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LaMaster's Rambunctious Teaching Style Often Sends Students Charging toward Positive Results

John LaMaster will never be replaced by an artificial intelligence program. The host server's circuits would explode too often.

A senior instructor in the Department of Mathematical Sciences at Purdue Fort Wayne, LaMaster, B.A. '86, M.S. '91, is an atypical and nontraditional teacher blasting through stereotypes in precalculus and calculus courses.

Some students tentatively enter his classroom dealing with intimidation, but LaMaster flips that by engaging everyone, telling them to be unafraid of mistakes. He even asks them to use his first name.

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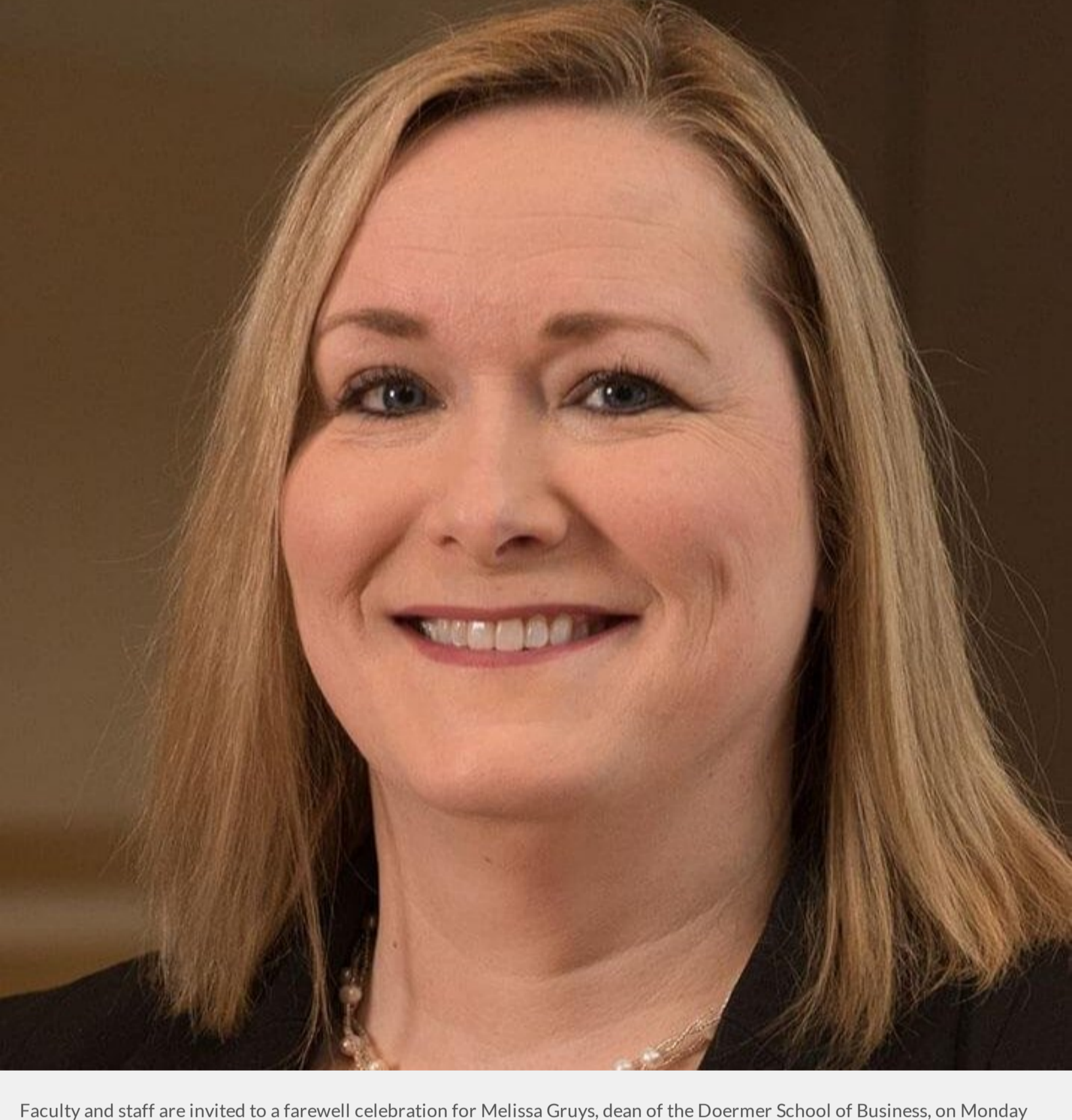
Three Rivers Festival Parade Participants Needed



Are you interested in walking with Purdue Fort Wayne's entry in the Three Rivers Festival Parade on July 8? Alumni Relations is looking for some Mastodons and their families to join in this time-honored tradition. Participants will decorate a one-of-a-kind Don cutout and receive a commemorative T-shirt.

Contact alumni@pfw.edu for more information.

Farewell Celebration for Dean Gruys



Faculty and staff are invited to a farewell celebration for Melissa Gruys, dean of the Doermer School of Business, on Monday from 1:30 to 5:30 p.m. in the DSB lounge. Cake and light refreshments will be provided.

Those wishing to contribute to a gift may send it to Lisa Brodasky via Venmo, Zelle, or PayPal. Contact her at brodaskl@pfw.edu or 260-481-6461 for more information.

CSSAC Excellence Nominations Accepted through July 14

The Purdue Fort Wayne Excellence Award honors administrative and service support staff members for excellence in service to the Purdue community. All fully benefited members of the PFW campus who have completed one year of service are eligible for nomination.

Previous recipients are not eligible in the three years following their award, but are eligible thereafter. Staff members may nominate themselves or be nominated by another university employee.

Learn more about the Excellence Award and download nomination forms on the [Campus Support Staff Advisory Committee website](#). Nominations must be submitted no later than 5 p.m. on July 14.

Mastodon Memories

This summer series explores the campus experiences of current Purdue Fort Wayne faculty and staff who are also alumni.



Susan Domer, B.G.S. '05

Marketing and public relations specialist for the College of Visual and Performing Arts

Domer started on campus as a theatre major in 1979, but left after earning an associate degree because she needed to work full-time and theatre classes were only offered during the day. She returned to campus in 2000 to her current position, and graduated in 2005 with a bachelor's degree in general studies.

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News Spotlight

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

PFW to offer new, expanded counseling services for students

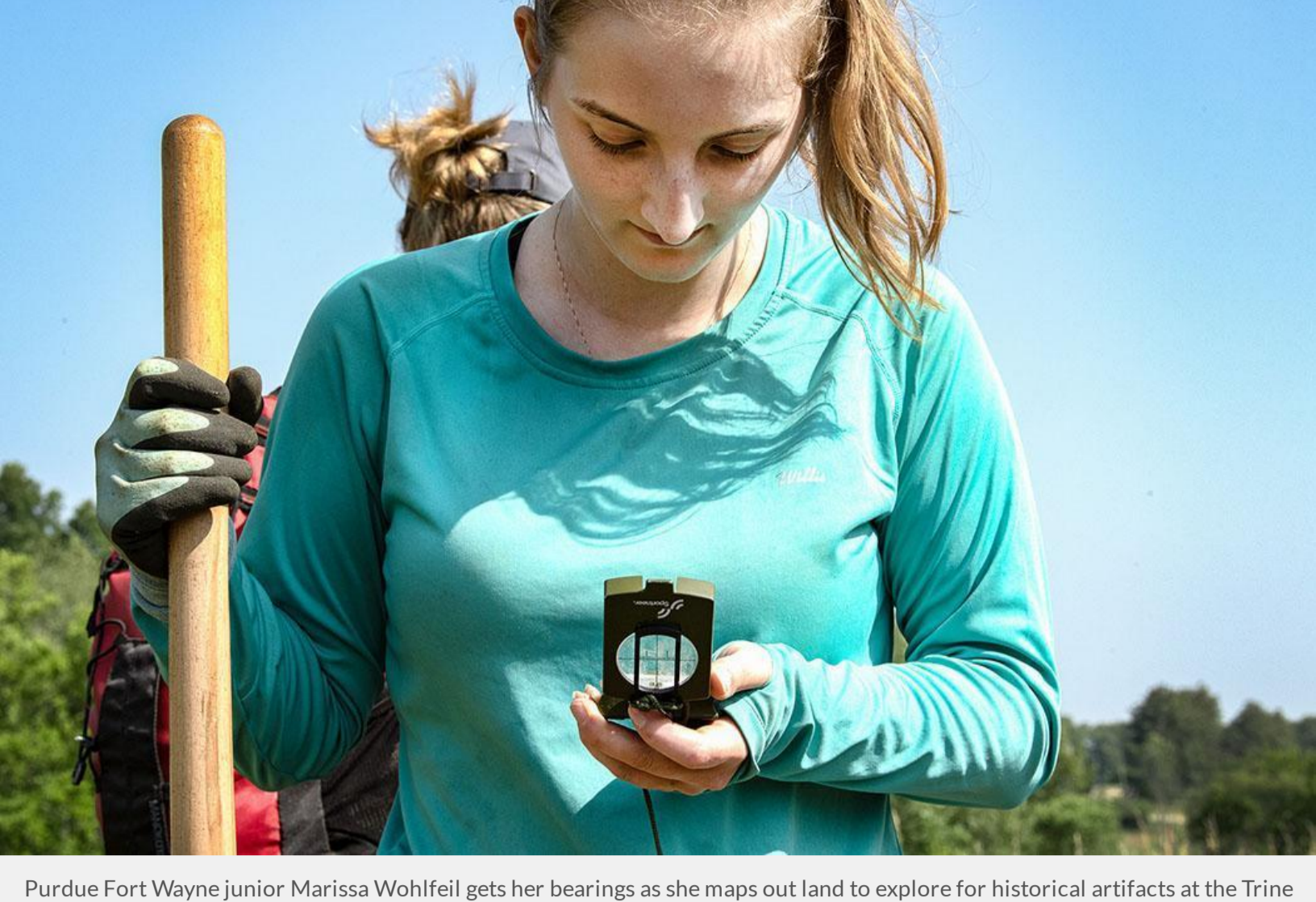
WANE 15 | June 14

NSCC announces agreement with Purdue Fort Wayne

The Crescent-News | June 13

In a Snap

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



Purdue Fort Wayne junior Marissa Wohlfeil gets her bearings as she maps out land to explore for historical artifacts at the Trine State Recreation Area on Wednesday. Wohlfeil is part of a group of nine students, four from PFW, who are taking part in a field school. They are all anthropology majors working to earn their cultural resource management certificate. Watch for a story about the field school in an upcoming edition of *Inside PFW*.

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