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Dear Colleagues,

I hope that this newsletter finds you well and looking forward to Mardi Gras Break! And I hope that the break holds both rest and fun for you.

**PILOT PROCESS, Please review:** For the Spring Term, if you need a faculty member or staff member in Academic Affairs to assist you in a volunteer or ad-hoc service capacity, please send your request to [chairs@centenary.edu](mailto:chairs@centenary.edu) (a list that includes chairs, directors, and me). These requests include special events, search committees, ad-hoc committees, task forces, department or college representation, etc.

This short pilot process is in response to chair requests and is intended to ensure that department chairs as leaders help “spread the wealth” among department colleagues and that we get a better sense as a college of what we are offering to and expecting of our faculty and staff. This is just a brief capture of information and is intended to help us address this in a proactive way moving forward.

In this newsletter, you will find:

- Dates, Deadlines, and Events to Note

My office hours next week will be Thursday, February 15 from 1:30-3:00 p.m. (Leftover Valentine candy will be offered!)

*Laissez les bon temps rouler!*

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### **DATES, DEADLINES, and EVENTS TO NOTE**

- February 12-13: Mardi Gras Break
- February 15: All materials due to Faculty Personnel Council for any faculty member transitioning from Visiting to Tenure-Track (see Faculty Handbook, Section 12)
- Founders Day, Thursday, February 22, 11:10 a.m. in Brown Chapel: This annual convocation celebrates the rich history of the College and features an invited speaker, as well as the announcement of service pins for faculty and staff along with three special annual awards – the Charleton Lyons Summer Research Award, the President’s Excellence Award, and the Outstanding Teacher Award. Our speaker this year is the [Honorable Carl E. Stewart](#), Judge, U.S. Court of Appeals. Judge Stewart is an Honorary Alumnus of the College as well as former Board of Trustee. Please plan to attend, and process, at this important event and please require/encourage your students to attend.
- SAVE the DATE for the **Academic Affairs Faculty & Staff Summer Launch Picnic** on Thursday, May 9 from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. to be held outside the Meadows Museum

### **MORE EVENTS AND RESOURCES**

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