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For Faculty and Staff

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Chancellor Dishes on Favorite Ingredients Heading into Annual Chili Fest

Through the first six servings of the **Chancellor's Chili Fest**, Ron Elsenbaumer has been known to ladle out a spicy concoction or two. During one of his favorite days of the year, Purdue University Fort Wayne's chancellor also makes the rounds to every table, welcoming attendees and asking how everything tastes.

The seventh annual event will be Tuesday from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the International Ballroom at Walb Student Union. Last year, more than 750 members of the campus community shared stories and laughs—along with the food.

But what does the chancellor prefer in his bowl?

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Strategic Planning Meeting Less Than Two Weeks Away

The goal of the Oct. 30 strategic planning meeting called *Forward Together* is to do what the name of the opportunity suggests build a shared vision for PFW's future that reflects the valued contributions and input from all members of the university community.

In less than two weeks, faculty, staff, and students will have the chance to participate in this important dialogue. Take some time to review *Empowering Transformation, Strategic Plan 2020–25*, and if you haven't already, register today by clicking on the gold button below.

For any questions or suggestions, contact strategic planning design committee cochairs Farah Combs at **combsf@pfw.edu**, Joel Givens at **givensj@pfw.edu**, and Shubitha Kever at **kevers@pfw.edu**.

As of Wednesday afternoon, more than 225 faculty, staff, and students had already registered to participate.

REGISTER HERE

Town Halls on Faculty Constitution Scheduled for Next Week

There will be two town halls for faculty—and anyone else who may be interested—where proposed changes to the Constitution of the Faculty of Purdue University Fort Wayne will be explained and discussed before they come for a vote in November.

Both meetings take place in Kettler Hall, Room G46, on Oct. 25 from 3 to 4:15 p.m., and Oct. 26 from 4:30 to 5:45 p.m. A Zoom link will also be provided in an email to all faculty.

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

Mystery and Mayhem: A Criminal Choral Concert

This spook-seasonal concert will feature choral selections by and about criminals, featuring Chamber Treble Singers, Choral Union, and University Singers...

OCTOBER

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Thurs., 2-3:30 p.m.

DEI Reading Group: 'Through the Door of Life'

Faculty and staff are invited to join the LGBTQ+ History Month DEI reading group. Sign up to read "Through the Door of Life," then join other readers on Oct. 26 to discuss the book and the themes...

From the Field

Several colleges, departments, and programs at PFW publish e-newsletters. Follow these links to read the latest:

The Honors Spotlight School of Education

News Spotlight

A sampling of external news coverage of Purdue University Fort Wayne.

Purdue Fort Wayne sees record international student enrollment

WANE 15 & WTTV (Indy) | Oct. 10

Fort Wayne Sister Cities International celebrates 45 years of partnership with Takaoka, Japan

Fox 55 | Oct. 9

In a Snap

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



University Police staged scenarios in the Doermer School of Business Building on Tuesday to train officers how to handle an active shooter situation.

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