

CAMPUS CONNECTIONS



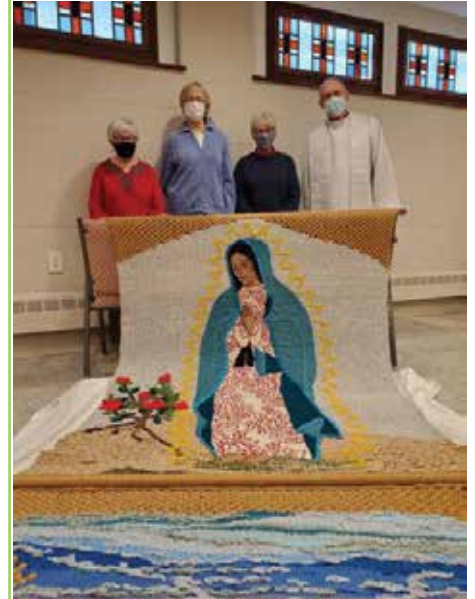
Staying fit is the GOAL!

Divine Word Missionaries have always emphasized the importance of physical activity and that message is even more important during the pandemic. To keep in shape, students play soccer, volleyball, utilize the school gymnasium or hit the hills with their sleds in the wintertime! Bro. Mike Decker, SVD, serves as the Health Services Coordinator for the college and oversees the overall health and safety of the community. He also treats minor sports injuries when they arise.



Mission Sunday Food Festival

In an effort to ensure safety, the International Food Festival that traditionally follows the Mission Sunday Mass had a different twist this year. Rather than having students cook their favorite cultural dishes to share, the Divine Word College kitchen staff generously crafted a culinary collection of recipes from across the globe. DWC community members entertained diners with a night full of musical and theatrical performances as everyone indulged in familiar flavors from home!



Tapestry woven with love

Three Sisters of Charity of the Blessed Virgin Mary recently gifted the college with this intricate tapestry of Our Lady of Guadalupe. It commemorates the appearance of the Virgin Mary to an indigenous farmer in Mexico named Juan Diego in 1531. The image now adorns the Reina de las Americas chapel on campus. Sr. Ruth, pictured second from the left, was the principal artisan. The generosity and talent that these sisters shared with the DWC community is greatly appreciated.



Space to learn

Small class sizes have always been an advantage for Divine Word College students, who can count on individualized attention from instructors. This year, those small classes have also been helpful as they allow for adequate space between students in classrooms. This ensures that everyone can maintain proper distancing and adhere to the campus COVID-19 safety policies. In this photo, Fr. Paul Aquino, SVD is teaching students the early basics of guitar. There are many benefits to attending Iowa's smallest college!