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The International Club and University of Dayton Center for International Programs will hold International Fair 2010 6 to 9 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 6, in the Kennedy Union ballroom. The event will feature a comedy act and food, dance, music and cultural exhibits from around the world. Countries represented include China, India, Japan, Kosovo, Lebanon, Malawi, Qatar, Pakistan, Saudi Arabia, Singapore and Ireland. For more information, contact Faizan Ahmad at ahmadfai@notes.udayton.edu.

HUMAN TRAFFICKING VICTIM SPEAKS DURING HUMAN RIGHTS WEEK

Theresa Flores, a survivor of domestic sex trafficking when she was a teenager, will be the keynote speaker during the University of Dayton's Human Rights Week Feb. 7-12. Her talk — 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 10, in the Kennedy Union ballroom — is free and open to the public. Flores has written The Sacred Bath: An American Teen’s story of Modern Day Slavery. She is a spokeswoman for Gracehaven House and her story is featured by the National Underground Railroad Freedom Center Museum in a traveling exhibit titled "Invisible Slavery."

Here are other Human Rights Week events, which are free and open to the public. A complete schedule with a description of events can be found by clicking on the related link.:

- 3 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 9, Kennedy Union Torch Lounge: International Round Table Discussion on Education: discussion with students from University of Dayton's Intensive English Program on the differences between American education systems and education systems in other parts of the world.
- 7 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 9, Kennedy Union west ballroom: Dick Ferguson and Don Vermillion from the Fitz Center for Leadership in the Community will speak about the Neighborhood School Centers’ purpose and mission. In particular, they will be speaking about the University's role in the schools and the importance of community involvement in public schools.
- 3 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 10, Kennedy Union, Torch Lounge: Caitlin Cronin, a University of Dayton graduate, will speak on behalf of LEAD, a grassroots community organization committed to empowering and preparing people of faith to work for justice in the Dayton area. LEAD has advocated for change and development in combating crime and violence, bringing jobs — especially "green" ones — to the area, and improving abuse treatment. Currently, they are seeking ways to improve the public transportation system in Montgomery County.
- 5 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 10, Kennedy Union Torch Lounge: G. Michael Payton, executive director of the Ohio Civil Rights Commission, will give a talk how his organization investigates charges of discrimination in employment, public accommodations, housing, credit and higher education on the bases of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, disability, age, ancestry or family status.

HI-HO, HI-HO, IT’S OFF TO WORK WE GO

Career Services will hold its annual Winter Career Fair 2 to 6 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 11, on the sixth floor of the College Park Center. Approximately 75 employers will attend the event. The fair is an excellent face-to-face networking opportunity. It's even more important in an economy that continues to be difficult, according to Jason Eckert, director of the University of Dayton's career services office. A list participating organizations can be found by clicking on the related link. Career services also will hold its Education Interview Day on March 24 and Spring Career Fair on April 8. For more information, contact Eckert at 937-229-5537.

'40 STICKS, 4 HANDS'
Israeli percussionist Chen Zimbalista will perform "40 Sticks, 4 Hands" at 8 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 10, in the Kennedy Union Boll Theatre. General admission tickets are $18; $16 for seniors, military personnel and University of Dayton faculty, staff and alumni; and $9 for students. Tickets are available through the Kennedy Union box office at 937-229-2545. The event is part of the Cityfolk World Rhythms Series and tickets also are available through Cityfolk at 937-436-3863. Zimbalista has been playing music since he was 5. Described as a force of nature, he is a master of more than 40 exotic instruments from dozens of countries. In this concert, joined by the legendary jazz percussionist Lewis Nash, Zimbalista will share rhythms from around the world. For more information about the Arts Series, call 937-229-2787.

THE CHURCH AND CULTURE: THEOLOGY'S TASK AND TEMPTATION

Vincent J. Miller, the new Gudorf Chair in Catholic Theology and Culture will present his inaugural lecture titled "The Church and Culture: Theology's Task and Temptation." The talk is scheduled for 4:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 18, in Sears Recital Hall. It is free and open to the public. Miller, who consulted with the White House on President Obama's trip to the Vatican, is author of Consuming Religion: Christian Faith and Practice in a Consumer Culture (New York: Continuum, 2003) and is currently working on a book about how globalization is affecting religious belief and communities. Before being appointed the first Gudorf Chair in Catholic Theology and Culture in 2009, Miller was an associate professor of theology at Georgetown University. He also served as a distinguished visiting professor at the University of Dayton in spring 2008.

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