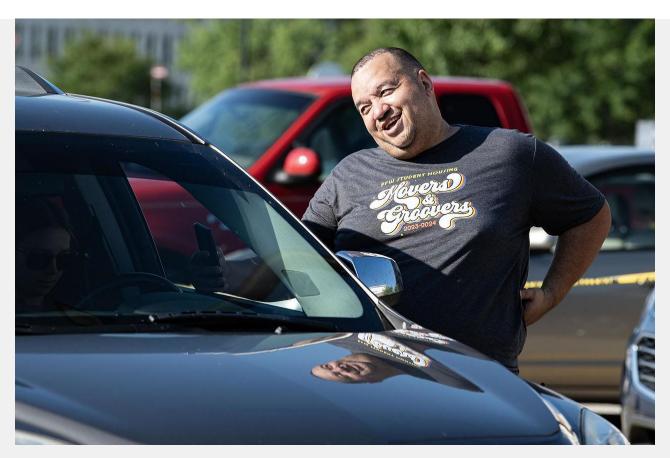


For Faculty and Staff August 29, 2023



#### Weemes Came Home to Help Students Find Their Places

As Purdue University Fort Wayne's director of student housing, Marcus Weemes said his job helps keep him younger than he feels some days. He loves the interaction with students because of their vitality, ideas, and passion. He also enjoys taking part in the events around housing as an opportunity to engage in developing community. That's partly why the Student Activities Board is sponsoring more events at housing this year, which are open to all PFW and IUFW students.

"I think one of the things that is really important is helping people find their space and their identity away from their family and helping them develop," Weemes said. "There are a lot of programs the RAs do themselves and partner with a lot of offices on campus to make those things happen."

**READ STORY** 

Are you new to Purdue Fort Wayne, unaware of the CARE Team and CARE referrals, or do you just want to learn more? Join the Office of Student Conduct and Care for a one-hour informational session that provides a deeper overview of what the **CARE**Team is, who sits on the team, and what happens after a referral is made. Choose from one of these dates:

- Remote: Sept. 27, 11 a.m.-noon, via Teams
- In-person: Oct. 12, 10–11 a.m., Walb Student Union, Room 114

Contact **pfwcare@pfw.edu** to sign up for a session.



#### Show Your School Spirit on College Colors Day

The Purdue Fort Wayne university community will join a national observance of College Colors Day on Friday. Mastodon students, faculty, staff, and fans are encouraged to show their school spirit by wearing black and gold.

Mastodon Athletics will be giving out prizes across its social media platforms to celebrate, so be sure to tag @GoMastodons while repping the black and gold!

And keep an eye out for the Mastodon Athletics marketing department handing out Mastodon swag to students sporting school pride. They will be on campus by the Alumni Plaza from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. Friday.

Don't forget to gear up for the occasion by stopping by the **Mastodon Campus Store** or heading to **gomastodons.com/amazon** for all the latest Mastodon apparel.



#### 5 Weeks Until the Mastodon Family Picnic; RSVP Today!

Celebrate the Herd at PFW's second annual picnic for faculty, staff, and their families—the **Mastodon Family Picnic**. Mark your calendars for Oct. 1 from 1 to 4 p.m. on the Alumni Plaza, next to the Mastodon Statue.

In addition to traditional picnic fare and fun games for everyone, you can catch live music from the Fort Wayne Funk Orchestra, a local band known for their funk, hip-hop, rap, and soul tunes. The Mastodon Watering Hole will also have a cash bar for guests 21 and older. Visit the **event website** to learn more.

RSVP by Sept. 26.

## **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** 

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Wed., noon-1 p.m.

#### Employee Yoga: In-Person and Virtual Class

Take a mid-day break and discover the benefits of a yoga practice. Participants of all levels, including those who have never tried yoga, are encouraged to join...

Fri., 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

### Big Gay Field Day and Picnic

Play old school field games and other lawn games. Big Gay Field Day is for everyone—athletic or not—celebrating diversity, equality, and acceptance...

**SEPTEMBER** 

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Fri., 7-11 p.m.

#### Spielfreaks Campus / Community Game Night

Play all kinds of modern tabletop board games like Settlers of Catan, Ticket to Ride, 7 Wonders, Splendor, and more. Bring your favorites or learn something new...

# In a Snap

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



Faculty and students provided interesting and educational demonstrations to visiting high schoolers on Saturday during a **College of Science** camp featuring biology, chemistry, physics, and mathematics.

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