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**NOV. 9-13: RESCUE SQUAD RUSHES TO MOCK INJURIES DURING EMS WEEK**

Many University of Dayton students won’t realize that it’s a mock injury when the student emergency medical squad comes rushing to the accident scene of another student. From Monday, Nov. 9, to Wednesday, Nov. 11, the squad will simulate mock injuries to fellow students as a part of national collegiate EMS week.

For example, at 11:45 a.m. on Monday, Nov. 9, in the Humanities Plaza, the rescue squad will respond to a student falling and receiving a simulated spinal injury. The rescue squad will respond with medical equipment such as a collar, backboard, head block and straps to immobilize the victim before putting the student into the ambulance. The demonstration will last about 15 minutes.

At 11:45 on Tuesday, Nov. 10, in Kennedy Union food court, the rescue squad will demonstrate how they aid a choking victim. Two or three squad members will perform the Heimlich maneuver and possibly abdominal thrusts on a choking member of the squad. This demonstration will last between five and 10 minutes.

At 11:45 on Wednesday, Nov. 11 in the Kennedy Union Plaza, the rescue squad will perform a cardiac demonstration. The UD squad is the only collegiate EMS with an automated external defibrillator that is computer controlled to check heart rhythm. The equipment tells EMS crews if they need to use the electric pads or not. The EMS crew will cut off the shirt of the victim, place the defibrillator pads on the chest, check the airway and administer oxygen if needed. This demonstration will last 15 minutes.

Other activities scheduled during the week include a CPR and First Aid class that will be offered to all students from 5 to 8 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 12, in Virginia Kettering Hall. The squad will also host an open house from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 13, at the EMS house located at 214 Lawnview Street. Guests will be given tours of the house that is a storage area for all of emergency medical supplies.

For more information, call Erik Zmuda at (937) 285-8570.

**MONDAY, NOV. 9: UD STUDENTS TAKE OPERA TO ELEMENTARY, HIGH SCHOOL**

The stereotype of the buxom opera singer who breaks glass with her high notes may be dispelled after University of Dayton students finish their performance.

Voice students in UD’s Opera Workshop have been practicing scenes from several well-known operas as well as lesser-known contemporary works. They will perform in period costumes for students at 9:30 a.m. on Monday, Nov. 9, at Miami Valley School, 5151 Denise Drive and at noon on Monday at Stebbins High School, 1500 Harshman Rd.

“It will be a good opportunity to expose younger people to opera. So many of them have a conception of the stereotypical opera singer as a buxom Brunhilda who shatters glass with her high notes and dies tragically in the end,” said Stephanie Lytle, a senior music education major.

“Few of them know about the lighter, more fun side of opera found in some of the scenes that we will show them,” she said.

For more information, call Linda Snyder in the music department at (937) 229-3936.

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Delta Sigma Pi, the University of Dayton business fraternity, will sponsor an ice-cream eating contest from 1 to 3 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 11, in the Kennedy Union Pub to benefit the Pediatric AIDS Association.

About 50 students will participate in the Hog-A-Thon. The students will sign up in teams and collect pledges before the event. Participants will be divided into heats, and prizes will be awarded for the winner of each heat.

For more information about the Hog-A-Thon, contact Sarah Brenneman of Delta Sigma Pi at (937) 285-5034.