



A group photo from the event.

Event highlights cultural enrichment and empowerment

International Women’s Group celebrates IWG Member’s Day

KUWAIT CITY, May 13: The International Women’s Group Kuwait (IWG) held a mesmerizing event celebrating “IWG Member’s Day” on Sunday, May 7 at the Crowne Plaza Hotel, Farwaniya.

In her opening speech, Mrs. Ghada Shawky, President of the IWG and wife of the ambassador of the Arab Republic of Egypt, thanked H.E. Sheikh Hanouf Bader Al Muhammad Al Sabah, Honorary President of the group, for her support and guidance throughout the year. She praised, as well, the outstanding teamwork of the IWG Executive Board. In her remarks honoring Member’s Day, Mrs. Shawky stressed the group’s core values of camaraderie, cultural enrichment and

empowerment through understanding. Saying that everyone is unique and special in their own way and that the beauty of the IWG is in its diversity, emphasizing the importance of always trying to learn from each other and connect to one another. In closing, Mrs. Shawky acknowledged and thanked all who had supported the group during her presidency.

On behalf of the Executive Board, Vice President and wife of the ambassador of the state of Palestine, Mrs. Rima Khalidi, delivered a speech in recognition of the distinguished achievements of Mrs. Shawky during the period of her presidency, stressing that she is a great example of a successful Arab woman and an excellent representative of her country, Egypt.

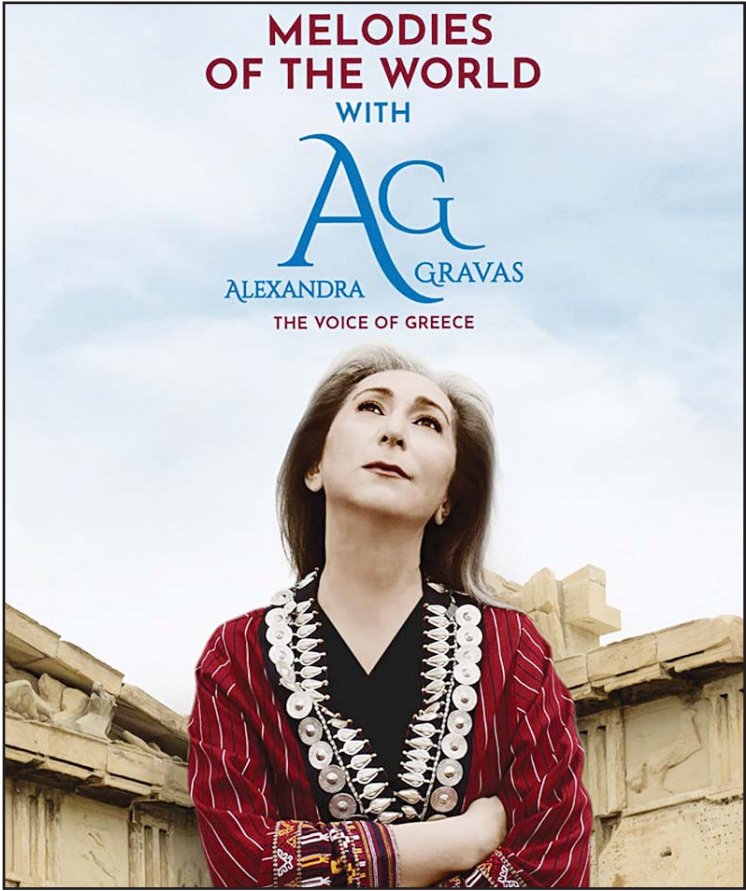
The event then continued with a video display of images from all the many events organized in the year 2022 - 2023.

Fascinated by the different cultures of the people of the world, and starting a special hobby since childhood, Mrs. Sanaa Kamelia Al Mutawa, Executive Board member of IWG, displayed a huge collection of dolls from around the world with their traditional dresses.

Members admired the dolls and were happy to participate in a quiz, where they had to identify the represented country of each doll. In honor of their diverse cultures, members were dressed in their traditional attires, and were proud to show their beautiful dresses and give a short explanation about their special culture.

The IWG celebration also included a brilliant musical performance on the Qanun instrument played by Mrs. Nourhan Al Fiky. At the end of the program, Mrs. Ghada Shawky honored a number of journalists and presented them with certificates of appreciation and symbolic gifts as an expression of the International Women’s Group’s appreciation for their support.

The event was followed by a raffle kindly offered by Beverly Hills Optics, La Reve, and ACE. Members then enjoyed a delicious International buffet prepared by the chefs of the Crowne Plaza Hotel.



A flyer of the event.

‘Melodies of the World’ concert

The Contemporary Art Platform is pleased to announce the performance of Greek opera singer, Alexandra Gravas at Sheikh Jaber Cultural Centre (JACC).

For the first time in Kuwait and the Arab world, internationally renowned Greek singer Alexandra Gravas will

perform her acclaimed concert ‘Melodies of the World’ at Sheikh Jaber Cultural Centre on May 24th.

Date: May 24, 2023; Location: Drama Theatre, JACC; Running Time: 140 minutes including intermission; Intermission: 20 minutes; Age limit: 10 years and above.

Papers explore various facets of digitalization
AUK presents research papers in SIMDTE 2023

KUWAIT CITY, May 13: The American University of Kuwait (AUK) faculty and students from the College of Business and Economics (CBE) presented their research papers in the Conference of Sustainable Innovations in Management in the Digital Transformation Era (SIMDTE 2023). It was organized by the College of Administrative and Financial Sciences at the University of Technology in Bahrain.

The conference brought together global professionals, academics, and experts to discuss the challenges and opportunities that digital transformation presents in the context of sustainable management.

Presenting at the conference was AUK assistant professor of management, Dr. Ahmad Al-Saber, who discussed his research on Kuwait’s banking sector and the recruitment of Kuwaiti nationals in small and medium private enterprises in Kuwait.

Dr. Al Saber also assisted and supervised the research papers of four AUK students: Yousef Al-Khashem, Ali Al-Mass, Maen Al-Mutairi, and Fatma Al-Khoder. Their papers explored various facets of digitalization, cybersecurity, entrepreneurship, and innovation.

The students showcased their proficiency in statistical analysis, and their work exhibited a strong



AUK students and Dr. Ahmad Al-Saber at the conference.

grasp of various statistical techniques. They demonstrated the ability to apply these techniques to real-world datasets, transforming

raw data into actionable insights.

AUK’s support of its faculty and students reflects its commitment to fostering the next generation of

innovators and change-makers in digitalization and innovation, providing a stepping stone for their future career prospects.



Photos from the event.



336 students participate

ICSK Senior hosts 25th CBSE Kuwait cluster chess tournament

KUWAIT CITY, May 13: The Indian Community School, Senior hosted the 25th CBSE Kuwait Cluster Chess Tournament, Mixed and Girls category from May 2-6 with 336 participants from 20 different CBSE schools in Kuwait. The 4-day chess tournament commenced with the inaugural ceremony scheduled on Tuesday, May 2. The occasion was graced by Ravi Ayanoli, Principal FAIPS and Convenor, Kuwait Chapter, Gulf Sahodaya, the esteemed Chief Guest and Rajesh Nair, Principal Amman and Sports Coordinator, ICSK.

The programme began with the invocation of the Islamic prayer followed by a melodious prayer song by the school choir, Swaranjali. The gathering paid tribute to the nation by honoring the National Anthem of Kuwait.

A cordial welcome to the gathering was extended Dr V. Binumon. In his address, he stressed on the importance of chess to improve the logical thinking, analytical reasoning and problem-solving ability of an individual. He congratulated the participants for seizing the opportunity to represent their respective schools and appreciated the mentors and

coaches for training the students in the game of masterminds.

Addressing the gathering, Rajesh Nairs spoke about the importance of success and failures in moulding the life of a person. He quoted the words of Winston Churchill ‘Success is the ability to go from failure to failure without losing your enthusiasm.’

In his address, the Chief Guest by Ravi Ayanoli guided the participants for the competition and stressed on the importance of fair play and confidence. He conveyed his blessings for the game and declared the tournament open. It was followed by the auspicious light of the ceremonial lamp by the dignitaries.

The performance that captivated the

audience was the energetic song presented by Ruth Ann Toby.

Dr. V. Binumon accompanied by Rajesh Nair felicitated the Chief Guest, Ravi Ayanoli with a memento. Mrs. Susan Rajesh, Vice Principal of ICSK, Senior proposed the vote of thanks, which drew curtain to the formal stage programme and commencement of the

competition. The gathering rose to honour the Indian National Anthem.

With the opening of the tournament, 336 highly enthusiastic participants were all geared up to beat their opponents in nail-biting matches. Live results were shared through YouTube. The audience witnessed the young budding masterminds playing their moves with

rapt concentration and confidence. The various twists and turns during the game had the audience on the edge of their seats and the opponents proved their mettle by overcoming the obstacles with wit and tenacity.

In Under 11 Girls category, FAIPS - DPS emerged as winners and Under 11 Mixed category the winners’ position was bagged by Smart Indian School. Gulf Indian School emerged as winners Under 14 Girls and Under 14 Mixed category. The Indian Community School, Senior bagged the winners’ position in Under 17 Girls category and Caramel School, Kuwait were the winners for Under 17 Mixed category. FAIPS – DPS stood as winners in the Under 19 Girls category and Gulf Indian School emerged as winners in Under 19 Mixed category.

The tournament concluded with the Prize Distribution Ceremony on Saturday, May 6. Dr. V. Binumon honoured the winners with medals and congratulated them for their successful win. The tournament was a grand success and was appreciated by the participants and the audience.



Some of the schools at the tournament.

