



## Flo Rida Concert Tickets Go on Sale Today

For all those who have been waiting patiently—or impatiently—since the news broke Monday morning, tickets for international best-selling rapper Flo Rida’s April 26 concert at the Gates Sports Center will go on sale at 1:30 p.m. today. The concert is open only to PFW and IUFW students, faculty, and staff.

Student tickets cost \$10 for general admission to the main stands and \$15 to be on the floor. Faculty and staff tickets are \$20. They may be purchased through the **Schatzlein Box Office** or **PFW’s online ticketing platform**. A \$1.50 convenience charge is assessed per ticket for online orders. The box office is open from 1:30 to 5:30 p.m., Tuesday-Friday.

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## ETCS Reaching above the Clouds to Track Eclipse

One aspect of Purdue University Fort Wayne's eclipse viewing event on Monday may require some patience. The College of Engineering, Technology, and Computer Science, and ETCS Outreach Programs plan to launch a 10-foot weather balloon into the stratosphere to see how various payloads react to the different altitudes, heat, and cold during the eclipse.

The hard part might be waiting 7–10 days for the results and video to be made available on the [outreach page](#) of the ETCS website. It's still an excellent opportunity to learn about conditions and experiments that can't happen again locally for 75 years.

"We want to have our students interact with the eclipse and be able to see it from a different perspective," said Katy Henry, the ETCS director of engagement.

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## Early Registration for Fall Classes Continues This Week

As previewed in the March 11 *What It Takes* email, the chance to register early for the fall 2024 semester began last week for seniors, graduate students, and degree candidates. Juniors, Honors Program students, student-athletes, and students with disabilities are getting their chance this week.

For the next two Mondays, starting at 8 a.m. each day, students who are in other priority groups will also have the opportunity to secure their spot in the classes they want at the times they need. That schedule

- Sophomores: April 8
- First-Year Students and others: April 15

Students are encouraged to connect with their academic advisor to check on the status of their registration and to review other important details specific to their own academic journey.



## Seventh Annual Empty Bowls Event to Benefit Pantry

Because she's immensely talented in her craft, junior Alexa Ross is a great spokesperson for the upcoming Empty Bowls event happening at Purdue University Fort Wayne. But there's also another reason. The event supports the FRIENDS of the University Pantry, which Ross has turned to in times of need.

"When I was living in my own apartment, it was difficult to pay for that and pay for college, so occasionally, I'd go to the pantry to get food," Ross said. "It was like a weight was lifted sometimes, and I know other students are like that. I'm not able to donate money, but for the club to be able to help the campus in this way is really nice."

Thursday's seventh annual Empty Bowls event in the International Ballroom at Walb Student Union runs from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. For \$30, participants receive a hand-crafted artistic bowl, a choice of chicken noodle or vegetable soup, bread, a cookie, and a bottle of water. Credit cards are accepted, and carry-out options are available.

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## Accounting Students Heading to Two Major Conferences

Several Purdue University Fort Wayne business students and their research will be part of prestigious Las Vegas and Chicago conferences this week and next.

Grey Schrock, Lincoln Dale, Ben Vandengergh, and Zachary Adair will be presenting at the International Academy of Business Disciplines in Las Vegas from Wednesday through Friday. In addition to attending sessions, they will also be presenting on topics such as "Fraud Triangle and Ethics in Fundraising," "Open Innovation in Accounting," and "Accounting Technology." The IABD is a worldwide, nonprofit organization established to foster and promote education in the functional and support business

disciplines.

Beginning the week of April 8 in Chicago, Matthew Mastroddi, Brooke Wintlend, Cooper Green, Ramey Wilder, Lucas Blevins, and Thaine Boehme will present at the Midwest Business Administration Association International Conference. Their topics include, “Are exchange-traded funds a better investment option than mutual funds?”, “Can the standard audit report negatively impact stakeholders?”, “Benefits of Blockchain,” and “Effects of big data on an audit.”

Students write research papers in the class of Dan Boylan, assistant professor of accounting, before submitting them. The research at both conferences is blind- and peer-reviewed. Boylan said traditionally PFW has the largest student contingents at these conferences.



## Center for Healthy Living Now Open to Students

The **Center for Healthy Living** is now serving students and employees not on a Purdue medical plan. Located in Walb Student Union, Room 234, the location should be familiar to everyone who previously benefitted from the convenience of this on-campus site.

Hours of operation are Monday and Friday, 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., and Tuesday through Thursday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Virtual appointments can also be scheduled. Same-day visits are available, but those spots may be limited. To secure an appointment at a preferred date and time, schedule in advance via the **patient portal**, or call 765-494-0111 and be sure to request the Purdue Fort Wayne location.

Please note that insurance will be billed and patients are responsible for verifying their coverage with the clinic. Call the number above to initiate the verification process.

**Click here** to learn more about the center.

# Eventful

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There's always plenty to do at Purdue Fort Wayne. To find your favorites—or discover new activities—check the full [events calendar](#) often to see what's happening on campus.

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Today, noon–1 p.m.

## Career Connections: Real-World Scoop with FCC (Indiana)

Join Kelley Poore from FCC (Indiana) as he shares insights from his 30+ year career in engineering. He will explore the engineering program at their Portland, Ind., facility and the discuss opportunities for internships and full-time careers that are currently available...

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Fri. & Sat., 8 p.m.

Sun., 2 p.m.

## Hot 'N' Cole: A Cole Porter Celebration!

Indiana's popular native son Cole Porter was one of the most sparkling melody makers of all time—the epitome of wit and sophistication. This bubbly, one-act revue of his timeless music re-interprets some of his most popular songs for a modern audience...

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Wed., 6–7 p.m.

## SAB Callout Meeting

Interested in joining the Student Activities Board to help plan, organize, and carry out activities for students on and off campus? Find out more at the callout meeting...

# News Spotlight

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

## PFW helps community prep for eclipse day experiences

Fort Wayne-area media | March 22–30

## Omnibus series speaker Sarah Thomas sits down with local journalists

Fort Wayne-area media | March 26

## PFW Women's Conference highlights women advocating for DEI

21Alive | March 26

# Mastodon Moments

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



*Ryan Niemiller, a 2019 finalist in America's Got Talent, brought his hilarious "Cripple Threat of Comedy" show to Auer Performance Hall on Thursday night to help culminate Indiana's observance of Disabilities Awareness Month. Fellow comedian Brent Terhume warmed up the crowd.*

Athletics



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