

In Brief

PAAET HONORS SHEIKH NASSER

**KUWAIT:** A delegation from the Public Authority for Applied Education and Training (PAAET) led by General Director Dr Ahmad Al-Athari visited His Highness Sheikh Nasser Al-Mohammad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah at his residence in Shuwaikh yesterday. The team offered Sheikh Nasser a memento in appreciation for his continued support to PAAET activities. The delegation also comprised Dean of Students Affairs Dr Hussein Al-Mekaimi, Assistant Dean of Students Affairs Adel Al-Buraiki, Public Relations and Media Director Fatima Al-Azmi and Mohammad Al-Othman from the General Director's office.



1,500 SUFFER FROM PARKINSON'S IN KUWAIT

**KUWAIT:** Some 1,500 people suffer from Parkinson's disease in Kuwait, says Dr Jassem Al-Hashel, neurologist at Ibn Sina Hospital. In a statement on the occasion of the World Parkinson's Disease Day, Dr Hashel indicated that his department has contributed to cutting number of patients who seek treatment abroad. The department staff have succeeded in programming and changing many simulation batteries for patients, without any foreign aid, he said. — KUNA



US DOLLAR EXCHANGE RATE STABLE AGAINST KUWAITI DINAR

**KUWAIT:** The US Dollar's exchange rate was stable against KD 0.304, but it went down against the Euro to reach 0.323, when compared to prices of last Thursday, the Central Bank of Kuwait (CBK) said yesterday. The CBK noted that the Sterling Pound was down to KD 0.381, the same case with the Swiss Franc, which went up to KD 0.303. The Japanese Yen stood firm at KD 0.002, CBK bulletin added. In the US, the Dollar went up against all major currencies in last Friday's trading. — KUNA



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of the day



KUWAIT: Volunteers repair a traditional Kuwaiti pearl diving boat before it sets sail as part of a heritage-themed activity. — KUNA photo

KUWAIT'S PARTICIPATION IN IRBIL INT'L BOOK FAIR 'A GREAT SUCCESS'

**IRBIL:** Kuwait's partake in Irbil's 12th international book fair was a great success, a National Council for Culture Arts and Letters (NCCAL) senior official said yesterday. The Kuwaiti pavilion at the book fair, which lasted for ten days at Iraq's Kurdistan Region, witnessed a large turnout by visitors of all ages. In a statement, head of book fairs' department at the National Council for Culture Arts and Letters (NCCAL) Saad Al-Enezi stressed importance on

the success of Kuwait's participation in this exhibition at all levels. There are efforts to coordinate with Kuwait's Consul General in Irbil for a wider Kuwaiti participation in future exhibitions including different cultural and art activities, he said.

In a similar statement, Chairman of Al-Mada Group and the exhibition organizing committee Ghada Alamily praised the Kuwaiti participation, which considered the second at this

exhibition. Beside the distinctive participation of NCCAL, there was a remarkable presence for the Kuwaiti writers Saud Al-Sanousi and Bothayna Al-Essa who have a large audience at the book fair, she said. The book fair activities kicked off on April 5 with a participation from 310 publishing house from 18 different countries around the world, where Kuwait's first participation was in the exhibition eighth season in 2013. — KUNA



IRBIL: The National Council for Culture Arts and Letters' booth at Irbil's 12th international book fair. — KUNA photos



KRCS DISTRIBUTES MORE THAN 3,500 FOOD PARCELS IN MOSUL

**IRBIL:** Kuwait Red Crescent Society (KRCS) distributed yesterday 3,500 food parcels in several liberated parts of Iraq's Mosul as part of 'Kuwait is by Your Side' campaign and was carried out in coordination with Al-Barzani Charity. Mohammad Bahaa-Eddine, who is in charge of supply distribution at the Kurdish charitable association, said that they have delivered over

3,500 food parcels in Mosul city, pointing out that most residents have just returned from refugees camps and they are in dire need of relief aid. KRCS had recently distributed more than 1,500 food parcels in Mosul. Moreover, KRCS has launched its humanitarian campaign 'Kuwait is by Your Side' in the Iraqi city of Mosul since the beginning of this year. — KUNA