

For Faculty and Staff September 14, 2023



Book Signing Added to Rainn Wilson Omnibus Appearance

After his Sept. 21 Omnibus series presentation, Rainn Wilson will sign copies of his books outside of Auer Performance Hall at Purdue Fort Wayne Music Center. This opportunity is expected to start immediately following the show. The **Mastodon Campus Store** will also have copies of Wilson's most recent book, "Soul Boom," on sale in the music center's lobby beginning at 6:30 that night.

All available tickets for "An Evening With Rainn Wilson" were claimed during the first hour after their release on Sept. 7; however, a waitlist is being maintained by the Schatzlein Box Office and unused tickets can be transferred to other interested patrons upon their return. Anyone in possession of tickets that they will not be using are encouraged to notify the box office as soon as possible so they can be reissued. That can be done by emailing **eventtickets@pfw.edu** or calling 260-481-6555 to let the staff know which tickets can be redistributed.

Learn more about the 2023-24 Omnibus Speaker Series.



New Beginnings

Living in southern Indiana, La'Kendra Deitche, B.A. '21, experienced a horrible childhood with epileptic seizures, an absent father, and a mother who relinquished parental rights to her when she was just 13. Deitch was rescued by a group of South Side High School teachers and then a group of Purdue Fort Wayne faculty and staff who guided her to overcome obstacles and build success.

She never gave up, because PFW always encouraged her to find new beginnings.

WATCH VIDEO

Constitution Day Ceremonies Set for Monday



Emily Tock

While the signing of the United States Constitution took place 236 years ago this coming Sunday, Purdue Fort Wayne will observe the occasion a day later.

Emily Tock, **Helmke Library**'s reference and instruction librarian, has asked university and Fort Wayne dignitaries to participate in ceremonies from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Monday. Along with an opening presentation by Fort Wayne Mayor Tom Henry, the highlight of the event will be two readings of the Constitution in front of the library on Mastodon Way. There will also be several stations, including one that will involve a discussion led by the Department of Political Science on what the next amendment should be.

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Top 50 Recipient Continues to Explore Countless Ideas around Every Corner

When Parker Tysinger arrived at Purdue Fort Wayne as a freshman, she purposely left her major as undeclared.

Now entering her senior year, Top 50 designee Tysinger is on track to graduate in May with a history degree, but she's found so many other things at PFW to explore, too. Her cornucopia of ideas isn't empty, which is why she has minors in medieval studies, art history, religious studies, and women's studies.

"I am distracted frequently, but I do things to 100 percent completion in the best possible way I can do it," Tysinger said. "I focus on my passions and see where that takes me."

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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.

SEPTEMBER

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Today, 11 a.m.-2 p.m.

Mastodon Market

Come to the Mastodon Market every Thursday through Sept. 28 to buy a wide range of items including fresh produce, delicious desserts, plants and more from local farms and vendors...

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Today, 11 a.m.-2 p.m.

Military Appreciation Day

This event will honor PFW service members and veterans. There will also be several demonstrations and activities that will provide an opportunity to learn about the university's military/veteran community...

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Wed., 11 a.m.-2 p.m.

Multicultural Coffee Café: Cuban Coffee

Celebrate Hispanic heritage by drinking Cuban coffee...

On the Job

Check out the new faces in new places.

New Hires

- Tyler Hilton, custodian | Building Services
- Bobbi Jenks, brand integration director | Communications and Marketing
- Casey Lupkin, account clerk | Bursar

In a Snap

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



A shoulder-to-shoulder herd of Dons gathered Tuesday in the resource room at The Multicultural Center to make DIY friendship bracelets. Students were provided with supplies and snacks for this creative session.

News Center



Events Calendar



Athletics



Ripples



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