SRI LANKA MALAY ASSOCIATION

(PERSATUAN MELAYU SRI LANKA)

NEWS in Brief

December 2009 / January 2010

The Literary & Cultural Affairs Committee re-launched the SLMA Library All members of SLMA/CMCC and other Malay Associations could enrol themselves as members of the Library and borrow books/magazines/CD's.

Vice President Thaj Sariffodeen was the first to enroll as a member of the library. Looking on is Sdri Zaheeda Ousmand - Chairperson Literary & Cultural Affairs Committee

The Library and Malay Resource Centre at Padang.

The Annual Distribution of School Accessories for under privilege Malay Students of Kompannaveediya area was held on 19th December 2009. This project was organized by the Social Services Committee of the SLMA. A total of 55 children received school accessories. The value of each pack was approximately Rs 2000.00. We thank our generous donors, well wishers and everyone who assisted in making this worthy project a success.

Moulavi Saliheen reciting Quirath to commence proceedings.

Sdri Sabrina Jayah – Secretary Social Services Committee delivering the welcome address.

SLMA Vice President Al Haj Tuan Assen presenting the school accessories.

CMCC President Uvaiz Samsudeen presenting the school accessories**.**

SLMA Treasurer Thaj Lantra presenting the school accessories

Chairperson Social Services Committee Hajiani Inaya Ahamat presenting the school accessories

The section of the gathering.

The Social Services committee presented A cash donation to Master Camal of Nawalapitiya.

Master Camal obtained the 39th highest marks in the Kandy District in the Grade 5 scholarship exam. He has been granted admission to Kingswood College Kandy. His parents are appealing for assistance to continue with his education as they are finding it difficult to support him.

The Sri Lanka Malay Association and the Colombo Malay Cricket Club organized a Workshop on Taxation under the theme "Broadening Your Horizons" on 16th January 2010 at Padang. The Key Presenters were Sdr Thaj Lantra and Sdr Zihan Zackariya.
A gathering of Malay Entrepreneurs, Company Directors, Senior Executives and members of the Malay community attended the workshop which focused on the Salient Features of Taxation in Sri Lanka which would assist the attendees to be geared for better management of their Company's as well as personal finances.

The Head table Sdr Zihan Zackariya – Tax Consultant, Sdr Iqram Cuttilan – President SLMA, Sdr Uvaiz Samsudeen – President CMCC And Sdr Thaj Lantra – Treasurer CMCC/SLMA.

Sdr Juragan Majid – Hony Gen. Secretary SLMA introducing the Panel of Presenters.

CMCC President delivering welcome address.

The participants

Sdr Thaj Lantra – Tax Manager – Tudor V Perera & Co and Treasurer SLMA/CMCC making his presentation on personal taxes.

Sdr Zihan Zackariya – Tax Consultant & Financial Controller – Bio Extracts Pvt Ltd – making his presentation.

A section of the participants.

SLMA President handing over a gift to Sdr Sam Preena. A draw of the visiting cards of the participants was held.

The Sri Lanka Malay Association celebrated its 88th anniversary on 22nd January 2010, The anniversary is called the "Founders Day". The photograph of the founder President of SLMA Sdr M K Saldin was mounted in the auditorium. The significance of the event was the felicitation and honouring of the Past Presidents of the SLMA.

Sdr Juragan Majid Hony Gen, Secretary addressing the gathering.

The Patron Sdr M K X Sabar and SLMA President mounting the photo of the Founder President of SLMA Sdr M K Saldin.

A section of the gathering,

Sdr M K X Sabar – Patron of SLMA addressing the gathering and reminiscing about the past of SLMA/CMCC.

Sdr Thalip Iyne – Past President and Vice Patron of SLMA making the Keynote address. address. He stressed on the objectives and purpose Why SLMA was formed in 1922.

President SLMA presenting a plaque to Sdr M K X Sabar – Past President / Patron SLMA.

Patron SLMA presenting a plaque to Sdr B M N Jurangpathy – Past President / Vice Patron SLMA.

Sdr Thalip Iyne – Past President / Vice Patron SLMA receiving his plaque.

Sdr Thaha Mohamed- Past President/ Vice Patron SLMA receiving his plaque

Al Haj T Mahamoor Rajudin – Past President / Vice Patron SLMA receiving his plaque.

Sdr T Yunus Raheem Immediate Past President SLMA receiving his plaque.

President SLMA handing over a plaque to Sdr Thaj Lantra – Hony. Treasurer of SLMA and CMCC who has held this position for 10 consecutive years.

"Do your little bit of good; wherever you are. It's those little bits of good put together that overwhelm the world"

– Archbishop Desmond Tutu

The Steering Committee who was instrumental in redeveloping the Padang Complex in 1994 was honoured. The Members of the Steering Committee were Sdr B M N Juragnpathy – President SLMA/CMCC, Marhoom T Chone Buckman – Club Captain CMCC, Marhoom Royston Lye – Hony. General Secretary CMCC, Sdr Thaj Sariffodeen – Hony General Secretary SLMA and Sdr Ackiel Ousmand – Hony Treasurer SLMA/CMCC. It was their efforts, commitment and dedication that ensured that the Padang Complex is what it is today.

President SLMA mounting the plaque to recognize the steering committee instrumental in redeveloping the Padang Complex in 1994.

Patron and President of SLMA presenting Sdr B M N Jurangpathy – Past President with a commemorative plaque.

Sdr Thaj Sariffodeen being presented with a commemorative plaque.

Sdri Oniza Buckman – wife of Marhoom T Chone Buckman being presented with the commemorative plaque.

Sdri Marina Lye – wife of Marhoom Royston Lye being presented with the commemorative plaque

Sdr B M N Jurangpathy addressing the gathering.

Vice Patron Sdr B D K Saldin addressing the gathering.

The Plaque which was mounted to recognise The efforts of the steering committee to redevelop the Padang complex.

Al Haj M H Sourjah – Vice Patron SLMA reciting a Dua for the success of the SLMA.

Thaj Lantra – Hony Treasurer proposing the vote of Thanks.

They believed that

"Without faith nothing is possible, with it nothing is impossible"

The Vice Patrons joining in the recital of Salawath A section of the gathering.

The commemorative plaque of Sdr Ackiel Ousmand will be sent to Canada as he is currently domiciled in Canada

Upcoming Events.

Sunday 7th February 2010 - Shramadana organized by the Women's Affairs Committee to Paint, wash, clean, arrange the Padang Complex. Sharamadana commences at 8 am. All are invited.

Saturday 13th February 2010 - "Head over Wheels" Motor Rally organized by the Colombo Malay Cricket Club. For further details please contact Project Chairman – Sdr Rilwan Lantra – 0777386287. Rally Commences from Padang Complex at 1.00 pm. Join in the Fun. Music, entertainment, games and trade stalls.

Sunday 28th February 2010 - Annual Recital of Rasool Mowlood – organized by the Religious Affairs Committee. Recital commences at 9.30 am followed by lunch.

Saturday 13th March 2010 - Members day at Padang. All are invited. Commences at 3.00 pm. Cookery demonstration, fun and games, Do-you-know contest, Sponsored by Harischandra Food Products.

Saturday 28th March 2010 - Annual General Meeting at Padang.
CMCC – 5.00 pm
SLMA – 6.00 pm

AGM Social commences at 7.30 pm soon after the conclusion Of the AGM

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