

For Faculty and Staff

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Elementary School Children Dig into New SoE Garden Project

With the vocal energy that only exuberant elementary school students can generate, 120 from Abbett swarmed over the Purdue University Fort Wayne School of Education's urban garden. Though it took a while to get them organized and on to the three buses that brought them to the PFW campus on Friday morning, the students were anxious to explore as soon as they arrived at the plot of land located outside the Allen County Purdue Extension Office.

"I don't think they could fully comprehend what they were going to be doing, so this is just a very exciting experience for them," said kindergarten teacher Caroline Chesney, who has taken some certificate and master's level classes at PFW. "The whole project is going to be a great combination of science and life-learning experience for them, especially for the children who don't experience growing food at home."

The Growing Gardens Program is a partnership with Abbett funded through a Community Foundation of Greater Fort Wayne grant. The students will grow starter plants in their classrooms this winter that will be planted in the urban garden next spring. They will return to PFW in the fall for harvest, sharing the bounty with their families and PFW's FRIENDS of the University Pantry.

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PFW Bulldozing Ahead on New Student Housing Project

It's uncommon at a groundbreaking ceremony to see bulldozers already pushing dirt, or to hear that familiar beeping sound as they move in reverse, but progress is happening quickly on the 600-bed student housing project on Purdue University Fort Wayne's North Campus.

The work did stop long enough on Tuesday for PFW Chancellor Ron Elsenbaumer to welcome a full tent of attendees that included the project's key stakeholders, members of the campus community, elected officials, and other area leaders. Multiple speakers described how the 213,000-square foot complex, which will be called Trace at Purdue Fort Wayne, helps the university's ongoing evolution.



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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.

NOVEMBER

Annual High School Juried Art Reception

Sat., 2–4 p.m.

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The Department of Art and Design is hosting an exhibition of works by regional high school artists. The goal is to both encourage and challenge young artists to continue to strive for artistic excellence. The artists reception is from 2 to 4 p.m...

NOVEMBER

Unwelcomed: History of Unfair Housing

Mon., 11 a.m.

The Multicultural Center is partnering with the Fair Housing Center of Central Indiana to bring the UNWELCOMED exhibition to PFW. The collection will show the historical discrimination of housing from the early 1900s to the present and will be on display through Nov. 25...

In a Snap

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



Students had the opportunity to present research posters during the annual Conservation Conversation, hosted by the Environmental Resources Center in the International Ballroom at Walb Student Union on Friday. This year's theme was "Wetlands: Our Imperiled Treasures."



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