



September 23, 2026



Join the Adventure: DonFest Hits Campus on Saturday!

Get ready for a day of adventure, live music, and athletics on Saturday, September 26, as the campus comes alive!

Purdue Fort Wayne is packing the day with activities designed to help you hang out, unwind, and celebrate what it means to be a Mastodon. Gather along the riverfront and across campus to catch the games, enjoy outdoor experiences, or just chill with friends and family. Whether you're here for the high-energy entertainment or looking to connect with the campus community, you'll find exactly what you need.

Learn more about the activities offered at pfw.edu/donfest.



Help Build the Botanical Conservatory Pumpkin Patch on Sept. 28

Join us as we help the Foellinger-Freimann Botanical Conservatory assemble its annual Pumpkin Patch display from 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Monday, Sept. 28! This service day is a fun way to give back to the community while helping create a festive fall experience for visitors of all ages.

Transportation will be provided for students from Purdue Fort Wayne to the Foellinger-Freimann Botanical Conservatory, where you can help assemble the conservatory's annual pumpkin patch display.

Volunteers will move pumpkins, arrange display pieces, and set up photo opportunities for Fort Wayne guests to enjoy throughout the season.

Students will be transported back to campus by 1 p.m. to accommodate those with classes later that day.

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Campus-Wide Emergency Alert Test Scheduled for Friday

Purdue Fort Wayne will conduct a semiannual test of its emergency notification system at 2 p.m. on Friday, September 25.

In the event of severe or inclement weather, the test will be rescheduled.

Follow this link to view the steps to follow during an emergency, including a tornado. Additional information can be found on the campus's **Safety and Security website**.

If you haven't already, please consider signing up to receive **emergency mobile alerts**, which arrive much faster and with greater reliability than automated phone calls.

Eventful

*There's always plenty to do at Purdue Fort Wayne. To find your favorites—or discover new activities—check the full **events calendar** often to see what's happening on campus.*

SEPTEMBER

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Today, 2–5 p.m.

Don's College Picnic

Join us for an afternoon of fun at Don's College Picnic — where campus spirit meets adventure! It's the perfect chance to connect with your academic community, discover new opportunities, and have a blast while doing it...

SEPTEMBER

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Thurs., 10 a.m.–4:15 p.m.

DSB Career Fair

Meet employers looking to connect with talented students like you! Bring your résumé, dress professionally, and come ready to introduce yourself and talk about your skills and career goals...

SEPTEMBER

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Fri., 7–9 p.m.

Friday Nights at Walb

Unwind your week at Friday Nights at Walb, hosted by the Student Activities Board, with a fun night full of fun...

SEPTEMBER

25, 26

Fri. & Sat., 8 p.m.; Sept.
27, 2 p.m.; Oct. 1-3, 8
p.m.

Devil Boys from Beyond

This comedy, full of ribald humor and classic sci-fi camp, will make you look at Pluto, and Florida, in a whole new light...

Mastodon Moments

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



Constitution Day was celebrated with many activities on September 17 in the Walb International Ballroom.

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