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Lost and Found

I hate to lose things, especially my car keys, my wallet, or my phone! Misplacing any of these will make me rather desperate, unable to focus on anything else until I recover them. All is abandoned until I find what is lost. (A prayer to St. Anthony usually helps. He is said to be the patron saint of lost and found.) Finding a missing object is a very satisfying moment. I feel delight, I want to celebrate by telling somebody the good news, and then I can relax.

Last Sunday we heard a reading of the 15th chapter of the Gospel of St. Luke. Some of Jesus' critics were grumbling that Jesus was eating with sinners! In response, Jesus told three stories about the lost and found: first, the story of the lost sheep; next, the story of the lost coin; and third, the masterful story of a father's lost son. Each of these stories came to a climax with joyful celebration: the shepherd, the woman, and the father call to their friends and neighbors to rejoice.

Jesus' stories are so clever. At one level, he responds to his critics. They certainly would have gotten the implied point that they themselves might also be "sinners" with whom Jesus was willing to share a meal.



But Jesus also seems to be making the astounding claim that God can lose something! God can lose a person who turns to sin. God can also lose a whole people, just

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as he seemed to lose the people of Israel when they repeatedly turned to idols. What does God do then? He sends someone to look, a prophet like Moses or a shepherd like Jesus. God is also like the desperate father, anxious to have his son in his arms once again.

Jesus' parables and our own experiences of "lost and found" raise a few questions. Do you feel God's love in a general way toward all people; or do you also feel that God loves you personally? Do you think God's love is only for those who follow the rules, or is God's love especially focused on those who are lost? Do you think God goes crazy with joy when we turn back to him, or do you think God is waiting to punish us before we are welcomed back?

Juday Halevi, a great Jewish poet of 12th century Spain wrote about his own search for God:
"When I go forth to find You, I find You seeking me."

Constitution and Citizenship Day

September 17 is a minor federal holiday to celebrate the US federal constitution. On September 17, 1787 the Constitution was first signed by the delegates to the constitutional convention in Philadelphia. Through the US Constitution, the fifty States bind themselves into one country.

This day is also a moment to recognize and celebrate those who have become US citizens. It is a fitting day to do so; though the United States is constituted by laws, it is constituted even more by its citizens. A You tube video <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2HITLmSFxz4&t=146s> may help you to "celebrate".

Three members of our college community have become citizens in the past year: **Kim Hoa Pham** on May 27, **Sr. Thuong Thi Hoai Phan FMV** on June 17, and **Hung Cong Nguyen** on July 20. A reminder to them... register to vote and VOTE in the November election.



Kim Hoa Pham



**Sr. Thuong Thi
Hoai Phan FMV**



Hung Cong Nguyen

CONGRATULATIONS!

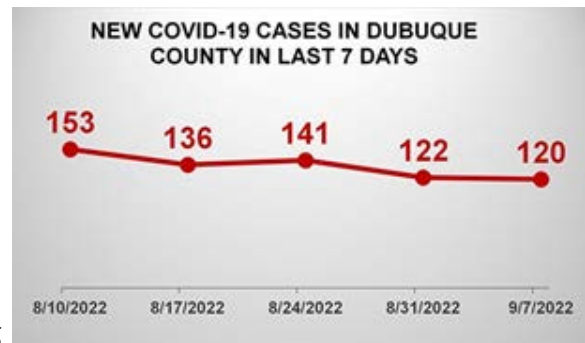
COVID-19 Guidance

The CDC's notice of community level of COVID infections in Dubuque County has been lowered from High to Medium. The number of cases of COVID infections are slowly declining since the beginning of August.

At DWC, there are currently no COVID-19 cases.

Random testing. The College will begin random testing for COVID beginning this week and continuing until the end of the semester. Each week, several members of faculty, staff, SVDs and students are requested to complete a rapid antigen test and report their results to Mr. Steve Winger or to Fr. Long Phi Nguyen SVD. Random testing helps to detect any infections at the College, especially those that may not be accompanied by significant symptoms.

Vaccinations and Boosters. The College strongly recommends that all members of the community keep up to date with vaccinations and with boosters. Flu shots will be available at the College on Tuesday September 20. Br. Mike Decker SVD is investigating the possibility of COVID boosters at the College on a later date.



Main Chapel closed September 19, 20,21

Workers will install a permanent livestream system in the main chapel next week. Due to the amount of equipment needed for installation, the chapel will be closed Monday - Wednesday.

Mass schedule is as follows:

Monday, September 19

No Vietnamese Mass. English Mass in Mother of Asia
Other languages Masses as usual.

Tuesday and Wednesday, September 20 - 21

Mass in Mother of Asia Chapel



VICE PRESIDENT FOR ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

Fr. John Szukalski, SVD

New Faculty Members for the 2022-2023 Academic Year

A few new faculty members have joined Divine Word College for the 2022-2023 academic year. Welcome to DWC and our community!

Fr. Simon Thoi Hoang SVD – In addition to his primary DWC responsibility as Spiritual Life Coordinator, Fr. Hoang has begun teaching as an Instructor of Theology in the Department of Theology & Philosophy [DTP]. He earned a M.Div. degree with a concentration in World Mission and concurrently a M.A. degree in Spirituality, both from the Catholic Theological Union in Chicago. Fr. Simon professed perpetual vows as a Divine Word Missionary in 2006 and was ordained to the priesthood in 2007. Until last year, he served as the pastor of a parish in Memphis, Tennessee.



Ms. Mabel Rains – Ms. Mabel Rains has re-joined DWC as an Adjunct Lecturer of ESL in the Intensive English Language Institute. Ms. Rains is a graduate of Emmaus Bible College in Dubuque, Iowa. She earned a B.S. degree in Bible Exposition and Theology with a minor in TESOL.



Sr. Aprilia Untarto, SSpS – Sr. Untarto, in addition to her primary DWC responsibility as College Counselor, has begun teaching as an Instructor of Psychology in the Department of Interdisciplinary Studies [DIS]. She professed perpetual vows as a Holy Spirit Missionary Sister in 2016 and earned an M.A. degree in Pastoral Counseling from Loyola University in Chicago, Illinois. Sr. Untarto is a licensed professional counselor in the State of Illinois and a licensed mental health counselor in the State of Iowa.

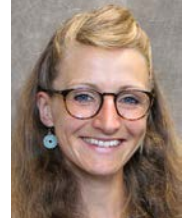


Faculty Professional Development

Fr. John A. Szukalski SVD – Associate Professor of Sacred Scripture – attended (virtually) a series of webinars on the new Program of Priestly Formation, 6th edition, published by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops. The new PPF 6 is the official guide for Catholic seminaries and priestly vocation programs in the United States governing the admission of candidates, formation of seminarians, and norms for the governance and administration of seminaries. The new PPF 6 is scheduled for implementation in Fall 2023, with implications for DWC's academic and religious formation programs.

- "The Formation of Priests in Consecrated Life: A Review of Select Canonical Issues in Implementing the Program for Priestly Formation, 6th ed." 6 September 2022
- "Overview of the Program of Priestly Formation, 6th edition." 22 June 2022
- "USCCB: Seminaries and the New PPF." 19 January 2022

Dr. Yasmin Rioux – Assistant Professor of Communication & Writing – delivered (virtually) a presentation entitled “Starting from the Very Beginning: Reflections on the Experiences of Revamping an Assessment Program in the Setting of a Small Midwestern College” at the Drexel Assessment Conference on September 7, 2022.



Dr. Joshua Young – Assistant Professor of Communication & English – has been granted professional development funding to attend and present as a panelist at the annual National Communication Association Conference in New Orleans, Louisiana on November 17-20, 2022. Dr. Young will serve as a panelist on “Liberating the Introductory Communication Course Assessment Practice from its Structural Bias.”

September is National Suicide Prevention Month New 988 Suicide & Crisis Lifeline

If you or someone you know needs help, free and confidential support is available 24 hours/day and 7 days/week. Resources are available at the new 988 Suicide & Crisis Lifeline website (www.988lifeline.org) or you may contact a mental health professional directly by calling, texting, or chatting using the new three-digit 988 active everywhere in the United States.



VICE PRESIDENT FOR FORMATION DEAN OF STUDENTS

Fr. Long Phi Nguyen, SVD

Liturgy Education

On Thursday, September 15, Liturgy Education replaces Liturgy Prep at 1:00 PM in the main chapel. The topic is “Introduction to the Liturgy,” in which Fr. Simon Thoi Hoang, SVD, and Fr. Akizou Kamina, SVD, will help us fall in love again with the Eucharist because we believe that “the Eucharist is the source and summit of the Christian life” (CCC.1324). Student attendance is mandatory.

Mission Garage Sale

Our annual Mission Garage Sale in support of the missionary work of the Church begins this Wednesday afternoon, September 14, and ends on Saturday, September 17. This year's proceeds will be sent to support the Ukrainian refugees in different countries where SVD members serve. Many thanks to the Student Senate for organizing this significant event. Thanks to all the students who helped to roll more than 2000 egg rolls. I strongly encourage all of you to give a helping hand in whatever you can do to make this event a success for the benefit of those in need. Please check the Student Board for job assignments and the Garage Sale schedule. Many thanks in advance to all the formation groups, in particular to all the students who have already signed up to help.

SVD Perpetual Vows Celebration

On Saturday, September 17, three SVD members, Frt. Edwan Lamar Manuel, SVD, Frt. Quang Ngoc Pham, SVD, and Frt. Jorge Humberto Zetino-Salazar, SVD, will profess their perpetual vows as Divine Word Missionaries at St. Joseph the Worker Church in Chicago. Those students signed up to attend this celebration please check the Student Board for your transportation arrangement. Please keep three of our SVD members in your prayers.

Flu Vaccination

A quick reminder that the Flu Vaccination Clinic is scheduled for Tuesday, September 20, from 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM in the gym. The deadline to sign up is Friday, September 16. Please note that only employees and new SVD members need to bring your Medical Insurance Card. If you have any questions, feel free to contact Br. Mike Decker, SVD.

Mission Sunday Preparation

This year we are anticipating more guests attending our Mission Sunday celebration. In preparation for this special event, there is a sign-up sheet on the Student Board for you to sign up if you want to cook and share one or more cultural dishes from your home country or any cultural cuisine you wish to share with the community. **Taste of DWC needs YOU to be successful!** Due to inflation, you will be also given up to \$40 per dish to purchase any special ingredients. The deadline to sign up is Friday, October 6th. If you have any questions please contact Sr. Aprilia Untarto, SSpS. Thanks for your contribution.



The library has the following items on assessment available for anyone who's interested!

Allen, M. J. (2004). *Assessing Academic Programs in Higher Education*. Wiley.

Banta, T. W. & Palomba, C. A. (2015). *Assessment Essentials: Planning, Implementing, and Improving Assessment in Higher Education* (2nd ed.). Jossey-Bass.

Bresciani, M. J. (2007). *Assessing Student Learning in General Education: Good Practice Case Studies*. Anker Publishing Company.

Brookhart, S. M. (2013) *How to Create and Use Rubrics for Formative Assessment and Grading*. ASCD.

Kuh, G. D., Ikenberry, S. O., Jakowski, N. A., Cain, T. R., Ewell, P. T., Hutchins, P., Kinzie, J. (2015). *Using Evidence of Student Learning to Improve Higher Education*. Jossey-Bass.

Selke, M. J. G. (2013). *Rubric Assessment Goes to College: Objective, Comprehensive Evaluation of Student Work*. Rowman & Littlefield.

Souza, J. M. & Rose T. A. (2021). *Exemplars of Assessment in Higher Education: Diverse Approaches to Addressing Accreditation Standards*. Stylus.

Stevens, D. D. & Levi, A. J. (2013). *Introduction to Rubrics* (2nd ed.). Stylus.

Suskie, L. (2018). *Assessing Student Learning: A Common Sense Guide* (3rd ed.). Wiley.

Walvoord, B. A. & Anderson, V. J. (2010). *Effective Grading* (2nd ed.). Wiley.

Wiggins, G. & McTighe, J. (2005). *Understanding by Design*. ASCD.



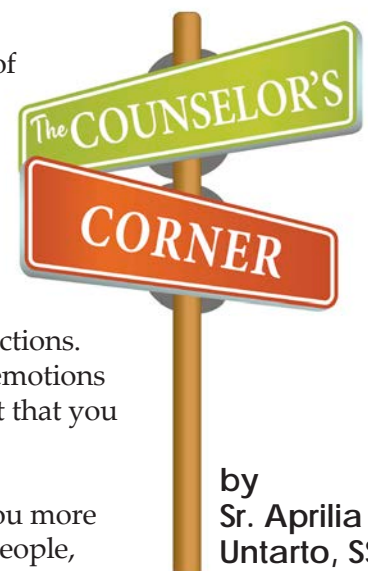
Anger: Helpful or Harmful

Anger gives an alert that something inside of you is wrong. Awareness of the triggers can help you control how you want to entertain your anger. In this case, anger can be helpful. William Shenstone says, "Anger is a great force. If you control it – it can be transmuted into a power which can move the whole world." While the Father of Psychoanalysis, Sigmund Freud, believes that we can channel unwanted power or urges, such as anger, into something positive or productive.

Definitely anger is harmful, especially when you cannot control your reactions. Unexpressed anger is not only harmful physically, but also effects your emotions and your being. You are in a denial stage when you do not want to admit that you are angry; that something upsets you.

When you react to your anger with destructive behaviors, it will harm you more physically. Your heart rate and blood pressure will increase. For many people, anger will result in ulcers, cardiovascular and heart disease, and a weak immune system. Not only it is damaging your body, but also damaging your mental health and relationships.

Interested in knowing more? Please contact the Counseling Center at ext. 377 or email auntarto@dwci.edu.



by
Sr. Aprilia
Untarto, SSps



VICE PRESIDENT FOR ADMISSIONS

Mr. Len Uhal

Knights of Columbus Scholarships available for SVD Candidates

From time to time, different Knights of Columbus Councils offer \$500 scholarships to SVD candidates studying at Divine Word College. These scholarships are available to both domestic and international SVD candidates. If you want to be considered this academic year for one of these scholarships when they become available, please contact Len Uhal, Carolyn Waechter or Patti McDermott in the Admissions Office for a copy of the application. All SVD candidates who complete applications now at the beginning of this academic year will be considered for KC scholarships when they become available later in the year. You can also find a copy of the application at the end of today's The Log. **WE RECOMMEND ALL SVD CANDIDATES COMPLETE THIS APPLICATION!** Please do so by **Friday, September 23**. Thank you.



Make a Referral to the Vocation Office

Most young men who enter formation for the Divine Word Missionaries find out about the congregation from someone else who knows the SVD or Divine Word College. Our two best referral sources are Divine Word Missionary brothers and priests, and current Divine Word College students. Did you know that *any* Divine Word College student who refers a young man to the vocation office receives a \$200 stipend if that young man enters SVD formation? It doesn't get any better than that! Tell people about the Divine Word Missionaries and Divine Word College, and if you know someone interested in further discerning a vocation as a missionary brother or priest, please share the name with the vocation office and one of the vocation directors will contact him. Thank you!



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Contact Sandy Wilgenbusch
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Email: wilgenbu@dwci.edu

Pick Up

Friday, September 16 4 - 6 PM

Divine Word College
102 Jacoby Drive
Epworth, Iowa



VICE PRESIDENT FOR OPERATIONS

Mr. Steve Winger

Public Service Loan Forgiveness

You may qualify for the Public Service Loan Forgiveness program if you are a United States citizen, work at a not-for-profit business (501c3) and are employed full-time. According to the website studentaid.gov, "The PSLF Program forgives the remaining balance on your Direct Loans after you have made 120 qualifying monthly payments under a qualifying repayment plan while working full-time for a qualifying employer."

If you have student loans and think you might qualify for the PSLF program, please go to the website link below to learn more.

Additionally, the U.S. Department of Education announced a temporary period during which borrowers may receive credit for payments that previously did not qualify for PSLF. This temporary credit period ends on October 31, 2022.

<https://studentaid.gov/manage-loans/forgiveness-cancellation/public-service/questions>

Safety on Campus

On Friday, September 2, a student reported a white male sitting on a bench by the tennis courts. It was reported that he was drinking alcohol and smoking cigarettes. Smoking on any school campus in Iowa is prohibited by state law. It may also be a violation of city ordinances to have an open container of alcohol and/or be intoxicated in a public space. In light of this incident, we will be adding signage around campus that smoking and alcohol is prohibited on campus. We hope this will discourage such activities in the future.

If you see suspicious or illegal activity please report it immediately. You should contact the Dean of Students, Fr. Long Phi. If he is not available please contact Steven Winger, Vice President for Operations. See contact tree below. One of the officials below will take care of any issues we have on campus.

If there is an emergency, please call 911.

Call Tree to report suspicious activity on campus:

- Fr. Long Phi-Dean of Students
- Mr. Steven Winger, Vice President for Operations
- Fr. Tom Aschman, President of Divine Word College

JUSTICE, PEACE AND INTEGRITY OF CREATION COUNCIL

Roadside Cleanup

We had a successful Roadside Cleanup on Saturday, September 10. About 20 students, SVDs, SSpS, and faculty members participated. A HUGE thank you to all who helped to clean up our beautiful Earth.



The International Day of Peace

The International Day of Peace is Wednesday, September 21. On that day, Jody Williams, a Nobel Peace Prize winner, will speak on climate injustice. Please see the bulletin board for more details.



Support a Rider!

The DWC rider who raises the most money wins a gift card! Help out your favorite rider by donating today!



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Big Bang Theory

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