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We are a COLLEGE.

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At the opening prayer service on Monday morning, we were all gathered in the chapel as a community of students, staff and faculty. I invited you to reflect with me on Jesus' invitation: "Come to me, you who are burdened, and I will give you rest." Please take one more step with me, now, to consider again what Jesus has in mind when he says, "My yoke is easy and my burden light" (Mt. 11:30).

Personally, I sometimes feel overwhelmed by the busyness of life at Divine Word College. I haven't made an exact count, but there are easily 30 to 40 "special events" at DWC every year. Of course, there are also about 10,000 meetings! (I may exaggerate a little...) There are classes, and reports and assignments and liturgy prep and prayer services.... All of us can be swept off our feet by the heavy demands on our time and energy.



The good news is we don't have to do all the work by ourselves. Studying, scholarship, administration and staff-work do require a lot of individual effort; and sometimes we insist on clinging to our own burdens. But there is another way of managing things.

We are a COLLEGE. A real college is not built out of bricks and mortar, glass and steel. A genuine college is built out of COLLEAGUES; people who choose to live and work together in order to support one another in learning. Though we are quite diverse, we are all yoked together. We try to remember that thinking, studying, learning, and teaching, are shared among many.



Once when I was working in rural Mexico, I saw a campesino (farm worker) who was using an ox and a donkey yoked together to plow a field. It looked strange to me, so I asked why he did it that way. The campesino explained: "the ox is very strong and good



“God loves each of us as if there were only one of us”

Augustine

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The President's Office publishes **The Log** – the official weekly bulletin of Divine Word College - in an effort to ensure consistent and regular communication with all members of the DWC community.

The Log reports communications from the College President, the Board of Administration, and other College entities on news items for general distribution within the College including: changes to College policies and procedures, proposals for discussion, decisions taken, activities of departmental and committee meetings, calendar events, and celebrations.

Items you wish to communicate through **The Log** should be submitted to Ms. Donna Puccio, Executive Secretary to the President, by 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday.

hearted, but not so quick to follow commands. The donkey is not nearly as strong, but he is pretty smart and responds to commands quickly. Together they make a great team.”

Are you ever unsure whether you are going in the right direction, but you feel strong enough to keep going? Do you ever have a clear vision of the road ahead, but you doubt whether you can keep going? In such moments, Jesus invites us to take an easy yoke upon our shoulders. He's there – not as a ploughman, but – as a partner, a colleague, ready to help bear the burden. He might look like a classmate, a teacher, an administrator, or staff member. If you look more closely, you might find the Master smiling back at you.



FAN CLUB PICNIC

We will hold our twenty-second annual FAN Club picnic on Sunday, August 26. We invite all students to attend. A number of the returning students already participate in the FAN Club. For the new students, the picnic will be an opportunity to learn more about the program and to meet our families. Students who already participate should meet their family at the front entrance at 2:15 p.m. on Sunday. The picnic is from 2:30 – 4:30 p.m., followed by dinner in the student dining room.

Information about the FAN Club is available in the Pourhouse or from Ms. Donna Puccio. A list of the families and students participating is posted on the student bulletin board.

VICE PRESIDENT FOR FORMATION/ DEAN OF STUDENTS

FORMATION ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. DWC community welcomes back all the returning and new students! Wishing you a wonderful and fruitful new academic year!
2. There will be a required meeting for those who want to be student drivers for this academic year on Tuesday, August 21 at 8:00 PM in room 107. Please bring a photocopy of your valid US driver license.
3. Formation meetings will begin Wednesday August 22, at 7:30 pm in designated rooms. Work-study and other community activities also begin so please check the student bulletin board for further information.
4. The ministry choices must be submitted by Thursday, August 23.

5. Saturday, August 25th will be a day of recollection for all students, beginning from 10:00 am to 5:00 pm. The topic is “Immigration” presented by the Peace and Justice Committee headed by Fr. Sam Cunningham, SVD.

6. Sunday, August 26, our ministry commissioning will take place at the 10:00 am Sunday Mass in the main chapel. Those students doing ministries are obligated to attend.

7. All students are invited to join the FAN Club picnic on Sunday, August 26, beginning at 2:30 pm.

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VICE PRESIDENT FOR ADMISSIONS

Welcome Students - While being excited to see all our returning students back at Divine Word College, we warmly welcome our new students to our Divine Word College community. We have 23 new students this semester—all but one has arrived already. We are still awaiting John Augustin’s arrival next week from Haiti. Our new students include:

SVD Candidates

John Edeve Augustin	Haiti
Tung Cao Vu	Houston, TX
Josue Arias	Clearwater, FL
John Scully	Tinton Falls, NJ
Do Tuang	Tulsa, OK

Divine Word Missionaries

Fr. Hilarius De Brito Laja Rebo, SVD	Indonesia
Fr. Tri Thien Tran, SVD (Francis)	Vietnam
Fr. Antonius Waget, SVD	Indonesia

Religious Sisters

Sr. Tram Thuy Thi Nguyen, MSC	Vietnam
Sr. An Thi Thuy Ngo, LHC	Vietnam
Sr. Thuan Kim Thi Phan, LHC	Vietnam (living off-campus with OSF)
Sr. Nhiem Thi Nguyen, LHC	Vietnam (living off-campus with OSF)

Male Religious

Br. Vinh Nguyen ICM	Vietnam
Fr. Augustine Trung Thanh Nguyen, CRM	Vietnam

Diocesan Priest

Fr. Ninh Van Nguyen	Vietnam (Vinh Diocese)
Fr. Joseph Duc Van Do	Vietnam (Hanoi Archdiocese)
Fr. Thang Van Vu	Vietnam (Thanh Hoa Diocese)



“Relying on God has to start all over everyday, as if nothing has yet been done.”

C. S. Lewis

Diocesan Seminarian

Nicolas Montenegro Campos
Hien Van Nguyen
Hung Le
Thiet Hoang

El Salvador (Des Moines Diocese)
Vietnam (Thanh Hoa Diocese)
Vietnam (Arch of DBQ)
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Lay ESL Students

Jaber Alanazi
Xiancheng Xiong

Saudi Arabia (Dubuque, IA)
China (Dubuque, IA)

Audit Students

John Berns

Dubuque, IA

THE WORD AMONG US

Returning students will recall that for the last three years an anonymous donor has made it possible for all students in seminaries in the USA to receive a free copy of The Word Among Us. For new students, this is a monthly publication that contains the daily liturgical readings with short reflections and a few other articles. Later this week, the Vocation Office will put a copy of these booklets in every student mailbox. There are a few extra copies that we will put in the SVD lounge for use by SVDs. Please remember to pray for the generous benefactor that makes this possible for people in formation all around the country.

FINANCIAL AID

Students at colleges all over the world look for scholarships to help them cover expenses related to their education—even at seminaries! Students at Divine Word College are no different. Here is a scholarship opportunity that is available to Divine Word College students who are U.S. Citizens and Lawful Permanent Residents (green card holders).

Divine Word College Presidential Scholarship

Divine Word College first awarded the Presidential Scholarship in 1979. This scholarship is an award to applicants who show promise of superior academic achievement. The Presidential Scholarship is an annual award of \$3,000 renewable each year the recipient continues to meet the established guidelines. A maximum of two new students may receive the Presidential Scholarship in a single academic year. The Board of Administration selects the Presidential Scholarship recipients. Scholarship criteria:

- An applicant must be a United States Citizen or lawful permanent resident.
- An applicant must be a new student entering DWC for the first time.
- An applicant must have a high school GPA of 3.25 or above and college

transfer applicants must have a college GPA of 3.0 or above. Applicants who completed secondary school or college/university studies abroad must have an acceptable equivalent GPA.

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- An applicant must outline his/her volunteer activities and leadership roles.
- An applicant must submit a letter of recommendation from a teacher, counselor or school administrator.
- Current Divine Word College students in the English Language Institute may apply for the Presidential Scholarship when they transition to the regular college program. Scholarship applicants must still have a 3.25 high school GPA (or equivalent) or a college GPA of 3.0. A letter of recommendation is required from the Director of the DWC English Language Institute.

If you believe you qualify for the DWC Presidential Scholarship, please complete the application form by September 15, 2018.

If you have any questions, please see Ms. Carolyn Waechter, the Financial Aid Coordinator, for assistance with this scholarship.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT ADVISOR

Welcome international students to Divine Word College! All new, international students should visit Ms. Carolyn Waechter, the International Student Advisor during the first week of school. She is the Principal Designated School Official for Divine Word College and will assist you with all your visa questions and concerns. Her office is on the 3rd Floor in the Admissions Office.

VICE PRESIDENT FOR OPERATIONS

It was a very busy and very productive summer. Below is a list of some but not all of the projects that were completed this summer.

- Megan Hall: new flooring, sinks and paint in the dorm rooms
- Megan Hall: kitchen remodel
- SVD wing: Air conditioners added to rooms on the north side
- SVD bathrooms remodeled
- New student kitchen added in the lower level near the Pour House
- New lounge area added next to the student kitchen
- Central Kitchen: two new two new ovens installed
- Blinds: Blinds installed in Room 107 and the Periodical Room
- New mattresses and pillows for all students

Many thanks to our dedicated staff and students for getting all of this work done!

SWIMMING POOL SCHEDULE

Week of August 20

Tuesday	3-5 PM
Wednesday	closed
Thursday	3-5 PM
<i>Family Swim</i>	
Friday	6-8 PM
Saturday	2-4 PM
Sunday	1-3 PM