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அவருடைய கல்யாணத்தின்போது கூட 'கண்ணாஞ்சல் ஆடினான்...' என்று பாடுவதற்கு நான்கு பெண்கள் தயாராக இருந்தார்கள். அவர் ஊஞ்சலில் அமர மாட்டேன் எனக் கூறி அதற்கு கம்பன்சேஷனாக இரண்டாம் முறை காசி யாத்திரை போனார்.

அவருடைய மகன் காமேஷ் பிறந்தவுடன்கூட அவனைத் தூளியிலோ, தொட்டிலிலோ போடவில்லை. தரையில் படுக்க வைத்து வளர்த்தார் துரைசாமி.

'நீங்க தான் துரைசாமியா இருக்கீங்க. பையனைக்கூட அப்படி வளர்க்கணுமா?' என்று மனைவி அங்கலாய்த்தாள்.

அவர் வீட்டில் பக்கெட்கூட இருக்கவில்லை. அதில் பிடி இருக்கும், வாளி தொங்கும் எனத் தவிர்ந்திருந்தார்.

'பாத்திரமே போய் குடம் வைச்சிருக்கீங்களே... அதுலேயே நந்து தண்ணீர் எடுத்து எப்படிக்குளிக்கிறது?' என்று மனைவி கத்தினாள்.

'குடம் தண்ணீரை அப்படியே எடுத்துத் தலையிலே ஊத்திக் கோ.'

'நான் தினம் கார்த்தாலே காவடியா எடுக்கப் போறேன்?' மனைவி நச்சரிக்கவே போனால் போகிறதென்று பிடியில்லாத பக்கெட் வாங்கினார்.

இப்படிப்பட்ட தொங்கலின் எதிரி துரைசாமியின் முன்னால் பக்கெத்து வீட்டு நண்பர் நின்று கொண்டிருந்தார்.

'இன்னொரு உங்க பையன் காமேஷைப் பார்த்தேன். டவுன் பஸ்லே தொங்கிக்கிட்டுப் போய்க்கிட்டிருந்தான்.'

இதைக் கேட்டதும் துரைசாமிக்குத் தூக்கிவாரிப் போட்டது. மகன் வந்ததும் அவனைப் பிடித்துக் கொண்டார்.

'இன்னொரு பஸ்லே தொங்கிக்கிட்டுப் போனியா?'

'ஓரே ஒரு ஸ்டாப் வரையில் தான் தொங்கிக்கிட்டுப் போனேன்.'

'ஸ்டாப் திஸ் நான் சென்ஸ். ஏன் தொங்கினேன்?'

'பஸ்லே உள்ளே இடம் இல்லை.'

'டோர் இருக்கற பஸ்லே போயிருக்கலாம் இல்லை.'

'டோர் இருக்கற பஸ் ஒண்ணு வந்தது. அதுலே டோரே தொங்கிக்கிட்டிருந்தது.'

'அப்போ ஸ்கூலுக்கு லீவு போட்டுரு.'

'தொங்கலுக்கு பயந்து ஸ்கூலுக்கு லீவு போட்டா வாத்தியார் என்னைத் தலைகீழா தொங்கவிட்டுத் தோலை உரிச்சிருவாரு.'

'பஸ்லே கூட்டமா இருந்தா என்கூட பைக்லே வா.'

அடுத்த நாள் முதல் அவனை பைக்கில் கூட்டிப் போக ஆரம்பித்தார்.

'பைக்லே ஏறுடா.'

'அப்பா, பைக்லே காலைக் கிழே தொங்கப் போட்டுக்கலாமா... இல்லே சப்பணம் போட்டு உட்காணுமா?'

'இது கால் தொங்கல்தான். முழுத் தொங்கல் இல்லை. நீ சௌ கரியமா உட்காரு.'

இரண்டு மாதங்கள் கழித்துக் காமேஷ் எலெக்ட்ரிக் டிரெயினில் தொங்கிக் கொண்டு போனதாக அவருக்குத் தகவல் வந்தது.

'டேய், ரயில்லே தொங்கிக்கிட்டுப் போனியா?'

'இல்லைப்பா, கதவோரத்துலே இருக்கற கம்பியைப் பிடிச்சுக் கிட்டு நிள்ளேன். அவ்வளவுதான்.'

'அதுகூடத் தப்புதான். நீ நடு சீட்டிலே உட்கார்ந்திருக்கணும்.'

துரைசாமி நேராக ஸ்டேஷன் மாஸ்டரைப் போய்ப் பார்த்தார்.

'ஸார், நேத்தைய சி.சி.டி.வி ரிக்கார்டிங் பார்க்கணும்.'

'எதுக்கு?'

'என் பையன் கதவோரத்துலே கம்பியைப் பிடிச்சுக்கிட்டு நிள்ளான். அதைப் பார்க்கணும்.'

'அதெல்லாம் தப்பில்லே ஸார். இன் ஃபாக்ட் ரயிலோட கார்டே கம்பியைப் பிடிச்சுக்கிட்டுதான் நிப்பாரு.'

வீட்டுக்கு வந்தார் துரைசாமி. மனைவி டி.வியில் ஆயிரத்தில் ஒருவன் படம் பார்த்துக் கொண்டிருந்தார். அதில் எம்.ஜி.ஆர் கப்பலில் கயிறறைப் பிடித்துத் தொங்கிக் கொண்டிருந்தார்.

'சேனலை மாத்து' என்று கத்தினார்.

'எதுக்கு?'

'எம்.ஜி.ஆர் கயித்துல தொங்கறாரு.'

'அவர் ஹீரோங்க. அப்படித்தான் தொங்குவாரு.'

'நாகேஷ் கூடத்தான் தொங்கறாரு. சேனலை மாத்து.'

மனைவி சேனலை மாற்றினாள். திருவிளையாடல் படம் ஓடிக் கொண்டிருந்தது. அதில் ஹேமநாத பாகவதர் சப்பண மிட்டு அமர்ந்து பாடிக் கொண்டிருந்தார்.

'இந்த மாதிரிப் படத்தைப் பார்க்கறதை விட்டுட்டுத் தொங்கறதைப் பார்க்கறையே?'

மாலை. மகன் காமேஷ் வீட்டுக்கு வந்தான்.

'இனிமேல் நீ எங்கேயும் தொங்கக் கூடாது' என்றார் கண்டிப்பாக.

'சரிப்பா.'

'நல்லா படிச்சு நல்ல மார்க் வாங்கணும். காலேஜ் அட்டிஷனுக்காக யார் கிட்டேயும் நான் தொங்கிக்கிட்டிருக்க மாட்டேன். புரியுதா?'

'புரியுது.'

காமேஷ் வளர்ந்து பெரியவன் ஆகிவிட்டான். விளையாட்டிலும் படிப்பிலும் முதலாவதாக வந்தான். கல்லூரி முடித்ததும் வேலைக்காக சில பரீட்சைகள் எழுதினான். இன்டர்வியூவிற்குப் போனான். தேர்வும் ஆகிவிட்டான்.

'அப்பா, என்னை ஆசிர்வாதம் பண்ணுங்க. எனக்கு நல்ல வேலை கிடைச்சிருக்கு.'

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MBBS student ends life

By Our Staff Reporter

A 3rd year MBBS student died after jumping from the 10th floor of the apartment complex in which she was residing in Ashok Nagar on Feb. 15.

Police have recovered a suicide note.

The student, 22-year-old Nithyashree, was staying with her elder sister and parents in the high-rise apartment complex.

Her body was first seen by a security guard. Upon information, Ashok Nagar police recovered the body and sent it for postmortem.

A case registered in Ashok Nagar police station is under investigation.

5 phone snatching incidents at night on Feb. 12

By Our Staff Reporter

Unidentified mensnatched mobile phones from five persons in K.K. Nagar, Ashok Nagar and West Mambalamat night on Feb. 12.

The first robbery occurred at around 9p.m near Anand Mini Hall (Thambaiyah Road, West Mambalam) when two robbers on a bike snatched a mobile from M. Rekha (26) (a resident of West Mambalam) when she was returning home after visiting a shop on Arya Gowda Road.

In the next incident, two men on a bike snatched the phone of Y. Nandhini (30) when she was walking on Mahadevan Street (West Mambalam).

In a similar incident two hours later, an expensive iPhone was snatched from G. Prashanth Raj (a resident of Ashok Nagar) on Raja Mannar Salai (near Sivan Park, Ashok Nagar). Two more phone snatching incidents were reported later in the night in K.K. Nagar and Ashok Nagar.

Police have obtained footage from several CCTV cameras near the locations of the crimes to identify the culprits.

Kasi Viswanathar Temple 'Kumbabishekam' in July

Sri Kasi Viswanathar Temple Iraipani SevaSangam (11, Baktavatchalam Street, West Mambalam) is planning to perform the 'Kumbabishekam' of Kasi Viswanathar Temple (Easwaran Koil Street, West Mambalam) in July. The temple needs to be renovated with painting, restoration and other work. A trustee told *Mambalam Times* that the HR&CE Board has directed the trust to carry out renovation and conduct the 'Kumbabishekam'.

The trust has appealed to devotees for donations to carry out the renovation and organise the 'Kumbabishekam'.

The 'Kumbabishekam' was last conducted in 2008.

Awareness program conducted for auto drivers

By Our Staff Reporter

Traffic personnel attached to R4 Pondy Bazaar Police Station conducted an awareness program in front of the police station on Feb. 12 for autorickshaw drivers on traffic rules and revised fines for violation of rules. Similar awareness programs are being conducted by all the police stations.



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Mobile library outside Jeeva Park on Feb. 23

Ahead of its annual literary festival 'Lit for Life', *The Hindu* launched a mobile reading van on Feb. 16, and it is being stationed at different locations in the city till Feb. 23.

On Thursday, Feb. 23, the van will be stationed outside Jeeva Park (Parthasarathi Puram, T. Nagar) from 9 a.m to 5 p.m.

Fiction, non-fiction books and children's books will be available for reading.

135 families attend Hindu Kutumba Sangamam program



By Our Staff Reporter

The 8th Hindu Kutumba Sangamam organized by RBVS Manian (Founder, Viveka Bharathi and Rashtra Sevika Samithi) was conducted in Infosys Hall (T. Nagar) on Feb.12. 350 persons from 135 families consisting of 270 adults (150 women and 120 men) and 80 children below 15 attended the event. Several cultural events were conducted to entertain the audience.

Local students attend special camp for Scouts and Guides



The Bharat Scouts and Guides-Tamilnadu conducted recently. 5000 Scouts and Guides, including 11 Scouts of Guides studying in schools all over Tamilnadu in Alathur in (Bazullah Road, T. Nagar), accompanied by Scout Masters and Guide Captains, attended the camp. They participated in march past, pageant, folk dance and more events.

Group prayers on Tuesday for Annai birthday

On the occasion of Sri Annai's birthday, group prayers will be conducted in two batches from 6 a.m. to 10.30 a.m. and 7 p.m. to 7.30 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 21 in Sri Annai Sri Aravindar Mambalam Dhyana Maiyam (36, Gopal Street, T. Nagar). Books on Sri Aravindar and Sri Annai are on sale at the centre.

'Malamtha Jeeviam', a Tamil monthly magazine, is being published by the center. Devotees' experiences on worship of Aravindar and Annai are published in the magazine. The annual subscription is Rs.60.

Group prayers are also conducted daily from 7 a.m. to 7.15 a.m. and on Sundays from 10 a.m. to 10.30 a.m.

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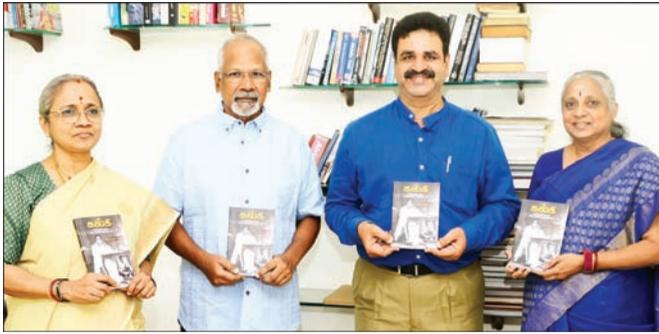
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Kalki's biography released



By Our Staff Reporter

A biography of Kalki Krishnamurthi titled 'பொன்னியின் செல்வர்', written by journalist S. Chandramouli (resident of Flat 2A, Hamsa Manor, 27/14 Arcot Street, T. Nagar, Ph: 98401 60441), was released by Movie Director Mani Ratnam on Feb. 13.

The first copies of the book were received by Seetha Ravi and Lakshmi Natarajan (granddaughters of Kalki).

The 220 pages book is priced Rs 225.

The book can be purchased from Kalaignan Pathippagam (9, Sarangapani Street, T. Nagar, Ph: 0442834 0488).

Saplings on median are well maintained



By Our Staff Reporter

The saplings planted in the new median constructed below the skywalk in Madley Road (T. Nagar) are well maintained. They are watered regularly and protected by a fence.

Traffic congestion on Arya Gowda Road



By Our Staff Reporter

Due to the delay in storm water drain work, there is frequent traffic congestion on Arya Gowda Road (West Mambalam) and nearby streets like Balakrishna Street and Vinayagam Street. The barricades placed at the road junction have narrowed the road width.

This photo, taken on Feb. 15 at the junction of Balakrishna Street and Vinayagam Street shows heavy traffic congestion and 2-wheeler riders forced to maneuver through the small space around the barricade to cross the junction.

Court orders removal of encroachments near temple tank

The first division bench of Madras High Court has directed Chennai. Corporation Commissioner Gagandeep Singh Bedi to conduct a survey of one acre of land near Varasithi Vinayagar Temple in Vadapalani within 6 weeks to remove encroachments near the temple tank.

Heading the bench along with Justice D. Bharatha Chakravarthy, acting Chief Justice T. Raja passed the order on hearing a PIL filed by G. Deva, a resident of T. Nagar.

Deva asked for legal action to remove the encroachments in the 1-acre temple tank situated in Pillayar Koil Street, Vadapalani. According to the petitioner, the 15-foot road leading to the temple tank had been fully encroached upon.

"The petitioner sent a representation to the respondent authorities on Dec. 20, 2022, seeking the removal of encroachments. Since therepresentation did not evoke any response, the petitioner had been advised to file the present writ petition," the litigant's counsel submitted.

Government pleader P. Muthukumar submitted that the second respondent/commissioner of Corporation will conduct a survey of the land in question and thereafter remove the encroachments after giving notice to the encroachers.

Recording the submissions, the judges held that the encroachments should be removed within 6 weeks.

Tree root blocks pavement



By Our Staff Reporter

The remains of an axed tree with its roots has been blocking the pavement on Thirumoorthy Street, near its junction with Rajan Street (T. Nagar) for several days.

World-renowned acrobatic group to perform in Velammal Schools

By Our Staff Reporter

The globally renowned acrobatic troupe Dunking Devils from Slovenia will demonstrate its skills in Velammal Schools located in Mogappair, Poonamallee, Avadi and Viraganoor from Monday, Feb. 20 to Wednesday, Feb. 23.

The group consists of highly skilled acrobats and dunkers who have

wowed audiences around the world with its high-flying and gravity-defying performances with a blend of sports, dance and entertainment.

They have performed in over 40 countries and at major events like FIBA Basketball World Cup and the European Games.

For more details, call 80560 63519.

Open EB box resting on college compound wall



By Our Staff Reporter

An EB pillar box without doors is resting on the adjoining compound wall of a college on the service road of Madleysubway, T. Nagar.

Udavum Karangal appeals for donations to perform weddings

Udavum Karangal (NGO with office at 460, 25th Street, NSK Nagar, Arumbakkam) will conduct the marriage of its residents Bannari, Rosy and Nambikai Mary Vidyaakar this month.

It has a branch office in Kannadasan Street (T. Nagar). Orphaned/abandoned at birth, the three women have been brought up by the NGO. According to S. Vidyaakar (Founder), so far, the NGO has performed weddings for 211 of its residents. He has appealed to readers of Mambalam Times to extend financial support to conduct the marriages.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Abandoned car blocks carriageway



Sir, A Premier Padmini car in broken down condition, has been lying on Unnamalai Ammal Street (T. Nagar) for several months. It is blocking the way for pedestrians.

Passers-by have converted the spot into an open urinal as the vehicle provides cover. The unhygienic surroundings are a health hazard to nearby residents.

I appeal to traffic police to remove the vehicle from the spot. **S. Karthik, T. Nagar**

Mambalam Canal work to be completed in June

By Our Staff Reporter

Chennai Corporation resumed work on Mambalam Canal on Feb. 1 after the withdrawal of the northeast monsoon.

According to a senior official, the work is expected to be completed in June.

Once the restoration of Mambalam Canal is completed, flooding of areas such as T. Nagar is expected to be reduced.

In July last year, the Corporation Council passed a resolution to revise the Mambalam Canal restoration project, dropping proposals such as development of a bicycle track, a shared pathway and a park.

Rotary Club of T. Nagar awards presented

By Our Staff Reporter

Veteran tennis player Ramesh Krishnan was presented the Lifetime Achievement Award by Rotary Club of T. Nagar on Feb. 16.

Former tennis ace Vijay Amritraj presented the award.

Vocational Excellence Award was presented to Uttam Singh Mundy (Golf player) and K.V. Rangaswami (former Executive Director and Member of the Board of L&T) was presented the 'Living Legend Award'.

N. Nandakumar (District Governor, Rotary International 3232) and Mohan Rajan (Chairman, Fundraising, Lions Club) participated.

Velammal students to launch 150 pico-satellites

A hands-on training session to develop pico-satellites as part of Student Satellite Launch Vehicle Mission 2023 was inaugurated in Velammal Main School (Mogappair) on Feb. 4.

The program was inaugurated jointly by Dr. Sultan Ahmed Ismail (Member, State Planning Commission), Sheikh Dawood (Managing Trustee, APJ Abdul Kalam International Foundation) and Anand Megalingam (Founder and CEO, Space Zone India).

600 students will be part of the program in which they will build 150 pico-satellites for launching later this month.

It will be officially recorded in the World Book of Records.

Pico-satellites weigh under 1kg. and are built using modern miniaturization techniques. They offer potential to perform in-orbit tests of software and hardware components in a cost-efficient way.

Special drive conducted to seize banned plastic bags

In a massive drive conducted last week across the city including Ranganathan Street and Pandy Bazaar in T. Nagar, Chennai Corporation raided 20,000 shops and seized 2500 kg. of banned plastics from 5,409 shops.

Around 3000 of these shops were flower and fruit vendors.

Rs. 19.2 lakhs was collected as fine from the offenders of which Rs. 11.2 lakhs was from grocery store owners.

Tailoring course students presented certificates

By Our Staff Reporter

Women, mostly housewives, who completed the 6-month tailoring course conducted by Thakkar Bapa Vidyalaya (Venkatanarayana Road, T. Nagar), supported by Chennai Petroleum Corporation Limited (CPCL), were presented course completion certificates on Feb. 16.

Dr. S. Pandian (President, Thakkar Bapa Vidyalaya), B.

Muthulakshmi (JE, Division 141, Zone 10, Chennai Corporation), R. Gomuraj (Admin. Deputy, General Manager, CPCL), Pravin Anju Ajmeera (from United States), P. Maruthi (Secretary, Thakkar Bapa Vidyalaya), K. Jawaharlal (Principal), Lavanaya (Faculty Member) and G. Pancha-moorthy (ATO) felicitated the students. Classes for the next batch of students will commence shortly. A nominal fee is charged. More details can be had in 91766 24283 and 91500 33279.



Corporation to privatise maintenance of public toilets

Private operators will start the operation and maintenance of 883 public toilets in the city from March, offering services for free.

Over 100 toilets near bus stands and multi-modal integration hubs will remain open round the clock.

Chennai Corporation will launch the first phase of the privatisation drive in March, increasing manpower at all the toilets, officials said. Corporation Commissioner Gagandeep Singh Bedi said, "We have 883 toilets across the city. In Royapuram, Thiru Vi Ka Nagar and Teynampet zones, we are going to shortly handover the toilets to private conservancy operators who will not only do the major and minor retrofitting but also maintain them for eight years."

"The Corporation will pay them, and the private operators can use the space for advertisements to offset their expenditure," he said. QR codes will be put up at the toilets to obtain feedback from users.

Police to install ANPR cameras to curb traffic rule violations

By Our Staff Reporter

Chennai Police are to finalise the tender for installing 200 more Automatic Number Plate Recognition (ANPR) cameras to curb traffic rule violations.

According to a senior traffic police officer, these cameras would be installed at 50 locations under Chennai Police limits.

The ANPR cameras can automatically detect those jumping traffic signals or indulging in other offences like using mobile phones while driving.

ANPR cameras are now linked to the VAHAN portal and this will help generate e-challans automatically in the name of traffic rule violators. A call centre will be dedicated for pulling up those who do not pay the fine within the stipulated period.

An Intelligent Video Management System (IVMS) is linked to the ANPR cameras and this will monitor, detect and record any attempts of vehicle theft on the roads.

Police said that if the IVMS detects vehicle theft, automatic alerts will be generated as voice calls and SMS and WhatsApp messages to the nearby police station.

Officers in the rank of inspectors and above will also be alerted through SMS and WhatsApp messages and calls.

Spike in dengue, chikungunya cases

Dengue and chikungunya cases are on the rise in the city.

To curb the mosquito population and kill larvae, Chennai Corporation has employed robotic excavators, amphibians and super suckers to suck out sewage water from drains and canals. An official said that on Feb. 16, stagnant water in drains was pumped out in 80 streets. He said that so far, 300km. of drains and 3,700km. of the total of 4,600km. of streets in the city have been fogged. In an apartment complex in Jaffer Khanpet in Kodambakkam zone, six cases of chikungunya were reported in the first week of February alone.

The Corporation has doubled its mosquito control measures.

8 get 3-year jail for assaulting family in K.K. Nagar

By Our Staff Reporter

The Additional Sessions Court has convicted and sentenced eight persons, including the son of a medical college owner, to three years imprisonment for trespassing onto a premises and assaulting a family of doctors living in 11th Sector (K.K. Nagar) in 2014.

The victim, G. Elangovan (a retired government doctor), worked as a consultant and dean in Sri Muthukumaran Medical College near Mangadu.

His son Gurubharat and daughter-in-law Sangeetha worked as Assistant Professors in the same college. He started running a hospital in his house after leaving the institution.

On Jan. 5, 2014, Gokul alias Gokulakrishnan (son of Radhakrishnan, owner of Muthukumaran Medical College) along with seven others barged into their house and assaulted Dr. Elangovan and his son Gurubharath who tried to protect his father. The family members were abused and criminally intimidated.

On a complaint, K.K. Nagar police carried out investigation and filed a chargesheet against Gokulakrishnan, T. Alex alias William Alexander of Nungambakkam, M. Arivazhagan of Valasaravakkam, N. Hariharan of Virugambakkam, S. Dinesh of Anna Nagar, V. Sathish Kumar and V. Ganesh Prabu of K.K. Nagar and C. Jeyaprakash of Adyar under the provisions of TN Medical Service Persons and Medicare Service Institution (Prevention of Violence and Damage or Loss to Property) Act, 2008. The trial was conducted before the First Additional Sessions Court on the High Court premises.

At the end of the trial, judge Thanga Mariappan held all the accused guilty.

Owners rectify number plates following special drive

By Our Staff Reporter

After traffic police started cracking the whip on improper number plates about 37,000 vehicle owners rectified their number plates in three weeks, police said on Feb. 8.

In this week's drive, 9,306 vehicles were identified with improper number plates and the vehicle users were advised to change the number plates as per the MV Act and traffic rules.

As a result, all vehicle owners rectified their number plates and they were spared cases to create awareness on use of proper number plates.

Motor Vehicles Act prescribes the size of number plates and also the letters of vehicle registration for various vehicles in MV Rules 50 and 51. According to the Rules, no fancy lettering or use of art or pictures in the number plates are permitted.

Already in the last two weeks, 27,891 vehicles rectified their number plates in a similar drive.

Art exhibition to raise funds for artist's medical expenses

By Our Staff Reporter

Senior artist Thirumaran is undergoing prolonged treatment for brain hemorrhage in a private hospital.

To help him meet the mounting expenditure, Kodu Art Gallery (Pallikarani) and his classmates from Fine Arts College, where he had studied, have jointly organised a fund-raising art exhibition in Thakkar Bapa Vidyalaya (South West Boag Road, CIT Nagar East, T. Nagar).

The exhibition, inaugurated on Feb. 19, will continue till Sunday, Feb. 26 from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily.

Tamil actor Sivakumar had inaugurated the exhibition.

150 artworks created by 50 artists are on display.

The artworks include pencil sketches, pen drawings, different mediums of paintings and more. One sculptor is also exhibiting his works.

The organisers have appealed to the readers of *Mambalam Times* to support the cause by visiting the exhibition and buying artworks.

For more details, call 99622 44554.

Nungambakkam crematorium closed for renovation

By Our Staff Reporter

Nungambakkam crematorium, which comes under Teynampet Zone, will remain closed for renovation till May 14.

Chennai Corporation has started work on modernisation of the crematorium under the Singara Chennai 2.0 project.

It will be converted into a liquefied petroleum gas (LPG)-based facility.

Residents can utilise the services at Velangadu and Arumbakkam crematoriums till May 14.

Of the 28 crematoriums identified under Singara Chennai 2.0, work on more than 10 crematoriums in the city will begin shortly.

Tenders will be called for the development of a LPG system at Jaffer Khanpet burial ground in ward 139.

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Free classes for women on health care

By Our Staff Reporter
Victory Group of Institutions (20/33, Ramakrishnapuram 3rd Street, West Mambalam) conducts free classes for underprivileged women on healthcare on Mondays in its premises.

The one-day class covers first aid, homecare nursing, general duty assistance etc.

Assistance for placement in hospitals and clinics is also given to the participants. Certificates from NSDC are also given.

More details can be had in 840892662/9551554332/9047288444.

MBBS student ends life

A 3rd year MBBS student died after jumping from the 10th floor of the apartment complex in which she was residing in Ashok Nagar on Feb. 15. Police have recovered a suicide note.

The student, 22-year-old Nithyashree, was staying with her elder sister and parents in the high-rise apartment complex. Her body was first seen by a security guard. Upon information, Ashok Nagar police recovered the body and sent it for postmortem. A case registered in Ashok Nagar police station is under investigation.

Ramsurat Kumar satsang in Pandian Hall today

By Our Staff Reporter
Ramsurat Kumar Satsang will celebrate Yogi Ramsurat Kumar satsang at 4 p.m on Sunday, Feb. 19 in Pandian Hall, Arya Gowda Road, West Mambalam.

There will be namajapam of Yogi Ramsurat Kumar Namajapa, Sri Rama and Arunachala Shiva.

At 5.15 p.m, devotee Krishna will speak on the divinity of Ramsurat Kumar. The program will conclude with ashtothram and mangala arathi.

All are welcome. For more details, call 98847 24271.

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Abandoned car blocks carriageway



By Our Staff Reporter

An Indica car with yellow number plates (TN09-BR1336) has been lying abandoned on the margin of Balakrishna Street, West Mambalam near the compound wall of Praveens Vankataramana Apartments for several months. It is an eyesore and blocking usable width of the carriageway.

Nearby residents have appealed to traffic police to remove the car from the spot.

Empty liquor bottles thrown near temple tank



By Our Staff Reporter

Plastic containers and empty liquor bottles are being thrown in and around the tank of Sri Kothandaramar Temple adjoining Kittu Park, Ellaiamman Koil Street, West Mambalam.

Residents are using the walkers' path around the temple tank regularly in the morning and evening.

Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan conducts free computer course

Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan's Gandhi Institute of Computer Education and Information Technology Center (12, Thanikachalam Street, T. Nagar, Ph: 044-2432 9054) offers free computer courses for unemployed youths from economically backward sections of society. The course consists of job-oriented programs like MS-Office with Tally and DTP.

A faculty member told *Mambalam Times* that a number of its past students are now well-employed. Senior citizens can also join the course.

The last date for submitting applications is March 25. It also offers the same courses at its center in Mylapore (18-22, East Mada Street, Mylapore, Ph: 044-24611312, 044-24643420).

Call for Chennai metro to allow bicycles

By Our Staff Reporter

Post Covid, Chennai Metro has disallowed passengers from carrying bicycles with them while traveling on metro trains.

As it solves last mile connectivity, many passengers are now demanding that Chennai Metro resume the practice of allowing them to carry bicycles.

A Chennai Metro official said, "As of now cycles are not allowed in our trains as the passenger count is increasing every day. There won't be any space. People can park the cycle in our stations and take the trains."

R. Badrinarayanan (an IT employee and resident of Ashok Nagar) said that Chennai Metro can at least allow bicycles during non-peak hours.

1400 attend alumni meet in Sarada Vidyalaya

By Our Staff Reporter

The five Sarada Vidyalaya Group of Schools, which come under Ramakrishna Mission, celebrated Alumni Day recently as part of the 125th anniversary of Ramakrishna Mission.

The chief guests were renowned Carnatic musicians Mambalam Sisters - Vijayalakshmi (alumnus of Sarada Vidyalaya, Panagal Park) and Chitra (alumnus of Sarada Vidyalaya, Burkit Road), J. Karunanidh (T. Nagar MLA, an alumnus of Sri RKM. Sarada Vidyalaya Primary School). 1400 past students participated in the meeting. Retired teacher K.M. Rajam was felicitated.



Band instruments gifted to Sarada Vidyalaya



By Our Staff Reporter

Lions Club of Central Madras, in association with Exnora Greater Chennai, recently presented band musical

instruments and 30 uniforms totally worth Rs.66,000 to Sri RKM Sarada Vidyalaya Girls Higher Secondary School, Usman Road, T. Nagar.

S. Thirumurugan (President, Lions Club of Central Madras), S.N. Hari Narayanan (Project Chairman), R. Govindaraj (President, Exnora Greater Chennai), Harini Varma (School Secretary) and N. Shanthi (Headmistress) were present.

Special pujas in Sri Sarada Math on Tuesday

Special programs have been organised in Sri Sarada Math (15/7, Raghaviah Road, T. Nagar) on Tuesday, Feb. 21 as part of birth star pooja of Bhagavan Sri Ramakrishna.

The following are the details:

5 a.m.: Mangala arati and Vedic chanting.

5.30 a.m.: Meditation.

7.30 a.m.: Special pooja.

8.15 a.m.: Bhajans by students of R.K.M. Sarada Vidyalaya (T. Nagar).

9 a.m.: Bhajans by Sri Sarada Math bhajan group.

10 a.m.: Homam.

10.30 a.m.: Discourse on the life and teachings of Sri Ramakrishna.

11.15 a.m.: Pravrajika Yatindraprana.

11.45 a.m.: Bhotarati.

6.15 p.m.: Arati and bhajans.

All are welcome.

6-month certificate course in Sanskrit

Samskrita Bharati offers a 6-month certificate course in Sanskrit. The 2-hour classes will be conducted once a week from Monday, Feb. 20 in Raghavendra Mutt (17, Raghaviah Road, near Hotel Rohini International, Parthasarathi Puram, T. Nagar) and from Saturday, Feb. 25 in Srinagar Colony (Saidapet).

For registration, call 98418 17467 (for T. Nagar) and 99529 62934 (for Saidapet).

Free spoken Sanskrit classes

By Our Staff Reporter

Samskrita Bharati has organised free spoken Sanskrit classes at venues in West Mambalam, T. Nagar and Saidapet.

Anyone above 13 can join the classes.

No previous knowledge of Sanskrit is necessary.

For time and venue details, contact 98418 17467, 98414 34401, 99529 62934 or 99656 31750.

Std. 1 girl excels in swimming



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