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## THE PRESIDENT

### Spring Break! Missionary Style

On Friday, March 8, we will be free of classes and other activities at Divine Word College for a week. They say it is because Spring is just around the corner. (Just to be clear, we have no evidence of Spring here at Epworth. The temperature is -4° Fahrenheit as I write these lines!)

Some students dream of traveling to sunny beaches and plentiful liquid entertainment at this time of year. Our students may also dream of a warmer place, but 18 of them are headed to SVD parishes in the Chicago Province to volunteer their service for a week.



- **Memphis.** The first group will go to help Fr. Simon Thoi Hoang, SVD at Sacred Heart Parish. The Vietnamese, English and Spanish-speaking community there will welcome four Haitian seminarians: Joubert, Wisvel, Berson and John.
- **St. Louis.** Two southerners, Justin and Sam, are headed south to Resurrection Parish to help Fr. Khien Luu SVD and the Vietnamese Catholic community there.
- **Chicago.** The third crew is headed to St. Anselm's, an African-American parish on the south side of Chicago, to help with the after-school program and some fix-it work. They are a wonderfully mixed group: Friday is from Nigeria, Wisno from Haiti, and Mark from Canada. Bob Kelly SVD, Mark Weber SVD, and Br. Alu Aisi SVD are great hosts.
- **Ft. Wayne.** The fourth group will go to St. Patrick Parish to help Fr. Dominic Nguyen SVD and Fr. Nam Vu SVD. Four seminarians of Vietnamese heritage, Truong, Nam, Thong and Hien will be helping with some spring-cleaning at the church and school. They can expect a warm welcome from the English, Vietnamese and Spanish-speaking communities of the parish.
- **West Virginia.** Four Haitian students, Peterson, Mongle, Wilson and Junior, are traveling



to Gassaway, West Virginia to help Fr. Thien Nguyen and the members of St. Thomas Parish with the food pantry and some home improvement projects.

The seminarians will certainly be busy with various service projects, but the most important part of the journey will be the chance to spend time with the confreres and parishioners. Missionary life is about BEING WITH more than it is about DOING FOR. We will look forward to hearing about their “adventures” when they return to DWC toward the end of March.



*Maybe they will bring back some Spring weather!*

## PR Specialist

Mr. Rob Kundert, our public relations specialist, is planning to retire from DWC at the end of June. I am always grateful for, and sometimes a bit envious of, his artful writing style. He has been telling the DWC story for 9 years. Mr. Len Uhal, Ms. Sandy Wilgenbusch, and Rob have generously agreed to serve as a search committee as we prepare to hire a new PR specialist.

## Board of Administration Meeting Summary

The Board of Administration met on Friday, March 1, and discussed/approved the following topics:

- Approved a revision of the Presidential Scholarship.
- Reviewed the process for renewal of contracts.
- Received and confirmed the revisions to the budget chart of accounts.
- Reviewed and approved the preliminary budget for FY 2019-2020.
- Discussed the objective of the Academic and Formation Advisory Council.
- Following approval by the Faculty Senate, the Board approved the graduates for 2018-2019, for submission to the Board of Trustees for approval in May.

## VICE PRESIDENT FOR ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

### Dates to Remember

**ESL 032 Field Trip** – Tuesday, March 5, 2019

St. Raphael Cathedral, Dubuque Museum of Art, Mississippi Riverwalk, Dubuque  
Investigate Dubuque's history and culture, experiential education

**ART 377 Field Trip** – Tuesday, March 5, 2019

Basilica of St. Francis Xavier, Dyersville IA

Students will study the architecture of the Basilica. For students of ART 377 – Contemporary and World Art.

**ESL Term C 2019** – End-of-Term Testing (EWT, EST, CaMLA)

Friday, March 8, 2019 from 9:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.

Students are reminded to check the bulletin board for their individual testing schedules. Do not leave campus for your Spring Break until you have completed all your ESL testing!

**Spring Break** – Saturday, March 9, – Sunday, March 17, 2019

**Chamber Concert** – “Meditations in March” – Tuesday, March 26, 2019

7:30 p.m. in the Divine Word College Chapel

“Meditations in March” is a chamber concert presentation featuring pianist Dr. Evelyn Dias, violist Dr. Amanda Wilton, and tenor Mr. Mason Montuoro. This ensemble will perform works of César Franck, Vaughan Williams, Arvo Pärt, and Tigran Mansurian. This event is open to the public. Free will donations are gladly accepted.

### Art of the Icons – Weyland Gallery

Thursday, March 7, 2019, you are invited to attend the Art of the Icons by artist Drazen Dupor in the Weyland Art Gallery, from 5:00 - 7:00 PM. Wine and appetizers will be served.

Drazen Dupor was born in Gracac, Yugoslavia in 1966. He was raised and educated in Knin where he started his career as an artist. In 1987, he became a member of the “Klik” Artist Association in Knin. He studied the art of icon painting in Thessalonica, Greece, at the K.N. Georgiadis School of Art under the supervision of master Zlatko Bomestar. Dupor now has a studio in Madison, WI and Thessalonica and teaches workshops on icon painting (writing). Dupor will be showcasing many of his icons created in Byzantine style on boards, canvas and wood.

All artwork will be for sale.



## VICE PRESIDENT FOR FORMATION DEAN OF STUDENTS

A sincere thank you to all the members of the formation group of Galatians for such a wonderful and delicious **cultural dinner**. Your hard work and spirit of teamwork were much rewarded.

**Mid-term week begins.** Wish you all the best of luck! Remember the words of Theodore Roosevelt that once said “believe you can and you’re halfway there.”

A reminder that **Ash Wednesday**, March 6, is celebrated at 8:00 AM in the main chapel including the service of the imposition of ashes. Every year, through Mother Church, God “gives us this joyful season when we prepare to celebrate the paschal mystery with mind and heart renewed...as we recall the great events that gave us new life in Christ” (Preface of Lent 1). May our Lent this year be a journey of grace and conversion, leaving behind our selfishness and self-absorption, and turning to God’s love.

**Spring Break** finally is here. Stay calm and enjoy your spring break. This year there are 17 students participating in the Spring Break Project that takes place in five different SVD parishes around the country. Let’s pray for them that this project may be a good opportunity to explore the mission and pastoral ministry of the SVD parishes in the States. For those students who will be away during Spring Break, you are expected to be back to DWC before 11:00 PM on Sunday March 17th. Please drive carefully and have a safe travel.

## VICE PRESIDENT FOR ADMISSIONS

### Mass for Vocations

Last Thursday was our Mass for Vocations for February and the Vocation Office team is very grateful to the community for your continued prayers for our ministry. We appreciate the ministries of the St. Teresa of the Child Jesus formation group who planned the liturgy and to Sr. Van Ngoc Nguyen, OP, for her reflection of her vocational calling and journey.

### *The Word Among Us*

The Lenten issue of *The Word Among Us* will be distributed to students later today and some extra copies will be placed in the SVD lounges. Please continue to remember in your prayers the anonymous donor who makes this resource available to us free of charge.

### Mission Experience in Jamaica

The Vocation Office is sponsoring its annual mission experience trip to Jamaica. Anyone interested in more information about the trip can [click here](#) and contact Len Uhal. This trip is open to anyone in the DWC community and the general public. The Vocation Office recently sent advertising to all SVD parishes in the USA and Canada to recruit participants. Space is limited; therefore, if you are interested, please contact Len soon for more information. Please note that this trip is not free, but partial scholarships are available for those who qualify.

## Honor Scholarships

Divine Word College's Honor Scholarships are for SVD Candidates. Historically, they were only for domestic students (U.S. citizens or lawful permanent residents). However, the Board of Administration recently approved changes and now the scholarships are available to all SVD candidates who meet the scholarship criteria, including international students. Each SVD candidate should have received an application for the scholarships last week at the Wednesday night formation group meetings. The applications are due Friday before spring break. All SVD candidates are highly encouraged to apply for the seven available scholarships if they meet the scholarship criteria. If you have questions, please see Carolyn Waechter or Len Uhal. A copy of the scholarship application is attached to this issue of The Log.

## Presidential Scholarship

The Board of Administration recently made changes to the Presidential Scholarship which makes all students eligible for the scholarship. In the past, only domestic SVD candidates were eligible. Starting this year, all DWC students are eligible for the Presidential Scholarship if they meet the scholarship criteria. Please review the scholarship application attached to this issue of The Log and all eligible students are encouraged to apply. If you have questions, please see Carolyn Waechter or Len Uhal. The application deadline is March 29, 2019.

## Where are they now?

After being on campus to host a Come and See visitor, Fr. Adam will travel later this week to Boise, Idaho, and join Fr. Emilio, Fr. Anthony and Sr. Aprilia for the Idaho Catholic Youth Conference. Fr. Francis is traveling about the southern part of the USA in Louisiana and Mississippi visiting SVD parishes. Len and Bro. Duylinh will be on campus this week.



March 6	Ash Wednesday
March 7	ESL Term C Classes End
March 8	Mid-Semester and ESL Term C End-of-Term Testing
March 11-15	Spring Break
March 20	Matthew 25 Award – Prayer Service and Banquet
April 7	Legacy Society Appreciation Mass and Brunch
April 18-21	Holy Week Triduum
May 3-4	Board of Trustees Meeting
May 4	Local Alumni Event
May 10	Retirement Party for Faculty/Staff



## Divine Word College Honor Scholarships

Divine Word College scholarships are endowed in honor of the following persons:

Father Robert J. Flinn, SVD  
Bishop Curtis Guillory, SVD  
Alfred E. Hughes  
Father Francis Kamp, SVD  
Father Edmund Francis Morman, SVD  
Father Chester Nowicki, SVD

Each honor scholarship is an annual award of \$2,300; it is renewable each year provided the recipient continues to meet the established guidelines.

### Criteria for Selection:

- A candidate for the Society of the Divine Word
- One year of full-time study at Divine Word College in the regular college program or the Intensive English Language Institute
- Divine Word College Cumulative Grade Point Average (C-GPA) of 2.5 (i.e. – maintaining 2.5 after admission)
- Evident commitment to self-improvement through education
- Evident ability to promote the values of a Christian, intercultural community
- Evident leadership ability within Church-related activities and organizations
- Evident concern for the needs of the poor and marginalized
- Ability to benefit from financial assistance

### Continuation Awards:

Once a student becomes a scholarship recipient, continued annual awards, through graduation from Divine Word College, are contingent upon the recipient's maintaining satisfactory academic progress and remaining a student in good standing. A student falling below the minimum Cumulative Grade Point Average (C-GPA) of 2.5 will be given a grace period of one semester to bring their C-GPA back to the minimum without forfeiture of the scholarship. A student placed on formation probation may forfeit their scholarship, depending on the decision of the Dean of Students and the President.

## Divine Word College Honor Scholarship Application

### Part I: Identification Information

Applicant's Legal Name \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

### Part II: Personal Statement

Attach a brief personal statement outlining your qualifications to be considered for a scholarship at Divine Word College. You may want to respond to some of the following points.

- Commitment to self-improvement through education
- Ability to promote the values of a Christian, intercultural community
- Leadership ability within Church-related activities and organizations
- Concern for the needs of the poor and marginalized

### Part III: Submittal and Certification:

Submit this completed application form to the Financial Aid Coordinator, Divine Word College, no later than **March 8th**.

I certify that the information provided on this application is correct and complete to the best of my knowledge; and I hereby authorize the Office of the Registrar and the Financial Aid Office to release information concerning my grades and other assistance I may be receiving to those persons authorized to consider my application and renewal for a Divine Word College Scholarship.

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Signature of Applicant

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Date



**Father Robert J. Flinn, SVD**, (1928-1995) was an accomplished educator, author, canon lawyer, and medical ethicist. Throughout his lifetime of service he brought his multiple talents to bear for the betterment of the Society of the Divine Word. Those who knew him well saw him as a person of powerful intellect and notable accomplishment. He was always friendly and approachable. “Father Bob” held a particular interest in and loyalty to Divine Word College. His service as a College Trustee in the 1970’s, 80’s and 90’s speaks to his strong devotion to the College. Father Flinn died in June of 1995, and his colleagues and friends established this scholarship in his memory.



**Bishop Curtis Guillory, SVD**, is a 1968 graduate of Divine Word College and currently serves as Bishop of Beaumont, TX. Previously he was Auxiliary Bishop in the Diocese of Galveston-Houston. Bishop Guillory appreciates the educational opportunity provided him at Divine Word College. Divine Word College is, in turn, proud of his ministry as bishop and other achievements.

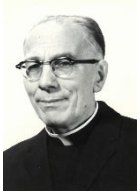


**Alfred E. Hughes** (1929-2006) was a committed Catholic and devoted family man. He delighted in his family, his wife Marilyn and their three children, Terrence, Charles, and Susan. He was a respected attorney in the Dubuque area. For many years he gave generously of his time and professional skills to various Catholic organizations, notably Catholic Charities of Dubuque and Divine Word College. For Catholic Charities he served the needs of clients who lacked access to ordinary legal services. For Divine Word College, he was a trustee and College Attorney (1976-2006). Mr. Hughes was an avid reader and frequently a lector at the morning Mass he attended daily. He valued education and its potential for individual and social betterment. Centered in his faith, devoted to his family, a man of integrity, Mr. Alfred E. Hughes helped make the world a better place.



**Fr. Francis Kamp, SVD**, (1920-2011) served as a Divine Word Missionary for over 60 years. His missionary service has included teaching and important administrative responsibilities. Fr. Kamp’s tenure as Mission Office Director and Treasurer extended over four decades. In his capacity as Mission Director, Fr. Kamp tirelessly promoted the work of the Divine Word Missionaries, supporting missionaries “in the field,” raising awareness of their needs and generating support for their projects. In later years, Fr. Kamp coordinated the effort to develop land owned by Divine Word Missionaries so as to maximize benefits for the work of the missionaries around the world. He also served as a chaplain in a Chicago-area hospice program. Fr. Kamp’s life was characterized by an optimistic, joyful enthusiasm, an irrepressible desire to share the Good News of Jesus with all people.





**Fr. Edmund Morman, SVD**, (1919-2007) was ordained in 1937 and began his ministry as a teacher at St. Paul's Seminary in Epworth. Over the length of his career as a Divine Word Missionary, Fr. Morman, SVD, wore many hats – teacher, prefect, editor, Brothers Candidate school director, retreat master, associate pastor and chaplain. Fr. Morman, SVD, was tragically killed in a car accident February 7, 1986. Fr. Morman, SVD, touched the lives of many people, especially young men arriving at schools far from home to begin their seminary education. One such young man was Richard Mani. M.D. Dr. Mani has generously endowed this scholarship in memory of Fr. Morman, SVD, and in thanksgiving for the knowledge and experiences he gained as an SVD candidate student.



**Fr. Chester Nowicki, SVD**, (1919-2007), served the Church and the Society of the Divine Word for over 50 years. Fr. Nowicki grew up in the nurturing environment of Chicago's Polish Catholic community. Already in his youth, he felt a call to the priesthood and missionary life. After his ordination to the priesthood in 1946, Fr. Nowicki entered upon a long career of seminary teaching and administration. Motivated by his religious faith, Fr. Nowicki was a tireless worker, demonstrating dedication beyond ordinary expectation. The Society of the Divine Word in the U.S. and abroad benefitted especially from Fr. Nowicki's service as treasurer, a service that was wise and disciplined, yet kind and generous. Even after his retirement and the loss of his eyesight, Fr. Nowicki remained active, contributing wherever he could. Participation in the life of his religious community, its daily prayer and devotion and love for his family, friends and co-workers sustained Fr. Nowicki over the course of his many years. In his life we find all that constitutes genuine missionary service.



## Presidential Scholarship

Divine Word College first awarded the Presidential Scholarship in 1979. This scholarship is an award to applicants who show superior academic achievement.

The Presidential Scholarship is an annual award of \$3,000; it is renewable each year provided the recipient continues to meet the established guidelines. Generally, this award is limited to two (2) each year.

### Criteria for Selection:

Any new students admitted to the College Program at Divine Word College are eligible to apply provided they meet the following criteria:

- Applicants from high school must have a cumulative GPA of 3.50 or above.
- College transfer applicants must have a cumulative college GPA of 3.50 or above.
- Applicants who completed secondary school or college/university studies abroad must have an acceptable equivalent cumulative GPA.
- After the first semester at Divine Word College in the undergraduate program, students who are on the Dean's list may apply.
- Applicants from the DWC English Language Institute may apply when they transition to the undergraduate program. They must have a 3.50 high school GPA (or equivalent) or a college GPA of 3.50. A letter of recommendation is required from the Director of the DWC Intensive English Language Institute.

Preference is given to Presidential Scholarship applicants who show:

- Evident commitment to self-improvement through education.
- Evident ability to promote the values of a Christian intercultural community.
- Evident concern for the needs of the poor and marginalized.
- Evident leadership ability within Church-related activities and organizations.
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