

For Faculty and Staff

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Video Recap Captures Spirit of Groundbreaking Celebration

It's suggested quite often that an event or activity is "history in the making." There's a burden of proof that has to be met for that kind of claim to be true, but for anyone who had the chance to attend Tuesday's groundbreaking ceremony for the new Surack—Sweetwater Music Industry Building on the campus of Purdue University Fort Wayne, it was clear that an important initiative years in the making had reached a major milestone that will be long remembered.

Focusing on the many people who made this achievement possible, including Chuck and Lisa Surack whose name will adorn the state-of-the-art facility, the formal program helped spell out the significance of the project to students and the region.

To help all members of the university community enjoy this springboard to the future, a video recap of the ceremony can be viewed by clicking on the button below.

VIEW VIDEO



Cooklev Shares Expertise in Wireless Communications with Students Across the Globe

Many who watch the stock market understand the impact of technology on the global economy. Purdue University Fort Wayne's Todor Cooklev trains the technology leaders of tomorrow.

A professor in the Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering, Cooklev focuses on most aspects of wireless communications, including software and hardware architectures, particularly how to build the chips that allow cellular and Wi-Fi networks to function.

"We see the technology these leading companies are developing and how it is transformative," Cooklev said, "and the reason why is they have changed the way people live. This is the criteria for a company. If you can change the way people live, then success is guaranteed, and wireless communications has been a very big part of that. We can't live without Wi-Fi, and now we can't imagine how people lived without it."

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Center for Healthy Living Open House is Next Week

All benefits-eligible employees and their dependents covered on a Purdue health plan are invited to attend an open house for the Center for Healthy Living on Tuesday from noon to 2 p.m. The center is located in Walb Student Union, Room 234.

The open house will provide a first-hand opportunity to become more familiar with how the CHL can help individuals with their overall health and wellness, meet their providers, and learn about the services offered. They include:

- Preventive care, sick care, and sports physicals
- Telehealth (24/7 sick care consultation) and healthcare navigation
- Health coaching and wellness programs and services for diabetes, weight management, tobacco cessation, and more

Questions about the open house or the Center for Healthy Living can be directed to 765-494-0111.

Good to Know

PFW Pool Club to Host Students vs. Staff

PFW professors, staff, and resident assistants are welcome to attend the PFW Pool Club's Students vs. Staff event at the student housing clubhouse on Sept. 27 from 2 to 10 p.m. The goal is to bring faculty members and staff together to go head-to-head with club members, as well as new students who love playing pool. If interested, please email **poolclub@pfw.edu** so it can get an estimated head count.

Multilingual Northeast Indiana Gala Is Sept. 21

More than 7,000 multilingual learners are currently enrolled in area schools, guided by dedicated educators. To pay tribute to the efforts of these educators and the families who benefit from their efforts, the Teaching English as a New Language program and the Three Rivers Language Center in the PFW School of Education will host a gala on Sept. 21 from 5 to 8 p.m. in the International Ballroom at Walb Student Union. The inaugural **Multilingual Northeast Indiana Gala** will shine a spotlight on the impact educators make in the lives of their students, and how that fosters the growth of northeast Indiana.

60th Birthday Party Set for Two Weeks from Today

The Office of Alumni Engagement will host a 60th birthday party for the university at the Steel

Dynamics Keith E. Busse Mastodon Alumni Center on Sept. 26 from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. There will be food trucks, lawn games, signature cocktails, birthday cake, and memorabilia from years past. Alumni, retirees, faculty, staff, students, community members, and friends of the university are invited. **Register here**.

Eventful

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.

SEPTEMBER

Music Therapy Recitals

14, 15

Sat. & Sun., 2:30 p.m.

Practicing music therapists will assist their clients in demonstrating skills they've developed through music therapy. These engaging performances are free, and the public is warmly invited to attend...

SEPTEMBER

Employee Yoga: In-Person and Virtual Class

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Wed., noon-1 p.m.

Learn poses and techniques to practice yoga anytime, anywhere. Participants work at their own level guided by health coach Lindsay Bloom. Class meets in-person and virtually every Wednesday...

In a Snap

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



Wednesday's beautiful weather provided a perfect opportunity to move a class from Kettler Hall to the great outdoors.

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