Mary Cooper is the new president of Friends of the University.

Friends of the University Looking to Reenergize Campus Support

If the members of a group called Friends of the University can match their new president’s excitement, intensity, and ideas, they’ll continue to be a force at Purdue University Fort Wayne for the long-term.

“We want to be more involved in the different departments on campus and whatever we can do to be more supportive like we are with the food pantry and like we are with the Empty Bowls project,” said Mary Cooper, a 41-year faculty member who retired in 2020 and became the group’s leader in June. “We want to see more of the university and what it has to offer. I’d love for all of us to know what kind of research we are doing here.”

Friends started in 1976 to support the university through the engagement of members in a variety of educational meetings, campus-based events, and annual giving. The membership includes current and former professional women who advocate and support the university while also continuing their own passion for learning.
Faculty and Staff Portrait Session Today

If you would like to have your portrait taken, you may do so today from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. The photographer will be set up on the north end of the skybridge connecting Helmke Library and Walb Student Union.

This is a great opportunity for new faculty and staff to have professional portraits taken.

Follow Purdue Fort Wayne on Social Media

The university's social media platforms are just a few of the tools in its digital toolbox that help you stay connected. If you’re not already, follow us on Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, and LinkedIn to learn about the latest events, be in the know about important updates, read stories about students and faculty, and see plenty of those uniquely beautiful campus photos.

On the Job

Check out the new faces in new places.

New Hires

- Scott Harling, custodian | Building Services
- Hayden Jones, admissions recruiter | Admissions
- Jarod Marchand, custodian | Building Services
- Emily Morthorst, lead admissions processor | Admissions
- Nick Wiegerink, custodian | Building Services

Transfers

- Andrew Foster, facility systems technician | Operations and Maintenance
- Melissa Minser, senior library assistant | Helmke Library

In a Snap

Seen and noted around campus. Monitor our university social feeds for more great moments of Mastodon life.
Area high school juniors and seniors finished Summer Computer Camp on Friday. Supported by the Lilly Endowment Fund for three years, the camp included hands-on projects, guided by the expertise of PFW faculty and students.
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