

Beauty Care at the Mall



THERE is an interesting row of shops at the new City Mall located at Jalan Lintas, Luyang. This row of shops is a haven for people who love to take good care of themselves.

From one end to the other, several shops are ready to cater to a woman's every whim. There is a massage parlour, a hair dressing saloon and general beauty care among others, all ready to cater to their customer's every wish.

Recently, a new beauty care shop opened its doors to the public. Its name, My Beauty, is appropriate as it offers beauty care and consultations to its customers. These include facial treatment.

The guest of honour at that time, Fatimah Shara Ahmad Noor, a businesswoman and politician says beauty care has a vast market potential and it is an advantage for women entrepreneurs who wish to get involved in such businesses.

According to her, beauty care is an upward trend as people, especially, become more aware of their image.

A good pleasant image is necessary in every aspect of public life, especially when you are a frontliner, she says.

DO YOU KNOW

By Anna Vivienne

BOUGAINVILLEAS are common flowering plants found in Sabah. It is found planted in compounds of private homes as well as hotel parks. It is also used for landscapes in public gardens as well as the road sides.

Bougainvilleas sports various colours and hues. They range from bright red to faded watery pink. There are also white, yellow and pink bougainvilleas.

Bougainvilleas are actually foreign, they are not native to Sabah, it is a genus of plants native to South America. They can be found in Brazil, Peru and Argentina

It is believed that the flower was named for Louis Antoine de Bougainville, an admiral in the French Navy who discovered the plant in Brazil in 1768.

Bougainvilleas are generally with thorny and they can grow up to more than ten feet tall.

This plant is evergreen especially in tropical climate and it flowers all the year round. Bougainvillea are rapid growing and flower all year in warm climates, especially when pinched or pruned.

In Sabah the people call it 'Bunga Kertas' or 'Paper flower' due to the texture of the petals. They are quite thin and 'papery'.

Although the flowers are attractive and colourful, they are generally scentless but worms and aphids still like the plant. Some larvae use them as food plant.

Species of bougainvillea have been adopted as official flowers several counties. This include Lienchiang and Pingtung in Taiwan, Ipoh in Malaysia and of the cities of Tagbilaran, Philippines.

If you are interested in planting bougainvilleas, you can purchase the saplings from nurseries available at roadsides along the Tuaran Road.



Bougainvillea



STAR hosts tennis

SHANGRI-LA'S Tanjung Aru Resort, (STAR) Kota Kinabalu teamed up with Sabah Lawn Tennis Association to host the three-day junior tennis tournament recently.

During the event 66 participants competed for the championship title held from Dec 14 to 16.

The event was organised to showcase as well as to discover new talents from Sabah, to develop new friendships among players and provide outstanding competition, to help the young players learn good sportsmanship and most of all, to allow the participants to have fun.

Boys and girls aged from under 12 to 18 participated in four singles categories from 8 am to 5 pm daily.

The closing and prize presentation ceremony was held on Dec 16 Dec at the tennis court area at STAR.

Present during the closing ceremony were Michael Emban, the permanent secretary of Youth and Sports who officiated the opening of the tournament accompanied by Penyuki Matta, the deputy secretary of Youth and Sports.



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