



American Independence Day was celebrated by the US Navy base in Bahrain at the Main Street Park. The event, organised by the Naval Support Activity (NSA) and Morale, welfare and recreation (MWR), had many interesting activities like carnival rides, pool activities, sports activities, contests, games and live performance by the band7 senses.

# Developing youth skills

The Al Mabarrah Al Khalifia Foundation (MKF) sponsored its first all- inclusive summer youth camp. A group of 40 Bahraini boys and girls, aged 14 to 18, participated in the camp that ran on Saturdays and Wednesdays from June 30 to July 18.

The MKF summer camp was designed to be fun and enriching by exposing the youth to a variety of developmental courses, sports skills and activities. The workshop was conducted by Neovartis where participants learned through challenging activities and discussions.

The aim was to focus on gaining self-esteem, learning to work as part of a team, and developing critical life skills such as ethics and tolerance.

The MKF Summer camp's sports activities were run by LIFE-FIT and was designed to introduce participants to a sampling of popular mainstream sports, where the focus was on developing sport skills as well as appreciating the values of true sportsmanship.

The camp introduced the participants to motivational speakers from the business, sports, and philanthropic fields.



Participants at the camp.



ICAB Toastmasters club recently installed new club officers for the 2012-13 term in a ceremony conducted by Area 76 Governor, Jaishankar. From left, Vice President (VP) Education Karthik Gangaprakash, former President Sanjay Gupta, President BVS Prathan, Area Governor Jaishankar, and VP Membership Uday Shanbhag. Back row, from left, Treasurer Bathini Venkateswarlu, Sergeant-at-Arms Vijay Bhaskar, Secretary Jagannadha Naidu and VP public relations Anil Bhatta.

# Charity sales held

A charity sale was held yesterday at the Charity Centre at St. Christopher's Cathedral in Manama from 9am to 4pm.

A variety of books at throwaway prices, used and unused shoes, clothes, toys, accessories and household items were there for the sale.

Any new donations of items in good condition can be dropped off to the cathedral. The centre is in a need of carry bags and will accept donations of bags in any shape, size and material. All proceeds will go to charity.

# BKS children club induction today

The induction of children's club for the year 2012-2013 at Bahrain Keraleeya Samajam will be held today at 8 pm.

The Chief Guest of the event will be Dr. Babu Ramachandran. The 'pooja' of the Malayalam Drama 'Bommanahalliye

Kinnerayogi' written by director Prof. Chandradasan will also be held on the occasion.

Almost 50 members of the Children Club will be participating in this children's drama, which will be directed by the Children's club Convener Jikku Chacko.



Lucky soccer fan, 15-year-old Salem Hassan won an exclusive Manchester United jersey autographed by this season's legendary football club team members in a draw conducted as part of the VIVA Manchester United Soccer School 2012 programme. He had automatically entered the draw as part of his registration in the VIVA Manchester United Soccer School 2012 programme launched in May followed by his attendance at football try-outs in June 2012. Salem Hassan was ecstatic to hear the news of his win and said, "Even though I didn't win a chance to go to Manchester as part of the final 18 players, I'm really happy to have won the Manchester United Jersey."