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Ground Level Participation for Fund Raising

SLLA launched the 'Golden Jubilee Fund Raising Card' recently to provide opportunities for all SLLA members to join the historic SLLA Golden Jubilee Celebration. It is expected that each SLLA member would contribute a minimum of Rs. 1000.00 to the Golden Jubilee project fund through the card. Those who collect Rs. 5000.00 or more will receive a Certificate of Appreciation signed by the Presidents of IFLA and SLLA or 50% reduction of the Golden Jubilee International Conference fee.



All contributions will be acknowledged in the 2011 SLLA Annual Report. The Golden Jubilee Card project was launched by the fund raising sub committee headed by Mr Tilak Ratnayake on the advise of President, SLLA.

Golden Jubilee International Conference

Opening Ceremony



All arrangements have been made for the SLLA Golden Jubilee International Conference to be held from 6th to 8th October 2010 at the Ceylon Continental Hotel, Colombo.

The Prime Minister of Sri Lanka Hon. D.M.Jayaratne will be the Chief Guest of the Opening Ceremony on the 6th October. The Minister of



Public Administration and Home Affairs, Hon. John Seneviratne and Minister of Higher Education, Hon. S.B. Dissanayake will be the Guests of Honour with the President, IFLA, Dr (Ms) Ellen Tise. This is the first time, a serving IFLA president is visiting Sri Lanka and attending a SLLA function. Representatives of Library Associations in a number of neighbouring countries are expected to attend the conference. **The SLLA has invited all its members for the momentous occasion. Kindly confirm your attendance in advance to the SLLA Administrative Secretary to facilitate the arrangements and be at your seat by 1.45 p.m.**

Golden Jubilee International Conference 2010; Technical Sessions



Registration is open for the two day International conference on 7th and 8th October 2010. Theme of the conference is 'Libraries: Access to Information and Empowering people'. The conference comprises of 12

academic sessions and 36 professional presentations. All SLLA members have been invited for the conference. With their registration form, a special letter addressed to the institutional heads was sent in order to facilitate the leave and conference fee. As a limited number of seats are available, members are requested to register early and be a part of this historic Golden Jubilee celebrations .

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The Executive Committee

Includes the office bearers and the following nominated members.

Ms. Padma Bandaranayake

Ms. Sunethra Perera

Regional Seminars Successful



SLLA Golden Jubilee Regional Seminar in Kandy was held on 10th June 2010.



The Jaffna Regional Seminar was held on 30th July 2010 at the Jaffna Public Library Auditorium.

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Sri Lanka Library Association (SLLA) was incorporated by Law No.20 of 1974 of the National State Assembly and Amended by Act No.7 of 2004. The SLLA is a founding and an executive member of the Organisation of Professional Associations (OPA), Sri Lanka.

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50th Anniversary AGM Highlights



A section of the audience



Hon. T B Ekanayake, Deputy Minister of Education



Ms Manil Silva, Veteran Librarian



Mr. Upali Amarasiri, President SLLA

Student Awards

DIPLIS Level 1 (2009)

S.C. Blok Memorial Award (Sinhala Medium)

- Mr. K.A.C.P. Abeygunawardane

(Tamil Medium)

- Ms. S.Anojauthy

A.L.B. Pethiyagoda Memorial Award

(Awarded to a student in Kandy Centre).

Ms. A.M.G.N.Kumari

DIPLIS Level 11 2008/2009

(English Medium) - Ms. S.R.Fernando

DIPLIS Level 111 – 2008/2009

Gold Medal

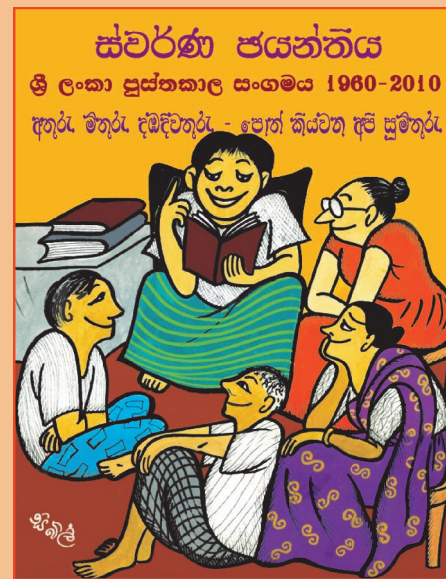
(Sinhala Medium) - Ms.R.M.I.T.Rathnayake

COLA Course - 2009

Clodagh Nethsinghe Memorial Award

Mr. H.M.S. Bandara

New Poster on Family Reading



Ms.Sybil Wettasinghe, well known Sri Lankan artist designed the fourth poster in a series of publicity materials for Golden Jubilee celebrations, depicting the valued family reading concept.

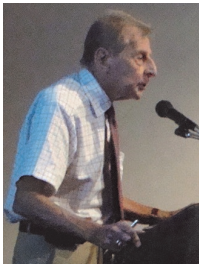
50th Birthday Celebrated

The 50th birthday of the SLLA was celebrated on a grand scale on the 28th August 2010 at the auditorium of the Industrial Technology Institute, Colombo, where the association was formed on 28th August 1960 exactly 50 years ago. US Ambassador for Sri Lanka, H.E. Ms Patricia Butenis cut the elegant birthday cake together with Mr Upali Amarasiri, President, SLLA, Ms Vijitha De Silva and Mr Ariyadasa Weeraman the guests of honour, amidst the applause of the joyous participants.



Colombo Regional Seminar

'SLLA; Looking forward at the Next Decade' was the theme of the technical sessions. Ms Kamalika Pieris and Prof. Russell Bowden, senior LIS professionals, made presentations on the topics 'SLLA at 50' and 'SLLA; Professional Role and Income Generation' respectively. Prof. Jayasiri Lankage, Ms Swarna Jayatilleke, Ms. Dorathy Andradi and Dr Ruwan Gamage joined the dialogue which followed the presentations.



Prof.R. Bowden



Ms.Kamalika Pieris

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Save paper-Save Trees!

"We look forward to a good conference, a good atmosphere, good professional experiences and development, the formation of new networks and the renewal of old friendships..." said Ellen. R. Tise, President IFLA at the inauguration of IFLA World Congress at Gothenburg last month. The Conference was held from 10-15 August. More information on this year's conference is available at <http://2010.ifla.org/>

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