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For Students

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Welcome to *Don Life* 2023–24

All of us at *Don Life*—Purdue Fort Wayne’s student newsletter—hope you’ve had a relaxing summer.

For those of you who are new to our university community, *Don Life* is an official university communication sent weekly on Wednesday to all currently enrolled students. Here you’ll find important updates, event listings, and features that help describe the student experience—your experience—at PFW.

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.

Enjoy your last few days of summer break, and see you beginning next week!



Summer Smash

Check out Shareef and Daniel, members of Purdue Fort Wayne's table tennis club, as they engage in an epic game that takes them all over campus.

[WATCH VIDEO](#)

Herd That

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



Sophomore Steps up to Lead New ETCS Summer Camp Program

A number of years ago, shortly after his grandfather introduced him to computers, soon-to-be sophomore Brian Waltz started working with his three younger siblings to teach them some skills. Then he did the same thing as a middle and high school student with classmates.

For the past five years, serving first as a camper and then as a counselor with Purdue University Fort Wayne's engineering and computer science exploration camps, Waltz's talents have been on display. When he started attending PFW last fall, representatives of the university's **College of Engineering, Technology, and Computer Science** quickly drafted him to help with their outreach programs.

"We have all known that Brian was so beyond his year in his knowledge of computer science and technology," said Janet North, ETCS outreach program coordinator. "He never stops thinking about the next way to improve or invent a program, even while he was still in high school. I am in awe of his abilities and accomplishments."

[READ STORY](#)

Good to Know

Helmke Library

Helmke Library will be closed on Friday (Aug. 11) for a staff in-service day.

Mastodon Moments

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



Professor Scott Bergeson took his biology students out in the field near Cedar Creek to study bats, whose populations have been decimated by a highly contagious disease. Here, as the sun sets, Bergeson demonstrates how to set up a trapping apparatus consisting of tall poles and soft netting.

Athletics



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