



A group photo from the event

STECI Kuwait Parish bids farewell to two families

St. Thomas Evangelical Church of India, Kuwait parish gave a farewell to Mrs and Mr A. G. Cherian and Mrs and Mr Boney K. Abraham who are leaving Kuwait for good. The two families have been in Kuwait for over 40 and 20 years respectively. Both the families were involved in various activities of the church and were truly a rare asset.

The latter families hail from Pathanamthitta, Kerala. The blessed meeting was held at the NECK Church and Parish Hall and was presided over by Rev. John Mathew (Parish Vicar). Rexy Cherian (Secretary) welcomed the gathering. A memento was presented to both the families for their commendable services ren-

dered to the church.

George Varughese (Vice President), Mrs. Jaimol Roy (Sevini Samajam Secretary), Ebin T. Mathew (Youth Union Secretary), Abraham Mathew (Sunday School Headmaster), Sijumon Abraham (Parish Choir), Reju Daniel John and M. Thomas John gave felicitation

speeches during the meeting.

In their reply speeches, they expressed their heartfelt gratitude for the love, support and prayers offered by the STECI Kuwait Parish members. Biju Samuel (Treasurer) gave the thanking note. The meeting was concluded with the prayer and benediction of Rev. John Mathew.

Members present varying shades of poetry

WFK pays tribute to great Indian leaders

KUWAIT CITY, Oct 21: Friday, Oct 8, was a day when the members of the Writers' Forum Kuwait rejoiced and rejuvenated themselves after prolonged resorting to the virtual platform of Zoom. The members met each other on a hybrid platform where a few of them were present in person while the others attended it virtually.

The meeting was held at the residence of the General Secretary of the Forum Ms. Nazneen Ali. Few vaccinated members gathered at her residence abiding by the strict corona virus safety protocols while the remaining members joined over the virtual platform.

Nazneen Ali welcomed everyone while remembering and paying tribute to The Father of the Nation Mahatma Gandhi and former Prime Minister of India Lal Bahadur Shastri, whose birth anniversary was on Oct 2. She also paid tribute to the legendary Hindi-Urdu writer Munshi Premchand on his death anniversary. The members exchanged good wishes on the festive occasion of Navratri.

The meeting started formally with the key note and announcement of the President of the Forum Mrs. Maimuna Ali Chougale as the President of the evening and veteran Urdu poet Sayeed Nazar Kadpawi as the Chief Guest of the day. Varying shades of poetry in different genre were witnessed through all the renditions each of which was unique in its own way. While Mohan Singh recited a poem composed by Ms. Parminder Kaur, dedicated to Mahatma Gandhi, Ms. Kamla Prakash beautifully wove her words to bring out the true character of Lal Bahadur Shastri. Patriotic feeling among the members was further elevated by a poem by Ameeruddin Ameer. Ms. Nazneen Ali's Urdu Ghazal had multiple messages of passion, politics, peace and power; Umesh Sharma's Ghazal showcased the realities of life. His Ghazal was well comprehended and further complemented by another realistic poem in Hindi by Dr. Radhika Guleri Bhardwaj who was admired for her linguistic capabilities.

Hindi poet Aamir Diwan dominated his niche through his poem that advocated self-reliance and decisiveness.



Writers' Forum Kuwait members

Mrs. Kalpana Shah vocalized feminism coupled with a poem dedicated to the great leaders Gandhi and Shastri. A pinch of political satire was served by Shabih Ahmed through his poem in Urdu and Kavita Sarvesh lightened the atmosphere through her rendition that had a perfect mix of humour and message.

In the end, Chief Guest Sayeed Nazar, paid homage to the late leaders of the Nation reminiscing their unforgettable contribution. He em-

phasized the importance of non-discrimination for the development of the country as well as literature. He also recited Urdu Ghazal that reflected his strong hold on the subject matter whilst displaying his command on the language.

In her concluding comments as the President of the evening, Mrs. Maimuna Chougale appreciated all the members for their continuous commitment towards the Forum and their Patriotism as evident by the celebra-

tions done by the Forum on various National Festivals. She mentioned that the Forum has persistently been encouraging National Unity and Integrity through promotion of various Indian Languages and would continue to do the same in the future as well.

The meeting ended with the members enjoying savory dishes and thanking the host Ali Hussain and Ms. Nazneen Ali for their gracious hospitality.

Women urged to showcase true beauty of Islam

IMA ladies wing concludes 2-week long Seerah campaign

KUWAIT CITY, Oct 21: Indian Muslim Association (IMA) ladies wing had conducted its Seerah campaign program from October 1st to 15th.

The objective of this campaign was to show the relevance of lessons learned from the life of Prophet Muhammad (PBUH).

IMA ladies Wing hosted a series of various activities and competitions during this campaign such as Naat (poetry written in honor of Prophet (PBUH) in praising and glorifying Him), poster making on sayings of Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) as a Protector of Women's rights, Powerpoint presentation on the role of Ummhatul Momineen, Wives of Prophet Mohammad (PBUH) in propagation of Islam and quiz on "Seerah" (biography of Prophet Mohammed (PBUH)).

The competitions were conducted for Indian ladies residing in Kuwait.

The concluding program was held on Friday, Oct 15. The program consisted of a panel discussion held by the members of IMA ladies wing on the topic Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) as the benefactor and the ideal leader for all humanity. The discussion high-



A screen shot from the event

lighted how the Prophet (PBUH) inculcated the teachings of Islam at personal as well as social and state level. "Whether it is a matter of establishing justice, fighting against crime or creating a space where all are treated equally, the Prophet (PBUH) is an example

of a perfectness and ideal role model, in all secular as well as religious affairs," stated by one of the panelists.

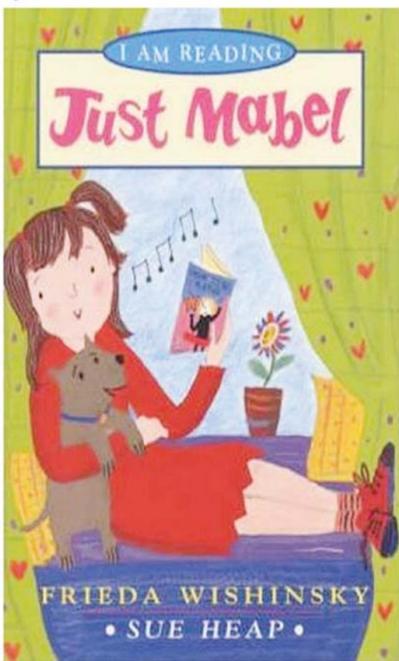
The program shed light on the priorities of Muslim women in a society. The chief guest for the program was Dr Jawed Mukarram, who said that

"Muslim women are capable of making remarkable positive changes in any society. He also threw light on the status of women as well the Arabian society before emergence of Islam. He emphasized how Prophet (PBUH) uplifted an ignored, humiliated and disregarded section into an independent and free section of humanity. He also highlighted how Prophet (PBUH) distorted the weakest section of human beings into powerful women. He stressed on all that Muslim women need to do is work hard towards understanding the teachings of the Prophet (PBUH) and implement it in their lives. Through their work, they can portray how dedicated they are towards Allah (PBUH) and His messenger. Thus, they can showcase the true beauty of Islam to others," stated Dr Jawed Mukarram.

The winners of Seerah campaign were awarded for their outstanding performance. The program was concluded by IMA Ladies Wing coordinator with her vote of thanks to all the participants. She also thanked the members of IMA who participated actively for two weeks to make this campaign, a successful event.

It's Storytime! DAI's Storytime

Saturday, 23 October at 3:30 at the Amricani Cultural Centre.



Have you ever been the different one? Mabel has and she's OK with it.

You can hear her story, *Just Mabel*, when Abuzer Kadu and Nazia Takey share it this Saturday.

Guests will be asked to sit in groups, maintaining appropriate social distancing. Everyone must wear a mask and all individuals 12 and over must be fully vaccinated.

A flyer of the event.

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Dar al-Athar al-Islamiyyah The Islamic Cultural Centre, Kuwait

فعاليات الأسبوع
Weekly Events

أكتوبر 24 - 27
October 24 - 27

الأحد Sunday 24	ورشة Workshop علي البديع علي البديع ورشة فن الخط العربي 3-5PM, Yarmouk Cultural Centre
الاثنين Monday 25	محاضرة Lecture صالح بركة السعيد الرحلة الهلالية 7PM, Yarmouk Cultural Centre
الثلاثاء Tuesday 26	ورشة Workshop علي البديع علي البديع ورشة فن الخط العربي 3-5PM, Yarmouk Cultural Centre
الأربعاء Wednesday 27	موسيقى Music حامد الكوت كسر الحواجز Hamid al-Kout Breaking Barriers 7PM, Yarmouk Cultural Centre

A flyer of the events.

DAI announces weekly events

Dar al-Athar al-Islamiyyah announced its weekly events from Oct 24-27. You need to register first in order to attend and secure a seat for our event.

Below link for your reference:
Lecture: "الرحلة الهلالية" يقدمها د. صالح بركة السعيد.
Link: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/194953419927>
Music: "Breaking Barriers" by Dr Hamid al-Koot.

Link: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/194950200297>
Terms and conditions:
All visitors must be fully vaccinated and will be required to show proof of vaccination.
All visitors must wear masks upon entry.
All booked visitors must arrive at least 30 minutes before the event.
Seating will be based on the time of arrival.