



## MASTODON LIFE

### Redesigned Homecoming Features New Events, Energy, and Excitement

Since Homecoming is about reliving fond memories and also creating new ones, PFW is presenting a revitalized and pumped-up schedule after a couple years subdued by the pandemic. “Blizzard of Dons,” PFW’s 2023 Homecoming blast, will be held the week of February 13–18, with new energy, events, and entertainment. The focal point will be the February 17 men’s basketball game when the Mastodons take on Northern Kentucky at Memorial Coliseum.

“Homecoming is one of my top 10 times of the year on campus!” said Krissy Surface, vice chancellor for enrollment management and the student experience. “I love the athletic competition mixed with student spirit and fun celebrations. I always look forward to the mix of traditions and new events.”

Surface is part of the working group that reenvisioned PFW’s celebration as a **week packed full of events**.

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### Sign Up to Volunteer for a Homecoming Event

Help make this year’s Homecoming PFW’s best ever! Next week will be packed with fun activities and opportunities to engage with students and each other.

A few volunteers are still needed; view the schedule and [sign up today](#).

### Student Leader Awards

Nominations are now open for the 2023 Student Leader Awards. Nominate yourself, peers, staff, and faculty to celebrate their accomplishments during this academic year. View the various award descriptions [here](#) and submit your nominations via [this form](#).

Nominations will close on March 1. All nominees will receive an invitation to the awards banquet on April 24.

For additional information, visit the [award page](#) on the Student Leadership website or contact Alex Backer, director of Student Leadership and Student Government Association, at [ambacker@pfw.edu](mailto:ambacker@pfw.edu).

### PFW and IUFW Students Now Eligible for Library Cards at ACPL

As of January 1, students who attend schools located in Allen County, including PFW and IUFW, can secure library cards for the Allen County Public Library system, even if they live outside of Allen County.

ACPL collections complement those at Helmke Library with more robust popular fiction and local history resources. The cards will also allow students the opportunity to use digital resources such as an index to The Journal-Gazette, a full-text Consumer Reports database, digitized local collections, streaming collections, a database for grant and funding opportunities, and more.

ACPL services, including Maker Labs and Access Fort Wayne—which includes TV studios, radio studios, and production support—also are open to students with an ACPL card, as well as the many programs and events offered by various library locations.

### 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., noon–1 p.m.

#### Diversity 101

The first of three workshops on diversity, this session will focus on Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion definitions that will increase self-awareness and to foster a more inclusive campus community...

FEBRUARY

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Fri., 8–10 p.m.

#### Puffs, or Seven Increasingly Eventful Years at a Certain School of Magic and Magic

Have you ever felt like a secondary character in someone else’s story? This comedic retelling about a “certain school of magic” is for anyone who has felt exactly that way...

### On the Job

*Check out the new faces in new places.*

#### New Hires

- Elizabeth Hoover, administrative assistant | Mathematical Sciences
- Austin Horn, facilities development, athletics assistant | Administrative Business Services
- Allie Lane, director of development, athletics | Development
- Lauren Sewell, assistant director for housing operations | Student Housing

#### New Hires, cont.

- Grace Shinske, athletic academic specialist | Mastodon Academic Performance Center
- Marcus Weemes, student housing director | Student Housing
- Terrance Williams, operations clerk | Admissions

### News Spotlight

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

#### Winner of 2022 PASE competition plans her Cigar Lounge & Moore

Greater Fort Wayne Business Weekly (subscription required) | Friday

#### PFW hosts luncheon for National Girls and Women in Sports Day

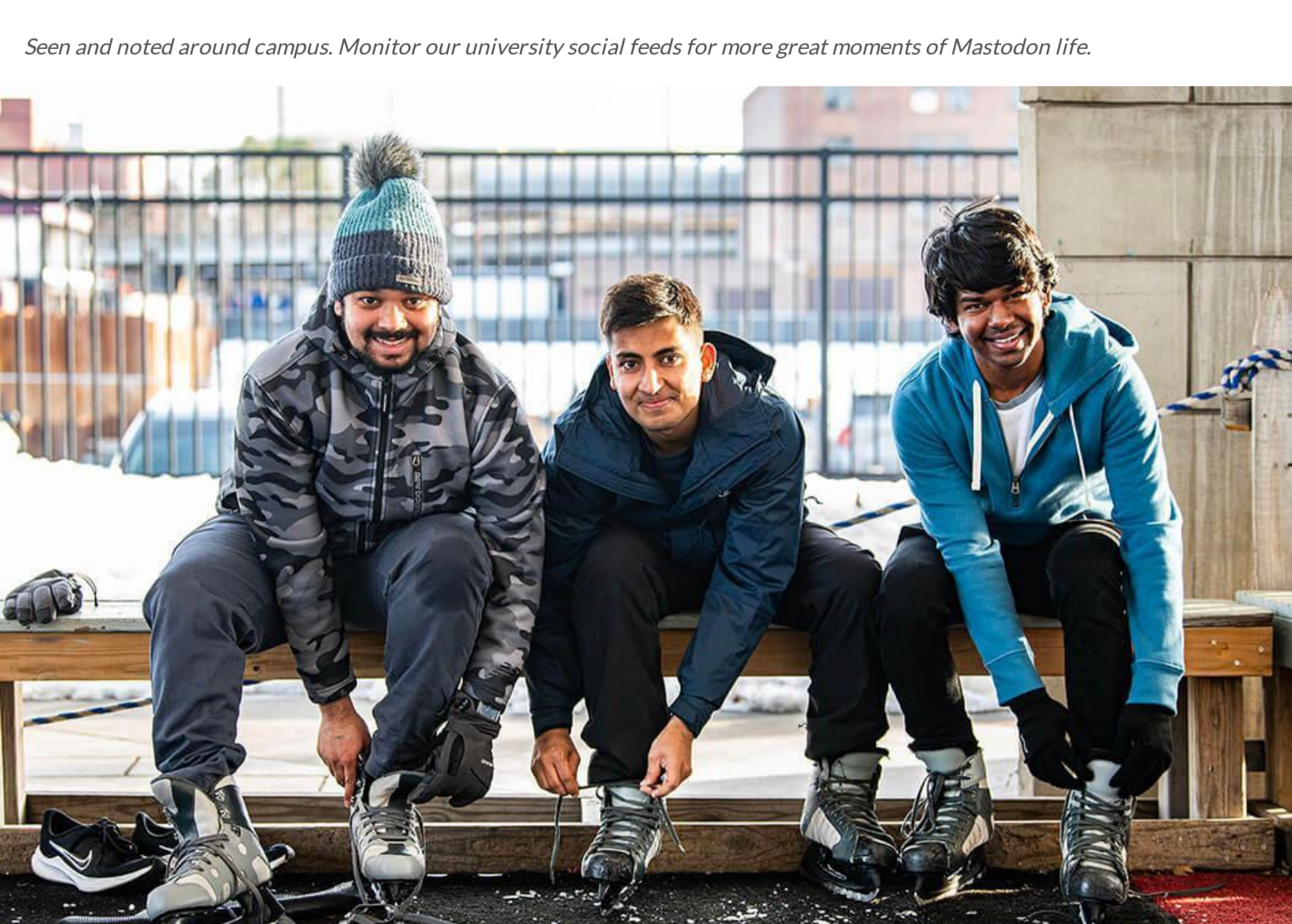
WANE 15 | Thursday

#### Hospitality expert responds to modern tipping pressure

FOX 55 | Jan. 30

### In a Snap

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



Always looking for new experiences, PFW students lace up for ice skating fun at Headwaters Park. The event was sponsored by WellRec and the Student Activities Board on Saturday.

News Center



Events Calendar



Athletics



Ripples



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