



## Spring Campus Visit Day an Early Sign of Good Things to Come

With more than 500 students and parents, Sunday's annual Spring Campus Visit Day was a major event for those considering Purdue University Fort Wayne in their future.

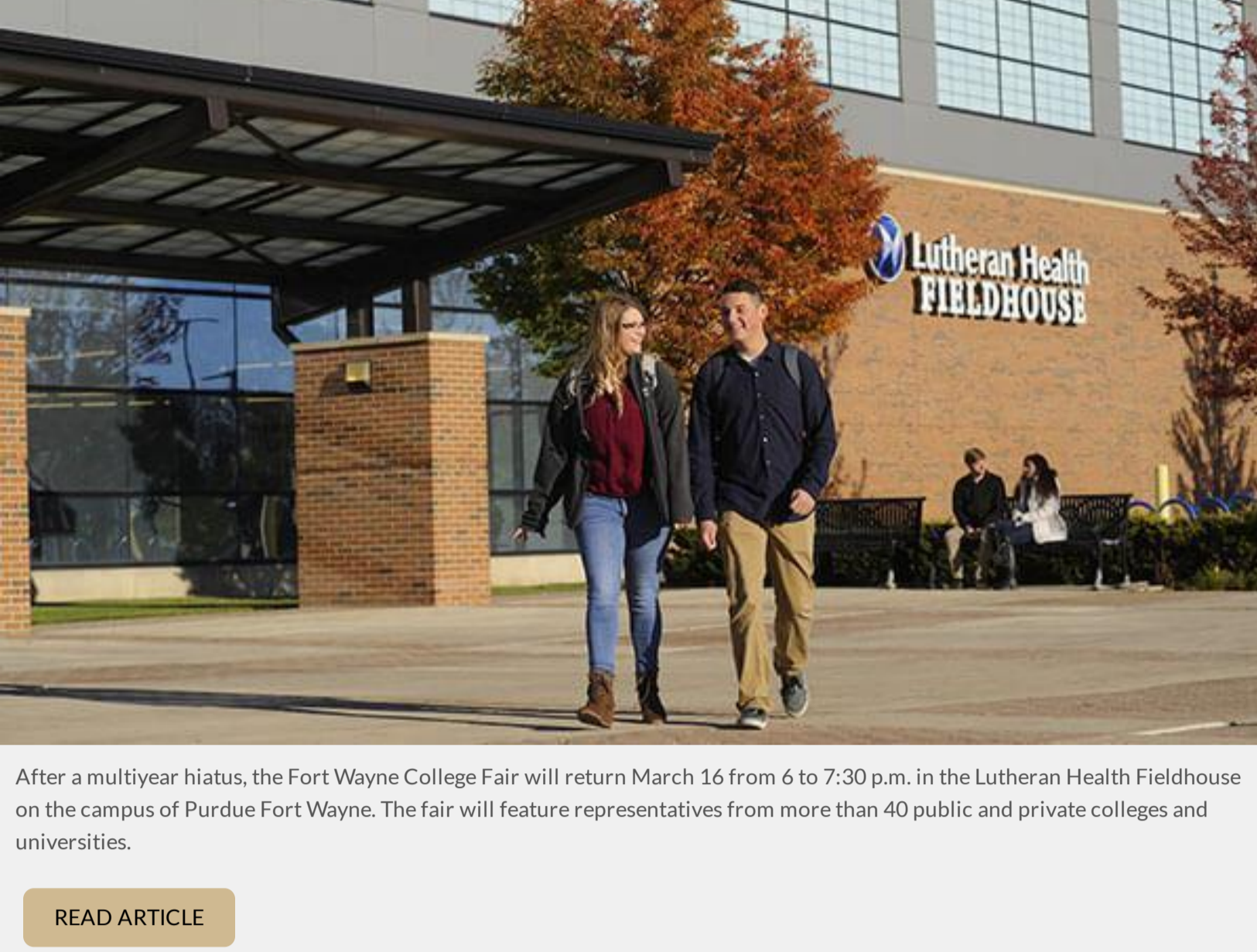
Families learned about PFW's academic programs, toured the campus, enjoyed lunch, and even quizzed current students during a panel discussion. There was also guidance available for financial aid forms and student applications.

According to Krissy Surface, vice chancellor for enrollment management and the student experience, potential PFW students traveled from Indiana, Michigan, Ohio, Illinois, Florida, and Kentucky. Participants ranged from high school sophomores to students from other universities considering a transfer. And for the first time, those transfer students were offered their own information session to drill down on that process.

The numbers for the 2023–24 academic year look promising, Surface reported. Of those who attended Spring Campus Visit Day 54% have already been admitted to PFW. That's helping boost overall incoming enrollment numbers that show applications are up 27% year to date, admissions 17%, and intent to enroll 85%.

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## Fort Wayne College Fair to Return March 16 on Purdue Fort Wayne Campus



After a multiyear hiatus, the Fort Wayne College Fair will return March 16 from 6 to 7:30 p.m. in the Lutheran Health Fieldhouse on the campus of Purdue Fort Wayne. The fair will feature representatives from more than 40 public and private colleges and universities.

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## Share Your Feedback about Greek Life at PFW

The university is taking steps to see if there is interest in expanding Greek life on campus in an effort to advance enrollment, retention, and strategic plan aspirations. Part of this work is collecting feedback and opinions of Greek life from current stakeholders—students, faculty, and staff members. That's where you come in.

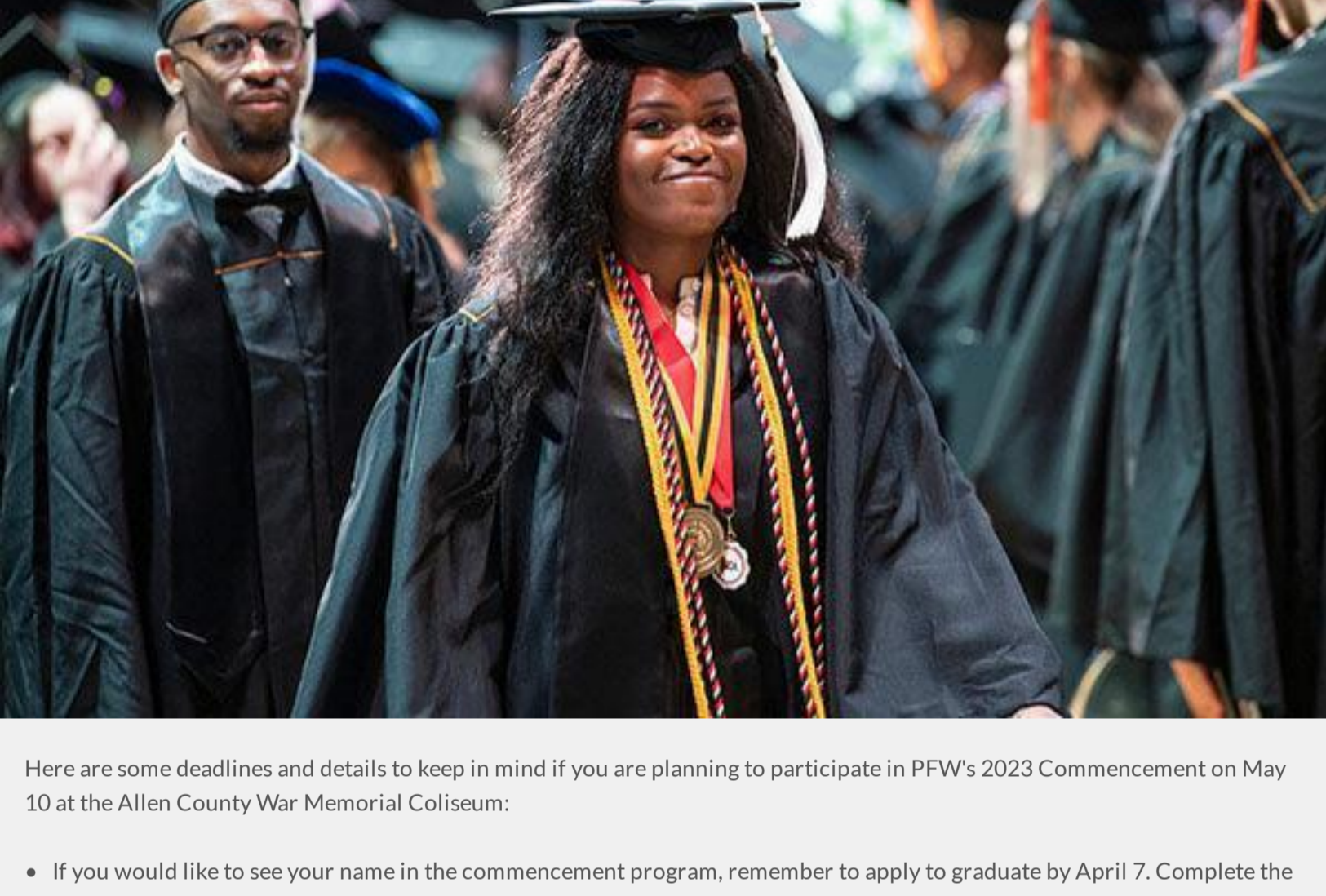
Four student focus group sessions will be offered throughout spring semester to chat about general thoughts and feelings around expanding Greek life at PFW, as well as specific needs students have in order to participate in Greek organizations, such as finances, cultural values, etc.

Dates/times for sessions:

Thursday | 2 p.m. | Walb 227  
 March 14 | 10 a.m. | Walb 227  
 March 22 | 1 p.m. | Walb 227  
 April 5 | 9 a.m. | Zoom

[Sign up for a session.](#)

## Commencement Updates for Graduating Students



Here are some deadlines and details to keep in mind if you are planning to participate in PFW's 2023 Commencement on May 10 at the Allen County War Memorial Coliseum:

- If you would like to see your name in the commencement program, remember to apply to graduate by April 7. Complete the application in [goPFW](#) under Registration Tools in the Enrollment section.
- After you apply to graduate, **register yourself and your family** for the event. Tickets aren't needed, but sharing an estimated number of your family and friends who will be attending the ceremony and the after party is very helpful for PFW's advance planning.
- **Order your cap and gown here.** All orders will be shipped directly to the address that you enter, along with a return shipping label. December graduates who aren't planning to attend commencement in May can order a cap and gown for pictures.
- Visit the [Commencement website](#) often for important information, reminders, and updates.

## National Student Clearinghouse Myhub Portal

The Office of the Registrar is excited to announce that National Student Clearinghouse has begun a new service called "Myhub." It allows you to obtain enrollment verification certificates for the purpose of loan deferments, scholarship applications, medical/car insurance, and more. Instructions for setting up a Myhub account are [available here](#).

More information about Myhub can be found on the [registrar's website](#).

## Campus-wide Emergency Alert Test Scheduled for March 14



As part of Indiana's observance of **Severe Weather Preparedness Week**, March 12–18, Purdue Fort Wayne will conduct a semiannual test of its emergency notification system to coincide with the statewide tornado drill at 10:15 a.m. on March 14.

In the event of severe or inclement weather on March 14, the test will be rescheduled for the following day.

Procedures to follow during a tornado are available by [clicking here](#). Additional information can be found on the university's [Emergency Preparedness website](#).

If you haven't already done so, please consider signing up to receive **Rave emergency alerts** via text message, which arrive much faster and with greater reliability than automated phone calls.

## Recording of Town Hall on DEI Strategy and Progress Now Available

Thank you to everyone who participated in the February 22 town hall on Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Strategy and Progress. If you were unable to join live, you can access a recording [here](#).

For more information about DEI at Purdue Fort Wayne, visit the Office of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion's [website](#), and review its most recent [annual report](#).

## Herd That

*The student experience is a big part of who we are as Mastodons. Here's one of our stories.*



## Life's Challenges Helped Prepare Chong Qui for Basketball Success

After hitting a last-second, long-distance 3-pointer to beat Wright State on February 19, Damian Chong Qui's shot was #1 on ESPN SportsCenter's "Top 10" plays of the day. Also noteworthy, it's the third time Chong Qui has sunk a game-ending bucket on a Senior Night. The first one happened when he was in high school, and he repeated the feat last year against Cleveland State.

But those buzzer-beating moments are nothing compared to the challenges Chong Qui has overcome off the court.

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## Don Dates

There's always plenty to do at Purdue Fort Wayne. To find your favorites—or discover new activities—check the Don Dates website often to see what's happening on campus.

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Today, noon–1:15 p.m.

### Exhibit Grand Opening

This exhibit celebrates the 50th anniversary of the Women's Studies Program. Documents from the program's archive are on display...

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Thurs., 1:30–3:30 p.m.

### Minor Match-up

Stop by on your way to or from class for the opportunity to learn about your options for minors and how each can prepare you...

## News Spotlight

*A sampling of external news coverage of Purdue University Fort Wayne.*

### Area students participate in Model Bridge Building Contest at PFW

Fort Wayne-area media | Saturday

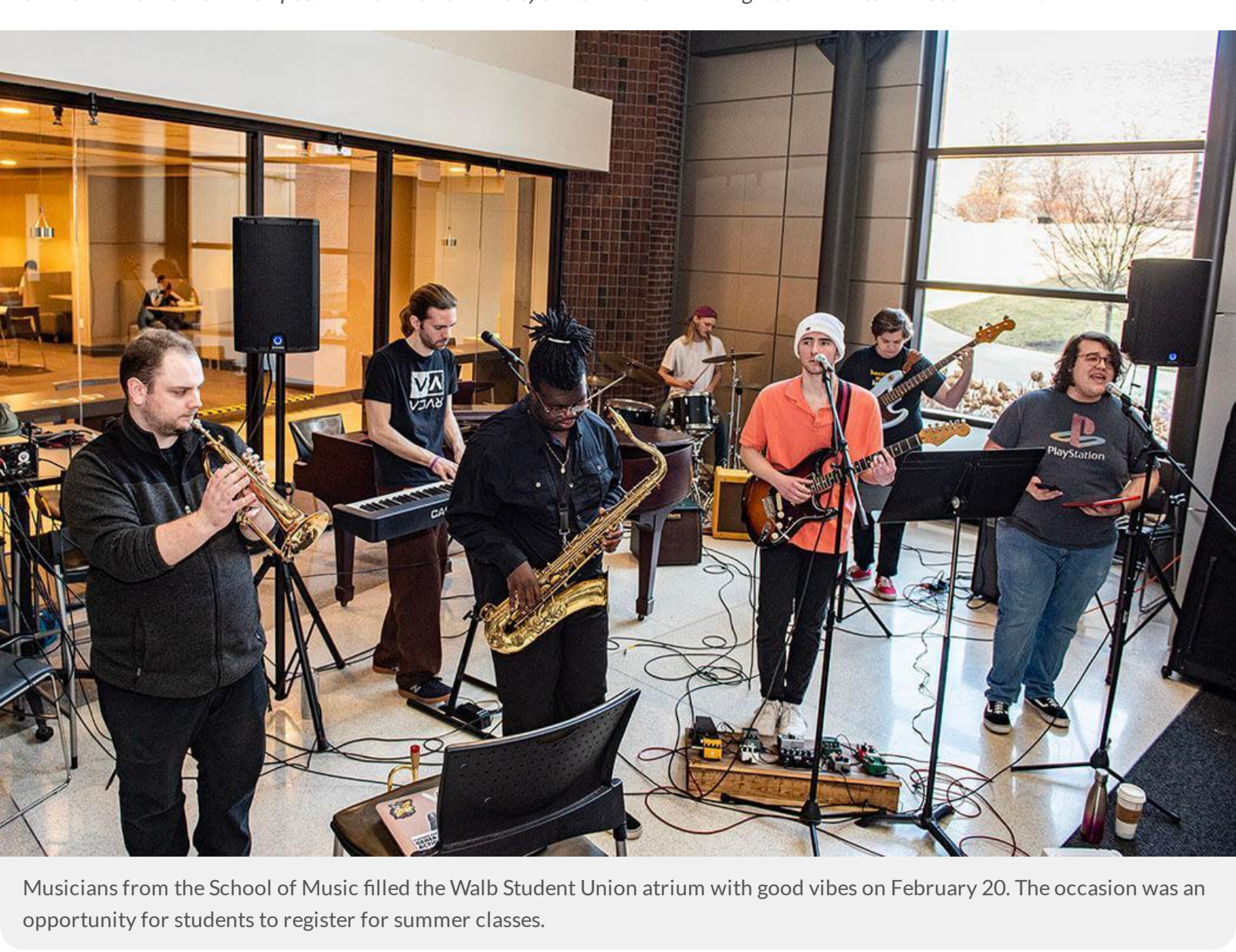
### Middle school band students get head start with PFW

FOX 55 | Feb. 21



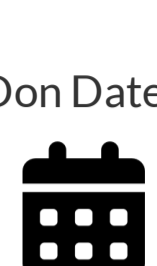
# Mastodon Moments

Seen and noted around campus. Monitor our university social feeds for more great moments of Mastodon life.



Musicians from the School of Music filled the Walb Student Union atrium with good vibes on February 20. The occasion was an opportunity for students to register for summer classes.

Athletics



Don Dates



News Center



Don Life is an official university communication sent weekly on Wednesday to all currently enrolled students. Don Life Special Edition is a supplement to the regularly scheduled newsletter. It covers breaking news and time-sensitive information directly related to university operations.

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