

Gordon Adds Empathy to Fort Wayne's Human Library

Once a month, Regina Gordon mentally prepares herself to share her life story with total strangers. She describes it as cathartic and a source of strength.

Gordon, the program assistant for Purdue University Fort Wayne's **Center for the Enhancement of Learning and Teaching** since 2015, is part of **Fort Wayne's Human Library**. Started in Denmark in 2000 as a framework to challenge stereotypes and prejudices, the Human Library utilizes people who tell their stories in 20-to-30-minute oral segments.

The local branch started offering monthly presentations at various sites in 2018, with 15-to-20 human "books" sitting at tables with brief descriptions. After a five-minute orientation to establish protocol and privacy restrictions, "readers" can sit and chat and control the conversation as the speakers respond to questions.

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2023-24 Parking Permits Available Beginning Next Week

Parking permits for 2023-24 will be available beginning Aug. 1. You may park in an A lot during restricted hours only if you have a staff permit. The cost remains at \$174 for full-time employees and \$87 for those working part-time. Payroll deductions will begin in September for eight pay periods (monthly paid faculty/staff) or 16 pay periods (biweekly). Current parking permits expire Aug. 31.

You do not need a permit to park in a B lot. The first levels of the parking garages are designated as A lots until 5 p.m., and AB thereafter. The remaining levels are considered B lots. [Learn more about parking on campus.](#)

Submit your application electronically through Qualtrics; paper payroll-deduction applications are not available. Parking tags can be picked up at the police station in the Support Services Building.

Social Media Office Hours to Begin, Drupal Hours to Resume

Campus social media publishers are invited to attend a monthly virtual office hour led by the Office of Communications and Marketing's social media specialist, Dave Fenker. The first meeting will begin at 2 p.m. on Aug. 8 **via Microsoft Teams**. Additional meetings at the same time will follow on the **first Tuesday of each month**.

Also, Drupal office hours, led by Bennett Winters, associate director for user experience design, will resume after classes begin, taking place at 10 a.m. every other Friday. Website publishers will receive a Microsoft Teams meeting invitation for these office hours.

Payroll Drop-in Hours

The Payroll team will be hosting on-campus drop-in hours for the fall semester on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Employees are encouraged to attend if they have anything they would like to discuss. Appointments are not necessary.

Here is a list of dates and locations for the month of August:

- Aug. 1 | PFW Music Center, Room 235
- Aug. 3 | Walb Student Union, Room 114
- Aug. 8 | PFW Music Center, Room 235
- Aug. 10 | PFW Music Center, Room 235
- Aug. 15 | PFW Music Center, Room 235
- Aug. 16 | Walb Student Union, Room 114

Dates and times are subject to change in the event of scheduling conflicts.

Find Previous Editions of the Newsletter in the *Inside PFW* Archive

As many readers of *Inside PFW* noticed on Tuesday, recent security changes implemented by Purdue IT impacted the delivery of the newsletter in such a way that it ended up in a Quarantine page of Microsoft 365 security. All employees should have received this released email in their inboxes Wednesday afternoon.

Purdue IT is working on a permanent fix for this issue so these and other official Purdue University Fort Wayne communications are delivered as intended directly to the inboxes of those recipients with @pfw.edu email accounts.

In the meantime, remember to check out the [Inside PFW Archive](#) to view recent and older editions of the newsletter.

Mastodon Memories

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



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As the daughter of retired human anatomy and physiology professor Marilyn Shannon, Regina Trout has been visiting the Purdue Fort Wayne campus since before birth, and the Science Building in particular since age 6. After earning her master's degree, she took a position at Purdue West Lafayette before coming to PFW in 2019. She is one of nine children, seven of whom have attended here, so far. There's been a family member on this campus continuously since 1990.

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Featured Events

There's always plenty to do at Purdue Fort Wayne. Some opportunities are exclusive to university employees and their families. Check the full [events calendar](#) often to see what's happening on campus.

AUGUST

1

Tues., noon-1 p.m.

Healthy Boiler Workshop: Foam Rolling 101

Learn how to use the foam roller as well as tips and exercises to target all the major muscle groups. Start feeling better and moving easier—register today...

AUGUST

2

Wed., noon-1 p.m.

Employee Yoga: In-Person and Virtual Class

Make time during your work day to proactively practice self-care and be more active...

News Spotlight

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

PFW College Experience helping students realize the possibilities

Fort Wayne-area media | Tuesday

Boys & Girls Clubs, PFW eagerly embrace expanded partnership

Fort Wayne-area media | July 19

In a Snap

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

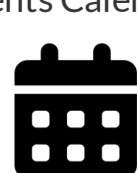


Singers assemble as all sections of the Fort Wayne Children's Choir engage in Choral Fest this week at various locations on the PFW campus.

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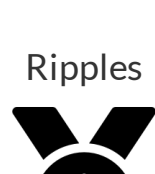
Events Calendar



Athletics



Ripples



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