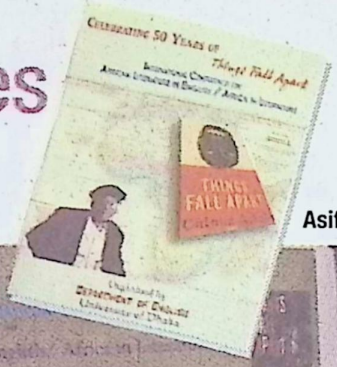
Dept. of English, DU, organizes International Conference



Asif Iqbal



THE Department of English, University of Dhaka, organized an international conference on 'African Literature in English/ Africa in Literature' on October 30, 2008 at the R.C. Majumdar Auditorium. The event was part of the department's ongoing celebration of Chinua Achebe's *Things Fall Apart*. Professor Dr. S. M. A. Faiz, Vice Chancellor, University of Dhaka, was the Chief Guest on the occasion, while Professor Kabir Chowdhury, National Professor, University of Dhaka attended the event as the Special Guest. Dr. Khondokar Ashraf Hossain, Convener and Chairman, Department of English, gave the welcome address. Dr. Khaliquzzaman Elias, Chair, Department of General & Continuing Education, delivered the keynote paper on 'Legacies of Prospero Among People of African Origin.'

CUDS Celebrates 12th Anniversary

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CHITTAGONG University Debating Society (CUDS) celebrated its 12th founding anniversary on 11 November. To commemorate the day, a roundtable on "Debate and Debate Movement" was organized at the auditorium of Chittagong Lion's Foundation (CLF), Chittagong. Dhaka University Debating Society (DUDS) President Mofazzal Hossain Shumon moderated the program. Md. Mozammel Ali Chowdhury Jamshed, Acting General Secretary of CUDS made the welcome address while Rowshan Fatema, President of CUDS, presented the Concept Paper of the roundtable. The roundtable was attended by Md. Tayub Chowdhury, Treasurer of Chittagong University Teachers' Association (CUTA) and Associate Professor of the Department of Marketing, University of Chittagong (CU); Md. Nasirul Huq, a renowned journalist of Chittagong; Md. Shahidul Haque, Assistant Professor, Department of Communication and Journalism, CU; Dr. Md. Atiar Rahman, Lecturer, Department of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, CU; Shahabuddin Neepu, Lecturer, Department of Communication and Journalism, CU; Golam Mowla, Teacher, International Islamic University Chittagong (IIUC); Masud Bakul, President, Drishti Chittagong, many other distinguished teachers, students from CU, members of various debate clubs and the past and present members of CUDS.

CUDS, one of the leading debating organizations of the country, are slated as one of the forerunners in the debate movement of Bangladesh. Starting on 11th November 1996, this Society has come a long way organizing various forms of debates, promotional debate programs, debate assistance programs, awareness building debates, debate workshops, festivals etc.

The program came to an end with celebrating the day by cutting CUDS's birthday cake. Chittagong University Journalists Association was the media partner of the event.

DIU excels in ACM-ICPC Regional Dhaka Site

Anish Rahman

THE world's most prestigious contest for programmers 'ACM Collegiate Programming Contest (ICPC)' was held during 7 to 8 November, 2008. Two teams of the Daffodil International University (DIU) participated in the Dhaka Regional Site of ACM-ICPC and secured the ninth position among the top 10 Institutions. Khondoker Md. Jarip, Tariqul Islam Sarker and Tania Sultana of DIU FATAH team solved two problems and ranked 16. And the team DIU-A including Mohammad Hasibul Haque, Md. Samsul Islam Hiron and Mahfuzur Rahman solved one problem and ranked 45.

Mr. Ahmed Samsul Arefin, Senior Lecturer of CES & CIS Department, Daffodil International University coaches both the teama. Total eighty teams participated in the contest.