

KUWAIT

Heritage



The Sheikh Mubarak Kiosk, one of the most important historical places in Kuwait. Founded in 1897 Kuwait's seventh ruler Sheikh Mubarak Al-Sabah(1840 -1915), it was regarded as the seat of government, where Sheikh Mubarak used to sit in the morning and monitor the affairs of government. The kiosk was surrounded by a variety of markets such as the vegetable, dates and water markets. The state renovated and officially reopened the kiosk as a tourist attraction in 2011. (Source: Sons of Sindbad, the Photographs, by Yacoub Hijji and Grace Pundyk, London, 2006. Prepared by Mahmoud Zakaria Abu Alella, heritage researcher in the Ministry of Information)



Ahmad Al-Qattan

A MUCH SAFER FUTURE

By Athoob Al-Shuaibi

Each of us can contribute to making Kuwait a better place for all of us to live. In our daily deeds and actions, we can find - if we choose to look - opportunities for improving Kuwait's environment. From not littering on the streets, to choosing to be kind and helpful to others, each individual here can have a positive impact on the society as a whole. Kuwait Times wants to know what can you do?

The doubt about the actions that will make Kuwait a better place evokes a deep reflection of contemporary reality, its negative and positive aspects. Everyone who answered this question agrees that change starts from us. But some, like pilot Ahmad Al-Qattan, believe that the solution is to deal with the roots and not just improve what's on the surface.

"Personally I think it all starts with a person's upbringing and how he/she was raised, to instill a certain mentality into the future generation such as respect and integrity," he said. "That unity and helping each other will help us grow and make us stronger with years to come."

"People worry too much about where we come from or what religion a person believes in, which causes hatred and greed," he added. "I think people should be more open to other cultures and ways of thinking and understand that we are all different in many ways, but even if we disagree on many things, we will help each other to make the future for our children a much safer and better place."



KUWAIT: Worshippers flocked to the Grand Mosque and other mosques around Kuwait Saturday night to perform the Qiyam Prayer; a ritual performed during the last ten nights of the Holy Month of Ramadan.— Photos by Yasser Al-Zayyat



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