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The annual brahmotsavam of Sri Adi Kesava Perumal Temple in Mylapore is going on now. The kodiyetram was held on March 17. The procession of the garuda vahanam was on March 19 morning - the photo here was shot at this event. The grand chariot procession is scheduled for March 23 morning, from about 6 a.m.





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#### **MYLAPORE's HISTORIES: IN PHOTOS, OBJECTS AND AUDIO RECORDINGS. SHOW IS ON MARCH 22 & 23**

The Pelathope Urban Living Lab (PULL) was formally launched on March 21 evening in Pelathope, Mylapore.

The PULL is a space to celebrate Mylapore's life on and off its streets and neighbourhoods - past, present, and future, says architect Shreya Krishna, the person behind this project.

Set in a vintage space in Pelathope, this Lab will be open to people on March 22 and 23 (between 9 a.m. and 6 p.m.

What do you get to see and experience here?

The Mylapore Mapping Zone invites you to contribute information on social and cultural spaces that enliven the neighbourhood.

The exhibition space displays a variety of objects used and possessed by Mylaporeans over the past 100 years plus - bill books and land documents, typewriters and cameras, wedding albums and kitchen vessels and home accessories.

Alongside here are displayed photos of weddings, street life and social and religious events of the distant past in Mylapore.

There is also a Listening Post where you can log into a computer and listen to senior Mylaporeans share stories of life and times of the past century. Part of the Oral History project that Shreya has initiated.

The venue is located inside Pelathope; you enter a street that is located diagonally opposite the main access of the Thirumylai MRTS station. Note: there is no parking space inside the colony. Contact - 88708 55118.

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To mark 250th birth anniversary of Carnatic music composer Muthuswami Dikshitar, Guruguhamrta is hosting a six-day music concerts and lecdems festival from March 24 to 29 at Raga Sudha Hall in Luz. Open to all.

Some highlights -March 24 - 6.45 p.m. -Vocal concert by T. M. Krishna March 25 - 6.45 p.m. -Veena concert by Jayanthi Kunaresh

March 26 - 6.30 p.m. -Lec-dem by Sunitra Vasudev -6.30 p.m.

March 27 - 6.45 p.m. - Lecdem by R K Shriram Kumar

March 28 - 5.30 p.m. -Talk by V. Sriram on 'Sishya parampara of Dikshitar. 6.45 p.m. Vocal concert. by Amirtha Murali

March 29 - 6.45 p.m. -Vocal concert by Vijay Siva.

#### **SENIOR CITIZENS MEET: ZUMBA AND GAMES**



Tehneer Arangam of Dignity Foundation is hosting its weekly meet for senior citizens on March 27, 11 am, for an hour at a venue in Alwarpet. The theme for the meet is Zumba Dance lessons. A resource person will encourage seniors to dance and have some fun and this will be followed by fellowship events. The event is open to all seniors (men and women) of Mylapore. The venue -Srinivasa Gandhi Nilayam, No.332, Ambujammal Street, TTK Road, Alwarpet ( street off the Teynampet Post Office junction) For free registration, contact - 7550207456, 9962526608

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# WANT TO START RUNNING? HERE IS PROFESSIONAL HELP

By Our Edit Team

Are you the one who has been keen to go on a run every morning but never got going?

Here is help. For beginners.

Chennai Runners has launched its latest edition of its 'Couch to 5K' programme, a free initiative for everyone aged 15 and above.

This structured eightweek programme begins on April 1 and will be held in person three days a week at over 20 locations throughout the city.

For those in Mylapore, Mandaveli, Alwarpet, R. A. Puram and Abiramapuram, the nearest training site is led by CR Pettai Rappers, outside PNB Bank on C. P. Ramaswamy Road, Alwarpet.





All sessions will occur on-site, not virtually, and will conclude with a timed 5K event requiring a participation fee.

Further details regarding the training schedule and timings will be shared after registration.

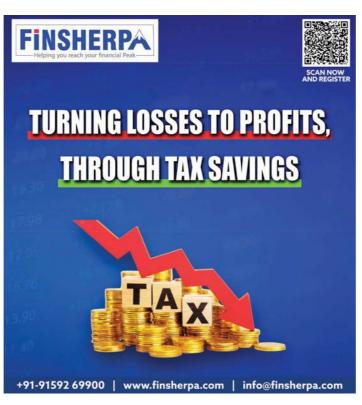
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Chennai Runners, established in 2006, has significantly contributed to the running culture in Chennai, has over 4,000 members and 18 chapters. The organisation is known for promoting running as a means of wellness and community building.

The CR Pettai Rappers group is a vibrant mix of runners from various backgrounds and skill levels. Their weekly runs include intervals and long-distance sessions.

These meets have also built fellowship and bonding, say its senior members.

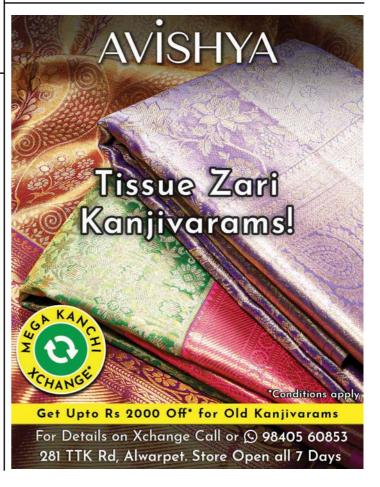




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### **VINCENT'S JOTTINGS**

### By VINCENT D' SOUZA

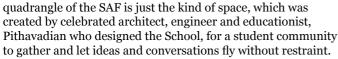
How can two benches of brick and mortar contribute to community life inside a nagar?

This was the theme of my informal talk at the Annual Day celebration of the School of Architecture and Planning (SAP) of Anna University this past week.

I rarely give my nod for such events where you are part of

the decoration. But the Dean of SAP, Prof. K. R. Sitalakshmi promised me that theirs was an informal event and that I was free to talk on a theme I could choose. As long as it was not 'political'; after all this is a government campus.

I have not been to this lovely campus for many years. It used to be very lovely with lots of green. But the green is certainly less now. But the



The Annual Day event was held here and it was a packed one. Present here were many parents of the students who were to receive special certificates, prizes and awards.

So back to the story of the two benches. These were installed by a family of distinguished officers of the state who have built their residence in our nagar. The benches are at one corner where two streets intersect. I may well call this a junction, for the residents of nagars beyond Thiruvanmiyur and Palavakkam drive their bikes and cars through the inner streets which have turned into 'bypass' pathways for hundreds of people today.

The benches are under a great tree and the wild bamboo that grows off the edge of our apartment block creates a green umbrella here.

Through the day, maids, gig workers of Swiggy and Porter and all of those, drivers, labourers, youth and seniors sit on these benches to rest a bit, or to gossip or to just sit and stare, and some, after 9 p. m. to have a drink.

I have keenly observed life at this spot and understood the value of simple design and utility in the public space that does so much for people of an area and outside.

The planners, architects, engineers and officers of Chennai Corporation can learn some basic but key lessons from the story of the two benches. And make signal contributions to the public spaces of our city.

Some students of SAP seemed to have been fascinated by my talk that evening. At least a dozen of them met me, as snacks and tea was served, to discuss ideas, experiences and projects.

I hope some of them will go on to make a contribution outside their practice. In their neighbourhoods, to start with.

### LETTERS FROM READERS

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### **TANGEDCO:** this junction box poses danger

The electricity supply junction box on Ramakrishna Math Road in front of Reliance Trends showroom is open and poses danger to pedestrians.

TANGEDCO must also raise the boxas it has done in many areas so that floodwater does not affect it.

- Sukanya

#### Rewind: the 1995 show dedicated to M. L. Vasanthakumari

The mention of the two-day festival of dance and music in 1995 as a homage to Carbnatic music maestro Dr. M. L. Vasantha-kumari in the 'Mylapore Rewind' column in Mylapore Times newspaper dated March 15, 2025 brought a rush of memories and sweet nostalgia of the spontaneous celebration by the artistes' community in 1995.

Dr. M. L. V. Arts and Cultural Forum and Narada Gana Sabha presented a two-day festival titled 'Bharata Vasantham and Gita Vasantham' on July 2 and 3, 1995 at Sadguru Gnanananda Hall, Alwarpet

Indira, a music and dance critic under the pseudonym Malavika, and one of the

key office bearers of the Forum, proposed the idea and requested me to coordinate the event.

Dance critic and scholar V. A. K.Ranga Rao, graciously provided vintage recordings of more than eighty film songs in Tamil, Kannada, Telugu and Hindi. Sixteen songs were chosen and these were given to artistes to present as solo, duo and group recitals. 48 dancers participated.

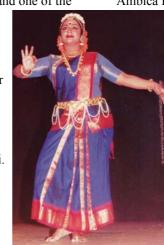
The presentation was in Bharatanatyam and Kuchipudi styles. The lyrics of these vintage songs were provided by late 'Film News' Anandan and the mastering of the chosen recordings was done by 'HMV' Raghu.

Srividya, daughter of MLV, senior disciple of K. N. Dandayuthapani Pillai and a popular star in the movie world, opened the event with her dance to the song 'Aadum Arul Jothi' which had been sung by her mother. The recital was impressive. Among those who spoke on the occasion were R.Krishnaswami, Muktha Srinivasan, M. S. Viswanathan, dancers Kamala, Sayee (Subbulakshmi), Ambica Buch and actor Raja Sulochana.

The hall was packed to the rafters with people standing along the walls and sitting in the aisles. For two hours, MLV's golden voice held the audience in a magic spell.

Day Two was titled 'Gita Vasantham' with a music concert by MLV's senior disciple, Charumathi Ramachandran with her daughter Subhasri by her side, preceded by two concerts of Charumathi's disciples, Sangeetha Siyakumar and Radhika Anand.

- Sujatha Vijayaraghavan



### MYLAPORE REWIND

This column carries excerpts from Mylapore Times, 1995 onwards. This week, we focus on July, 1995  $\,$ 

#### Wildlife photographer M. Krishnan honoured (July 8 – 14, 1995)

An informal felicitation was organised to honour wildlife photographer M. Krishnan at the Srinivasa Sastri Hall on July 5. Krishnan has been elected to the Global 500 Roll of Honour of the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP). He was to have received the pin from Nelson Mandela in South Africa but could not go because he was unwell. The UN gave him the honour for his outstanding achievements in protecting and improving the environment.

### Seminar on linking southern rivers (July 15 – 21, 1995)

Makkal Sakthi Eyakkam, a Thiruvanmiyurbased organisation, has organised a seminar on linking the southern rivers. Experts in the field will join luminaries like C. Subramaniam, the former governor of Maharashtra, Justice V. R. Krishna Iyer and M. Arunachalam, the former Union Minister. 'Cho' Ramaswamy and film maker K. Balachander have been invited to join the seminar to be held at the R. R. Sabha in Mylapore on July 16. Chairperson of the Eyakkam, Udayamurthy, will deliver the main address.

### P. S. Senior School cricketer receives scholarship

(July 15 – 21, 1995)

P. S. Senior School's Class 9 student and Alwarpet resident Arvind Srinivas received the Tamil Nadu Cricket Association's scholarship. With three centuries in his kitty and representing the under-13 team, Arvind's performance in the 1994 - '95 season got him this honour. MRF Pace Foundation coach, Dennis Lillee, the famed fast bowler, honoured Arvind at a

function held at the M. A. Chidambaram stadium, Chepauk.

### Bombs flung into Mani Ratnam's house (July 8-14, 1995)

Two men threw three bombs into the house of film maker Mani Ratnam in Venus Colony, Alwarpet. Mani Ratnam was injured in the

thigh and lower leg. Police said that the incident occurred last Monday and that they have not made much headway in the investigation yet.

### Two Mylaporeans top insurance exams (July 8 – 14, 1995)

Appu Mudali Street resident, P. C. Devanathan topped in the paper on risk management in

the exam conducted by the Insurance Institute of India. K. Bhanurakha, another Mylaporean, got the first rank in the paper on liability insurance. Bhanurekha is a resident of Dr. Ranga Road.

### Carnival restaurant completes four years (July 15 – 21, 1995)

Carnival, the popular restaurant at 68, C. P. Ramaswamy Road, Abiramapuram, has completed four years. Customer satisfaction

and the transparent partition for the kitchen have gained a lot of brownie points with the regulars. The Muthukrishnans of Alwarpet recalled how on their first visit they had paid Rs. 100 extra on the bill: they realised the mistake only after reaching

home, so they called the

restaurant and the money was sent back to them within minutes.

L. Venkatraman and M. Rajkumar, a diploma holder in catering technology, are the promoters of Carnival

• This column is curated by Kanaka Cadambi.





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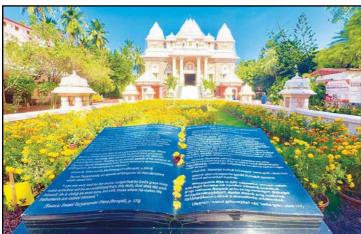
Groups of city school students took turns to sing bhajans at the temple as part of the silver jubilee celebration; on March 19

### 25 years of Universal Temple, 100 years of Math dispensary

By Our Edit Team

Two landmark events are being celebrated by the Ramakrishna Mission community in Mylapore.

The silver jubilee of the Universal Temple and 100 years of the dispensary, both located on R. K. Mutt Road, Mylapore.



The Universal Temple events began on March 17 morning and will go on till March 23. Homams are being held every morning and special religious events in the evening.

On March 23, the big day, at

4.30 p. m. there is a classical music concert by the Trichur Brothers, followed by aarti and later, at about 7 p.m.; a public meeting to mark the jubilee will be held at the hall.

The president of the Mission in India, swami Gautamananda will be taking part in this meet.

The centenary of the R. K. Math Charitable Dispensary will be a simple affair.

The renovated sections of the dental wing and the pharmacy will be formally opened by special invitees on March 22 evening.

A Math staffer said that about 300 people make use of this medicare facility every day, mainly because top-ranking doctors are available for consultation and treat

patients here and because the charges are relatively less compared to those in private hospitals.

The dispensary, open from 7.45 am to 11.45 a.m. has 12 departments and is run solely on donations.

The R. A. Puram Bhaktha Samajam hosted its annual Thyagaraja aradhana event at the Sringeri Pravachana Mandapam in Mandaveli on March 15. Many Carnatic music artistes to0k part in it, singing the saint-composer's pancharatna kritis.





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# Pets Park plan in De Monte Colony: residents want civic body to consult them

By Our Edit Team

Many people who use the Chennai Corporation park in De Monte Colony have petitioned the city's civic body that they must be consulted before any plans are made for the renovation or redesign of this park.

This move comes in wake of the Mylapore MLA, Dha Velu making public a plan to convert this park as a pets park and releasing a working design of the proposed park.

A petition signed by dozens of people has been sent to the commissioner of Chennai Corporation. Said K. Sridharan, a resident of Abiramapuram, who served in top-ranking posts in the Indian Air Force with a service of 36 years, "We have also sent a petition to the Mylapore MLA. All we want the civic body to do is have a discussion with the users of the park on any plans that GCC may have for the park."

Over 200 people use the park daily.

It is well maintained: it is used by people to go on walks in the mornings and in the evenings, while many seniors head here to walk and meet up with friends, young parents bring their children here for some fresh air. Some groups also play badminton.









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Scene from Shraddha Theatre's recent play 'Sangeetha Payithiyam'; an excerpt will be presented at the March 27 show

# Theatre groups to present excerpts of their best plays. World Theatre Day event on March 27

By Our Edit Team

World Theatre Day is celebrated on March 27 by theatre artistes, theatre companies and all those who love theatre.

The theatre community in Chennai intends to mark this Day with a special event on March 27 evening at Narada Gana Sabha auditorium in Alwarpet.

Dharini Komal, the daughter of the late playwright Komal Swaminathan who is also a playwright and director, has curated this event.

On May 27, each leading theatre group based in the city and around will present a short excerpt from one of their landmark plays.

Leading lights such as Y. G. Mahendra,

Kathadi Ramamurthy, Maali, Madhu Balaji, S. V. Shekhar, Ratnam, Augusto, Shraddha Theatres and the Dummies company have volunteered to take part in this show.

All the city sabhas are

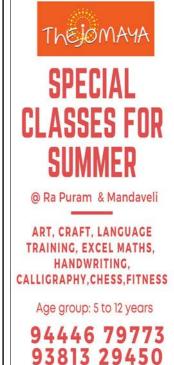
also supporting this event, says Dharini. Narada Gana Sabha is providing the auditorium for the show.

Dharini says the show will showcase the theatre legacy which the city has nurtured over decades. The event starts with a felicitation of arts promoter Nalli Kuppuswami Chetti and the performances will roll from 6.30 p.m.

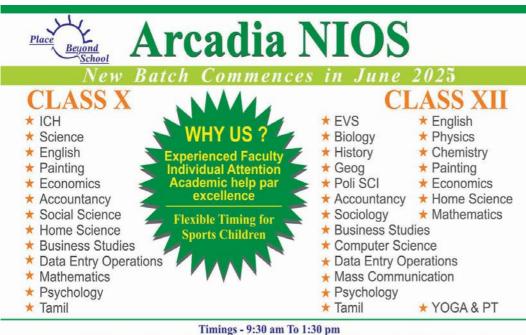
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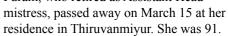
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**K. R. Saraswathi**, a senior teacher at Rani Meyyammai Girls School in R. A. Puram, who retired as Assistant Head-



After the early demise of her husband, V. N. Lakshminarayana Rao, she lived independently till the last day of her life, her family said.

She pursued her education after her marriage: she first completed a course in

Carnatic music at the Central College of Karnatak Music in R. A. Puram (as the TN Govt. College of Music was known since the time it was started in 1949). She went on to complete a post-graduate course in Tamil and got a post-graduate degree in education while teaching at Rani Meyyammai Girls School.

She retired as Assistant Headmistress here. "Scores of 'old girls' of the school know her well," said her niece. "Though she was strict she was very affectionate."

Saraswathi was a vocalist and a 'B' grade artiste of All India Radio; she presented many concerts. After her retirement, she took free tuition for the needy at her home in Thiruvanmiyur, lent a hand at centres run by NGOs and contributed to a few religious and educational institutions, her family said.

Said her niece Brinda Visakan, "She led her life by the Bhagavad Gita which she knew by heart and set an example which is tough to emulate."

Brinda Visakan can be reached at 94445 75002

### This new school is to follow ancient Indian system of education

Madras Sanskrit College is to launch the institution this June



Madras Sanskrit College is to launch a new educational institution in its campus in Mylapore called Ramaratnam Bharatiya Bala Vidyalayam (RBV).

The school, its promoters say, draws inspiration from ancient Indian traditions and is aimed at nurturing students in the same way as the rishis of the olden days.

Madras Sanskrit College is collaborating with Anaadi Foundation – an organisation that is already running two such schools – a gurukulam near Palani and a non-resident Bharativa school in Hyderabad.

Ramesh Mahalingam, director and trustee, Madras Sanskrit College says that three languages – Sanskrit, Tamil and English would be taught to students, apart from ganitham (mathematics), Ayurvedam (health sciences), and vaana sastram (science of astronomy).

"Our school will focus on knowledge and character-building rather than on being competitive and scoring big marks. Our approach to assessment will be unique—students will be evaluated not by traditional marks, but through a holistic development model using the panchakoshiya method. This will ensure that each child is growing in a balanced and robust manner, fostering both intellectual and personal growth," says Ramesh. The school will take in 30 to 40 students between the age group of 6 to 10, for this year.

"We will slowly be adding on. We want to have a smaller group to give personal attention to children. Bala Vidyalayam will not become a big one, it will have limited admissions to develop leaders for tomorrow," says Ramesh.

This management says that anybody who is convinced that the ancient education system is far superior to the current modern education system can apply for admission.

"Qualified teachers who have learnt Sanskrit from our college will handle classes. Subjects will be taught in English and in Sanskrit," adds Ramesh. The Bala Vidyalayam will be located inside the Madras Sanskrit College and will commence operations from June 2025.

For more details contact 7418809899



Last Sunday (March 16), 40 volunteers of the Karam Korpom Foundation led by artist Shivakumar and his wife Uma, painted the main wall of this temple of Sri Ramakrishna Math with images themed on Nature. The wall faces the busy R. K. Mutt Road, Mylapore. This work was carried out for a special occasion - the celebration of 100 years of the dispensary that the Math manages here and the silver jubilee of the Universal Temple.

### **CAR CARE SERVICES IN R. A. PURAM**

**By Our Edit Team** 

Alpine Car Studio in R. A. Puram has been offering top-end car care services for the last one and half years at this centre.

The store does car detailing services like graphene coating, ceramic coating, exterior polishing and detailing, interior deep cleaning, paint protection film – PPF, sun control film, seat covers and floor mats, underbody anti rust coating and premium car wash.

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sist that owners come here, check our services and take the car back home after service. We offer a lot of services and the cost ranges from



Rs 1500 to Rs 90000," says Ganesh, one of the partners of this business.

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### R. A. Puram professor publishes book on history of St. Lazarus Church, its festivals

By Our Edit Team

The histories of Our Lady of Guidance Church, commonly called saint Lazarus Church, of the people who were the early settlers here and attended the church and of religious practices followed run deep.

Evidence of the deep connection shows up in the annual celebration of the feast of saint Lazarus that is held every January-February. A time when traces of generational religio-socio practices show up.

Now, a book titled 'The Antiquity of the Feast and Church of Lazarus' has been published, written by Dr. Cinthia Jude, assistant professor at the department of history, Stella Maris College and a longtime resident of the church neighbourhood.

Cinthia says her book traces Christianity and Catholicism in these parts, details the endeavours of missionaries and leads on to the foundation of what came to be popularly called saint Lazarus Church.

She also focuses on the early patrons of this church, of what she says are 'the intriguing origins of the saint Lazarus feast and of the car festival associated with it.

The evolution and transformation of the

church through time are examined alongside the diverse socio-religious activities it hosts.

"I worked for over 20 years for my research on various sides of the histories," said Cinthia.

The book was released during the recent saint Lazarus feast celebrated at the church.

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Women are at the core of this annual thirukalyanam celebration

By Our Edit Team

The annual Radha madhava thirukalyanam, which has been held for over 70 years in Abiramapuram was celebrated at the Sankara Gurukulam on C. P. Ramaswamy Street, Abiramapuram, from March 14 to 16.

This religious practice has been closely sustained by a community that does all it can to hold up this heritage. For over 40 years, Mani bhagavathar and his family

celebrated Radha madhava
thirukalyanam in their own
small way at the Gurukulam.
Senior Abiramapuram residents recall a time in the
margazhi season, when the
bhagayathar family would

sing bhajans and walk

around the colony streets and would receive rice from residents; rice which would be used to feed people who attended the thirukalyanam.

When that era came to an end, a group

of Abiramapuram women picked up the tradition: leading them were Vijayalakshmi and Bhanumathi. Well-wishers donated money and rice.

For 18 years,



the well-known Kalyani Margabandhu of Mandaveli led her troupe performed at the celebration which was planned and managed only by women.

This legacy runs to this day. Women are at the core of the thirukalyanam.

In recent years, the festival has been enlarged over a few days and different bhajan troupes are invited to perform at the Gurukulam. Also, neighbourhood music artistes perform here.

This had drawn more people to the event - this year over 500 people attended the finale, said the hosts. And the visuals and videos were viewed across the world.

Also, the hosts say that a conscious effort is now made to get children involved.

This year, they featured in small roles in a musical play, dressed in special theme costumes employed for the event. Others joined in the bhajans.



### **QUEEN MARY'S COLLEGE ALUMNI DAY**

# Memorable Party on Campus



By Our Edit Team

This was one college alumni meet which set the sprawling campus abuzz. The Staff and Old Students Association of Queen Mary's College, now in its 111th year, got up a party on March 15 that professors and 'old girls' now say was the kind that they have not seen for some years now. Unlike past meetups, this one was Open

House from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. which allowed the alumni from across the city, the state and elsewhere t0 head to the Marina-fronting campus any time on that Saturday.

From Pallavaram and from Acharapakkam, from Thiruvallur and from Tondiarpet, from Adyar and from Mylapore, the 'old girls' kept streaming into the campus through the gates of the campus off Dr. Radhakrishnan Salai.

There were teams to greet the guests and register their names at the entrance, there were shamianas for people to be seated and catch up with classmates and teachers, and there



were welcoming notices in every department where faculty members were present to greet the 'old girls'.

There were many who brought their children along, some even had two-year-olds in their arms, and some were accompanied by their husbands. All of them were welcome to the party. Much planning went into this meet. Led by the college principal, Dr. B. Uma Maheswari and a core team of faculty of QMC and members of the Association, every detail was worked out. And senior students who attend the college today, were invited to lend a hand.

The core organising team consisted of the secretary of QMC S O S A (Staff and Old Students Association), Dr. Eswari Ramesh, the treasurer of the S O S A, Kalpana Siva, the controller of examinations, Dr. Santhi, the HoD of maths, Dr Jansi Rani, the HoD of commerce, Dr. Usha Rani, the HoD of botany, Dr. Karpagam and the HoD of history,

Dr. Razia Parveen.

"We reached out to as many old students as we could by using the data-base we have," said Kalpana Siva, college faculty. "Over six weeks, we corresponded with all the alumni, shared the programme details. That is how we got over 3000 alumni to attend this event." On campus, if some groups of 'old girls' explored the corridors and halls which were once their second home for three years, others had long conversations with professors and teachers in the staff rooms and under the shamiana.

'Old girls' sought their favourite spot on campus to shoot selfies; around the bust of Queen Mary, off the pond, inside the heritage blocks, at the small temple and the 'Namma QMC' legend. There were boards where the guests could pen messages or dip their hands in water colours and leave impressions.

Said Rani Petricia, who passed out in 2004, "Many land-marks in this campus like the GJ, the main block, library, science block, and canteen have remained unchanged. What struck a chord in us was the professors' remarkable memory of individual students."

Snacks did the rounds and lunch was served at the mid-day hour. Later that evening, the guests were entertained to light music by a troupe and when the last group left the campus, it was past 9 p.m.

Said Kalpana, the Association treasurer,"I don't think any government college has had such a grand alumni meet. It is an event we will not forget."

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on that Saturday.

### Home baker Ramya opens small business. Cakes, snacks

By Our Edit Team for a sea A new cake shop – Creamy Cake Pops –

Mylapore.
Run by Ramya Senthilkumar, this shop is the second outlet of the brand, the first being in T Nagar.

has opened on Bakthavachalam Road,

Ramya has been a home baker for the last 10 years. The Mylapore branch is only a delivery counter and the kitchen for this store has been set up in Ramya's house which is closeby. She has two staff members to take care of the sales.

Ramya, who moved to Chennai from Trichy after marriage, says orders keep coming in. On the day we were planning to shoot photos, she had her hands full preparing a large, special cake



for a wedding reception.

"People now order sets of small cakes for birthday parties and socials held at their homes," she says.

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