



Grad Student Has Become Lynchpin of FRIENDS of the University Pantry

Every Thursday, Rachel Hendryx, B.A. '23, knows she's going to hear personal stories that will leave a mark on her. It's one of many reasons she loves working at the **FRIENDS of the University Pantry**.

Hendryx is sort of like the pantry's hostess, always greeting everyone as they come through the door and making them feel comfortable. She answers questions and helps in any way she can. She also orders the food each week, assists with stocking the shelves, and runs the numbers, which continue to increase.

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Diversity Experience Scheduled for Next Week

An annual update on Purdue University Fort Wayne's strategic aspiration to foster **diversity, equity, and inclusion** is scheduled for Oct. 25 from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. in the International Ballroom at Walb Student Union. The **Diversity Experience**, hosted by Chief Diversity Officer MarTeze Hammonds, will include presentations from DEI, **TRIO Student Support Services**, **The Women's Center**, **The Q Center**, **The Multicultural Center**, and **TRIO Upward Bound**.

What the event truly does, Hammonds said, is allow those on and off campus to see how the university is working toward the goal of creating an environment that creates a sense of belonging and inclusion.

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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.*

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Wed., 10:05–10:15 a.m.

Employee Well-being at Work: Breathing for Relaxation

Take a 10-minute mid-morning break from work and join health coach Lindsay Bloom via Zoom to pause, breathe deeply, and relax...

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Fri., 1-3 p.m.

SafeZone Training Part I

SafeZone is a comprehensive allyship and advocacy training program developed especially for faculty and staff at Purdue Fort Wayne and IU Fort Wayne. Workshops are organized into two parts...

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Mon., noon-1 p.m.

Strategic Publishing for Faculty and Graduate Students

Choosing the right place to publish can be daunting. This workshop will show you tips, tricks, and tools to give you confidence in your choices and help you explore new ways and venues for your work, maximizing your impact...

In a Snap

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



Students lined up in Alumni Plaza on Oct. 10 to choose a free plant that they could pot themselves—and also receive plant care advice. The flora was supplied by Roots and Rocks Mercantile in Angola.

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