Workshop on Film, Appreciation and Criticism

INTERNATIONAL film critic Barbara Lorey de Lacharrière conducted a 3-day workshop on "Film, Appreciation, and Criticism" from 22-24 December 2008 at ULAB's Media Studies and Journalism Department.

Participants included students and faculties from across ULAB departments, local film students and film journalists. The workshop was based on an active-learning model, where the participants were asked to work through specific issues regarding film in small groups along with Ms. Lorey's guidance. Many international films were screened during the workshop, especially high-quality independent films from Turkey, Germany, and UK.

Barbara Lorey de Lacharrière is a Paris-based freelance journalist and film-critic for leading German and Swiss newspapers and periodicals, specializing in cultural reporting and film criticism. She is also the head of Alizarine Productions, which produces photo exhibitions and documentaries.



The 29th AGM of BACE

THE 29th Annual General Meeting (AGM) of BACE (Bangladesh Association for Community Education) the well-known Non-Government voluntary Organization was held recently at the Reporter's Unity Auditorium in Topkhana, Shegunbagicha.

Jalal Uddin Ahmed, Chairman of BACE National Committee and the President, Board of Directors East West University, presided over the meeting.

The co-chairman of the meeting was Professor Fazlul Karim Patwari.

Among others who spoke on the occasion were former Secretary and ex PSC Chairman Al Hussaini, founder of the Gono Shasthya Kendra, Zafrullah Chowdhury, the acting director of the Campaign for Mass Literacy, Md Azizul Haque and director of BACE Md Badrul Islam.

Vice Chairman of BACE Board of Directors M A Khair was the co-ordinator of the program.

Radiant Int. School Participates in Diabetes Awareness Program

ON November 18, 2008 a group of doctors from BIRDEM visited Radiant Int. school to conduct a diabetes awareness programme and a screening test for children of 10 years and above. This was to commemorate the World Diabetes Day, which was on November 14.

Prof. Najmun Nahar, Director Clinical Services gave a lecture in a very simple and easy language to explain about the reasons, prevalence and control of diabetes. The students followed every word with rapt attention and later asked questions to clarify some points about this metabolic disorder.

This lecture was followed by a screening programme to survey the height, weight, eating habits, family history and random blood sugar tests of the children. The enthusiasm of the children was so infectious that even those who are scared of going to doctors came forward for the tests. The programme helped the children learn about a disease which is on the rise due to the modern eating habits and very little physical activity.