced. So, every citizen should take a pledge today to plant at least one sapling and tend to it till it starts growing on its own. It could be in his/her house/apartment complex compound or in any public place like a park or the road margin outside.

Let us put our hands together in this endeavour to make our neighbourhood clean and green. **V. S. Narayanaswamy, Motilal Street, T. Nagar**

Water wasted in CPWD Quarters

Sir, Water has become a major issue in the city, and also in many parts of the State. The city went through a near drought-like situation last year and a similar situation may occur this year also.

So it is every citizen's duty to save water.

But I find something to the contrary happening in Block 68 and some other blocks in CPWD Quarters, K. K. Nagar. For the past month, I have seen water overflowing from the overhead tanks daily from 6 a.m to 11 a.m. Several verbal complaints have been made to the CPWD authorities, but no action has been taken to stop the wastage. CPWD is buying water in tankers for supplying to its staff residing in the quarters. I appeal to the officials concerned to take immediate steps to prevent the overflow of water from the overhead tanks. **P. L. Karthikeyan, K. K. Nagar**

Discourses on 'Saisath Saritha'

Under the auspices of Sri Shirdi 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.

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OBITUARY

C. S. DEVASENATHIPATHY

C. S. Devasenathipathy (resident of 17, Jagadeeshwaran Street, T. Nagar) passed away on May 1.

He was 96, and had been a resident of T. Nagar for 80 years. He had retired from AG's office.

He is survived by three daughters, sons-in-law, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

His family can be contacted in 94874 28816.



L. RAJESWARI

L. Rajeswari (resident of 2/109, Ellaianman Koil Street, West Mambalam) passed away on April 29. She was 82, and had been a resident of Mambalam since birth. She was the wife of Late V. Lakshmiopathy (Advocate).

She was the daughter of M. D. Munuswamy Reddy and granddaughter of M. Damodar Reddy, whose

family had constructed the Chennai Corporation School in Easwaran Koil Street, West Mambalam. The family continues to support the education of the students by presenting books and prizes every year.

She is survived by 6 daughters, Dr. Shyamala, Nirmala, Parimala, Komala, Vimala and Kamala, son M. L. Venkataswamy, 8 grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren.

Her family may be contacted in 98401 36611 or 94442 36688



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Heatstroke: Precautions, symptoms and treatment

Dr. Vel Murugan, Anna Nagar

Heatstroke is the most severe form of heat illness, especially with the start of 'Kathiri Veyil' which will conclude on May 28.

Elderly persons, infants and persons working outdoors are the most susceptible to heatstroke.

Heatstroke may lead to bleeding and fainting.

Normal body temperature is around 98.6 degrees Fahrenheit, but in heatstroke the body can warm up to 106 degrees Fahrenheit or higher in 10 to 15 minutes. Death or permanent disability can result from heatstroke if not treated immediately.

Precautions: Drink plenty of fluids, especially when working or playing in the sun. Make sure you are taking more fluid than you are losing. Try to schedule outdoor activities for the cooler parts of the day. Instead of drinking too much of plain water, drink lime juice or buttermilk mixed with a pinch of salt in order to compensate the loss of body salts. Use umbrellas while going out in the hot sun.

The elderly and persons suffering from kidney, liver and heart problems should take extra precautions by consulting their doctors.

Symptoms: Headache, dizziness, inadequate urination, disorientation, agitation or confusion, sluggishness or fatigue, seizure, hot, dry skin that is flushed but not sweaty, a high body temperature, loss of consciousness, rapid heart beat and hallucinations are the most common symptoms of heatstroke.

First Aid: If a person becomes dehydrated and cannot sweat enough to cool his body, his internal temperature may rise to dangerously high levels, causing heatstroke.

Heatstroke may lead to bleeding and fainting.

If anyone suffers from heatstroke, the person should be taken indoors, cool water applied to skin, followed by fanning to stimulate sweating. In severe cases, immediate hospitalization is a must.

Intravenous fluids should be given to compensate fluid or electrolyte loss.

Persons having heart or kidney problems should consult a doctor on the kind of treatment for heatstroke.

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Bhuvanewari Trust awards renowned musician Subhalakshmi Krishnamoorthy

By Our Staff Reporter
Sri Bhuvanewari Charitable Trust (K. K. Nagar) and Sree Krishnarpanam Seva Society (SKSS) jointly pre-



sented 'Shastreeya Sangeetha Kokilam' award to renowned singer Subhalakshmi Krishnamoorthy from Bangalore on May 29 in Maruthi Hall (Tambaram).

Vedic Ravi (Founder, Sri Bhuvanewari Charitable Trust) told *Mambalam Times* that the award was given in recognition of Subhalakshmi's service in propagating devotional music in Carnatic style. 'Naada Roopini' - a composition of Devi kritis sung by her was released on the occasion. Her musical discourses with dance titled 'Rama Katha-mritham' and 'Purushothaman Pugazh' have won wide acclaims. She has also

written kritis on Lord Guruvayoorappan, Saraswati, Ayyappa and Murugan, which she has tuned and presented in concerts. She works as a Scientist with ISRO. 'Khushi', a book on spirituality written by Meera Maya and a book in Tamil on Adi Shankaracharya titled 'Adi Sankara Prasadam' written by J.K. Sivan (Founder, SKSS) were also released on the occasion. Vedic Ravi's contact number is 98407 87957.

BSNL junction box in Venkatesan Street topples



By Our Staff Reporter
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