

A Message from the President

January 22, 2018

Dear Felician Community,

Happy New Year and welcome back!

As we begin a new semester, there is much to look forward to in 2018.

A light coating of snow brought a winter *seasoning* to our first day of classes. Many students are still enrolling and we expect additional enrollments to occur through the drop-add period. Our residence halls are full and the women's and men's basketball teams have been busy with games both on campus and on the road. Our teams are turning in fine performances this year and I encourage our entire Felician family to attend games and cheer our Golden Falcons to victory.

Yesterday we held an Open House for interested high school and transfer students as well as students admitted for the fall 2018-19 academic year. We had a wonderful turnout of approximately 100 students and their families. A special thank you to our deans, faculty, staff and students for supporting this event with their participation and enthusiasm. It speaks volumes to the families of new and prospective students when they have the opportunity to engage with you, our Felician community.

This year the University will honor Joetta Clark Diggs, four-time Olympian and NJ Hall of Fame inductee, on January 24, 2018 at 1:30 p.m. in Ed Commons Bramucci Unity Hall, at our annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Legacy Award ceremony. Seating is limited. If you are interested in attending please contact Daniela Gonzalez in University Advancement.

Later that day, at 6pm in Bramucci Unity Hall, we are convening an event for Human Trafficking Awareness Month. The event is co-sponsored by Healing Space and the NJ Coalition Against Human Trafficking. A screening of the film *I am Jane Doe* will be followed by a panel discussion. All are welcome to attend.

On January 30, at 7:00 p.m. and January 31, at 1:00 p.m. the Blessed Mary Angela Institute will host a presentation about the Felician Sisters' ministry in Haiti. Special guests are Sister Mary Inga Borko, CSSF and Sister Marilyn Marie Minter, CSSF. All are welcome to attend. We are fortunate to have a group of nursing students who have committed to travel to the Haiti ministry this spring to provide much needed medical care.

Today, we celebrate together as a community with a campus-wide liturgy beginning at 1:15 p.m. in the Lodi Sisters Chapel. Please make every effort to attend.

To keep current on all upcoming events, please check the University's website for calendar updates and announcements. Note, we are adding landing pages for each of the University's schools and programs to our website. This is important given our website is the "window" through which prospective students, alumni, faculty, family members, and community members learn about our university.

I look forward to seeing each of you throughout the semester!

Peace and All Good,



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