



Lineup Announced for 30th Season of Omnibus Speaker Series at Purdue Fort Wayne

Unique perspectives and topics will once again highlight the 30th season of Purdue University Fort Wayne's popular Omnibus Speaker Series. The lineup for 2025–26 includes a former presidential advisor, a veteran foreign affairs correspondent, a female National Basketball Association executive, and a podcaster with three million followers.

The speakers are Republican political influencer Karl Rove on Oct. 7, NBC journalist Andrea Mitchell on Nov. 18, Atlanta Hawks executive Melissa Proctor on Feb. 12, and podcaster and citizen journalist V Spehar on March 23.

"We have an incredible lineup this season," said Jerry Lewis, vice chancellor for communications and marketing at Purdue Fort Wayne. "Our goal is to feature speakers who bring stories and insights that both inspire and challenge us."

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PFW Looks to Reach Out With a Helping Hand on National Day of Service

Faculty, staff, and students are invited to take part in Purdue University Fort Wayne's first Day of Service event on Thursday from 1 to 4 p.m.

Federally recognized since 2009, the National Day of Service and Remembrance happens on the anniversary of the 9/11 terrorist attacks against the United States. Every Sept. 11, citizens are encouraged to take part in charitable service to transform the anniversary from a day of tragedy into a day of doing something good, always remembering and honoring those who were lost.

It's estimated that more than 30 million Americans participate annually. For the first time on Thursday, this will include members of PFW's campus community as part of an official event. Abbey Wang, assistant director of Student Leadership and Student Government Association, is organizing the activities, which will start on the Science Mall.

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Flu Shots for Employees Offered on Campus Sept. 30

On-campus **seasonal flu shots** for employees will be available Sept. 30 from 7 to 11 a.m. in Walb Student Union, Room 222. Flu shots will be administered by One to One Health team members from the **Center for Healthy Living**.

The vaccine will be provided at no charge to all benefits-eligible employees, spouses, and dependents over age 18, and retirees on the Purdue health plan, as well any Indiana University Fort Wayne faculty and staff who would like one. Employees must present their PFW or IUFW ID.

Can't make it on Sept. 30? Flu shots are covered on Purdue's health plan at 100%. Appointments can be made with the Center for Healthy Living by calling 765-494-0111 or via a primary care physician's office or in-network pharmacy.

MASTODON SOCCER

PARTY AT THE PITCH

PURDUE
FORT WAYNE
 vs. 
WOMEN'S SOCCER | 4PM

PURDUE
FORT WAYNE
 vs. 
MEN'S SOCCER | 7PM



2 GAMES | 1 TICKET

SEPTEMBER 10



ARMY
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STUDENT ACTIVITIES BOARD

Get Ready for Tomorrow's Party at the Pitch

Join the Purdue Fort Wayne community for a night of soccer and fun on Wednesday at the Hefner Soccer Complex. The event kicks off at 4 p.m. when the Mastodons women's team takes on Ball State. And be sure to stick around as the men's team faces Manchester at 7 p.m.

Enjoy food from local food trucks, including Ziffles, Chau Time, Drop It Like It's Hot, Another One Bites the Dust, and Sweets on the Street. There will also be a variety of lawn games like giant Jenga and cornhole, and more.

All PFW faculty, staff, and students receive complimentary admission to regular season home contests. This fun-filled event is a fantastic opportunity to socialize with colleagues, meet students, and show support for Purdue Fort Wayne Athletics. Feel free to bring family and friends!

On the Job

Check out the new faces in new places.

New Hires

- Tammy Cichos, office manager | Career Development Center
- Mikayla Haggarty, coordinator of student engagement | Student Leadership
- Damon Horton, custodian | Building Services
- Jessica Montalvo, academic advisor, associate | Central Advising

In a Snap

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



Melody Monday, senior career counselor in the Career Development Center and coordinator of the Mastodon Career Closet, leads a tour Friday during an open house at the closet's new and expanded ground-floor location in Walb Student Union.

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