



The Herd Roars during Arizona Basketball Road Trip

When Purdue University Fort Wayne men's basketball coach Jon Coffman mentioned the idea in August, he thought **The Herd** traveling with his team would benefit his players. Turns out that members of PFW's athletics student cheering section benefitted even more.

A group of 14 Mastodon maniacs traveled to Glendale, Arizona, from Nov. 16 to 19 to cheer on Coffman's squad at the Arizona Tip-Off. The trip was paid for by the Student Government Association's Travel Committee and the Department of Intercollegiate Athletics. Jacob Allard, fan engagement and marketing coordinator for the Department of Intercollegiate Athletics, serves as the group's advisor and drove the 15-passenger van in Arizona.

The best part? The Mastodons beat Northern Arizona 77-67 on Nov. 17 and South Dakota 93-81 on Nov. 18 to win the tournament title. In recognition of the support, players rushed to hug their fans after both victories.

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Building Access during Winter Recess

Throughout the upcoming break, all campus buildings will be locked from Dec. 21 at 11 p.m. to Jan. 2 at 7 a.m.

If you need access during this time—and don't already possess it—please fill out and submit a **Door Access Request Form** prior to Dec. 21 to have clearances added to your Mastodon ID card. Access to buildings during the recess will not be allowed without your card.

If you don't have an ID card, or have an older IPFW card, please stop by the Campus Credentials and Transportation office in Walb Student Union, Room 127, to obtain a new one. The office is open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Staff/faculty door access is valid 365 days a year, including all holidays, breaks, etc. Student/student worker door access is valid only for the current semester, which ends on Dec. 17. If students/student workers need access during winter break, their supervisors must submit a **Door Access Request Form** on their behalf as soon as possible.

Fitness Center and Pantry Finalize Adjusted Schedules

Over the next few weeks, the Fitness Center and both FRIENDS of the University Pantry locations will be operating under different hours and/or closed on specific dates.

Fitness Center

- Dec. 16 | 8 a.m.–2 p.m.
- Dec. 17 | noon–5 p.m.
- Dec. 18–21 | 8 a.m.–5 p.m.
- Dec. 22–Jan. 4 | Closed
- Jan. 5 | 8 a.m.–5 p.m.

- Jan. 6 | 8 a.m.–2 p.m.
- Jan. 7 | noon–5 p.m.

FRIENDS of the University Pantry

Student Housing Clubhouse

- Dec. 18–19 | noon–2 p.m.
- Dec. 20–Jan. 7 | Closed (special appointments can be made by contacting the on-call RA)

Walb Student Union, Room G36

- Dec. 21 | 10 a.m.–2 p.m.
- Dec. 22–Jan. 3 | Closed
- Jan. 4 | 10 a.m.–2 p.m.

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.

DECEMBER

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Fri., noon–3 p.m.

Biology Senior Seminar Poster Symposium

Biology seniors have been hard at work this semester—in the classroom, in the lab, and in the field. See what they've been working on at this symposium. They'd love to share their work with you...

DECEMBER

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Thurs., noon–1 p.m.

Healthy Boiler Virtual Workshop: Grief and Stress during the Holidays

Learn how to manage stress or process grief during the holidays. Explore relaxation techniques, setting boundaries, and education on the grief cycle...

News Spotlight

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

Gold Top Records hosts 3rd annual Goldstock Music Festival

WANE 15 | Nov. 30

A Tale of Two Zip Codes: Allen County has highest and lowest poverty rate in the state

wane.com | Nov. 30

In a Snap

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



The **Department of Hospitality and Tourism Management** hosted the first event of its new Hospitality Industry Insight series on Wednesday in the Liberal Arts Building lecture hall. One of the special guests was Bella, a bedbug detection beagle from Iron Heart Dog Trainers, who demonstrated her talent.

News Center



Events Calendar



Athletics



Ripples



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