

RECOMMENDATIONS

Fruit fair

June 19-21
The Royal Thai Embassy in collaboration with Thai Airways International will organise a three-day Thai Fruits Fair: "Exotic Fruits of Chiang Mai" at the Embassy ground "Udhayan Thai" on Madani Avenue in Baridhara, Dhaka from 19-21 June, from 10am to 6pm.

Anniversary

June 18
June 18 is the first death anniversary of Neelima Ibrahim, one of the country's pioneer female educationists, litterateur and social activist. Neelima Ibrahim Bangladesh Study Centre will observe the occasion with several activities. A discussion and a launching ceremony of a book titled Neelima Ibrahim Smarak Grantho (Neelima Ibrahim Memorial Book) will be held at the VIP Lounge of the National Press Club. Nurjahan Begum, editor of the well-known magazine for women Begum will attend the event as the chief guest. The programme will start at 4.30 p.m.

Exhibition

June 11-17
A photography exhibition titled "Cry of the forest" by Philip Gain is going on at the Drik Gallery, House 58, Road 15/A (new) from 11 to 17 June, from 3pm to 8pm.

June 14-24
Dhaka Shahittiya Sanskriti Kendra is holding the 6th calligraphy exhibition at the National Museum gallery on the occasion of Holy Siratunnabi (Sm.). The exhibition presents works of 42 artists. The exhibition is open for visitors everyday from 10 am to 5 pm.

Theatre

June 27-30
To mark the fourth Biannual Conference of Shattwik Natya Somprodyia, the theatre group arranges a drama festival at the Shawkat Osman auditorium of Begum Sufia Kamal Library. Entitled Moliere Drama Festival, the festival features staging of Moliere's drama by four reputed theatre groups of Dhaka. Besides, a seminar titled Moliere's Drama in Bangladesh will also take place during the 4-day long conference of Shattwik.

Award

Singing Bonnya's success

Ex-students of Shurer Dhara rejoice

HARUN UR RASHID

No other song could be a greater honour for Rezwana Chowdhury Bonnya than *Tumi kemon Korey gaan koro hey guni*. And that too performed by her own disciples. The ex-students of Bonnya's music school, Shurer Dhara.

On June 14, the organisation for the ex-students of the school, Shurer Dhara Praktoni gave Bonnya a warm reception for her winning the Ananda Award for Rabindra Sangeet. With this year's accomplishment, Bonnya has won the award for the second consecutive time. In fact, she is the only awardee so far since the award itself was introduced two years back. Speakers at the reception cere-



Overjoyed Bonnya expressing her feelings to the audience and the students of Shurer Dhara Praktoni.

Chowdhury described this feat as 'an immense source of inspiration' for others. Widely acclaimed authority on both Rabindranath Tagore and Kazi Nazrul Islam, Dr Karunamoy Goswami urged Bonnya and other practitioners of Tagore to maintain the purity of the art. He criticised the current trend of singing Tagore's songs in one's own style that violates the notation prepared by Rabindranath himself, after the copyright on Tagore's songs was lifted. Artist Hashem Khan reminisced how one of Bonnya's album was selected for playing on the last day of a work-

shop in Bulgaria in 1989. He said he was happy to learn about Bonnya's achievement just as he had been on that day.

Among others who spoke at the event were actors Ramendu Majumdar, Aly Zaker, Ataur Rahman, Rabindrasangeet artistes Tapan Mahmud and Sadi Mohammad.

Shurer Dhara Praktoni presented a painting of Hashem Khan to Bonnya.

At the end of the programme, Praktani rendered some songs followed by Bonnya presenting two Rabindra sangeets.



mony termed this achievement a rare and very honourable one. Eminent educationist Kabir

Celebration

Russian National Day observed

NOVERA DEEPIA

To mark the 'Day of the Adoption of the Declaration of the State Sovereignty of the Russian Federation' the Russian Cultural Centre, Dhaka jointly organised a cultural evening with the Volga Club at the Russian Cultural Centre recently.

The children of Volga Club began with the song 'We shall overcome'. The performers aspired to give pure

entertainment. Khandokar Khairuzzaman Kaium sang two Tagore songs -- *Kotobaro Bhebechhina* and *Ami chini go chini*. Lincoln a boy of 12 presented two folk songs, after which three little girls, Smita, Munni and Mita performed a classical dance, which was cheered by the audience.

Guitarist and vocalist Mamun sang four different numbers-one modern, two Hindi and a folk. Little girl Kashfia Tabassum sang three

Hindi tracks which was not appropriate at all. The programme celebrated the National Day of Russian Federation, so it was difficult to understand why the performers sang Hindi film songs, which had no significance at all. Even the lighting on stage seemed inadequate. On the whole the programme carried an impression of neglect and was not up to the mark.

Tribute

Gorgeous Gregory gets missed

AFP, Los Angeles

ONE of Hollywood's last great leading men, Gregory Peck, famed for his heroic roles in such classics as "To Kill a Mockingbird," died last Thursday at the age of 87.

Peck, known for his quiet dignity, became an icon of cinema's golden era with starring roles in more than 60 films, including "Roman Holiday," "Cape Fear" and "Spellbound" and won the best actor Oscar for "Mockingbird" in 1962.

A classic star who became a respected elder statesmen of cinema, Peck died peacefully in his Los Angeles home at 4:00 am Thursday (1200 GMT) with his French-born wife of 48 years, Veronique, holding his hand, publicist Monroe Friedman said.

His death is a stunning loss to the movie industry and cuts one of the last remaining links to Hollywood's golden age.

"He was one of the great leading men of all time. His name became part of the English language. He was like a monument, not a man, he was one of the touchstones of cinema all over the world," Firedmansaid.

Peck retired from active filmmaking several years ago but was in good health, Friedman said, denying rumours that he hand been ill.

Actor Charlton Heston, who starred with Peck in 1948's "Big Country," mourned the loss of his friend.

"Gregory Peck was one of those few great actors of generosity, humor, toughness and spirit," he said adding that Peck "faced life's challenges with great vigor and courage."

Nominated for five Oscars in a career spanning nearly 60 years, the velvet voiced Peck became synonymous with morally courageous heroes such as Atticus Finch, the right-minded Southern lawyer in "To Kill a Mockingbird."

"They'll probably even put it on my tombstone," Friedman recalled Peack once saying. And he may have been right. Last week, the American Film Institute named Peck's character in the movie as the greatest screen hero of all time.

The handsome actor, born Eldred Gregory Peck in the south-



PHOTO: AFP

Gregory Peck is surrounded by Grace Kelly (R), and Jean Simmons, during the 10th Annual Golden Globe Award in Hollywood.



PHOTO: AFP

Gregory Peck in a scene from the 1977 Hollywood film "MacArthur" in which Peck portrayed historical figure US General Douglas MacArthur.

TV GUIDE

All programmes are in local time. The Daily Star will not be responsible for any change in the

BTV

12:00 Opening Announcement
12:10 News Headlines
12:15 Shubhechha Nim
12:30 Shangbad Patrer Pata Theke
12:40 Shasthya Tathya
1:00 News
1:05 Cartoon Show
1:30 Sobar Jonya Shikha
2:00 News Headline
2:05 Chawa Pawa
2:30 Shindu Hindol
3:00 News In English
3:05 Shukhi Paribar
3:30 Chander Hashi
4:00 News Headlines
4:05 Open University
5:00 News
5:05 Bhalo Thakun Shutho
5:30 Jadumela
6:00 News: Desh Janapad
6:10 Shandha Malati
6:35 Programmes of Chittagong Centre
7:00 a) News Headlines
b) Share Market
c) Weather Forecast
7:05 Drama Serial
7:30 Chhanda Chhanda
8:00 News At Eight (Bangla)
8:30 Drama Series: Protikriti
9:00 Series Drama: Lal Ghuri
9:30 Sangita Anusthan
10:00 News At Ten
10:25 Weather Forecast
10:30 News Reporting
10:35 Jibon Bangladesh
11:00 Upahar
11:30 Late night news/News Headlines

CHANNEL-i

06:10 Islamic Programme
07:15 Prothom Sur
10:00 Music Plus
10:30 Drama Serial: Durer Akash
11:00 Business Show
11:20 Drama Serial: Ala-Bhola
12:30 Drama Serial: Pantho Hey
12:30 Drama Serial: Superman
01:00 Drama: Harjit
2:00 Bangla Feature Film: Bod Nasib
5:35 Jonopoder Khabor
5:45 i-Sports
6:10 Music Plus
6:45 Drama Serial:Poster
7:15 Channel-i News
7:45 Ispahani-i Tele Quiz (Q)
7:50 Drama Serial:Sundar Sharbonash

ATN BANGLA

6:00 Islamic Prog:
8:00 ATN Bangla News
8:25 Weekly Drama: Manus Namer Nadi
9:35 Magazine Prog: Adda
10:50 Talk Show: Katha Mala
12:00 ATN Bangla News
12:20 The Daily Newspaper
Discussing Prog: Ajker
Chawa Pawa
12:40 Musical prog : ATN Music
1:20 Bengali Feature film: Sadhona
4:20 Puppet Magazine: The World of Jonathon Sing
4:50 The Daily Newspaper
Discussing Prog: Ajker
Sangbadpotro
5:00 Gram Banglar Sangbad
5:15 Musical Prog: Music Vision
5:50 Musical Prog: Uro Cola Saat Rang
6:25 Islamic prog: Islamee Sawal O Jawab
7:00 ATN Bangla Evening News
7:30 Computer Based prog: ATN Computer Projukite
8:05 Drama : Donddo
8:40 Drama : Aronner Kache Fera Asha
9:00 ATN Bangla News
9:25 Audio Magazine: Audio Mela
10:00 ATN Bangla News
10:30 Musical Prog:
11:00 ATN Bangla News
12:00 Bengali Feature Film: Moner Moto Mon

STAR WORLD

7:00 Friends
7:30 Dharma & Greg
8:00 Hollywood Squares
8:30 The Brady Bunch
9:00 Cheers
9:30 Oprah Winfrey Show
10:30 The King Of Queens
11:00 Grounded For Life
11:30 Boston Public
12:30 Dharma & Greg
1:00 Frasier
1:30 Chicago Hope
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8:30 Om Namath Shivay
9:30 Good Morning
10:30 Disney
10:30 Chartbusters
11:00 Music Mantra
11:30 Indian Holiday
12:00 Cook it up with

TARA BANGLA

1:30 Yes No Very Good
2:00 Taka Na Sona
6:30 Aajker Shironam
7:00 Gaan-War
7:30 Dhush Sambad
8:00 Adda Stop
8:30 Tara News
9:30 Tara News
10:00 Fashionay
10:30 News Magazine
11:30 Tara News
12:00 A Low Down Dirty

STAR MOVIES

6:00 A Low Down Dirty

Shame
Feast Of July
Howling VII:
Mystery Woman

11:30 Jaws 3
1:15 The Affair Of The Necklace
3:15 From Hell
5:15 Running Free
7:00 Future Sport
8:35 The Dark Half
10:30 Arlington Road
12:30 Howling VII:
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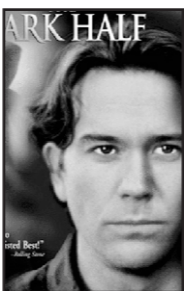
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ZEE CINEMA

7:30 Ganga Sagar (Ashish Kumar, Bela Bose)
10:30 Bhola Bhala (Rajesh Khanna, Rekha)
1:30 Saajan Ki Bahon Mein (Rishi Kapoor, Raveena Tandon, Tabu)
5:30 Albela (Govinda, Aishwarya Rai,

TODAY'S HIGHLIGHTS



STAR MOVIES at 10:30p.m.
Arlington Road. Widowed when his FBI agent wife is killed in an FBI anti-terrorist operation gone wrong, a college professor (Bridges) becomes increasingly obsessed with the culture and sub-society of these dangerous groups. The arrival of new neighbors (Robbins, Cusack), gives him new spirit, as they are gregarious and friendly, with two children (Gamble, Green) that his son (Clark) can be friends with.

STAR MOVIES at 8:35p.m. The Dark Half . When Thad Beaumont was a child, he had an operation to remove a tumour from his brain. during the operation, it was discovered that far from being a tumor, the growth was a twin brother of Thad's that never developed. Years later, Thad is a

PICK OF THE DAY



Daylight

On HBO at 9:30 p.m.

When a bunch of runaway robbers in a getaway car hit the tunnel connecting Manhattan and New Jersey. Trouble strikes when they hit a truck full of explosions. After the impact, the tunnel is left weakened and blocked off by both exits, but leaving some survivors. When Kit Latura was about to drive into the tunnel he

SET MAX

8:30 Super Gaane
9:00 Hotlist
10:30 Kudrat
1:00 Super Gaane
2:30 Milli
5:00 Hotlist
6:30 Chori Mera Kaam
9:00 Boogie Woogie
10:30 Trimuti
1:00 Hotlist

MGM

6:30 Deadly Weapon
9:00 East is East
11:30 Throw Momma From the Train
2:00 Dublin Murders
4:30 Final Approach
7:00 Hannan and Her Sisters
9:30 Zee MGM Rig
11:30 MGM Rig
1:30 Hangfire (Lyle Alzado

STAR PLUS

6:00 Bhabhi
6:30 Star Geetmala
7:30 Dr Morepen Tango - Daily
8:30 Shaka Laka Boom Boom
9:00 Taaza Hits
9:25 Hit Filmein Hit
10:00 Fox Kids
10:10 Hit Filmein Hit
10:30 Meri Saheli

Jackie Shroof)

11:00 Pal Chinn
11:30 Kabhii Sautan Kabhii Saheli
12:00 Shanti (601 - 800)
12:30 Hit Filmein Hit
Sangeet - 20 M
12:55 Taaza Hits
1:00 Kasauti Zindagii Kay
1:30 Kumkum - Pyara Sa Bandhan
2:00 Bhabhi
2:30 Kyunki Saas Bhi Kabhi Bahu Thi
3:00 Shagun (461 - 560)
3:30 Kabhi Aaye Na Judai
4:00 Kahaani Ghar Ghar Kii
4:30 Kaahin Kissi Roz
5:00 Film Topper - 301 Series
5:05 Saans
5:30 Hit Filmein Hit
Sangeet - 20 M
5:55 Taaza Hits
6:00 Hum Saath Aath Hain
6:30 Fox Kids
6:55 Film Topper - 301 Series
7:30 Kumkum - Pyara Sa Bandhan
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8:00 Shaka Laka Boom Boom
8:30 Khichdi
9:00 Kasauti Zindagii Kay
9:30 Kehta Hai Dil

STAR GOLD

7:00 Geet Bahar
7:30 Ayaash
10:55 Kuch Hit Kuch Superhit
11:00 Hit Filmein Hit
Sangeet - 20 M
11:25 Kuch Hit Kuch Superhit
11:30 Raampur Ka Lakshman
2:25 Kuch Hit Kuch Superhit
2:30 Geet Bahar
3:00 Hit Filmein Hit
Sangeet - 20 M
3:25 Kuch Hit Kuch Superhit
3:30 Dacait
6:55 Kuch Hit Kuch Superhit
7:00 Hit Filmein Hit
Sangeet - 20 M
7:25 Kuch Hit Kuch Superhit
7:30 Bade Dilwala
10:55 Kuch Hit Kuch Superhit
11:00 Geet Gata Chal
11:30 Hit Filmein Hit
Sangeet - 20 M
11:55 Kuch Hit Kuch Superhit
12:00 Azaad

NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC

6:30 Built For The Kill
7:30 Croc Chronicles
8:00 Toyota World Of Wildlife S3
8:30 Attack! In Pursuit
9:30 Maneaters
10:30 King Cobra
11:30 Dogs With Jobs
12:00 Earth Pulse
12:30 Top Cat
1:30 Peopleoutther
2:00 Mission Everest
3:00 Young Global Hot Shots
3:30 Dinosaur Dealers The
4:30 Croc Chronicles
5:00 Toyota World Of Wildlife S3
5:30 Africa From The Ground Up
6:00 Return To The Wild
6:30 Dogs With Jobs
7:00 Earth Pulse
7:30 Sea Bears Of The

Diamond Coast

8:00 Nzou The Elephant
8:30 People Out There
9:00 Mission Everest
10:00 Young Global Hot Shots
10:30 Dinner On The Diner
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ESPN

6:00 Football Focus
Football Focus Extra (R)
6:30 Sportscenter Hindi (R)
7:00 Sportscenter Hindi (R)
7:30 School Quiz Show
ESPN School Quiz 2003 (R)
8:00 NBA Anthology
1985 Los Angeles Lakers: Return To Glory (R)
8:30 Asian Bowling Tour
Aviva Asian Bowling Tour
Philippines Semifinals & Finals(R)
11:30 School Quiz Show
ESPN School Quiz 2003 (R)
12:00 Football Focus
Football Focus Extra (R)
12:30 Pakistan Tour Of England Natwest Challenge 2003
Manchester England England Vs Pakistan 1st Odi St Session(S)
Pakistan Tour Of England Natwest Challenge 2003
Manchester England England Vs Pakistan 1st Odi 2nd Session(S)
School Quiz Show
ESPN School Quiz 2003 (T)
6:00 RS Domestic
Cricket Twenty20 Cup Southampton Hampshire
England Hampshire Vs Sussex (T)
8:30 Sportscenter Hindi (L)
9:00 Western Union World Football (R)
9:30 School Quiz Show
ESPN School Quiz 2003 (R)
10:00 Sportscenter Hindi (T)
10:30 UK Domestic

Cricket Twenty20

Cup Worcester
England Worcester-shire Vs
Warwickshire (L)

ZEE TV

2:00 Piya Ka Ghar
2:30 Dollar Bahu
3:00 Astitva... ek prem kahani
3:30 Chausath Panne (Dil Na Jaane Kyon)
4:00 Miit
4:30 Classic Movies
7:30 News
8:00 Sound of Music
8:30 Life In the world
9:00 Bhakti Bhaav
9:30 Yoga for life
9:50 Jagran
10:20 Zee Gym & Eat Healthy
10:50 Yaadein Radio Ceylon Ki
11:00 Cartoon Network On Zee
12:00 Ek Nazar
12:30 Professor Pyarelal
1:00 Gudugudee
1:30 Piya Ka Ghar
2:00 Pyar Zindagi hai Lipstick
3:00 Naram Garam (Amol Palekar Swaroop Sampat)
6:00 Ek Nazar
6:30 Sangini
7:00 Pyar Zindagi hai Chausath Panne (Dil na Jaane Kyon)
7:30 Astitva ... ek Prem Kahani
8:30 Miite
9:00 Kittle Party
9:30 Dollar Bahu
10:00 Piya ka ghar
10:30 Pyar Zindagi Hai
11:00 Chausath Panne
11:30 Astitva . ek Prem Kahani
12:00 Miit Colin Berusen

ADVENTURE ONE

8:30 The Hunt For Amazing Treasures
9:00 Ng Explorer
10:00 The Jason Project
11:00 Explorer's Journal
12:00 Surfer's Journal
12:30 Chasing Time
1:00 Out There
1:30 Real Rescue On The Highseas
2:30 Ng Explorer
3:30 Danger Diaries
4:30 Fantastic Voyage
5:00 Explorer's Journal
6:00 Nick's Quest
6:30 Out There