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At Sri Ayyappa Temple, MRC Nagar, parents and their tiny tots sat down to participate in the 'Vidyarambam' ceremony that initiates children into learning on the day of Saraswathi puja.

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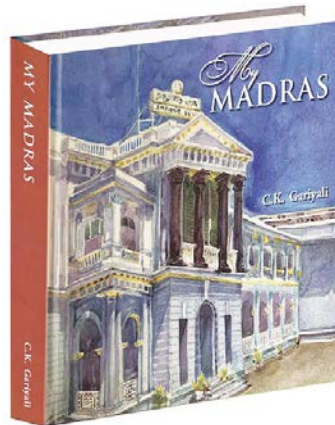
This unique festival will feature an array of performances and an exhibition that highlights the beauty and importance of the natural world.

The chief justice of the Madras High Court, Justice K. R. Shiram is the chief guest for the inaugural ceremony.

The festival features music and dance performances, theatre, villupattu and an exhibition.

Open to all.

BOOK DISCUSSION; C. K. GARIYALI'S BOOK ON MADRAS



Former IAS officer C. K. Gariyali's book, 'My Madras' will be the subject for discussion at an event hosted by Chennai International Centre. Journalist and former The Hindu staffer, Kausalya Santhanam will be in discussion with the author.

On Oct.19, 6 pm onwards at the Tagore Auditorium, inside the campus of TN Music College, R A Puram.



THREE BEST PLAYS OF DUMMIES

Dummies Drama group is presenting three of their best plays that have had record runs. This weekend, these plays are on at Mylapore Fine Arts Club.

Here is the schedule -
 Oct.19 - Sat - 7 pm - Vinodhaya Chittam

Oct. 20 - Sun. - 5 pm.
 - Payanam Oct.20 - 7 pm - Athithi

Entry is free and the plays are open to all.

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166 years. CSI St. Thomas Tamil Church. Special events on Oct.19 & 20.

By Juliana Sridhar

CSI St. Thomas Church in San Thome will celebrate its 166th anniversary on October 20. There will be a special prayer service on

File photo



Saturday, October 19 at 6.30 pm.

On Sunday, October 20, there will be the regular service at 7.30 am after which a special programme will commence at 10.30 am. A Bible Quiz will be conducted and a debate contest will follow.

Economically poor people from a village have been invited to this event and they will be provided with sewing machines, iron boxes and idli cookers to aid their livelihood.

The celebration will culminate with a fellowship lunch at 1 p.m.

The event is being organised and co-ordinated by pastor Rev. B. Devaprasad and the pastorate committee led by secretary Esther Jebaraj and treasurer Samuel Swamikkan.

Hotel near Jammi junction shuts down

By Baskar Seshadri

Bigger places affected by the ongoing Chennai Metro work are shutting down. The latest is Hotel Deccan Plaza on Royapettah High Road which shut down some weeks ago.

Seniors of Mylapore would remember the famous Hotel Ajanta on Royapettah High Road, off the Jammi Buildings point. In that place, came the Regenta Central Deccan Plaza.

It had a successful run of many years but the blockades of the main road here badly affected its clientele.

Since this project will take a few years to complete, the management of the hotel had decided to shut the hotel.



We hear that the hotel block is to be demolished soon and there are plans for a large housing complex.

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VINCENT'S JOTTINGS

By VINCENT D' SOUZA

The day after the first heavy rains, the dry day, I was standing at our campus gate and looking at the state of the vents for the storm water drains. In the past 24 hours, the streets around us were flooded and water got into our campus.

The next day, the streets were dry. Water had run off.

As I stood there, I saw a family of workers getting home; and it was obvious they were helping the GCC to clean the street.

This group is from Thiruvannamalai. And they are here in our Adyar neighbourhood to save us from floodwaters.



Their mestri who undertakes work of the civic body brought them here a week ago. Their task: clear drains and vents off local streets, clear the muck and ensure water drains off.

As we chatted, the senior woman showed me the vents they had cleared.

Men get 800: women 500 rupees.

Ask for equal pay, I suggested.

They smiled.

They reside inside the GCC campus closeby. And will stay on till Deepavali.

Back home, they work on the fields.

Had we got these rains there, agriculture would flourish, the woman said.

This weekend, they have an important thing to do: visit the Annai Vailankkani Church shrine in Besant Nagar.

We have bought a sari and we will offer it to madha, the woman said.

Unseen and unknown, there are many people who will do what they can to keep us safe, warm and protected from the rages of a monsoon. But must we always stay warm in our spaces?

There is a need for community groups to step out and do a bit alongside the civic workers. Not boss them around. But lend a hand, offer tips or implements, or even a cup of tea.

Mandaveli-based community activist Ganga Sridhar says that their members have always made it a point to be alongside civic workers, especially before and during the monsoon. The past days, residents helped workers clear waste clogging the drain-vents even as it rained lightly.

Yes, our state agencies and contractors will execute work like unlettered, untrained folks. Dump tar on vents, dig sections of relaid streets and pump sewage muck on to the centre of a road. This can frustrate citizens. But if we stay there, something better can be done

LETTERS FROM READERS

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Life in Mylapore - a misery

Life is actually becoming a terrible misery in Mylapore. All roads have been dug and one cannot enter Mylapore or go out. I have lived in this place for the last twenty years and life has never been such a wreck. With the MBF being dissolved, several people's lives have been miserable. There is no one to whom we can complain to.



- S. V. Balasubramanian

What's good for C. P. Ramaswamy Road?

This is with reference to an earlier letter here about making C P Ramaswamy Road 'two-way'. Even though the road is broad enough for two way traffic, the traffic factor has to be taken into account, as TTK Road junction beside McDonald's is closed for Metro work and most buses use this stretch of road.

A new signal has to be installed at the junction near Winner's Bakery to ensure regulation of traffic. The roads have to be re-laid and all traffic signals in that stretch need to work as per the changes. I do support the two way option if the authorities on the ground plan the traffic arrangement accordingly.

- Allen Joe

Relay M. K. Amman Koil Street from MRTS station end

Drainage work is happening in full swing near the Thiruvalluvar - Mundakakanni Amman Koil Street junction. Kalvi Varu Street has been relaid. The traffic from Royapettah High Road to Luz Church Road is being diverted through Mudakkakanni Amman Koil Street and Kalvi Varu Street. It would be good if the road from MRTS station till the junction of MedPlus and Nattu Subbarayan Street is also relaid as it has become a nightmare to walk through this stretch, especially when water stagnates. The auto workshops in the corner also cause hindrance for smooth flow of traffic from MRTS station to M. K. Amman Koil Street.

- N. Mahadevan

From kolu judge to kolu contest winner

I am delighted to have had my kolu selected as one of the winners of the Mylapore Times Kolu Contest this year. This is special for me as it has been a long journey indeed from being a Mylapore Times Kolu contest judge in 1994 to a winner in 2024!

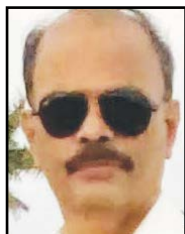
- Chitra Sivakumar

Let's co-exist; hawkers, shoppers and pedestrians

This is regarding a recent letter here about noise from vendors' audios. In a country characterized by bustling streets and diverse activities, some level of noise pollution is unavoidable. Rather than complaining, let's focus on finding ways to co-exist with the sounds of vendors, celebrations, whirring motorcycles and construction, acknowledging that they are an inevitable part of urban life contributing to the fabric of our lively community.

- Shanmuga Perumal

MY STORY



Less known but interesting temples in and around Chennai

By PARANTHARAMI MANI

When we think of temples in Madras we only have in mind the famous temples like Parthasarathi Temple, Kapaliswar Temple, Vadivudaiya Amman Temple and Vadapalani Murugan Temple. But there are plenty of temples in and around Chennai which have their own legends, history, heritage and inscriptions. This was the idea and motive for me to write a book on such temples. It was released recently.

Some years back when I was visiting Manimangalam, a small village on the outskirts of Madras, 10 kms from Tambaram on official work I had the opportunity to visit two Chola era temples - Dharmeswar Temple and Rajagopalaswamy Temple - there were plenty of inscriptions.

I then decided to visit such lesser known temples in and around Madras and document them - this journey started 8 years ago. I am a solo traveler and planned my visits to such temples on weekends.

I have encountered interesting facts. The Vadaranyeswarar Temple, Tiruvalangadu revealed that it is one of the five places where the Lord competed with goddess Kali in a dance performance and the place was called "Ratna Sabai". The Natarajan idol here can be seen with its left leg almost touching the left ear and amman Sivakama Sundari idol is expressive, looking astonished.

Another interesting temple is Tirukachi Nambi

Varadaraja Perumal Temple where Thirukachi Nambi guru of Ramanuja used to do Pushpa Kaingaryam to Perumal from his Nandavanam. Here, all the three Ranganatha of Srirangam, Venkateswara of Thirupathi and Varadaraja of Kanchipuram gave darshan to him.

Such interesting information is available in the temples quoted in my book. Most of the legends have been deduced from the sthala puranam of the temples and from the priests associated with them and from inscriptions.

Such temple visits should be planned in a leisurely manner. It is better to go in the evening since the photographs come out better!

The book can be obtained by sending a message to me on 8939943949 or e-mail to - swamy1961@yahoo.co.in

● Parantharami Mani is a former Insurance Commissioner, ESIC, Ministry of Labour, Govt of India, New Delhi. He resides in Mylapore.



The streets may get flooded, the muck may be left behind after a spell of rain. But in tree-lined streets, when the morning sun shines after a spell of rain, its rays create a magical scene. Like this one of Abiramapuram 1st Street, shot by Madhan Kumar

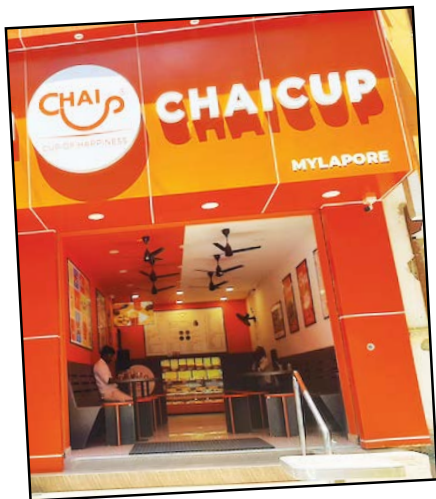
One more nook for tea. It is called Chai Cup

By Baskar Seshadri

Coffee and tea shops, the smart-look types, continue to pop up in the Mylapore zone.

A recent one is called Chai Cup and it is on P. S. Sivaswamy Road; it wears a stark bright orange colour all around and hence stands out.

Besides a variety of hot cups of tea, this place offers snacks, both spicy and sweet.



Samosas, biscuits and buns with jam / butter are on offer. This place can seat around twenty people.

Chai Cup is on 150/2, P S Sivaswamy Road, Mylapore. Opposite Hotel Chaitra.



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Ambika Appalam

Ambika Appalam is a popular store in Mylapore, a name that rings a bell for senior Mylaporeans.

It was first started on Mathala Narayanan Street. In a 6 x 4 space that was part of the property owned by Dr Nanjunda Rao family (this place has just been demolished.)

In the days of my teens, when we were the first shoppers of the day and asked for *seedai* for four annas (25 paise), the owner would not weigh it; he would just gather the *seedai* in his palm and hand it over.

Those days, they had limited items like *murukku* and *seedai* and some pickles. Today, the variety is huge and stuff is sent worldwide.

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Winners

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Winners of the Kolu Main Contest - (These are featured in the photos here)

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Kalyani Harikrishnan, Mylapore;
K. Anusha, Mylapore
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Harithra Devi, R. A. Puram:
Chitra Sivakumar, Abiramapuram,
Nirmala Seetharaman,
Abiramapuram:
Rajalakshmi Srinivasan, Mylapore:
S. Bhuvaneshwari, Mylapore:
Sandhya Rajagopalan, R A Puram:

These are the winners of the Kolu Theme contest -

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Aksharaa Ramesh, Mandaveli:
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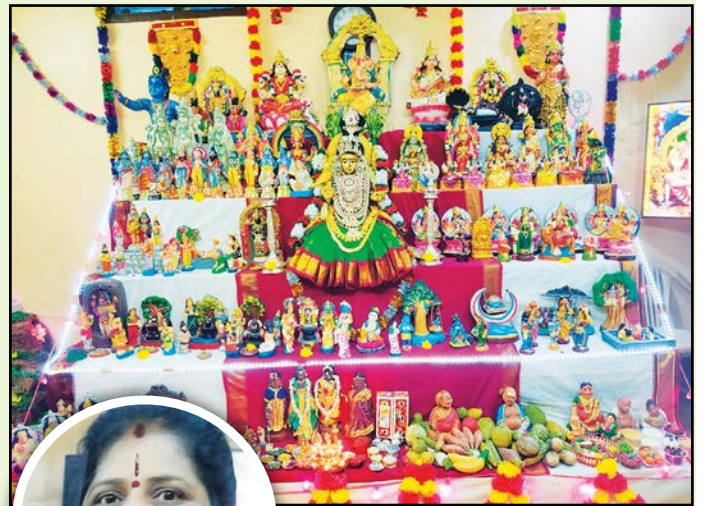
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Steady rain did not discourage people who visit Sri Kapaleeswarar Temple almost daily, to be present at the pradosham held on October 15 evening. The procession was held inside the Navaratri mantapam instead of going around the temple campus.



Elders Sunday service held at church in San Thome

Elders' Sunday was observed in the morning worship service at CSI St. Thomas English Church on October 13. The seniors in the congregation sang a special song and played an active role in the service. The sermon was delivered by Rev. Juliet Prince, a retired pastor, while the celebrant was the presbyter Rev. Anitha Christian. The elders were also honoured with gifts.

- By Fabiola Jacob

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Participatory and fun. Navaratri at this centre on Luz Church Road

By Our Edit Team

Celebrations are an integral part of the programme at Youth Empowerment Services, a unit of V-Excel Educational Trust based on Luz Church Road.

The Navaratri festival programme allows people attending this unit for the disabled, to soak in Indian tradition and to bring cheer and joy to all the trainees here.

Every year, this unit of V-Excel follows a theme and the theme of Kolu 2024 is 'Creation, Preservation and Destruction'.

Gayathri Suryanarayanan of the YES unit says the kolu is done with the participation and contribution from all the trainees, in terms of cleaning, unpacking and arranging



the dolls, creating small things for the theme, making return gifts for the thamboolam, making prasadam every day, chanting and singing bhajans.

Youth Empowerment Services is at 90 Luz Church Road (next to Chennai Meenakshi Multi-speciality Hospital), Mylapore.

This centre has just completed 10 years of service.

R R Sabha's Awards Day on Oct.23

By Our Edit Team

Rasika Ranjani Sabha, Mylapore is hosting its annual awards function on October 23, 5.30pm onwards.

The awardees are - theatre and film artiste Kathadi Ramamurthy who will be conferred with Sanatana Rathna, vocalist Vijay Siva with Kala Rathna award, dancer and teacher Dr. Lakshmi Ramaswamy with 'Nriya Kala Rathna' award.

Kala Seva Rathna awards for Kalakkad Dr K. R. Seethalakshmi and K. Murugan, and awards for artistes L. Ramakrishnan and Manasvini.

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MONSOON BEGINS

Snippets of all that took place this past week. Mylapore Times' 24x7 coverage is at www.mylaporetimes.com. You too can report on serious issues. WhatsApp: 7305630727



PANIC SHOPPING

Veggies and dry food ran out of shelves in all stores. On South Mada Street, prices of veggies doubled but there were people to grab what was on sale. Aavin milk was cleaned up. All this took place the moment it became known that the rain would come down hard, top of the week.



NOW FLOODED, NOW DRY

There were SOS calls from P. S. Sivaswami Salai, Brindavan Street and Balakrishnan Street as the water rose as the rain came down. But hours later, these streets were dry. There are areas where flooding takes place as the rain batters and this sets off alarms.

SELF-HELP

Some communities are not waiting for state agencies to address all local issues. They get their hands dirty. Example - the Raja Street, Mandaveli group. Even as the rain slowed down, they joined civic workers to clear vents of waste and remove silt from drains so that water flowed smoothly and flooding was at a minimum.



LOOK OUT FOR SNAKES

This is the time for snakes, snails and other creatures to crawl into your gardens and campuses. In Raja Street, Mandaveli people spotted a snake and called for help from the Forest Dept. It came and the snake was trapped. With the Tholkappia Poonga closeby, colonies on its fringe would have such visitors.



VOLUNTARY HELP

Councillor Amirda Varshini led a team of volunteers one afternoon to distribute lunch to people living in the nagars off the Marina Loop Road, south-end side.

Families affected by the rain in Mullima Nagar, Rajiv Gandhi Nagar and Nambikkai Nagar were given food served from a van.

YRG Gaitonde Foundation Care of Ravi Nandyala, a Mandaveli resident, sponsors the service in such circumstances. The councillor said that there was no serious flooding in areas that fall in her ward - like Mandavelipakkam and Loop Road side.



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Earlier, there used to be a narrow way for motorists to drive from the Royapettah High Road side into Luz Church Road.

Now, Metro workers have expanded the road width set between barricades alongside Sri Navasakthi Vinayakar temple.

By Baskar Seshadri

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Kolu bommai hawkers did not have it good this season. Some left with big stocks



By Baskar Seshadri

File photo

The Navaratri season kolu bommai sales this year have not been great for hawkers on North Mada Street, Mylapore.

The pre-monsoon rain and the sober response of shoppers did not bring in good sales for them.

Said Shanthi who resides in Pallavaram and had put up a stall, "I had invested a good amount of money and had transported all the idols but with more competition around I was unable to sell as expected."

There are many hawkers like her who have gone home disappointed.

Shoppers though said that the prices are stiff and so buying is limited to bommais that people really need for that year.

Shanthi said she wants to dispose of some bommais for cost price but the rain had spoiled her plans and she is stuck with a huge stock.

Hawkers say that nowadays, the regular shops that sell crafts, gift items and fancy items also display and sell kolu bommais and street hawkers have to compete with them.

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St. Thomas Tamil Church hosts Thanksgiving Day



The community at CSI Saint Thomas Tamil Church in San Thome celebrated its annual Thanksgiving festival on September 8. The event was led by pastor Rev B. Devaprasad and the pastorate committee represented by secretary Esther Jebaraj and treasurer Samuel Swamikkan . It commenced with Mass – each family brought offerings. This year, many families offered gold earrings and gold coins. Others brought sarees, household articles and fruits. Stalls were put in the campus by the fellowship groups. There was fun and games for children. Donated items were auctioned – the funds collected will be used for building of churches in rural areas, maintenance of the church and for charity work.

– By Juliana Sridhar

Postcard Art Contest for Mylapore students

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Girija and Rajagopalan's kolu is drawing people. Themed on Kulasekara Azhwar

By Preetha K.

Girija is a retired headmistress of Sarada Vidyalaya school. And her husband Rajagopalan is a retired banker.

The duo were deep in preparations for Navaratri. They had a theme kolu in mind. And they wanted it to be different.

The thematic kolu was named Kulasekara Azhwar kanda Raaman.

There was a main golu, apart from the thematic one.

Said Girija, "I wanted many people to see our theme kolu and know about the azhwars."

And so, the two have decided to keep it on for a long while.

Her brother-in-law from Bangalore will visit soon and next month, her sister-in-law will fly in from the US on holiday and has promised to see the kolu.

There are many friends who requested her to keep the theme kolu so that they can visit at leisure and enjoy this unique work.

So what is special here?

Girija's ideas stem from time spent at discourses in Mylapore.

In the earlier years, the couple have made theme kolus based on the Ramayanam, Krishna Leela and a comparison on Valmiki and Thyagaraja.

This year, it was Kulasekara Azhwar.

Explained Girija, "My husband made 13 compartments for the theme kolu and we chose 13 scenes from the life of Kulasekara. We took printouts of some backdrops and created the lighting as well."

Each compartment is lit and holds images linked to stories on the theme.

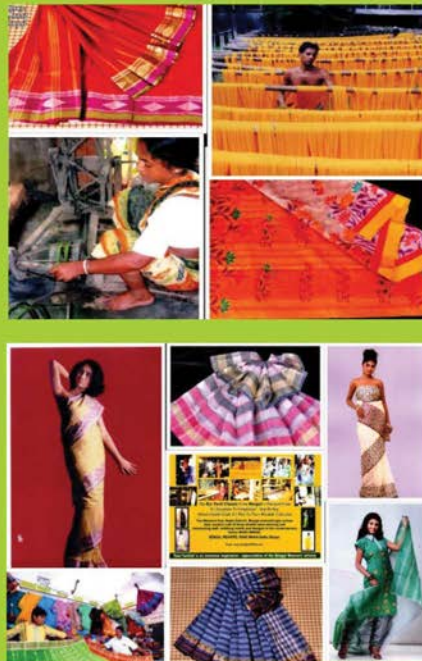
When guests arrive, Girija narrates the story of Kulasekara azhwar, scene by scene even as the light on a compartment comes alive.

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