



Teammates congratulate Damian Chong Qui after his game-winning shot on Sunday.

## ATHLETICS

### A Perfect Storm: Chong Qui's Bomb at the Buzzer Sends PFW into a Frenzy

College basketball fans, especially students who stick with their team through thick and thin, truly earn the right to storm a court at least once during their time on campus. And while some examples of this practice seem artificial, there's nothing like the outpouring of joy after a game-winning shot that adds a level of legitimacy to the response.

For diehard fans of the Purdue Fort Wayne men's basketball team who were at Gates Sports Center on Sunday, it was Damian Chong Qui's 3-pointer launched from just inside the center court line that gave all involved a chance to celebrate in a way most folks only dream about. The shot earned the Dons a 77-75 win over Wright State, and Chong Qui a place in PFW Athletics history. The fifth-year senior finished the Senior Day contest with 16 points. Jarred Godfrey, PFW's recently-minted all-time leading scorer, added 25 points, five rebounds, and six steals.

Watch below how local and national media described the action:

- [21Alive](#)
- [WANE 15](#)
- [ESPN](#)



Scott Dikkers spoke with honors students in the Helmke Library IDEASpace on Thursday.

## ARTS AND HUMANITIES

### Co-founder of The Onion Peels Back Layers of Satirical Comedy

Scott Dikkers was brash, bold, and a little profane as he described becoming a co-founder of The Onion, a satirical/social commentary website. As part of the Purdue Fort Wayne Omnibus Speaker Series, Dikkers spoke Thursday afternoon with a class of honors students before his evening presentation "The Funny Stories Behind the Funny Stories" in the Auer Performance Hall.

Comedy's role, Dikkers continually stressed, is to comfort the afflicted and afflict the comfortable.

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### OSU Women's Gender and Sexuality Studies Professor to Present Lecture about the Relationship between the Trump Presidency and LGBTI Human Rights



Cynthia Burack, professor of women's, gender, and sexuality studies at Ohio State University, will present the 2023 College of Liberal Arts Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Lecture Thursday at 5:30 p.m. Burack's presentation will take place in the International Ballroom at Walb Student Union and is open to faculty, staff, students, and the public.

The talk, entitled "How Trump and the Christian Right Saved LGBTI Human Rights: A Religious Freedom Mystery," will analyze the surprising results of the Christian right's support of Donald Trump and its demands that the U.S. end support for sexual orientation and gender identity human rights in its foreign policy.

Burack will also facilitate a discussion for PFW faculty on Friday at 9:30 a.m. in the Steel Dynamics Keith E. Busse Mastodon Alumni Center. As part of the conversation, faculty will have the opportunity to talk with Burack about how anti-LGBTQ politics and the efforts to dismantle cultural studies are impacting classroom practices, among other topics. Interested faculty are encouraged to provide topics and questions ahead of time, as well.

PFW full-time and part-time faculty are required to register for the Friday session, as breakfast will be provided. To RSVP, contact [cola@pfw.edu](mailto:cola@pfw.edu) or call 260-481-6160 by 5 p.m. on Wednesday. To submit topics and questions ahead of time, contact Michelle Kelsey, coordinator of the events, at [kelsey@pfw.edu](mailto:kelsey@pfw.edu).

### Newsletter Archives Added for Easy Access to Recent and Back Issues

Remembering that there's something in *Inside PFW* that you wanted to check out again but not knowing where exactly to find it is understandable. Inboxes have an odd way of getting really full, really fast. Now there's a way to find recent and back issues of your employee newsletter, and the *Don Life* newsletter for students, all in one place.

Links to the newsletter archives have now been added to the [News Center](#) and also on the [Faculty or Staff Member](#) and [Current Student](#) pages accessible via the I am a . . . dropdown box on the upper-right corner of the university homepage.

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### PFW's Chief Diversity Officer to Host Town Hall on DEI Strategy and Progress



The university's [strategic plan](#) establishes Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion as a key pillar in its efforts to empower transformation at Purdue Fort Wayne.

You are invited to join Chief Diversity Officer MarTeze Hammonds at a town hall on Wednesday at 1:30 p.m. in Neff Hall, Room 101, to learn more about PFW's strategies for and progress toward moving **DEI FORWARD**.

The session will also be livestreamed [via Zoom](#).

### Canterbury Green Added to Student Shuttle Program



After receiving feedback from students, the Student Government Association has announced that Canterbury Green has been added to the **Student Shuttle Program**, starting this week.

Pick-ups and drop-offs are near the tennis courts in Canterbury Green Monday–Thursday 8 a.m.–7:30 p.m. and Friday 8 a.m.–1:30 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.*

FEBRUARY

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Wed., 9:30–10:30 a.m.

### Employee Well-being at Work

Take 10 minutes out of your morning and meet with the Employee Well-being team for wellness tips, healthy snacks, giveaways, and information about upcoming events and programs...

FEBRUARY

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Thurs., noon–1 p.m.

### Healthy Boiler Virtual Workshop: Deep Breathing for Relaxation

Learn deep breathing techniques for stress reduction and relaxation as well as the health benefits of deep breathing. Meeting link will be sent prior to the event...

FEBRUARY

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Fri., 7:30–9:30 p.m.

### Jazz Ensemble Concert

The School of Music Jazz Ensemble will perform festival favorites from the libraries of Count Basie, Duke Ellington, Woody Herman, and more...

## In a Snap

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

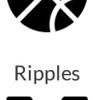


**The Herd** fan section was a blizzard of white during the men's basketball Homecoming game at Memorial Coliseum on Friday. A jam-packed pregame reception was full of high spirits and good vibes that inspired the enthusiastic fans.

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