

Gazette

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From the President's Desk

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My dear brothers & sisters,
Greetings and warm welcome to our first issue of AMUOBA-Kuwait Gazette.

Like alumni, alma mater is also a Latin phrase which means nourishing mother. So, AMU is our mother and we the alumni are her children, - part of a vast and wonderful family. We all, alumni and friends of AMU can be proud of our heritage of educating men and women from all backgrounds and launching them into lives of professional accomplishment and country services. As alumni we are a part of a great and worthy mission that reaches back more than a century and forward indefinitely.

As said, no technology can beat face time for creating relationships and experts agree that the best way to start building a team is by bringing members / leaders together to meet in person. But unfortunately, we are passing through one of the most agonizing dilemma of our lives. The COVID19, is holding the world to ransom. All that is needed is that we - Stay at Home, Socially Distance till the black clouds pass.

Our initial plan of launching this, "Gazette", with gaiety and much fanfare could not be materialized because of the state of complete lockdown that we are in. Nevertheless, the efforts of Asim Kidwai and AMUOBA ideation team members did not let the opportunity slip. Identifying the lowest common denominator, they have been able to cultivate this work piece of, "Newsletter"

It is a great pleasure for me that I write this lead off for the first time, - for the first ever, 'Gazette', being released by Aligarh Muslim University Alumni Association - Kuwait Chapter.

The members of AMUOBA Executive Council, have given their best by volunteering for - all that the Association has done until now and stand, committed - shoulder to shoulder to respond, when the duty - Shall Call.

Hope we will continue to work inform, engage and inspire alumni to stay connected to their alma mater, support its vision and contribute to its success and above all be an ambassador of the Great - Aligarh Muslim University.

Ideation Team



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Helping the needy

Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) said,

“You gain no victory or livelihood except through the blessings and invocations of the poor amongst you.”

AMUOBA feels pleased and thanks Allah SWT for enabling its members and their kin to rise to the occasion and extend their support in this noble cause. AMUOBA has volunteered a sum of KD 2,372 in a relatively short span of time. Through, our generated sources, we have taken care of those who were deprived of their belongings in East Delhi violence. Thereafter, we have extended support to those facing hardships in wake of country's lockdown. We have been able to reach such distressed people in Aligarh, Delhi, Lucknow and Barabanki.

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“When you give someone charity, be thankful to them as you may be fixing their dunya, but they are fixing your aakhirah

ISLAMIC QUIZ RESULTS

The AMUOBA initiative, of conducting online Islamic Quiz has been a success by the grace of Allah. MashaAllah, In all there were 17 participants.

Sr. #	Name	Score	Rank
1	Mohammad Firoz Anwer	49	First
2	Mohammad Ainul Haque	49	First
3	Sadia Sumbul Ms.	48	Second
4	Nauroz Ahmad	47	Third
5	Zahiruddin Qudsi	46	Consolation
6	Adil Sareer	46	Consolation



The other participants were: Nubla Khalid Ms., Syed Amaan Shahab, Afroz Saddam, Mohammad Zahid Anwar, Sheeba Choudhry Ms., Saima Rafat Ms., Mohammad Masehuddin, Chanda Rahman Ms., Abdul Sattar, Siraj Ahmad Khan and Mohammad Asif.

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Ramadan Kareem

مَرْحَبًا رَمَضَانَ خوش آمدید رمضان

رَمَضَانَ	رَمَضَانَ	رَمَضَانَ
شَهْرُ السُّحُورِ وَالْإِفْطَارِ	شَهْرُ الصَّيَامِ	شَهْرُ الرَّحْمَةِ وَالْبِرَّةِ
سحری اور افطاری کا مہینہ	روزوں کا مہینہ	رحمت و برکت کا مہینہ
رَمَضَانَ	رَمَضَانَ	رَمَضَانَ
شَهْرُ التَّقْوَى	شَهْرُ الْغُفْرَانِ	شَهْرُ الصَّبْرِ
تقویٰ کا مہینہ	بخشش کا مہینہ	صبر کا مہینہ
رَمَضَانَ	رَمَضَانَ	رَمَضَانَ
شَهْرُ الْقُرْآنِ	شَهْرُ الْقُرْآنِ	شَهْرُ الذِّكْرِ
قرآن کا مہینہ	قرآن کا مہینہ	ذکر کا مہینہ
رَمَضَانَ	رَمَضَانَ	رَمَضَانَ
شَهْرُ الصَّدَقَةِ	شَهْرُ الْمَوْاسَاةِ	شَهْرُ الْقِيَامِ
صدقہ و خیرات کا مہینہ	باہمی ہمدردی کا مہینہ	قیام کا مہینہ
رَمَضَانَ	رَمَضَانَ	رَمَضَانَ
وَسُنَّةُ الْإِعْتِكَافِ	وَالْعَشْرُ الْآخِرُ	وَلَيْلَةُ الْقَدْرِ
رمضان اور اعتکاف کی سنت	رمضان اور آخری عشرہ	رمضان اور شب قدر

رَمَضَانَ وَالْعُمْرَةَ الوداع رمضان رمضان اور عمرہ

یا رب! ہمیں آئندہ تمام زندگی کے لیے صراطِ مستقیم پر جمائے رکھنا اور

شَهْرُ رَمَضَانَ رحمت کے دروازے کھلتے ہیں!

- رمضان سال کے تمام مہینوں میں سب سے زیادہ افضل مہینہ ہے۔
- جس میں قرآن مجید محمد رسول اللہ ﷺ پر نازل ہوا۔
- اسی مہینے میں قرآن مجید لوح محفوظ سے بیت العزت میں اتارا گیا۔
- اسی مقدس ماہ میں صحفِ ابراہیم اور تمام کتب سماویہ تورات، زبور اور انجیل نازل ہوئیں۔
- رمضان کے دنوں میں روزہ رکھنا اور راتوں کا قیام بخشش کا باعث ہے۔
- اسی ماہ میں وہ مبارک رات لیلتہ القدر ہے جو ہزار مہینوں سے بہتر ہے۔
- اس ماہ کی ہر رات میں اللہ تعالیٰ لوگوں کو جہنم سے آزاد فرماتا ہے۔
- رمضان کے شروع ہوتے ہی جنت کے دروازے کھول دیے جاتے ہیں۔
- جہنم کے دروازے بند کر دیے جاتے ہیں۔
- شیاطین قید کر دیے جاتے ہیں۔
- اس ماہ میں تقویٰ، اخلاص، ہدایت، صبر، انسانی ہمدردی اور تزکیہ نفس جیسی اعلیٰ اقدار حاصل ہوتی ہیں۔
- رمضان تقرب الی اللہ کے حصول کا مہینہ ہے۔
- رمضان اپنے اندر مثبت تبدیلی لانے اور بُری عادات کو اچھی عادات سے بدلنے کا مہینہ ہے۔
- رمضان روحانی، جسمانی، ذہنی اور قلبی صحت حاصل کرنے کا مہینہ ہے۔ لہذا
- رمضان کی آمد پر خوش ہو جائیں، اللہ کا شکر ادا کریں اور اس کی ہر گھڑی کو قیمت جانیں۔۔۔

رسول اللہ ﷺ نے فرمایا

إِذَا كَانَ رَمَضَانَ فَتُحْتَفَلُ أَبْوَابُ الرَّحْمَةِ (صحیح مسلم: 2496)

”جب رمضان کا مہینہ آتا ہے تو رحمت کے دروازے کھول دیے جاتے ہیں۔“

اللہ تعالیٰ نے اپنی رحمت کے دروازے کھول دیے ہیں اب ہے کوئی جوان میں داخل ہوا!

AMUOBA 2020-21 Progress so far

As we were celebrating and rejoicing in January 2020 with a well-planned list of activities for the full year. We discussed in GBM, our yearly calendar - full of activities but little did we know that a shock was awaiting us in the coming days and weeks - the arrival of COVID19.

Nonetheless, with available time at hand, AMUOBA has been regularly keeping in touch with its members through its programmes of:

1. Blood Donation
2. Islamic Quiz
3. Story Writing for children
4. Drawing Competition for children

Not deterred by having lost bookings at Boulevard, Salmiya for Football and Cricket games for members during Hala Holidays, due to the first MOI advisory to avoid gatherings at public places due to COVID19, AMUOBA launched itself towards helping the needy and victims of Delhi massacre and hapless destitute brothers back home due to sudden India lockdown. We thank you all and are grateful for your heartfelt giving of yourselves in the service of others. Thank you so much.

“Appeal COVID19” - we made a general public appeal to all Aligis and other citizens in general to stay at home and carefully comply with the lockdown procedures of the Government of Kuwait.

Last but not the least, on behalf of AMUOBA - we welcome you all to the blessed month of Ramadhan.

We pray to Allah swt to help, protect and guide us all and save the planet from the ongoing pandemic - Coronavirus.

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A Plea- #Stay Home

Dear Friends,

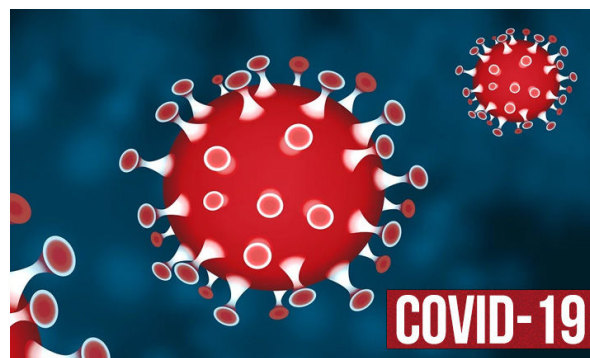
We are in a state of war against an unseen enemy, and therefore AMUOBA has made an appeal to its alumni

In solidarity and gratitude for all the men and women risking their lives in the front line of the coronavirus crisis - to keep all of us safe in Kuwait. For those who have been risking their lives doing the early morning work to fortify their interior empires of Mind – Heart - Health and Soul

This period of deep volatility & turbulence will present opportunities to: Grow, Strengthen and.....
SERVE!

Difficult times like these are when leaders of the country shine and Heroes rise everyday... My family and my office, my neighbour and his family are staying at home. Please do your very best and stay at home.

~socially distance~ ~self-isolate~



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STORY WRITING & DRAWING COMPETITION

Congratulations to Nadia, Amaan and Danah for winning first prize in their group of Story Writing Competition. There were total of ten wonderful stories received for the competition.

Danah's story, Julies Documentary in the senior group of Grade 10–12 was quite a gripping story with a tragic end.

Amaan in the Grade 7–9 had the originality in his story. It is about when he was flying to his home country. His story was based on his own experience. It is quite a spellbinding when the flight in which he was travelling started rumbling at the height of cruise altitude. The description of panic amongst passengers and the deftness of the crew and pilot with which they handled the passengers was commendable.

Nadia in the Grade 3-6, kindles a hope leading to trust and cooperation. A confirmed traveller of COVID19 to Kuwait was discharged from the hospital after recovery. The imagination of this small girl relating to the current times is praiseworthy.



Activities and Coverage

Blood donation drive

Prior to the lockdown AMUOBA organized a blood donation camp that saw many Aliqs coming forward and helping.



Republic Day

AMUOBA attended the Republic day function at the Embassy



Credits

Design execution & compilation



Asim Kidwai