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NOV. 16-19: UD STUDENTS EXPERIENCE WHAT IT'S LIKE TO LIVE HUNGRY

When they arrive at the Hunger Awareness Banquet at 6 p.m. on Monday, Nov. 16, in Kettering Residence Hall, about 100 University of Dayton students will get a taste of what it is like to eat in a Third World country.

The students will be divided into three groups. Those lucky enough to receive a First World meal will be served by waiters at a table with plates and silverware, glasses, napkins and tablecloths — similar to the way many Americans eat every day.

Those experiencing a Second World meal will be given a more basic, yet still substantial, meal. Their menu will not include meat and their table will not be as nicely set, but they will be comfortable.

Those given a meal typical of a Third World country will receive no more than a handful of rice, a sip of water and a small space on the floor to sit. There will be 10 appointed “Military Police” who will harass the people of the Third World countries by taunting them and taking some to a makeshift jail.

After the meal, students will reflect on their experiences and talk about the way of life in economically depressed areas of the world. During the week, students will have several other opportunities to learn about hunger and other poverty issues. All the proceeds from the events will benefit local organizations and the people of Sudan, Africa.

Students will prepare and serve meals from 8 a.m. to noon on Tuesday, Nov. 17, at the House of Bread, 547 Salem Ave.

Some of the other events will include a prayer service at 8 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 18, in the main meeting room of Kettering Residence Hall; the OxFam Day of Fast on Thursday, Nov. 19 in the Kennedy Union, Kettering Residence Hall and Marycrest dining rooms; and a featured speaker, Brother Peter Daino, S.M., a Marianist missionary who will speak on his 18-year experience in Africa at 7 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 19, in Miriam Hall’s O’Leary Auditorium.

For more information, contact Brogan Fairchild at (937) 229-3973.

NOV. 17: KINDERGARTNERS GET TIPS FROM WELL-KNOWN ARTIST BING DAVIS

Willis Bing Davis, artist-in-residence at the University of Dayton, is aiming to help kindergartners see art in the things they see every day.

Rain will be the focus of an art project in the gymnasium at the UD Children’s Center from 3:15 to 5 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 17.

Davis, joined by UD education students and professors, will help students use paint, collage and clay to show their ideas about the phenomenon of rain. There will also be storytelling, book making and dancing.

For more information, call Mary Zahner at (937) 229-3207.
NOV. 17, 20: UD STUDENTS TO PROTEST THE SCHOOL OF THE AMERICAS

Fifteen University of Dayton students will leave campus at 9 a.m. on Friday, Nov. 20, from Liberty Hall to join 2,000 others from around the country in a protest against the School of the Americas at Fort Benning in Columbus, Ga.

Many of the students say they are willing to cross the Fort Benning property line during the protest and risk arrest.

The students will have an organizational meeting at 8 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 17, in the basement of Liberty Hall.

The School of the Americas trains thousands of Latin American soldiers each year. Many of the school’s graduates have been linked to murders and other human rights violations throughout Latin America, according to critics.

Supporters of the School of the Americas say the school has implemented more human rights training and that the graduates who’ve committed human rights violations do not represent the group as a whole.

For media interviews, call Brother Phil Aaron, S.M., at (937) 229-2575. Call Rachel Hellmann at (937) 224-1764 and Rebecca Jones at (937) 285-5669.

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