

News in Briefs

Doctors saved fainted woman

ON the New Year's Day, doctors Dai Jinming and Zhang Zhimin of Nanxiang Hospital saved a young woman while traveling on Metro Line 11. The woman in 20s collapsed on the carriage's floor and her body twitching. Ten seconds later, she stopped twitching and her heart stopped beating. The doctors gave her a cardiac massage and a minute later her pulse returned. Two doctors later escorted her to a hospital in an ambulance. The woman is now out of danger.

Museum work

MAIN structure of the Jiading New Museum at the intersection of Qinghe Road and Bole Road has been completed, and the interior decoration work has just begun. The new museum features its main structure in modern fashion while its outside corridor in retro styles.

Garbage sorting

SORTING rubbish is being promoted in Jiangqiao Town. At a rubbish transit point in Xingfu Village, different bins for different types of garbage have been made available. Six sanitation workers sort the rubbish every day. Some items will be recycled, and others will be sent to the landfills or the refuse incineration plant.

Charitable donation

THE Jiading Economy Association donated 1 million yuan (US\$160,700) to the Shanghai Disabled People's Union Jiading Branch on January 4 to help 50 paralyzed people in Jiading.

Shows make it to national contest

Ran Tao and Qian Tong

Two shows from Jiading District will compete in the 16th National Star Award Competition this year.

On December 25, 2012, the actors and actresses of the story-telling show "Fool Till End" were busy rehearsing at Anting Cultural Activity Center to make a final preparation for the recording of the program on January 5.

The youngest actress in the group is an eight-year-old girl You Qi, who is a grade two student. She rehearsed on Saturday mornings and week day evenings and did her homework afterwards.

"Rehearsing is not that hard, and I

enjoy it very much as my mom always accompanies me," You said. Her mom would sit at the rehearsal and make notes of what her daughter needed to do based on the director's suggestions.

"The director lives in downtown Xuhui District, one actress lives in Jinshan District while You Qi is still at school, so it's really not easy for us to get together for a rehearsal," actor Huang Zhenliang said.

After rehearsal, the director would correct every motion and facial expression of each actor and actress until he is satisfied.

Director Lu Jun said the story-telling

show of "Fool Till End" is an experimental form of telling a story with scenes. It is a 3D literature in Shanghai dialect.

Another show is an original work of music opera "Love and Steamed Buns." It took the team nearly three years to create, promote and enter the final of the contest. It is the first original music opera created by residents in Nanxiang Town. All the actors and actresses are amateurs.

"Most of them come for rehearsal immediately after work or during weekends," organizer Gao Yinhu said, "The 11-member crew is a team and everyone needs to be here for the rehearsals."



Time for some fancy footwork

Students show their skills controlling shuttlecocks with their feet on the playing field at Nanyuan Middle School. Jiading District education commission has initiated the "one hour sports time" campaign at local schools to boost students' health. — Ran Tao

Residents feel the warmth of a caring community

Li Huacheng and Tom Qian

IN the freezing cold of the chilly winter, residents in Jiading are feeling warmth of a caring community.

Zhang Xuecai, 88, received a scarf knitted by young volunteers on December 29.

It was the first time for many of the young volunteers knitting the scarves, so they chose simple patterns. But

Zhang didn't mind and said he was very happy to receive the warm gift.

Lu Fengqin in Xuhang Village of Xuhang Town was happy to learn she was healthy after having a free gynecological exam organized by the local village government.

Lu grew up in Gaoyou City of neighboring Jiangsu Province. Her husband died soon after they married and she was responsible for earning income for

her child and elderly parents.

She said she often felt an ache in her lower abdomen, which caused her a lot of worry. But she never had an exam before because of the cost.

The village authority organized a free check. After a careful check by doctors from the district's Maternal and Child Care Service Center, Lu learned there was nothing wrong.

"Thanks to village authorities, the

health check solved my puzzle and I can have a happy New Year," she said.

When the weather turned colder, Ge Jiamin, who is severely sight impaired, found it inconvenient to go to the hospital every week to get the medicine.

Song Qi, a community volunteer of Meiyuan Neighborhood in Jiading Town volunteered to get the medicine for him. "When I put my hands on Song's shoulders I feel so safe", said Ge.



Marriage all figured out

A young couple show their marriage certificates after registering at the Jiading Civil Affairs Bureau on January 4. Some 353 couples in the district chose to register on that "lucky" day, as the Chinese pronunciation of the date ("1314") sounds like life-long happiness. — Li Huacheng

Mental clinic opens for the youths

Guan Wenfei and Qian Tong

JIADING District is making efforts to improve mental health for the youths as a mental health center for adolescents has opened in Jiading District.

Teams of experts and volunteers will provide consulting services for adolescents in need of psychological guidance.

The center includes a game room and a sand table where children

can play with colorful models. It also has a relaxation room, a cultural corridor and a reading room.

The center will also train volunteers and school managers, and conduct research on the mental health of primary and secondary school students. Residents can call 5991-8000 for consultation or to book an appointment.

For more information visit the center's website at <http://xinling>.