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# PAINT IT PINK



Photo by: Abbey Good | Multimedia Editor

Ferris hospitality senior Karly Balogh throws powdered paint at Ferris manufacturing engineering senior Karley Engelsman at the ZTA 5k Color Run.

## ZTA hosts 5k for breast cancer awareness

**Cora Hall**  
Interim Reporter

There are only a few ways to make running enjoyable and being bombarded with colored powder is definitely one of them.

Zeta Tau Alpha (ZTA) hosted their second annual color run 5k Saturday, Oct. 14 and raised more than \$3000 for breast cancer awareness.



Madelynn Hull

"[Philanthropy] kind of stands for what we stand for as a whole, like what we all get together for, what we all kind of strive to make better in the world," Ferris health information technology junior McKenzie Piper said. "We want to make sure that everyone is aware of what is going on and raise money for any survivors."

The main focus of ZTA's philanthropy is breast cancer awareness and they are partnered with the NFL, Bright Pink and the

American Cancer Society.

A few of the ZTA sisters have family members who have or have had breast cancer and for them the event was more personal.



McKenzie Piper

"One of our sisters' step-mom was just diagnosed two weeks ago, so I know this is a really emotional time leading up to this event for her and I know that the day of will be really emotional for her whole family," Ferris pre-dental hygiene sophomore Madelynn Hull said. "Just because this is something that directly affects us and it's also something so broad we all are able to relate to it as well.

We can feel the empathy through our sisters."

Behind all the colored powder and miles run, the real success is bringing the community together for one cause.

"I think that Kenzie and I are really thankful for all the people that are willing to contribute to such a good

**"We all are able to relate to it as well. We can feel the empathy through our sisters."**

**- Madelynn Hull**

cause," Hull said. "Yes, we have worked super hard to put this event together and we've done so much to be able to accomplish it but it wouldn't be able to be accomplished if we didn't have such a great turnout and so much community and campus involvement."

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# NEWS

"Be happy with what you have and be glad that you actually have a home to live in, a shelter, a roof." - Jake Daggy - See page 4 for story

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## Career fair draws mixed reactions

The benefits and the dissapointments of Ferris' 2017 fall career fair

Grant Siddall  
Torch Reporter

The annual career and internship fair is one of the most popular ways for students to market themselves to potential employers, who came from all over the country.

Many Ferris students used this opportunity on Thursday, Oct. 12 to talk to companies, hand out their resumé's and try to land internship positions or jobs.

Although many students used the event, to advance their careers, others felt that there were some major flaws with the way the event was being run.

Some students were upset with the lack of opportunities for them to network with their potential employers and other students were frustrated with the false postings by many of the companies.

The app FairsAPP allows companies to post what majors they are searching for at the career fair. Many of these companies listed majors that were irrelevant to their candidate search, or even their company.

For example, CDK Global, a technology provider for the automotive industry, listed majors such as professional golf manage-

ment and sports communication as majors they are interested in, along with 84 other majors.

"Some of the employers had information on their profiles that wasn't exactly relevant or had majors that had nothing to do with the company or what positions they were interested in, such as having ski management or brewing management when they were really looking for business, or automotive or product design," automotive engineering technology senior Sam Butterwick said.



Nate Pfenninger

Despite the issues for some students, the companies involved were happy to have the opportunity to try to gain potential young workers.

"These events benefit our company because it allows us to come in and get exposure to the students and let the students see what we do and what work we have available," said Spicer Group Inc. representative Nate Pfenninger.



Sam Butterwick

"We want people who want to come out and use their skills, embrace those skills, and help us better reach out to clients. Incoming students might have ideas that we've never thought about before and those new ideas help us to grow as a company and helps them to grow in their careers."

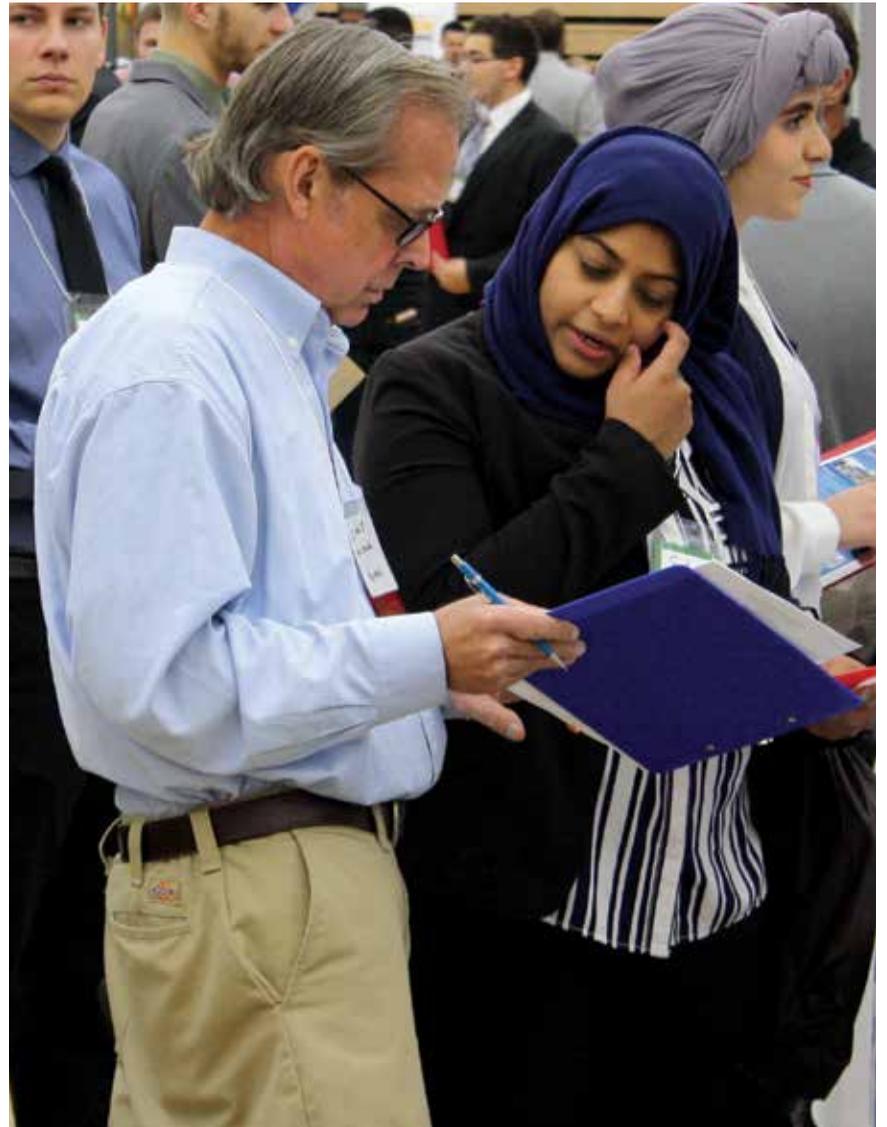


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The Ferris career and internship fair gave students the chance to network with employers.

### FAMILY AND FRIENDS EVENT CALENDER

Oct. 20 - *Meet Your Dean* - 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. - UC

Oct. 20 - *Movie Night: Despicable Me 3* - 8 p.m. - UC

Oct. 21 - *Welcome to Downtown* - 9:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. - UC

Oct. 21 - *Family & Friends Tailgate Party* - 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. - North Top Taggart Field

Oct. 21 - *Football game: FSU vs. GVSU* - 1 p.m. - Top Taggart Field

Oct. 21 - *Casino Night* - 8 p.m. - 12 a.m. - UC

Oct. 22 - *United Way 5k Color Run* - 7 a.m. - 10 a.m. - South Quad

Oct. 22 - *VP of Student Affairs Brunch* - 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. - UC

Note: UC stands for University Center on campus

## Ferris family

Bringing your home to school

Grant Siddall  
Torch Reporter

With Family and Friends Weekend coming up soon, it is time to start planning what to do with

your loved ones.

The weekend offers a lot of different activities, which can be found on the Ferris website. These activities span from 5:30 p.m., Friday, Oct. 20 until 1 p.m., Sunday, Oct. 22. Events range from a showing of *Despicable Me 3* at the University Center on Friday, to the football game on Saturday and the United Way 5k on Sunday.

In addition to the events Ferris is putting on for students and their visitors, Big Rapids offers other

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## Drugs in a Jag

Drug dealer apprehended on campus

Harley Harrison  
News Editor

A mysterious black Jaguar caused a series of unfortunate events for the Ferris Department of Public Safety.

According to Ferris Director of Public Safety Bruce Borkovich, the issue started Sunday, Oct. 8, 3:02 a.m. when officers pulled over a black Jaguar on State Street for having high beams on. The driver did not have a license and the passenger, who owned the vehicle, was intoxicated. The driver was taken to the county jail for driving without a license.

But officers had not seen the last of the Jaguar.

Later that morning at 7:55 a.m., officers received a call from a visiting FSU parent. The parent noticed a subject in Lot 5 breaking into multiple cars and stealing things. Officers met with the complainant and they arrived in time to see the suspect return to their Jaguar.

The officers attempted to stop

the suspect who then took off running towards the pharmacy building. Officers chased the suspect, who attempted to get into the locked pharmacy building.

At this point, officers received assistance from local officers and the suspect was found hiding in a dumpster. The suspect was not a student but was the intoxicated passenger from earlier that morning.

A search of the vehicle revealed Butane Hash Oil (BHO), otherwise known as "dabs," equipment, marijuana, packaging and digital scales. Officers also found a pill bottle with materials typically used for packaging heroin.

Upon further investigation, the suspect was charged for breaking into vehicles, resisting arrest and attempting to deliver fentanyl. The suspect also had a warrant for a domestic assault from August.

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**FAMILY**

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attractions for anyone trying to experience the town. One event that the University is offering is a shuttle to historic downtown Big Rapids, where visitors can explore the shops and see the town.



Chloe Masterson said, "Kilwins downtown is really cute, it's a good place to get ice cream," pre-pharmacy junior Megan McGrath said. "There are a lot of good food places downtown that not a lot of people from out of town know about, so it's cool to show people and there are a lot of good parks too."

For many students, Family and Friends Weekend offers them a chance to share their college experiences with their loved ones and allow their visitors to experience both Ferris and Big Rapids.

"Your family is your life, you lived with them for 18 years and I think it's important for them to see what your new life is like. It's cool for them



to be able to see what you do at school," McGrath said. "It's cool to see what our school has to offer and what we do on the weekends."

For students who want to stay on campus for the weekend, there are multiple family friendly events set up for them.

"Obviously the football game is a lot of fun and is family friendly, as well as the movie which is good if you have little siblings," pre-pharmacy junior Chloe Masterson said. "I definitely suggest going to Schubergs downtown if you want a really good burger and Gypsy is a really nice place, right on the river. Cute place and great food."



Photo by: Abbey Good | Multimedia Editor

Bulldogs prepare for a night of sleeping in boxes outside of the Rock Cafe to raise awareness for homelessness.

# Bright lights, box city

## Taking homelessness to a new point of view

**Megan Lewton**  
Torch Reporter

With winter approaching, Ferris students wanted to show that not everyone has a shelter to stay in as the temperature drops.

Thursday, Oct. 12, the registered student organization for Habitat for Humanity held Box City—an event where students spent the night sleeping in boxes to raise awareness for the homeless. Students met outside the Rock Cafe at 6 p.m. Thursday and stayed there until 9 a.m. Friday.

"We're raising awareness for homeless people," Ferris electrical engineering technology senior, president of Habitat for Humanity and coordinator of Box City Kaylie Bohn said. "I don't think a lot of college students think about that right away, so that's why we're sitting outside of the Rock, to kind of get more traffic for people."

The event is meant to simulate the conditions the homeless encounter on a daily basis. According to Bohn, approximately 30 students participated throughout the night.



Rachel Mitchell

"Personally, we're doing it right now because it's gonna get colder, so we're trying to beat the cold but obviously it gets worse in the winter time," Bohn said. "It's a lot worse for the people who actually have to deal with it."

Ferris first-year pharmacy student Rachel Mitchell said she enjoys participating in Box City, as well as other events Habitat for Humanity puts on.

"I just think it's really gratifying to be in this organization," Mitchell said. "We get to see first-hand the homeowners that were helping

with the renovations, like how much they really appreciate it, us coming out there and just putting in the work, helping out."

Ferris business administration senior and Treasurer of Habitat for Humanity Jake Daggy said his goal is to have students realize how fortunate they are.



Kaylie Bohn

"Just don't take anything for granted. Be happy with what you have and be glad that you actually have a home to live in—a shelter, a roof," Daggy said. "Occasionally, you don't have to give a lot of money, but every once in awhile give back. Help out any way you can."

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# - ON THE RECORD -

A roundup of this week's crime at Ferris State University

## No nudes, please

**Harley Harrison**  
News Editor

### You had a bad day

Sept. 13, 10:15 p.m., officers were contacted by a Brophy hall director due to a student in distress. The hall director was afraid the student might harm himself. When officers arrived, the student did not want treatment and claimed to be having a rough day.

### Dang it

Sept. 15, 4:38 p.m., officers received a report of a damaged car in Lot 9. No suspects were found.

### Baby on board

Sept. 26, 12:30 p.m., officers were dispatched to an accident on Oak and Ives Street. No one was hurt but there was an infant in one of the vehicles who was checked for injuries.

### This isn't bumper cars

Sept. 29, 3:55 p.m., officers received a report that a parked car in Lot 5 was damaged. No suspects were found.

### No nudes, please

Sept. 29, officers assisted the county with a call from Child Protective Services about a complainant who met a male subject online. The subject sent inappropriate pictures to the complainant. The complainant did not want to press charges.

### This isn't what I ordered

Sept. 30, 9 p.m., officers helped city police in regards to a harassment complaint at Subway. An employee was being harassed by a customer who was unhappy with the ingredients on their sandwich. The subject left before officers arrived.

### U-turn shenanigans

Oct. 1, 11:15 a.m., officers made a traffic stop for an illegal U-turn on State Street. The driver already had a warrant for their arrest and was taken to jail.

### Mental health

Oct. 1, 7:17 p.m., officers received a call from Community Mental Health to

check on the wellbeing of a student having an emotionally hard time. The student agreed that he should go in for a mental check up and officers gave him a ride to and from Spectrum Health Center.

### You had it coming

Oct. 4, 2:13 a.m., officers performed a traffic stop on State Street and Ferris Drive. The driver had a suspended license and was ticketed.

### Finch fails

Oct. 4, 3:27 p.m., officers received a marijuana complaint in Finch Court. Upon investigation, officers found trace amounts and one subject was referred to the Office of Student Conduct.

### He found the weed

Oct. 4, 10:23 p.m., officers performed a traffic stop on Northland Drive and Gilbert Street. Upon approaching the car, officers discovered the smell of marijuana. An investigation revealed marijuana inside the vehicle. The subject was issued an appearance ticket for possession.

### How rude

Oct. 4, officers received a report of a domestic assault that happened Oct. 1 in Finch Court. A male subject was slapped by his girlfriend. The case was sent to a prosecutor for a possible domestic violence charge and both parties were referred to the Office of Student Conduct.

### Safety first

Oct. 5, 4:34 a.m., officers stopped a vehicle off of Perry Street and Northland Drive for a missing right taillight. Officers saw a loose bow inside the vehicle and the driver was charged for an uncased bow.

### Use your words

Oct. 5, 11:21 a.m., officers arrived at Bond Hall for a possible domestic assault. A male subject was hit in the face by his girlfriend. Officers found the girlfriend in Finch Court and arrested her for domestic assault.

### The bad luck continues

Oct. 5, 4:44 p.m., officers received a

call of a hit and run of a car parked in Lot 7. There are no suspects.

### Creepin'

Oct. 5, officers received an anonymous text tip of a sexual predator on campus. There was not enough information to investigate the tip.

### It's just tobacco bruh

Oct. 8, 10 a.m., officers received a call from a Ward hall advisor. The hall advisor said that there was a suspicious substance that looked like marijuana on a student's desk. An investigation revealed that it was tobacco.

### Roommate rumble

Oct. 8, 2:58 p.m., officers were called to Cardinal Court for a domestic assault between two male roommates. Shortly after the situation was handled, officers were called back to the scene after claims that one student had a gun. An investigation revealed that there was no evidence of a gun. The case was sent to a prosecutor for review.

### Involuntary vandalism

Oct. 9, 8:56 a.m., officers received a call from maintenance at the West Campus Community Center. A maintenance employee found damage to the side of the building in Cardinal Court. An investigation found that two students had been smoking and put their cigarettes in a bucket next to the building. The heat from the cigarettes had melted the siding of the building. No one was ticketed but the students were warned to put out their cigarettes properly.

### Longboard abduction

Oct. 9, 12 p.m., officers received a report from a student in North Hall who claimed their longboard was stolen. The investigation is still ongoing.

### I thought we talked about this

Oct. 9, 2:38 p.m., officers stopped a vehicle on Fuller Street and Bailey Street. The driver had a suspended license and was ticketed.

### That went well

Oct. 9, 7:05 p.m., state police performed a routine traffic stop on State Street. Upon investigation, officers found drugs inside the vehicle and called for backup in order to secure the scene. Two students were arrested and sent to the county jail.

### Too much Windex

Oct. 10, 9:25 p.m., an FSU employee reported that their car was parked in Lot 33 and was found with the back window shattered. There was no video surveillance or known witnesses. Therefore, no conclusion was drawn.

### Helpful welders

Oct. 10, 10:45 p.m., officers received a call of subjects loading a welder into a vehicle outside of the Swan building. Upon investigation, officers learned that the subjects were students who were instructed to move the welder at the request of a professor. No one was charged or ticketed.

### Pot mobile

Oct. 11, 12:33 a.m., officers performed a traffic stop at Perry Street and State Street. Upon approaching the vehicle, officers could smell marijuana and further investigation revealed marijuana inside the vehicle. The driver was issued a traffic ticket and an appearance ticket.

### Bad boys

Oct. 12, 12:08 a.m., officers received a call from a student who saw two male subjects on a bike talking about stealing it. The subjects could not be found at the scene and there were no complaints.

There were 434 tickets issued from Oct. 5 to Oct. 11, totaling in \$5,495.

## WEEKLY WORLD NEWS

Catch up on news around the globe

**Harley Harrison**  
News Editor

### Cairo, Egypt

The two main Palestinian factions signed a reconciliation deal after a decade of hostility and recrimination. The deal will hopefully unite the factions and provide electricity and lifesaving medicine for the two million Palestinians of Gaza who are trapped in a tiny coastal strip. The deal may also offer opportunities for these Palestinians to travel to the outside world.

Original story by Declan Walsh and David M. Halbfinger, Oct. 12, 2017. *The New York Times*.

### New Delhi, India

India's Supreme Court reinstated a ban on the sale of fireworks right before the Hindu festival of Diwali. The Supreme Court is concerned about the poisonous air quality of the city that is home to roughly 45 million people. Fireworks are one of the main attractions of the festival and many rely on firework sales for a living.

Original story by Hari Kumar and Kai Schultz, Oct. 12, 2017. *The New York Times*.

### Mogadishu, Somalia

A double truck bombing has taken the lives of more than 270 people and has injured at least 300. While the bombings were roughly one kilometer away, both explosions destroyed nearby buildings, including a hotel. One of the explosions engulfed dozens of people stuck in a traffic jam. No one has claimed responsibility of the terrorist attack yet.

Original story by Hussein Mohamed, Eric Schmitt and Mohamed Ibrahim, Oct. 15, 2017. *The New York Times*.

### Ottawa, Canada

A family was released from the Haqqani network, a part of the Taliban, in Afghanistan after being hostages for five years. Joshua Boyle claims that he and his wife, Caitlan, were captured while hiking in 2012. All three of their children were born in captivity and the couple had a fourth child who was killed by their captors. The Taliban currently denies the accusations.

Original story by Ian Austen and Megan Spezia, Oct. 14, 2017. *The New York Times*.

## NEWS BRIEFS

**Harley Harrison**  
News Editor

### Friendship bracelets and frappes

Students can make friendship bracelets at Ferris Center for Leadership, Activities and Career Services (CLACS) Thursday, Oct. 19, from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. All participants can also enter to win a Starbucks gift card. Questions can be answered by contacting CLACS@ferris.edu.

### OMSS: Conversations on race - unpacking racism and privilege

The Office of Multicultural Student Services (OMSS) will host the October conversation on race with the topic "Unpacking Racism and Privilege" 6 p.m., Tuesday, Oct. 24 in the University Center, room 203. Contact OMSS at omss@ferris.edu for more information.

### Cookies, frosting, cider, oh my!

Students can go to the CLACS office to decorate festive cookies and drink apple cider Wednesday, Oct. 25 from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. For more information, contact Ben Opphile at opphile@ferris.edu.

## Torch Corrections

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# LIFESTYLES

"I needed a change. I am always behind the camera, never really showing off any personality traits about myself to anyone."

- Lauren Steff - See page 7 for story

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## Playing heart strings

*Ain't gotta pay me to play my ukulele*

**Kat Merby**  
Torch Reporter

If anyone remembers the Adam Sandler movie "50 First Dates," they'll remember the light sound of a ukulele playing in the background. Luckily, students don't have to rent a movie from Netflix anymore to hear the sounds of this small string-instrument.



Dakota Cortez

From the big screen to Ferris streets, the ukulele continues to play its sweet sound for all to hear thanks to the Ferris ukulele club that is open to new, curious members.

"The only requirement is to bring a ukulele. We are a very relaxed club," Ferris pre-pharmacy junior and one of the presidents of the ukulele club Brandon Buell said.

Focusing on sports in high school, Buell had no musical background and never considered playing an instrument before discovering the ukulele club.



Torch file photo

With goals of friendship and relaxation in mind, the sweet sounds of the Ukulele Group may be heard during meetings on Wednesdays in UC 106.

"My suite-mate my freshman year played ukulele and wanted to join the ukulele club but did not want to join by himself. So I went with him and started going to every meeting and fell in love with the club. I am going on my third year with the club," Buell said.

Members have joined the ukulele club for many different and unique reasons.

"I lived in Henderson my freshman year and the whole e-board was on my floor. There were 19 ukuleles on Henderson third floor," said Ferris Dental Hygiene Junior Bailey Harrington.

Much like Buell, it had never crossed Harrington's mind to play ukulele before joining the club.

"I really appreciate how laid back and fun the meetings are after a long day of

classes," Harrington said.

Playing ukulele for three years now, Ferris medical laboratory science senior Morgan Zloto was one of the people who helped found the ukulele club.



Brandon Buell

"My ukulele was a spur of the moment purchase. I had an Amazon gift card burning a hole in my pocket, I ordered my ukulele and within a week I was playing songs," Zloto said.

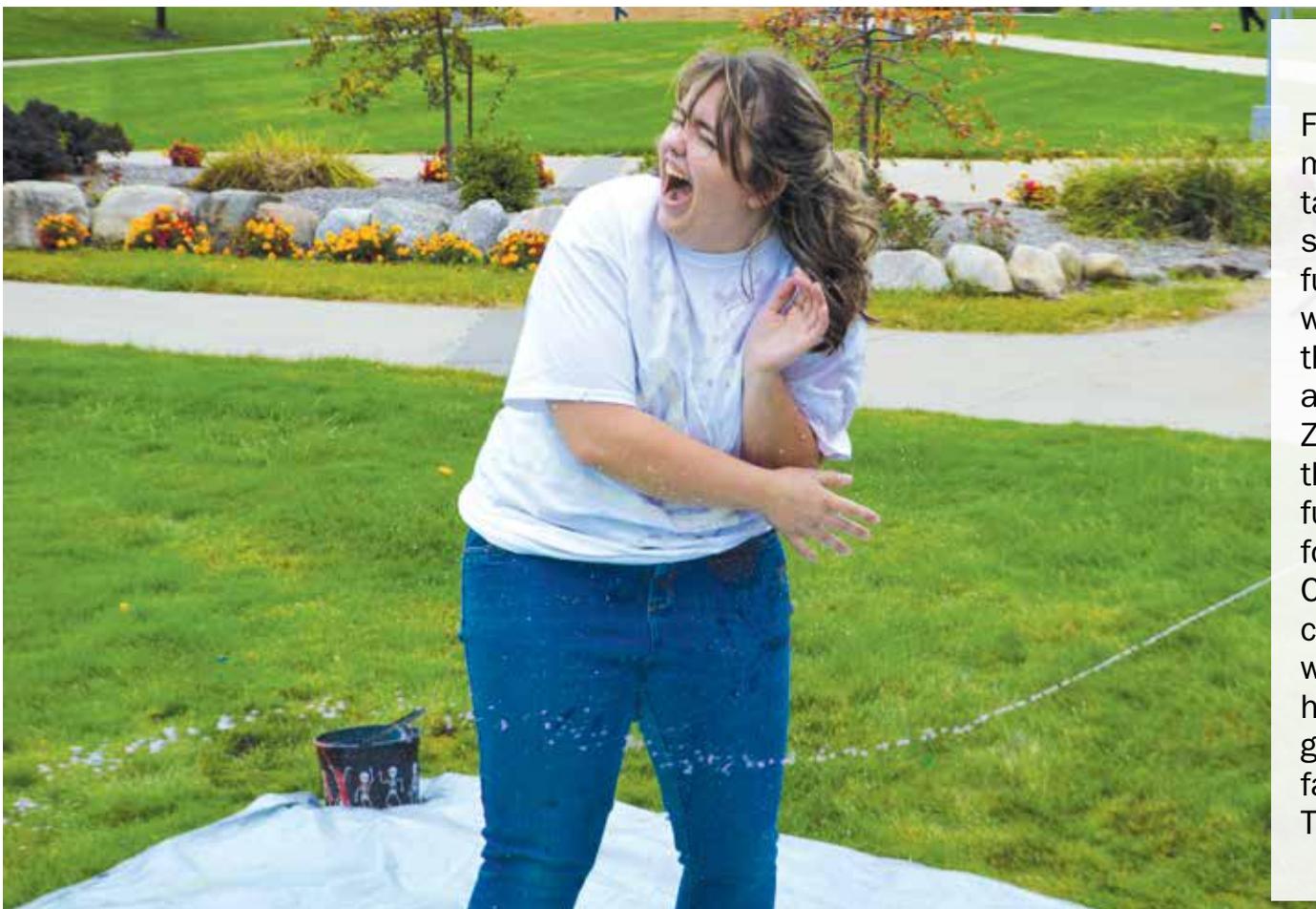
"I would say the number one reason to join the uke club is that it gives people a chance to relax and learn something new, while hanging out with friends," Ferris ac-

counting senior Dakota Cortez said.

If a student is interested in the club but has little to no musical background, that's no problem. Just like with any new hobby, it's just necessary to practice and have some passion.

"It was a little hard to learn the instrument at first but the ukulele club takes it slow and helps everyone that is struggling. With practice and help from the other members in ukulele club, I was able to learn pretty fast. I still continue to get better every time I practice," Buell said.

The club meets every Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. in the UC 016. The only things required for the meetings are a ukulele and the goal of having a relaxing time with some new friends.



### Paint-a-turtle

Ferris Delta Zeta member Taya Treiber takes a hit at the sorority's paint-a-turtle fundraiser. Students were able to pay to throw diluted paints at the women of Delta Zeta as they spent their day in the cold fundraising money for The Painted Turtle Camp in California—a camp where children with chronic illnesses have the chance to go camping with their families free of charge. The group raised \$190.

Photo by: Sam Cavotta | Torch Photographer



# How to fail your online classes

## The truths and fears behind virtual learning

**Briana Hammontree**  
Torch Reporter

While many students opt for the traditional form of learning there is always an option for students to take any of the 29 online courses offered at Ferris.

Some students are still wary, worried about procrastination and fear of receiving a poor grade. However, this initial judgment may be misconceived.

Ferris instructional designer for the Faculty Center for Teaching and Learning Julie Rowan gave a FSUS workshop titled "How to Fail Your Online Class Without Even Trying" on Oct. 10 in Science 102, providing helpful tips and insight for students who are considering expanding their education electronically.

"There are a variety of reasons students might find online courses challenging. For one, students may believe some common myths about online courses—for example, that they are easier or less time-consuming than face-to-face classes. Online courses can be just as demanding as face-to-face courses, so students who go into an online course expecting an 'easy A' might be caught off-guard and quickly fall behind," Rowan said.

Students can learn successful skills when taking online classes such as improvement in technology, interpersonal communication and time management.

Rowan has found that so long as the online courses are well-designed, they can offer an engaging learning experience.

"They offer students flexibility, making it easier for them to work or fulfill other academic, professional or personal responsibilities," Rowan said.

Ferris pre-veterinarian freshman Sheyenne Nagy has yet to take an online course but has expressed her interest in applying, since learning that not all the things about online classes are true.

While many classes can be difficult, students can utilize certain strategies to avoid a poor grade in online courses.

"One of these [strategies] was starting classwork long before it's due so you have lots of time to get it done. If you have a technology glitch, questions about the work or other issues, starting early gives you time to deal with it so you don't have



Sheyenne Nagy



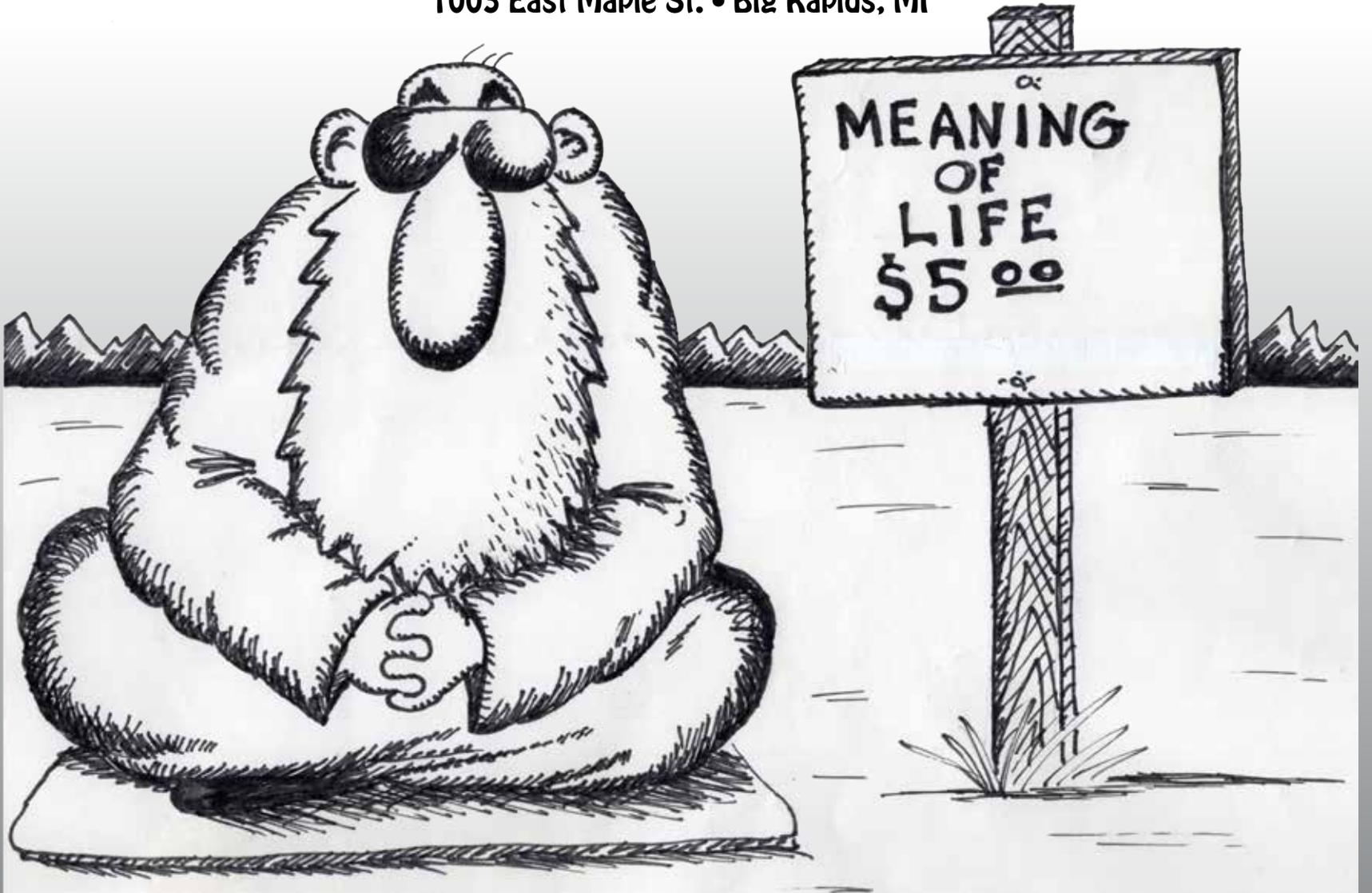
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a last-minute emergency. Log in early and log in often. Map out your course assignments and deadlines on a calendar or planner and check it regularly," Rowan said.

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# SPORTS

"I want to run as long as I can. I plan on running as long as my body lets me."  
- Gage Cleveland - See page 12 for story

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## A rivalry for the ages



Torch File Photo

Senior kicker Wyatt Ford looks on as a play unfolds in last year's matchup with Grand Valley. The Lakers will head to Big Rapids to take on the Bulldogs on home turf this year.

## Ferris football team to play the Anchor-Bone Classic on home turf this year

Beau Jensen  
Torch Reporter

College football rivalries can bring out the best and the worst in any team or fanbase, and all rivalries have their ups and downs.

There's Michigan vs. Ohio State, Alabama vs. Auburn, Army vs. Navy and then Ferris State vs. Grand Valley.

After losing to Grand Valley in the regular season in 2016, the Dawgs will be looking to reclaim the Anchor-Bone Trophy in front of their home crowd this Saturday, Oct. 21.

Ferris senior kicker Wyatt Ford said that he knows that both programs are in for a tough fight come Saturday.

"GVSU is just down the road and the stadium will still have tons of blue and white," Ford said. "That's what makes it so special. Ever since I have been here, it has been back and forth, always a good game for the fans and for me to watch on the sidelines."

Ford was named Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (GLIAC) Special Teams Player of the Week after the Bulldogs week five 13-3 victory over Tiffin.

"Big play after big play will occur and that'll play a big factor in either team's fate for the playoffs," Ford said. "I know they have us in their crosshairs since last December and the Bulldogs are ready."

Ford is referring to Ferris' first ever National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) playoff road win, which came against Grand Valley after making the trip to Allendale last season.

Speaking of that win, Ferris junior defensive end Zach Sieler said that one of his favorite moments in the rivalry came that day when Ferris senior defensive back KC Zenner sealed the victory.

Zenner nabbed a GVSU onside kick and ran it to the house for a 56-yard dagger in the heart with just over a minute left to play in the 47-32 Bulldog victory.

Sieler, a preseason All-American after an outstanding 2016 season, said that he is always looking forward to the big game against the Lakers.

"It's always a great game and with playing them four times in the last two years, it has really made it that much more intense," Sieler said.

Sieler, who leads his team in sacks so far this season and the rest of the Bulldog defense, will need to show up prepared to make some big stops. Against GLIAC opponents, the Grand Valley offense's lowest scoring day was when they put up 34 points against Saginaw Valley.

Against every other GLIAC opponent, the Lakers have put up at least 40 points on their way to a 5-0 conference record. Grand Valley had 2,488 total yards of offense through week five, whereas Ferris had 2,382 total yards.

Laker quarterback Bart Williams has thrown for 1,225 of those GVSU yards in

an impressive midseason total but Ferris' quarterback situation is a little hazy. Bulldog sophomore quarterback Travis Russell has stepped in after senior quarterback Reggie Bell was injured in week two against Northern Michigan.

Bell could play after five weeks of rest on the injured ankle but Russell will be ready to play if his team needs him. Russell said that he believes this rivalry is special because of the amount of respect that the two programs have for each other.

"Grand Valley is not where they are by accident and neither are we," Russell said. "We know that we are going to get a really good football team every time we match up with them."

Historically, the Lakers have gotten the best of the Bulldogs. In fact, the 2012 football team headed up by red-shirt freshman quarterback Jason Vander Laan was the first time the Bulldogs defeated the Lakers in football since 1999.

Since that 2012 season, the Bulldogs are 5-2 against the Lakers including the playoffs, a real improvement for Ferris State since their 13-year losing streak.

The Anchor-Bone Classic kickoff is slated for 1 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 21 in Big Rapids as the Dawgs look to dethrone the number one ranked team in the GLIAC.



Zach Sieler



Wyatt Ford

## Now or never

### Ferris women's soccer team looks to eliminate midseason woes

Danny Collins  
Torch Reporter

A few weeks ago, the Ferris women's soccer team was struggling to score consistently. However, an offensive surge of 10 goals in three games seemed to put the Bulldogs in a good spot—or so it appeared.

Just when things were looking up for the team following a three-game win streak at the end of September against Madonna University, Northwood and Saginaw Valley State, the Bulldogs dropped two out of three games.

The Bulldogs struggled offensively in their match up against archival Grand Valley State Oct. 1 where they lost 1-0. The next match up featured offensive firepower in a 5-0 rout of Tiffin University Oct. 6, followed by a struggle against Ashland in a 2-1 loss Oct. 8.

The two losses put the Bulldogs' record at 7-6 overall and 3-2 in the conference.

One possible reason for inconsistent play is a lack of experience, as the team features 14 freshmen, many of whom get a significant amount of playing time. Throwing freshmen into the fire of college athletics can always be a tough adjustment. The Bulldogs also only have six seniors out of 35 players.

"This year we are a very young team and one thing we have been struggling with is going into each game with a high level of intensity," Ferris sophomore forward Morgan Irwin said. "We need to work on playing with intensity throughout the whole game and continue to be mentally and physically tough."

Ferris State headed into a big weekend of soccer last weekend against two brand new GLIAC opponents: Davenport and Purdue Northwest.

"I think the biggest thing we need to work on is finishing our chances in front of the net," Ferris junior defender Olivia Brewer said. "We need to keep the ball and play it to feet. When we do that, we are

# Sports Shorts

**Jacob Carlson**  
Torch Reporter

### Movin' on up

The Ferris football team improved to 5-1 in the season as they took down Saginaw Valley State 49-17 on the road Saturday, Oct. 14. The Bulldogs were led by junior receiver Malik Taylor who hauled in nine catches for 165 yards and two touchdowns.

The team will return to action at Top Taggart Field Saturday, Oct. 21 when they host the Grand Valley State Lakers in the Anchor-Bone Classic at 1 p.m.

### What's going on?

The Ferris hockey team is searching for answers after getting swept by Northern Michigan over the weekend. NMU handed the Bulldogs a pair of one-goal losses including a heartbreaker Saturday, Oct. 14 when the Wildcats scored the lone goal of the game with 0.5 seconds remaining in a 1-0 win.

The Bulldogs (1-3) return to action on the road in Pennsylvania Friday, Oct. 20 at 7:05 p.m. when they take on Mercyhurst University in the first of a two-game weekend set.

### Tough luck

The women's tennis team dropped a pair of matches over the weekend. The Bulldogs lost 6-3 on the road against Wayne State on Friday, Oct. 13 and fell again on Saturday, Oct. 14 to Tiffin 7-2. The losses dropped Ferris State to 3-4 on the season.

The Bulldogs return home when they host Northwood University at 1 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 21.

## SOCCER

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very dangerous."

The Bulldogs' offense flourished against Davenport on Friday, Oct. 13 as they won 4-1. The Bulldogs also dominated Purdue Northwest 4-0 on Sunday, Oct. 15.

This improved the Bulldogs' record to 6-2 at home this season.

With the way the Bulldogs played last weekend, they appear to be a contender in the GLIAC tournament if they can stay consistent towards the end of October.

"We have been very competitive with everyone in our league.

We just need to find that final drive to score goals and get shut outs," Irwin said.

The Bulldogs currently have three GLIAC games left on their schedule, all of which will be significant for placement in the GLIAC tournament.

The Ferris State women's soccer team currently is 9-6 overall on the season and sit in third place in the GLIAC.

The Bulldogs will next be in action in the Upper Peninsula where they will take on Northern Michigan Friday, Oct. 20 and Michigan Tech Saturday, Oct. 22.



Photo by: Kaitlyn Kirchner | Torch Photographer

Sophomore forward Brandi Wagner dribbles the ball down field. The Bulldogs are trying to deal with inconsistent play so far this season.



# Top Dawg

Malik Taylor

Photo by: Keith Salowich | Web Supervisor

**Brenden Samuels**  
Sports Editor

The Ferris football team dominated Saginaw Valley State this weekend in a 49-17 victory, so Top Dawg honors head to the gridiron.

Ferris junior wide receiver Malik Taylor made his impact when the Bulldogs took on the Cardinals this past weekend.

All eyes were on a Bulldog offense who, after starting slow when senior Reggie Bell went down, have been explosive over the past few weeks.

Taylor, who is undoubtedly sophomore Travis Russell's favorite target, found himself behind the defense on multiple occasions, helping him lead both teams in receiving yards, catches and touchdowns.

Ending the day with 165 receiving yards and nine catches while also finding the end zone twice, Taylor

was a big factor in the Bulldogs' fifth win of the year.

As if his stat line isn't impressive enough, Taylor's nine catches were exactly half the amount of completions that Russell threw.

While there is something to be said about Russell's 255 yards through the air, had Taylor not been in the game, it's hard to say whether those numbers would remain at that level.

Taylor also leads the GLIAC in receiving yards (576) and is second in receptions (34). The big man is averaging 96 yards per game, which is also tops in the conference.

With a pivotal matchup with the undefeated Grand Valley Lakers set for Saturday, Oct. 21 at 1 p.m. in Big Rapids, the Bulldogs could sure use their big man.

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# Finishing the job

Women's volleyball A-team wraps up play in nation's largest collegiate volleyball tournament

**Danny Collins**  
Torch Reporter

The nationally ranked Ferris women's volleyball team split a pair of matches at the 2017 Midwest Region Crossover on Friday Oct. 13 in Aurora, Illinois.

In the first match, the Bulldogs fell to the Hillsdale Chargers 3-1 and then would sweep the University of Indianapolis 3-0 in the second match at the Great Lakes Center.

The Bulldogs would win the first set against Hillsdale, however the Chargers would not let up as they won three sets with scores of 26-24, 25-19 and 25-20.

The Bulldogs finished off the second match of the day with an impressive win against the Indianapolis Greyhounds with scores of 25-19, 25-19, and 25-17.

Ferris sophomore outside hitter Allyson Cappel led the team in kills in both matches and finished with 44 kills and a .516 hitting percentage for the weekend.

The Bulldogs returned to action Saturday, Oct. 14 against the No. 1 nationally ranked Lewis University.

Ferris redshirt sophomore outside hitter Courtney Brewer finished with a team high nine kills, however the Bulldogs would fall 3-0 to Lewis. Lewis University won all three sets with scores of 25-13, 26-24 and 25-20.

Ferris State hit an abysmal .057 on the day, while Lewis hit .205 for the day.



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The Ferris women's volleyball team huddles together before a match. The Bulldogs started their season strong and are hoping to end it that way as well.

The women's team also fell to Wayne State Sunday, Oct. 8 after a win over archrival Grand Valley.



Mekayla Carey

"We are taking practice day by day, working to improve our mental toughness game and improving our offense," Ferris sophomore middle hitter Mekayla Carey said. "We're all really

committed to the sport and each other. When we come into the gym, we work to get one percent better every day and focus on staying in the moment."

After going 1-2 on the weekend in Aurora the Bulldogs are currently 15-5 on the season and 8-1 in the conference. The Bulldogs are also ranked number one in the GLIAC standings.

"Coach Tia stressed that we get 1 percent better every day and to take every game one at a time," Ferris sophomore

setter Maeve Grimes said. "We work hard in practice everyday to create game situations that will help us more forward as we come closer to postseason."

The Bulldogs are currently the three-time reigning GLIAC champions, and will look to repeat this success as the season is entering mid-October.

The team will next be in action in an Ohio split against Ashland University on Friday, Oct. 20 at 7 p.m. (ET) and Tiffin on Saturday, Oct. 21 at 5 p.m. (ET).

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## From Team USA to Ferris

Ferris sophomore brings international experience

**Jacob Carlson**  
Torch Reporter

What started off as a one-time deal turned into a once in a lifetime opportunity for Ferris sophomore criminal justice major Gage Cleveland.

Cleveland was asked to fill in as an extra body for Ovid Elsie's cross-country meet just once so the team would have a full roster. Now he is a college athlete with international experience after competing as captain for the Northeast region running team sponsored by Down Under Sports that represented the United States in world competition.

"It was a blast. I got to meet kids from every state and every sized school there is. It was really awesome," Cleveland said.

Down Under Sports reached out to Cleveland when he was a freshman, less than a year into his running career, and presented him with the offer to travel to Australia. After initially pushing the offer off to the side, Cleveland began raising money in his sophomore year of high school to fund the trip.

The 11-day trip in the summer of 2016 included nine days total in Australia and a quick two-day stop in Hawaii. The trip wasn't all work, as Cleveland was able to explore Australia and Hawaii in depth with his fellow teammates.

"The competing was honestly the smallest part of it. It was more to open our eyes up to experience something awesome. We went to the Great Barrier

Reef and swam with baby sea turtles. We also got to tour Pearl Harbor," Cleveland said.

One of the biggest things that Cleveland took out of the trip was the opportunity to see and understand the different cultures that make up the world.

"As weird as this sounds I learned a lot about how diverse we are. It definitely opened up my eyes,"

Cleveland said. "I was literally on the other side of the world. It was really awesome to see how everything worked over there and how different society was over there."

Throughout the entire process of saving for the trip, Cleveland also had no idea he would be coming to Ferris. It wasn't until shortly after graduation that he decided to become a Bulldog.

"If you asked me where I was going to go, Ferris wasn't anywhere in mind. For the longest time I was going to go to Trine University. I took three tours there and even had my class schedule picked out," Cleveland said. "Last minute, I heard about Ferris and the criminal justice program and the day after graduation, I decided I was going to Ferris."

Cleveland is continuing his running career here at Ferris and has kept in contact with his previous coaches, but is focusing more and more on his education.

"I want to run as long as I can. It would really be cool to leave here and continue to keep running. I plan on running as long as my body lets me," Cleveland said.



Gage Cleveland

# FERRIS FANTASY FOOTBALL

A huge day for a couple of Bulldogs and an extremely lackluster day for the Beaulldogs' wide receiver core spelled defeat for my fantasy team once again, bringing my season record to 1-5.

Ferris quarterback Travis Russell connected with receiver Malik Taylor twice in the end zone, both men outscoring my fantasy quarterback and receiver combination of Carson Wentz and Chris Hogan.

Wentz put up a respectable 18 points in the Thursday, Oct. 12 win over the Panthers but Russell's 21 fantasy points allowed him to win this week's QB battle. Chris Hogan is probably doing his best to forget his one-point fantasy performance in the Patriots' too-close-for-comfort win over the Jets.

Taylor tacked on 165 receiving yards to go with his two touchdown catches, leading all competitors in this week's competition with 28.5 fantasy points.

One pick I can be happy that I made was Panthers' running back Christian McCaffrey, who produced 12.5 points, despite a loss to the Eagles.

Four different Bulldogs were able to find the end zone on the ground but none of them breached 30 rushing yards. Devontae Harrington, who led all running backs with 23 rushing yards, gathered eight fantasy points.

The Ferris State defense produced 12 fantasy points, though the Detroit Lions (even in another cruddy loss) were able to stack up 17 fantasy points on the road against the Saints.

With an intense rivalry game coming up for Ferris State at 1 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 21 against Grand Valley on the Dawgs' home field, I'm going to have to make some picks that will knock the socks off the fantasy



Beau Jensen  
Torch Reporter

world.

Take a look at my picks for week seven:

**QB: Alex Smith** - The potential MVP of the league has the potential to give me a bundle of fantasy points in week seven during Thursday night football.

**RB: Javorius Allen** - Allen produced just over 12 points in the Ravens week five victory over the Oakland Raiders. The two weeks prior combined, he produced only about five points, so let's hope he can keep that momentum moving.

**WR 1: Cole Beasley** - Coming off a bye week, the Cowboys will be taking on the 49ers. With a week five fantasy total of 15 points, I'm hoping for another big week.

**WR 2: Devin Funchess** - Funchess is slowly becoming one of Cam's key targets. He's been putting up some decent points as of late, and with a week seven game in Chicago, Newton should be looking for the big man.

**FLEX: Jordan Howard** - This Chicago Bear will be on his homefield as the Panthers head north. Howard has been putting up some pretty consistent points so far this season.

**Defense: Rams** - Taking on an aging Carson Palmer and the Cardinals, let's see if the Rams defense can perform at home.

**K: Wil Lutz** - It's always tough for an offense to score when they're up against the Packers at Lambeau. Hopefully Drew Brees can get Lutz close enough to chip a few in.

## TEAM TORCH BOX SCORE

Position	Player	Points
QB	Carson Wentz	18
RB	Christian McCaffrey	12.5
WR1	Chris Hogan	1
WR2	Randall Cobb	2
FLEX	Nelson Agholor	9.5
D	Detroit Lions	17
K	Cody Parkey	9
Total:		69

## FERRIS STATE BOX SCORE

Position	Player	Points
QB	Travis Russell	21
RB	Davonte Harrington	8
WR1	Malik Taylor	28.5
WR2	Marquel Hines	5
FLEX	Jevon Shaw	6
D	Ferris State	12
K	Wyatt Ford	7
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## Chat with the chief Editor in Chief, Angela Graf

This week I did something that made me proud, panicked, excited and terrified all at once—something that I hope all of you will get to do at some point: I applied to graduate.

I would like to say that it was an all-positive experience; why wouldn't it be? I've worked my ass off the past three years to graduate early. I haven't even had a summer without taking classes since 2015. But it was incredibly intimidating, too.

If you're like me, having went straight from high school to college, the academic world has provided scaffolding for your whole life for the past 16 or 17

years. It has determined who you see, when you wake up, when you eat, where you go, how you spend your free time, when you can work and even how much time you get to spend with your family.

But in 198 days, all of that goes away and I get to see if the things I've learned and the foundation I've built will be strong enough to hold by itself as I move across the state, job hunt and look for apartments. And that's a little scary.

I'll be honest with you: after finishing my application, I panic-searched Indeed.com for jobs in my field for like an hour, con-

vincing myself that landing one of them is realistic and that I won't end up back in my childhood bedroom 8 months from now, working as a waitress to pay off my loans.

We are justified in this feeling of trepidation—entry-level job listings request five years of experience and apartment applications ask that you make three times the \$1000 monthly rent. It's rough going out there and it's even harder having to see friends and peers go through this struggle post-grad.

The bottom line, though? The day is coming where the training wheels fall to the side and you

just have to go for it. All the anxiety and Indeed searches in the world won't slow that down. We work hard, do what we can to prepare and wait for the day that the real-world comes, because it is coming whether you're ready for it or not.

So for now, I'll share with you a personal note that I added at the end of my exit survey:

“I don't know what the future holds or what comes next but thanks to my time here, in addition to a lot of other experiences along the way, I'm as ready as I'll ever be to figure it out.”

## It's time to talk about gun control Americans won't pass gun laws and it's literally killing us



Grant Siddall  
Torch Reporter

Last year, America experienced its largest mass shooting in recent history. We did nothing and things got worse. This was evident earlier this month in the violent attack in Las Vegas.

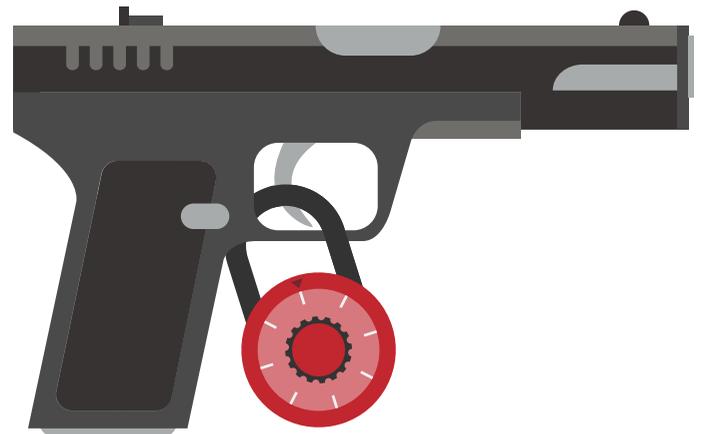
In case anyone has forgotten, on June 12, 2016, a gunman opened fire inside of Pulse nightclub in Orlando, Florida, killing 49 people and wounding 58 others. At the time, this was the deadliest domestic act of violence in the U.S. since 9/11.

Stephen Paddock came to

Mandalay Bay in Las Vegas armed with 23 separate guns. He opened fire on concertgoers from the window of his hotel room on the 32nd floor, killed 59 people and left 527 injured.

Without prior knowledge that Paddock would be shooting from the 32nd floor, no amount of concealed carry permits or good guys with guns could have stopped the shooting. To play devil's advocate, maybe those good guys with guns could have taken down the shooter at Pulse nightclub—but they didn't.

Some states have worked towards gun control, like California for example. It passed six gun laws after the San Bernardino shooting that killed 14 people in 2015. All we have



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gotten from Congress and now our president, is thoughts and prayers. While their kind sentiments are nice, their inaction

toward solving the problems of gun violence and mass murder

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## The Good Doctor A serious matter, a heart-wrenching show

“You're very arrogant” were some of the last words spoken at the end of “The Good Doctor” season premiere and boy do I agree.

From the creator and director of “House,” “The Good Doctor” is a new show on ABC starring Freddie Highmore as a surgical resident with Autism and Savant Syndrome.

Murphy is hired into a pool of surgeons who are more than skeptical about his abilities to be a resident at the hospital.

After much debate and argumentation about if Murphy is capable of becoming a surgeon, Murphy's ability to feel empathy and compassion are called into order as a last attempt to ban this boy from receiving an education.



Alicia Jaimes  
Lifestyles Editor

I found this show to be infuriating in the respect that every character holds onto the assumption that anybody who is different should be treated as such, whether that be for better or for worse.

One group of people wish to hold Murphy back because of who he is, while the other group wishes to hire him and change the way people see autism and savant syndrome. Either way, somebody wants something and I don't think any of that interests



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“The Good Doctor” airs on Mondays at 10 p.m. on ABC.

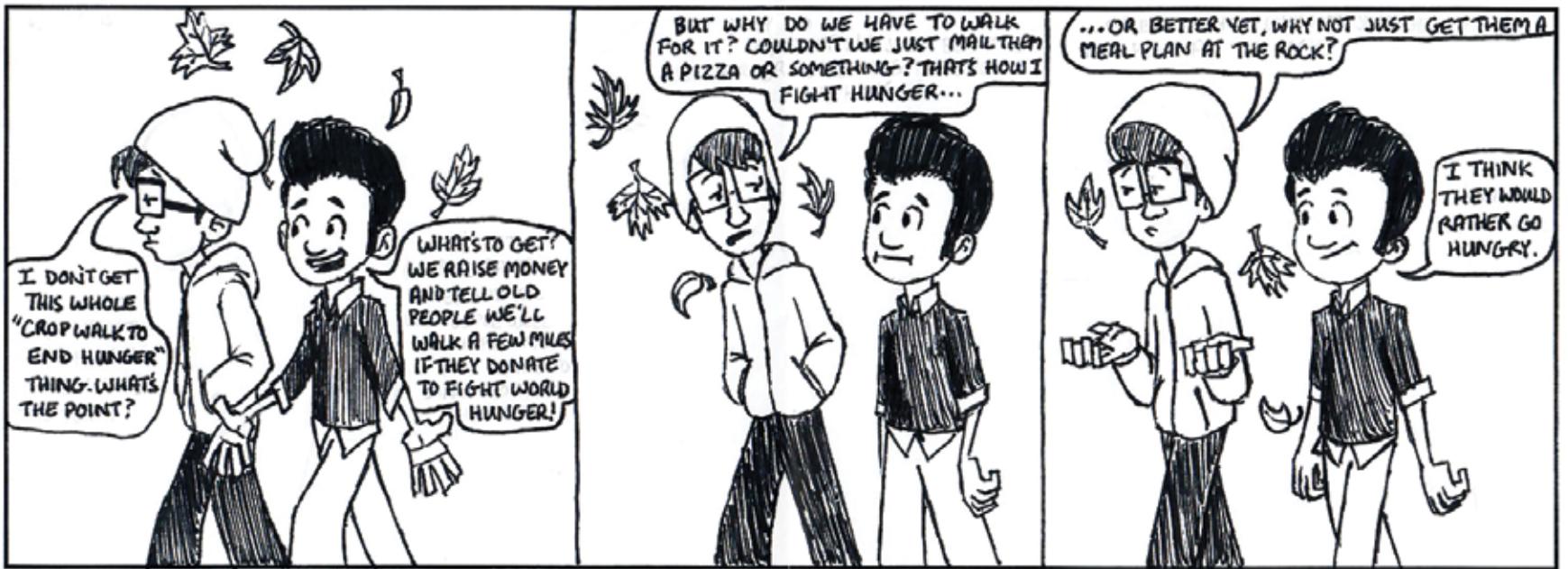
Murphy at all.

During many scenes in the first few episodes, you get to have a glimpse into Murphy's childhood and all the good and

bad memories that entails.

Though the plot will be interesting as storylines unfold, it

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is inexcusable.

Since the Sandy Hook shooting in 2012, the only gun legislation I could find for Congress was a vote to renew a ban on plastic weapons. During that same timespan, over 100 gun control bills have been voted down. So while our politicians keep telling us that this isn't the time to talk about gun control, American citizens keep getting mowed down in the streets.

Thoughts and prayers have never stopped gun violence. They don't bring back those who are murdered or deter a shooter's plan. What they do is allow politicians and citizens to act like they care without actually having to take steps towards a solution.

As an American, gun violence doesn't shock me anymore. Desensitization to murder and terrorism is a regular part of living in a country that values unrestricted gun ownership over human lives.

I don't know exactly how to solve America's gun problem but I do know that doing nothing has only allowed the problem to grow. Right now is the time to talk about gun control. Right now is the time to pass gun legislation, no matter how small and right now is when we can start making a positive difference in gun violence. Or we can wait until the next tragedy to have this conversation again.

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will be exciting to see where Freddie Highmore takes his character as Murphy becomes more comfortable in his work environment and with the people around him.

With only three episodes watched so far, I have managed to cry at least twice in each episode. My recommendation is that if you are someone who enjoys shows that rip-your-heart-out feeling like "Grey's Anatomy," then "The Good Doctor" should be added to your DVR as soon as possible.

# My strike on bikes

## Be aware of your surroundings when riding to class



Megan Lewton  
Torch Reporter

Ferris has made me fearful of a lot of things: deadlines, textbook prices and not being able to avoid people handing out pamphlets on campus.

However, the thing I've been most afraid of during my time here has a thin frame and two wheels.

If you see a girl walking across campus with eyes the size of dinner plates as a bike whizzes past her, that is definitely me. My heart races when the sound of bike tires on the sidewalk crescendo as they approach me.

I'm afraid of being clotheslined by a student flying past me on a bike and falling on my ass in the middle of the crosswalk.

I totally understand why people get around on campus via bicycles. The car parking situation is subpar and having to hike uphill on a hot day is not exactly enjoyable. There have been plenty of times that I wished I was in or on something with wheels when having to do the hell march from Bishop to Prakken in 90-degree weather.

The issue I have with people who bike to class is that many of them are not paying attention.

When you're pedaling your bike at the speed of light, with a cell phone in one hand and a peanut butter sandwich in the other, I find it hard to believe that you see me walking down the same sidewalk in the same direction.

I also think an issue is that some of these bikers do notice someone in their way but they do not care at all and just hope that somehow pedestrians have eyes in the back of their heads and know to get out of the way.

There are plenty of courteous ways to travel on a bike in the same herd as pedestrians. For one, it is appreciated when a biker says, "On your left!" with adequate time for the pedestrian to process what was said and then continue to stay out of the biker's way.

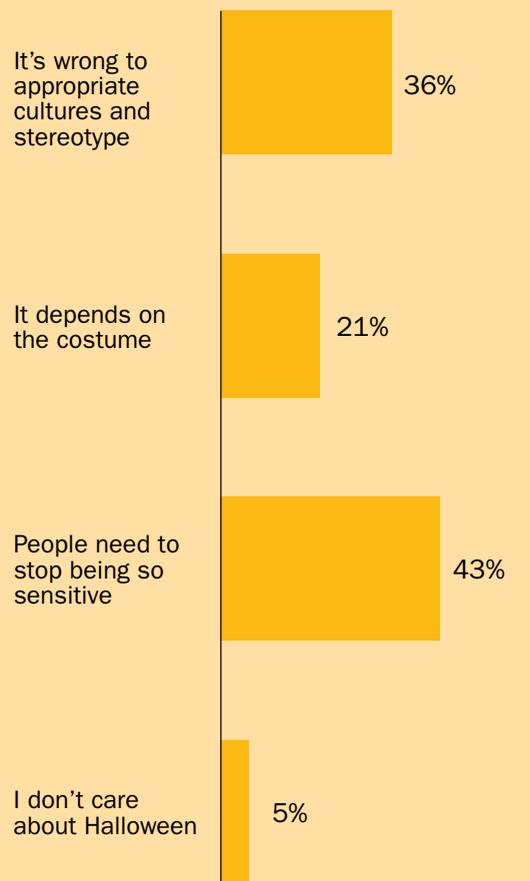
Another way bikers and pedestrians can peacefully coexist is by traveling at similar paces. If you're on a bike, it's obvious that you will be moving faster than someone on foot and I get that.

Slowing down a little bit when riding through a crowd of people can prevent any disastrous collisions.

Although this rant has been mainly about my fear of bicycles, don't feel victimized just because I only called out people on bikes, because I really don't like longboards either.

## TORCH POLL RESULTS

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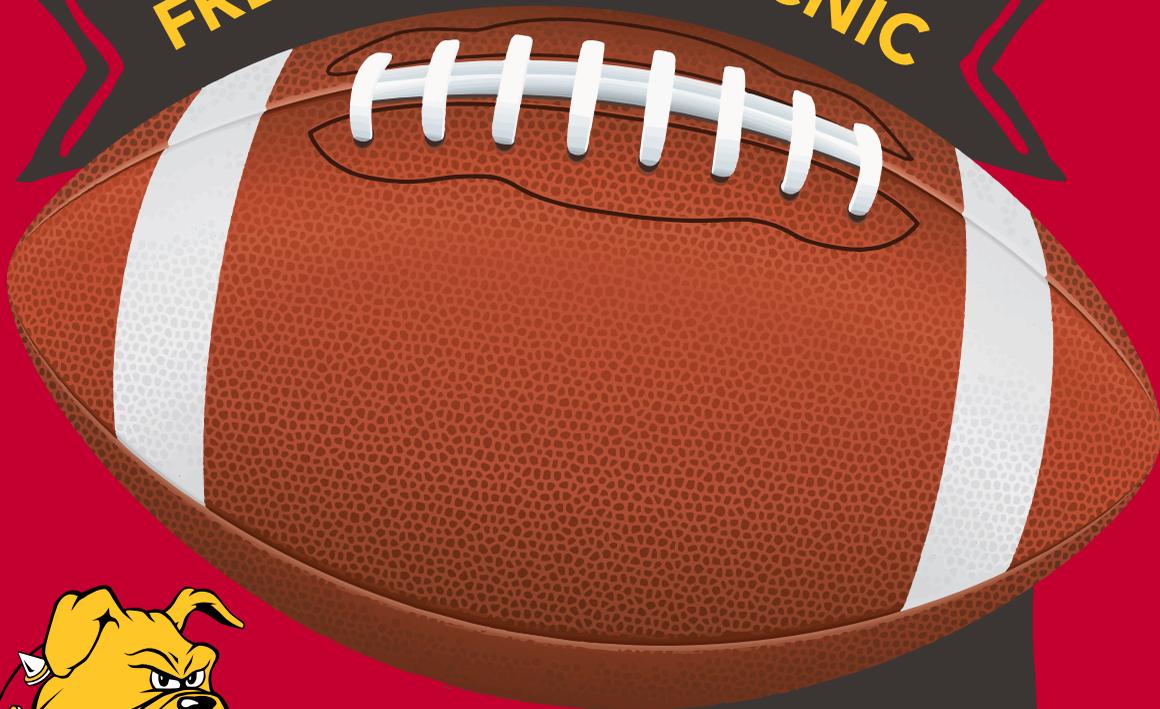


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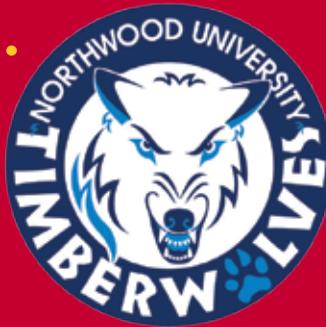
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