



How PFW Helped Guide an Alumna to Her True Vocation

Being a doctor is all Kayla Chin ever really dreamed of, saying at age 5 that's what she was going to do. It's a vision that stuck with her through middle school, while attending New Haven High School, and as a biology major at Purdue University Fort Wayne.

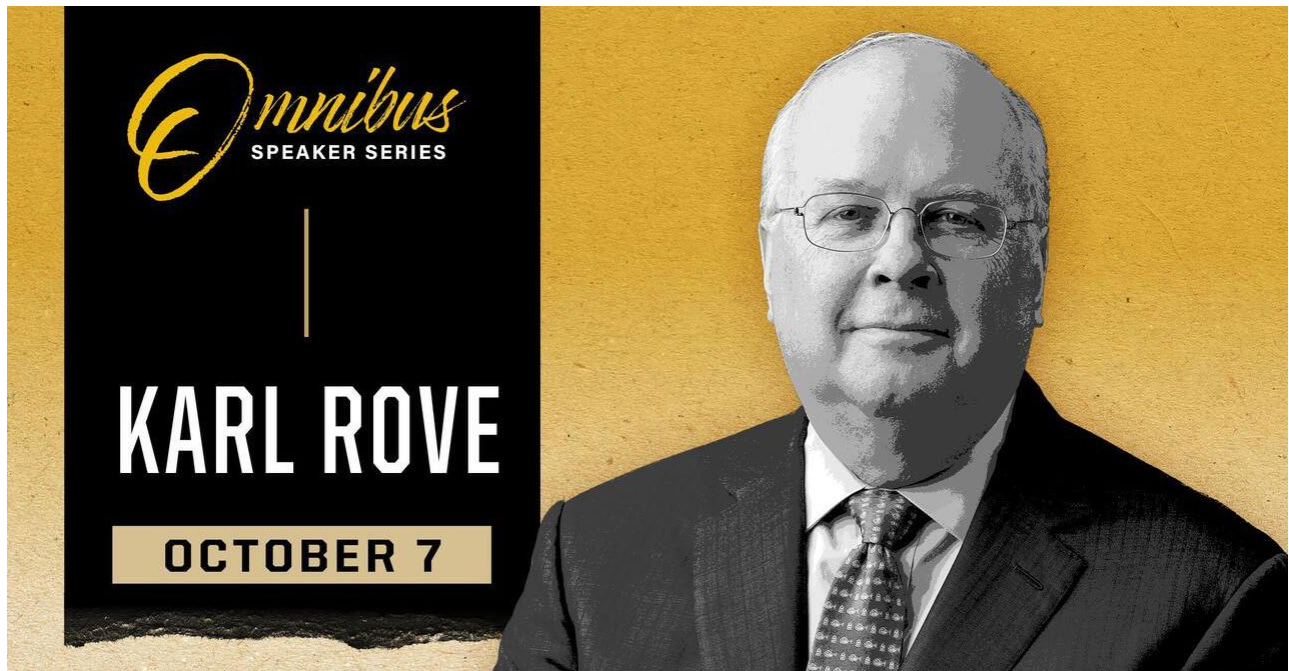
Chin, B.S. '16, has never doubted her calling, though she did decide while attending medical school to switch from being a cardiothoracic surgeon.

"I rotated into neurosurgery, and I was like, 'Oh, this is amazing!'" Chin recalled. "I could get there at 5 a.m. every day and work until 11 p.m. and not get tired of it. This was it. I had found

my people. There are definitely times when it's not fun, but I'm also just so thankful that I get to do this job."

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Karl Rove Tickets Now Available: New Security Measures Added

Purdue University Fort Wayne's popular Omnibus Speaker Series will kick off the 2025–26 season on Oct. 7 with Republican political influencer Karl Rove. Rove served as senior advisor to President George W. Bush from 2000 to 2007 and was the architect of Bush's 2000 and 2004 presidential election victories. He will step onto the Auer Performance Hall stage at 7:30 p.m. to present "America's Challenges Amidst Its Broken Politics."

Tickets are general admission this season rather than assigned seats. They are free and available on a first-come, first-served basis through the **Schatzlein Box Office** or PFW's **online ticketing platform**.

For added peace of mind, all those attending the presentation will participate in safety and security measures consistent with many major events across the country. No book bags, backpacks, or gym bags will be permitted in the Music Center on the night of the event. Purses may also be subject to search by security personnel. Additional safety and security steps could be added prior to the event, at the discretion of the university.

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Choi-Frank Students as Parents Childcare Support Award

Applications are being accepted for the Choi-Frank Students as Parents Childcare Support Award. For the past two years, the program has presented recipients with \$500 to pay for child care. Renewable each semester, the awards are based on need and not academic achievement. The criteria include a preference for PFW students enrolled full-time and a demonstrated need. Additional consideration is given to single parents. [Click here](#) to apply.

All Faculty and Staff Invited to Retirement Celebration for Dawn Strassburger

Dawn Strassburger, an assistant project manager with Facilities Management, is retiring Oct. 3. In her honor, the Facilities Management team is hosting a celebration Oct. 2 from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. in Ginsberg Hall, Room 114. All faculty and staff are invited to attend. Strassburger has been a valuable member of the campus community since 2010. Her responsibilities have included handling most of the administration and financial changes for construction projects.

News Spotlight

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

Allen County first Indiana county to receive 'Certified Welcoming' designation

Greater Fort Wayne Business Weekly (subscription required) | Monday

Hospitable climate: PFW's Conservation Conversation will

focus on adapting to change

The Journal Gazette (subscription required) | Friday

Rotary Club of Fort Wayne looks at 'Understanding AI'

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Superstition, folklore come to life with Purdue Fort Wayne's dark production of 'The Love Talker'

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PFW honors service members at Military Appreciation Day

21Alive | Sept. 18

Annual Constitution Day activities observed at Purdue Fort Wayne

21Alive and WANE 15 | Sept. 17

Conservation Conversation explores real solutions for the environmental future

WBOI 89.1 | Sept. 16

In a Snap

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



Students send peaceful greetings from one of the many tents pitched adjacent to the Hefner Soccer Fields during a camping event sponsored by the Division of Enrollment Management and Student Experience on Sept. 12. Games, campfires with s'mores, a movie, and a delivered breakfast the following morning were included in all the fun.

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