

# THE LOG

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### Birthday Corner

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## THE PRESIDENT

### Welcome Spring

The snow was still melting when the first Spring flower was noticed here at DWC on Saturday, March 15. Can you guess where it bloomed? Can you guess who found it? That's his finger in the photo!

Four **newcomers** have arrived along with the first blooms. We welcome two SVD candidates from South Korea: Joseph Jaehyeok Choi and Daniel Mingyo Lee will study English with us, and later go to novitiate in the Philippines. Two off-campus lay students are also here: Ana Maria Niño Pardo and Luisa Fernanda Diaz Gonzalez from Colombia.

Spring break is over and the hallways are hustling and bustling once again. When you look outside, the birds are busy building nests as the temperatures are climbing. We'll be just as busy with a string of upcoming events.



**Matthew 25.** Spring officially arrives on Wednesday at 4:58pm. Just an hour later, we will be gathering in the chapel for evening prayer as part of the celebration of the Matthew 25 award. This year the award will be presented to Mr. Art Roche, a 1970 graduate of Divine Word College. The Matthew 25 Award, established in 2001, recognizes people engaged in direct ministries with the "least among us," in the spirit of the Gospel of St. Matthew, Chapter 25.

**Missionary Discipleship.** On Thursday, March 21, at 12:45, I am inviting all the members of the faculty and the formation staff to meet with me for a presentation and discussion on "missionary discipleship" as a core competency of Divine Word College. Are there some skills that we can help our students develop as they look to a life of service to God's Kingdom?



**Knights of Columbus.** On Sunday, March 24, representatives of the Knights of Columbus will be joining us at the 10am Mass to share in a “corporate communion.” They will also join us for brunch. Afterward, they would like to make a brief presentation about their organization, dedicated to the ideals of charity, unity and fraternity. The Knights are the largest Catholic men’s group in the United States and are dedicated to works of charity. The members of our local group in Epworth are big supporters of the community Bread Distribution and of the community Food Pantry.

**Meditations in March** will be the big event on Tuesday, March 26 at 7:30pm. Dr. Evelyn Dias has organized a chamber concert presentation, featuring violist Dr. Amanda Wilton, tenor Mr. Mason Montuoro and Dr. Dias on the piano.

**Serra Club.** On Sunday evening, March 31, the members of the Serra Club will be visiting to share our culture dinner and to join us in Vespers. Serrans promote and foster vocations to the priesthood and consecrated religious life, and they promote greater understanding of and commitment to their own vocations to service as Catholic lay leaders.

*Missionary life is built around INVITING and WELCOMING. While the birds are busy building nests, we will be busy building up friendships with people we have yet to meet.*

## Hard Work and a Little Fun in Memphis

Fr. Simon Thoi Hoang, SVD, put **Joubert, Wisvel, Berson** and **John** to work at Sacred Heart Parish and Catholic Charities last week in Memphis, Tennessee.

After landscaping, painting and other tasks, the guys did get a chance to explore some Memphis culture and even some barbeque!

Thanks to Fr. Simon and Wisvel for sharing these photos!

Please share photos of your spring break activities!





## VICE PRESIDENT FOR ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

### Faculty Professional Development

The Chronicle of Higher Education is a great professional resource for all faculty and administrators to keep up-to-date with current issues and trends in U.S. higher education. Issues covered include those that are of keen interest to Divine Word College: accreditation, compliance, assessment, shared governance, critical thinking, instructional methods, curriculum development / mapping / benchmarking, effective writing, tenure vs. non-tenure, faculty evaluations and promotions, and so on. Becoming familiar with such current issues and trends in U.S. higher education will allow for a more informed and contextualized approach in our academic endeavors and discussions here at DWC. I want to encourage all instructional faculty and academic administrators to cultivate the healthy habit of regularly reading The Chronicle of Higher Education as part of one's ongoing professional development. This resource is readily available in our DWC Periodical Reading room on the second floor.

### Dates to Remember

#### Candidate Interview for Assistant Professor of Philosophy

Dr. Jason Reed – Tuesday, March 19 & Wednesday, March 20, 2019

#### Presentation on Missionary Discipleship: Thursday, March 21, 2019 @ 12:45 p.m.

Fr. Tom Ascherman, SVD will deliver a presentation for all faculty and formators on the topic of Missionary Discipleship as one of the new proposed Core Competencies for DWC graduates. Room 107.

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

At 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.

#### ESL Field Trip – Monday, April 1, 2019

Figge Art Museum & Putnam Science Center, Davenport IA

Students will be provided with meaningful experiences, extra learning opportunities, and authentic language encounters with native English speakers. Instructors will organize in-class activities and/or assignments that can enhance students' learning experience before, during, and after the field trip, dealing with vocabulary, speaking and comprehension exercises using materials related to environmental issues, animal habitats, American museum culture, fine arts, and art history. For all ESL Term D 2019 students.

#### Candidate Interviews for Assistant Professor of English

Dr. Katherine M. Zlabek – Wednesday, April 3, 2019

Dr. Richard L. Garrett – Friday, April 5, 2019

Mr. Adam S. Kozaczka – Monday, April 8, 2019

## VICE PRESIDENT FOR FORMATION DEAN OF STUDENTS

**Welcome back to all!** We hope you had a wonderful and relaxing Spring Break and regain momentum for successfully completing the semester.

**The Matthew 25 Award Ceremony** is scheduled for Wednesday, March 20. There will be no formation meeting. All students are required to attend this event, beginning with a Vesper service 6:00 P.M in the main chapel, followed by a banquet in the dining room.

A friendly reminder from Br. Mike Decker, SVD that there will be a **“Brothers Meeting”** for those students interested in the religious brother vocation, on Thursday, March 21 at 7:30 P.M, in room 143. All are welcome!

Saturday, March 23, is scheduled for a **Student Lenten Recollection**, from 10:00 A.M to 5:00 P.M. Fr. Tom Krosnicki, SVD, will lead the recollection.

## VICE PRESIDENT FOR ADMISSIONS

### 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 – Application Deadline Extended

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. The application deadline has been extended until Friday, March 22. 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.

## Come and See Visitors

From March 26-31, two visitors will be on campus. Duc Minh Le is from Crete, Nebraska, and Hai Pham is from Baldwin Park, California. Fr. Anthony invited them to campus because they feel God may be calling them to religious life and they want to learn more about the SVD and Divine Word College. We welcome them to our community for their visit.

## Where are they now?

Two weeks ago, Frs. Francis, Emilio, Anthony and Adam were in Boise, Idaho, for the Idaho Catholic Youth Conference where over 2,000 teens gathered for the weekend. This coming weekend, all four of the vocation directors and Sr. Aprilia will be in Anaheim, California, for the Los Angeles Religious Education Congress where over 40,000 Catholics gather for ongoing faith formation. While Bro. Duylinh will be in Tulsa, Oklahoma, this weekend visiting candidates and promoting vocations to the SVD, Len will be on campus until Friday. Next week Len will be on vacation and the following week he will join Fr. Adam in Chicago for a board meeting of the National Religious Vocation Conference.

## 6th Grade Vocation Day

Over 200 6th grade students spent Tuesday, March 12 at DWC learning about religious life!



## VICE PRESIDENT FOR OPERATIONS

### CPR and AED Training

To all employees of DWC - Bro. Mike Decker has worked hard to set up a free CPR and AED training course for all DWC employees. (This training is not mandatory.)

The training sessions are on **Friday, March 29** at the Epworth Fire Station. This training is open to all DWC employees free of charge. If you are an hourly employee, you do not need to clock out for the training. **Session 1 is from 9-11:30 AM and Session 2 is from 1:00-3:30 PM. You only need to attend one of the sessions.**

To register please use the sign-up sheet located on the faculty bulletin board. If interested, please sign up by Friday, March 22. If you have questions about the training, please contact Bro. Mike Decker.

## PUBLIC RELATIONS

**Swimming Pool News!** The West Dubuque track teams will use the pool a few more times before the end of the semester.

March 19 – Girls – 3:50 – 4:50 pm

March 20 – Boys – 3:50 – 4:50 pm

April 3 – Girls – 6:30 – 7:30 am

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**Swimming Lessons** – Area children will have the opportunity to learn to swim in our pool beginning April 6. Dubuque Area Swimm' Hurricanes (DASH) is offering swimming lessons on Saturday and Sunday from 12 - 3:00 pm. All classes are full.

Open family swim will move to 3:00 – 5:00 pm on Sundays, beginning Sunday, April 7.



March 20	Matthew 25 Award – Prayer Service and Banquet
March 24	Knights of Columbus – Mass and Brunch
March 26	“Meditations in March” Chamber Concert Presentation
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
May 10	Classes end
May 13-16	Final Exam Week
May 17	Commencement



## **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.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Applicant

\_\_\_\_\_  
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.
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