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TechHub Completing Transformation in Updated Space

A couple of times a day, a few of the burgeoning number of Purdue University Fort Wayne esports players will wonder what's going on next door and stick their heads inside out of curiosity.

What they find is worth checking out.

After starting renovations during the spring semester, work is now virtually complete on the IT Services' TechHub, which is located on the second floor of Walb Student Union, Room 220. A significant investment in hardware and resources was spent on renovations and purchasing equipment. The new TechHub name is an umbrella for the existing Mastodon Makerlab, PFW Esports, and the newly revitalized Studio M. An open house will be held Nov. 2 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

READ STORY



Grandparents, PFW Help Biology Major Enhance Love of Agriculture

One of Josh Handshoe's earliest memories was his grandmother asking him as a young child to remove the "tomato worms" from the plants. Walking rows of vines twice his size, he laughed as white butterflies landed, tickling his hands.

There's a reason Handshoe studies biology with a concentration in genetics and molecular biology at Purdue University Fort Wayne, serves as president of the biology club, and wants to continue to graduate school.

He recently received a \$1,500 scholarship from the Fort Wayne chapter of The Gardeners of America. Handshoe's eventual goal is working in industrial agriculture, hoping to do large-scale food production, especially in urban areas.

READ STORY

Mastodon Alumni Community to Host Movie on the Lawn on Friday the 13th

All members of the campus community—not just graduates—are invited to gather with family and friends on Friday at the Keith E. Busse Steel Dynamics Alumni Center, 1528 E. California Road, for a special 7 p.m. screening of "The Nightmare before Christmas" at Movie Night on the Lawn presented by the Mastodon Alumni Community. Seating starts at 6:30.

General admission tickets are \$5 and children 12 and under can attend for free. Snacks and refreshments will be available.

A kids and adult costume contest will also take place during the event; winners will be announced throughout the evening.

Ouestions? Call or text 260-438-1429.

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.

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Today, 7:30-8:30 p.m.

Bands Concert I

The concert will feature the music of Giroux's off-kilter Tiger Tail March, John Mackey's brilliant Aurora Awakes, and Symphony No. 3 by Russian composer Boris Kozhevnikov...

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Fri., noon-2 p.m.

COLA Crochet for Cats

Are you interested in learning how to crochet and helping a good cause? If so, join the College of Liberal Arts Student Affairs Committee to crochet blankets for cats at our local humane shelter...

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Thurs., noon-1:30 p.m.

DEI Talk Series: Go the Distance—Couch to 5K and Beyond

Start the semester on the right foot and with new friends. Hear about how you can build community by running. Everyone is welcome...

On the Job

Check out the new faces in new places.

New Hires

• George Mavronicolas, institutional equity compliance officer | Human Resources and Office of Institutional Equity

Transfers

- Gemssy Munoz, administrative assistant | TRIO Upward Bound
- Shelby Mansfield, assistant director for International Student Services | Office of International Education

In a Snap

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



A delegation from Fort Wayne sister city Takaoka, Japan, visited Purdue University Fort Wayne on Tuesday morning for breakfast and a brief campus tour to celebrate the 45th anniversary of the partnership. PFW Chancellor Ron Elsenbaumer and Takaoka Mayor Yuuki Kakuda (standing to Elsenbaumer's left) pledged to explore new collaboration opportunities for the future.

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