

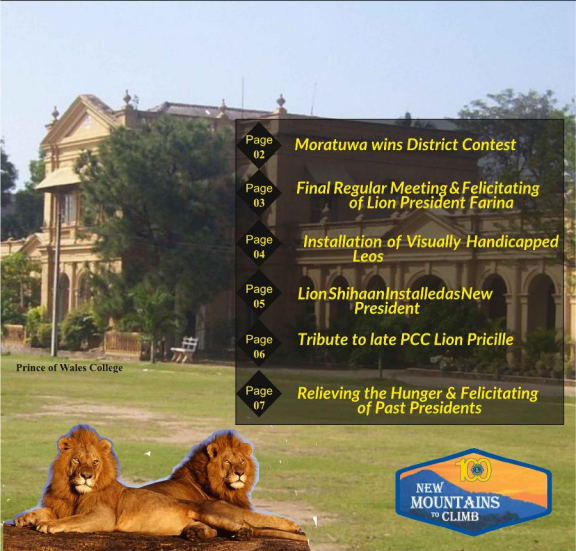


# Moratuwa Buzz

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# Moratuwa wins District Contest

Lion President Farina Dole led the Lions Club of Moratuwa to emerge as the Most Outstanding Lions Club (2015/2016) in District 306 A1 at the 11th Annual District Convention held at Eagle's Lakeside Convention & Banquet Hall.



Moratuwa won several Awards for outstanding service at District Convention held at Eagles Lakeside Banquet Hall



Lion Claude Amarasinghe won the Most Outstanding Zone Chairperson Award, but was away in Melbourne, Australia. He is seen receiving Award from Past Z/C Lion Palitha Bandara, at Lion Farina Dole's final Board Meeting at her residence.

# Final Regular Meeting & felicitation of Lion President Farina Dole on June 10th at LAC, Korawalwella



## Installation of Visually Handicapped Leos

The Leo Club of Visually Handicapped, Ratmalana held its Installation Ceremony on Sunday, July 3rd 2016. Leo District President Supun Dahanayake installed the Office Bearers & Board. Leo Udana Kanchana was installed as President & Leo Methmi Sewmini as Secretary. Lion President of Moratuwa, Shihaan Burah was Guest of Honour, & Acting Principal Mrs. Kumudini, Staff Advisor Ms. Darshi De Mel & Leo Advisor Lion Nishantha Perera, were also present.



# Installation of new President Lion Shihaan Burah

Lion President (2016-2017) Lion Shihaan Burah was installed as the 41st President of our Club by the Chief Guest & Installing officer PCC Lion Anver Dole on Saturday July 16th 2016, at a well attended meeting.

The Meeting was initially chaired by Lion President (2015-2016) Lion Farina Dole the incumbent Zone Chairperson of Region 2 Zone 4. A minute's silence was observed in memory of the late PCC Lion Pricille Fernando – a stalwart of the Club, & Charith Perera (58), a resident of Jacksonville, Florida, the eldest son our Charter President the Late Eardley Perera PC, who met with a tragic death when snorkeling in the Maldiv Islands.

PCC Lion Dayantha Fernando paid a tribute to both PCC Lion Pricille & Mr. Charith Perera. Lion President Shihaan spelled out his programme of work and pledged to take the Club to even still greater heights in the Centennial year.



## Tribute to PCC Lion Pricille Fernando MJF - a great humanitarian



Many were shocked at the sudden demise of Lions past Governor, Pricille Fernando, a wonderful human being who went out of his way to assist those in need. An outstanding product of St. Sebastian's College, Moratuwa,

he was a Sri Lanka Schools' Basketball player and a champion athlete, and was the Head Prefect, Senior Athletics Captain and House Captain, during the same year.

An award-winning photographer, Pricille was fascinated with motor vehicles and was well versed with the intricacies of engines. The holder of a Private Pilot's Licence, he was an individual with multifarious talents. As Manager of Dairy Development at Nestles, he pioneered the establishment of Milk collecting centers & Chilling centers in Kataragama, Embilipitiya and Monaragala, and helped raise the living standards of the dairy farmer.

He set up the first Tetra Pak plant to process fresh milk at Rich Life Dairies Ltd. and Tropifruit Ltd. He was the first General Manager of Micro Cars Ltd., Sri Lanka, and was responsible for developing the prototype and registering the Patent documents. At the time of his demise, Governor Pricille was a Director of the 'Steamboat' chain of restaurants.

On a personal note both he and I were inducted as Lions of Moratuwa on the same day in November, 1979, by that legendary figure - Past International Director late Lion 'Chuck' Wijenathan. Interestingly, both of us went on to become District Governors and Chairpersons of the Council of Governors. He was the first to prepare a Video presentation of District activities as well as the Necrology ceremony, which he

presented at my farewell Convention as Governor in 1992, at the BMICH. A very popular personality, Pricille was elected Governor for 2000/2001 with the dawn of the new Millennium, and was a Melvin Jones Fellow. He will be best remembered for donating 30 Dialysis machines worth over Rs 60 Million, to hospitals all over the island including Jaffna. He was ably supported by his dynamic partner in service Lion Monica, who spear-headed many service projects. Their only son Sheron of 'Steamboat' fame, an outstanding Tennis player and Golfer, was President of the Moratuwa Leo Club and went on to become the Leo District President.

Sheron and spouse Nishu's two children, Nishenya and Shenuk, were greatly admired by grandfather Pricille. He would proudly speak of his 8 year old grandson Shenuk as a future golf champion because of his amazing drives on the golf course.

The gentle and soft spoken Pricille was pre-deceased by brothers Vimal, Sunil & Amila, and leaves behind two sisters Yvonne and Anne, about whom he cared very much.

Pricille, who was a tender, loving soul, touched the lives of many people. Ever-willing and ever-ready to be of assistance, the word 'No' was never in his vocabulary. A God-fearing individual, it was in the fitness of things that he breathed his last in the afternoon, resting on his armchair watching GOD TV.

- PCC Anver Dole  
Past District Governor

## Relieving the Hunger ...

75 deserving families were giving dry rations on July 4th, 2016 at the Modara Jumma Mosque premises, to enable them to celebrate the Ramazan Festival on July 6th.



## Felicitating Past Presidents

The Past Presidents of the Club were felicitated at the Regular Meeting held on Saturday, 16th July at the Club LAC in Korawalwella.



### Editor's comment :

Moratuwa won the District Contest after 16 long years. President(2015-2016) Lion Farina Dole - the first female to give leadership to Moratuwa, & her Board, motivated the membership in a remarkable manner and led by example. 11 new members were inducted including 4 Leo Lions. We responded magnificently to the Lions CENTENNIAL Service Challenge and completed several projects by Engaging our Youth, Sharing the Vision, Relieving the Hunger & Protecting Our Environment. Lion Shihaan Burah President(2016-2017) and his Team have mapped a ambitious programme to do even better this year. 'Moratuwa Buzz' will keep you abreast of all the important achievements in the months to come.

- Bye for now - PCC Anver Dole