



NEWSLETTER

ASSOCIATION OF PAST EMPLOYEES' OF SINGER

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June 2009

Hello Singer Friends,

It is nice to be back with you after a short break, during which your Committee has been extremely busy meeting and planning for great things for the Association Members. Our Energetic Secretary has already circulated a notice on the planned Social Events for the rest of the year. We are now looking forward to a Full house participation at all these events, from all our members.

Firstly, we take pleasure in informing you of the co-opting of a New Ex-co Member in Mr. Janaka Kaluhendiwala, to fill a vacancy on the Committee. Janaka has already made his presence felt at the Ex-co Meetings, and you will get to meet him at our Monthly Social Events. We wish Janaka a happy and eventful stay with the Ex-Co.

Contributions to the Newsletter from our Members

Ranjit David writes: 'Not this left Sir, the other left'

Alaudeen was the Approved Dealer at Weragantota attached to Teldeniya, Kandy. During my tenure as AM East, I visited the Sales Point with M.S. Teldeniya Mr. Nizam Muhajareen. My first impression of the Sales Point was that it was more like a cattle shed. Having reprimanded the Shop Manager as well as the approved dealer regarding the cleanliness and display of the products, I checked a few Accounts of the Dealer. I informed AD Alaudeen to direct us to the "First Account". Whilst traveling he wanted us to turn left, and just as the driver of our vehicle was turning left, AD Alaudeen shouted agitatedly "Sir, Sir, Not this left but the other left." (meaning a right turn).

.....And Ranjit writes another Singer happening

Mr. Robin Ebert was the Area Manager in charge of 'South' for a considerable period of time. He was a strict disciplinarian. Whilst going through F.128 pack at the Galle Shop, he picked up a few delinquent accounts. The Hirer of the first account was by profession, a woman of loose morals. M.S. Galle, Mr. Kudahetty was happy to take Mr. Ebert to see this Account. Arriving at the customer's house, Mr. Ebert shouted out "*Ko Machine Eka*", at which the woman jumped up and embraced Mr. Ebert tightly and said "*Menna Machine Eka Sir Balanna*". Poor Mr. Ebert disentangled himself from the woman's tight embrace and drove hurriedly to the Rest House he was staying in, and got under the shower, much to the delight of Mr. Kudahetty.

Ed. Note: Thank you Ranjit for your contributions, and we do look forward to more "Spicy Singer Sales Stories" from you.

John Emmanuel writes:

Three Nuns were attending an A.F.L. Final, all dressed in their "Habits" which were unfortunately blocking the view of three men seated exactly behind. So, the men began to hazzle the Nuns, hoping by that the Nuns would move to another set of seats.

"I think I'm going to move to Brisbane. There are only 100 Nuns living there" the first ~~guy~~ said. The second man then said "I think I am going to Tasmania, there are only 50 Nuns living there". Finally, the third chap said "(I think I want to live in New Zealand, they have only 25 Nuns living there." As he finished, one of the Nuns turned around and very sweetly said "Why don't the three of you go to HELL" ! "There are no Nuns there", the first guy said.

John writes another

I've often been asked "What do you old folks do, now that you are retired ? "Well, I'm very fortunate to have had a Chemical Engineering background" I replied. One of the things I enjoy most is turning Beer, Wine, Scotch & Arrack into urine !"

Again John writes on 'Mothers' Day'

When the Prayers were poorly said,
Who tucked me in one widdle bed,
An spanke me till me A....was red,
ME MUDDER !

Who took me from me Cozy Cot,
And put me on the ice cold pot,
And made me pee when I could not,
ME MUDDER !

And when the morning light would come,
And in the crib me dribbled some,
Who wiped me tiny widdle Bum
ME MUDDER !

Who would me hair so neatly part,
And hug me gently to her heart,
And sometimes squeeze me,
Till me F. . .t
ME MUDDER !

Who looked at me with eye brows knit
And nearly have a King Size Fit
When in me Sunday pants me Sh. . .t
ME MUDDER !

AND FINALLY !!!

When at night a bed did squeek
Me raised me head to have a peek
Who YELLED ! at me "Go to SLEEP !
ME FADDER !!

A concerned Member sends in some tips !

1. Do not drink Bottled Water that has been left in your car. Medical Science has found that the heat of the car reacts with the plastic bottle, and may cause cancer forming toxins, particularly in females. Use stainless steel containers or glass bottles if you can.
2. Do not turn off the A/C as soon as you enter your car. The heat from the interior of your vehicle which has reacted with your plastic seat covers, the dash board and any air freshener you may be using may emit Benzene, a cancer causing toxin. You should open your door/window, and let the air circulate a little before getting in and turning your A/C on.
3. Stay away from the beaches on July 22nd 2009, as there is a prediction that there will be another Tsunami. Affected countries will be Malaysia, Singapore, Maldives, Australia, Mauritius, Sri Lanka, India, Indonesia, Phillipines, Japan, and China. Sometimes these predictions end up in SMOKE !

HAPPY BIRTHDAY ! We are happy to record the Birthdays of the following members in the month of June. May they be blessed throughout their new year and enjoy life as they would. The Ex-Co send their Best Wishes to all of them and also to any other members celebrating their Birthdays in June, dates of which we do not have.

Salinda Samarakoon	1 st of June
Hugh Samarasinghe	3 rd of June
Zubair Hassen	4 th of June
Rienzie Martinez	8 th of June
Irene Indraratne	10 th of June
Irangani Dhanapala	14 th of June
Jaminda Mendis	17 th of June
W.G.E. Dabara	18 th of June
Janaka Kaluhendiwala	19 th of June
Ravi de Silva	27 th of June
Sanath Jayasuriya	30 th of June

Scholarship Fund - Reminding you again to recommend any deserving students for financial assistance under this Scheme. We have been assisting a couple of deserving students – One from Rahula College Matara who is seeking entry to the University, and another (A Member's son) currently at Medical College.

Benevolent Fund - We also have a Benevolent Fund from which Financial Assistance is given to members to meet Medical Expenses. For the current year we have met the needs of four of our members. We make a request from members who are in a Sound Financial position to make donations to this fund, so that disbursements may be made to more needy members to meet their medical expenses. Donations will be duly acknowledged.

Competition Winner !! . . . and the Winner is . . .MS. PUSHPA FONSEKA of Mount Road, Moratuwa. Congratulations ! Pushpa, you are the lucky winner of the "Poetic Verses" Competition that was open to members in our last News Letter. You will receive our cheque for Rs.1,000/- by post, and for added value, we re-produce your winning entry below:

REALIZATION

Tick -Tock, Tick- Tock
Goes the beat of the clock.
How slow it seems to us as kids
Who craved for annual events a lot.
Why are twelve months so long ?
We thought

Tick -Tock, Tick- Tock
Goes the beat of the clock,
How fast it seems now,
When we need to beat the clock !
How the time flies !
You have grown old !
a companion would say
'You too my dear' I might say
See the changes I have done
The clock appears to smile

Well, we can't stop your unending run,
Yet we can strive to end our run.
Until then, **let's keep smiling**
Without any grouch dear chums.

Thank you for your participation and we do look forward to more participation from you in the future.

Competiton for Kids and Grand Kids

A sad let down as we did not receive a single entry! We don't think the Quiz questions were difficult, as they were very easy and came right off the week-end papers for juniors. May be the school holidays and the "Aluth Avurudu" period found young un's attention diverted to the sweetmeats and the Avurudu games etc. May be we will try to get their attention with a different competition at a different time.

Association News !!!

June 21st Sunday is Sports Day ! Venue – MCA Grounds, Wijerama Mawatha, Colombo 7. Events planned for members and family include a Twenty-Over Soft Ball Cricket Match, A Netball Match, A Walking Race and a Balloon Race for kids under 12. There will be Prizes, Surprizes, Music, Yummy Food and the Drink that sizzles !! So let's meet and have a great day of Fun & Floric. More news will follow, till then **KEEP THE DATE FREE.**

July 25th Saturday is a "Musical Evening Extravaganza" once more, planned for members and their families. Timed for 6.30-9.00 p.m. with heaps of snacks and the cup that cheers. Tune up your vocal chords and come ready to Sing-a-long. Venue and other details will follow.

August 30th Sunday is 'Members' Day Out' planned for 'Pothuhera Estate'. A whole day out commencing at 8.00 a.m. from Colombo and will include Drinks, Bites, Singing with Music, Lunch and a River Bath. We will leave in the evening from Pothuhera at 4 p.m. for Colombo. Cost of Travel and food will be a nominal amount and conveyed once costs are known.

Sept. to Dec. will be addressed in our next News letter but the 'Social Events Calendar' already circulated touched on these events. More details will follow as aforesaid.

We look forward to your participation in all the above events. Please keep Ananda Epa, our Secretary informed on all matters. T.P. 2865351.



Children's Proverbs – Courtesy Internet

A six year old class of 26 kids came up with the remainder of the proverbs when given the first half by their Primary School Teacher. HAVE FUN !

1. Teacher : You can lead a horse to water but
Children : How ?
2. Teacher : A Miss is as good as a
Children : Mr.
3. Teacher : Don't bite the hand that . . .
Children : Is dirty.
4. Teacher : The pen is mightier than the . . .
Children : Pigs
5. Teacher : Where there is smoke there is
Children : Pollution.
6. Teacher : A Penny saved is . . .
Children : Not much.
7. Teacher : Laugh, and the whole world laughs with you. Weep and
Children : You have to blow your nose.
8. Teacher : There are none so blind as . . .
Children : Stevie Wonder
9. Teacher : Children should be seen and not . . .
Children : Spanked.
10. Teacher : If at first you don't succeed . . .
Children : Get new batteries.
11. Teacher : When the blind lead the blind. . .
Children : Get out of the way.
12. Teacher : A Bird in the hand . . .
Children : Is going to poop on you.

And the last one is !

13. Teacher : Better late than . . .
Children : PREGNANT !!

LIMERICS FROM THE EDITORIAL TEAM !

There was a young gardener from Leeds
Who swallowed a packet of seeds
In less than an hour
His nose was a flower
And his head was a big bunch of weeds

Here was a Man from Benzizes
Whose ears were of different sizes
The one that was small
Was of no use at all
While the other won him several prizes.

There was a young maid from TAHITI
Whose neighbours considered quite flighty
For if Sunday was fine
She'd hang on the line
Her extremely diaphanous nighty.

Another young lady from ETTA
Quite fancied herself in a sweater
Three reasons she had,
Keeping warm was not bad,
But the other two reasons were bettah !

An so we end our June Bulletin and hope the News and reviews along with the built-in humour found yu thoughtful and smirky. Do please remember to join us in our activity and send in your written contributions for the September News Letter by the 31st of August 2009 to :

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66, Vishnu Kovil Road,
Nedimala,
DEHIWALA.

“Change your Attitude and your Perception of The Problem will change – Anon”

P.s. If you would like to share any achievements in Appointments., Educational, Sports or other fields, of yourself or your immediate family, please send it in a small note, and we will publish such achievements in our bulletins, so that all of us could be proud of same.