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KUWAIT: A lady with traditional clothes walks next to a government building near the coast of Kuwait in the 1960s. (Source: The KOC archive. Researched by Mahmoud Zakaria, Researcher in Heritage, the Ministry of Information)

Marina hotel celebrated spirit of Ramadan with local media



I like Ramadan's night atmosphere

By Ben Garcia

Ramadan is a joyful time of year in the Muslim world as fasters gather at sundown to break their fast with family and friends. In Kuwait, there are many traditions and activities that take place every year. To commemorate Ramadan and the experiences of our readers, this year the Kuwait Times is asking readers what they love about Ramadan. What is your favorite food, activity, memory, event, or thing that you absolutely adore and look forward to each year? We want to know. Email local@kuwaittimes.com with your answer and it might end up in the newspaper.

"I am happy every Ramadan because I can earn extra money that I need," says Mina. "There are many extra jobs available for me, like in the catering business. They contact me to work for them in exchange of money. I also do extra jobs at hairstyling and beauty salons. The extra money I get is what I came for, so I am really working hard for my family. These are the most unforgettable moments during Ramadan, but there are more, like the night atmosphere - imagine, Souq Salmiya and many other malls



are open till 2 am. There are some things that you really treasure during Ramadan that are unique to Muslim countries. During Eid, people are also very generous, and give out money easily. They are very polite and kind people. There is no Ramadan that passed without hadiya from my boss, mostly in the form of money."

KUWAIT: On the occasion of the holy month of Ramadan, Marina Hotel hosted a special media ghabqa to thank them for the ongoing support throughout the year. The ghabqa took place in Kamar Al-Marina tent in Six Palms. Nabil Hammoud, General Manager of the hotel and the entire management team welcomed guests upon arrival and invited them to enjoy the distinctive hospitality of the unique event. The evening revived the traditions of this occasion by offering a range of sumptuous buffet tables filled with delicious Arabic dishes and other cuisines from the live cooking stations.

The special ghabqa buffet included a large array of food, drinks, and desserts to be the perfect place for such a meaningful night during this holy month. The evening was enhanced by the sounds of soft oriental music as well as many activities and competitions to engage all attendees.

The highlight of the evening was an exciting Raffle Draw held on the entrance tickets, which granted a range of fabulous prizes adding more joy to the evening. The ghabqa lasted till after midnight and Marina Hotel ensured that each guest had a truly memorable evening filled with fun and exceptional delight.

Nabil Hammoud thanked the media for their efforts and for taking part in the hotel's success. He also extended his gratitude to Kamar Al-Marina tent sponsors which included KLM airlines for the entire period of Ramadan.

Kamar Al-Marina tent is specially prepared every Ramadan with new selective decorations, and Oriental music to reflect the traditional feel of the Holy month. With a capacity to accommodate up to 200 guests, Kamar Al-Marina tent has proven to be the favorite venue for companies and individuals to host their own private ghabqas during the whole month of Ramadan.

