

Ferris professor dies in motorcycle crash Finance division faced with large surplus

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Editor in Chief

Ferris communications professor Lon Green died Sunday night after a motorcycle accident. The accident happened

locally, as Green was treated in the Spectrum Health Big Rapids Hospital, but medical efforts were unsuccessful. Sophomore business hospitality management major Tyler Dame was

one of Professor Green's students who was deeply affected by the loss. "It's just really shocking," Dame said. "This was one of the classes

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Show me the money

Finance division faced with large surplus

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Nothing beats free, but according to Ferris' Finance Division of Student Government, not enough students know that.

The Finance Division has nearly \$100,000 in roll-over funds from last year available to any student organization looking to fund travel or plan an event.

This is in addition to the \$300,000 Student Activity Fund the division has available to allocate to student organizations each year. The Student Activity Fund is a \$20 fee each Ferris student pays as a part of tuition. The fee was established in 1990 at \$7.50.

"Recently, there has been a trend with student organizations not using the Finance Division to fund events," said Dylan Carpenter, director of finance for Student Government.

Events such as Ferris Fest, the Homecoming Comedy Show and Ferris Has Talent are

free this year due to funds allocated from the Student Activity Fee. Carpenter and the division are looking for ways to make funding easier to get, as he admits the process might be too difficult.

One change the division has already made is if a student organization requests money for an

event planned shorter than four weeks in advance, the committee may vote to fast-track the process to approve funding. The Finance Division also

raised the cap for travel allocations to \$2,000.

"The surplus is always a lot," said Student Government President Wayne Bersano. "That's why we want to make it as easy as possible."

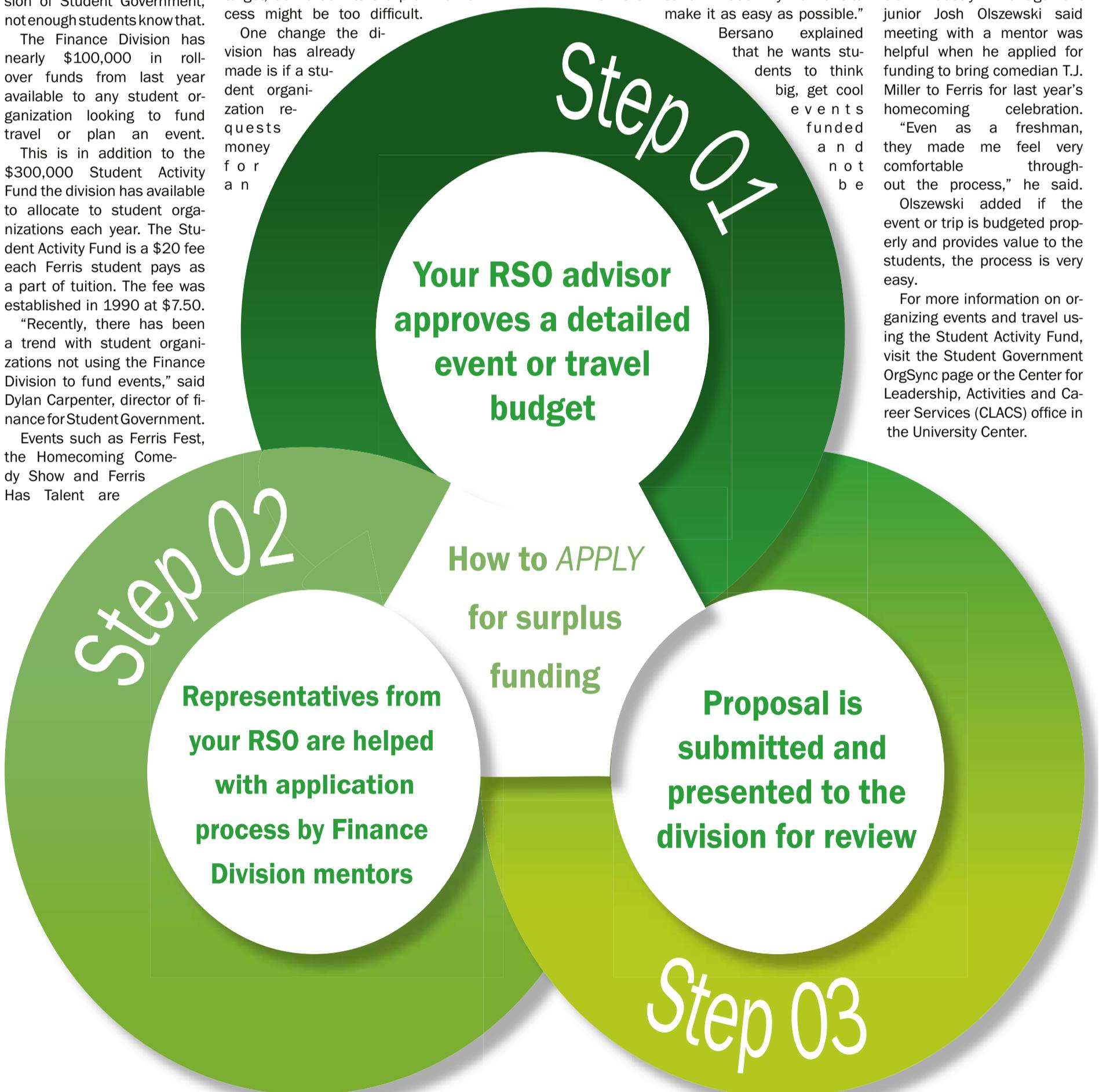
Bersano explained that he wants students to think big, get cool events funded and not be

shy when asking for help.

Organizations are required to meet with a mentor from the division to work through the application process. Music industry management junior Josh Olszewski said meeting with a mentor was helpful when he applied for funding to bring comedian T.J. Miller to Ferris for last year's homecoming celebration.

"Even as a freshman, they made me feel very comfortable throughout the process," he said. Olszewski added if the event or trip is budgeted properly and provides value to the students, the process is very easy.

For more information on organizing events and travel using the Student Activity Fund, visit the Student Government OrgSync page or the Center for Leadership, Activities and Career Services (CLACS) office in the University Center.





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Home is where the dawg is

Homecoming festivities to bring Ferris State pride, royalty court announced

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Homecoming is just around the corner, this year with a few changes and a week of events to unite Ferris students and the Big Rapids community.

The homecoming committee, comprised of nearly 20 students and faculty, has been hard at work to bring fun and engaging events to campus for next week's celebration.

"Homecoming week is dedicated to showing pride and being a part of your university," said CLACS director and homecoming committee advisor Angela Roman.

"It's the one thing that unites us all," added committee member and music industry management senior Bryan Hinrichs. "We're all bulldogs."

The biggest change to this year's homecoming celebration will be the end of crowning homecoming king and queen. Instead of the traditional king and queen court, the two top-voted candidates, male or female, will be named "homecoming royalty."

Students on this year's homecoming court are Megan Ankerson, Rainer Brow,

Taylor Dempsey, Makenzie Hall, Austin Hamilton, Victoria Hudgins, Kaitlyn Patrick and DorthiLen Taylor.

Two males can win; two females can win. It all comes down to votes. The classically awarded crown and tiara not being gender neutral, winners of homecoming royalty will instead be awarded sashes and septors.

Last year's Ferris homecoming king, homecoming committee member and marketing senior Evan Pazkowski explained while he likes his crown, he appreciates how the change to homecoming royalty is more inclusive of different lifestyles.

"These new septors people are getting to keep are fine replacements for a crown, which is really just a glorified hat anyway," Pazkowski said.

"Everyone should be on an equal playing field," he added. "People who don't identify with a specific gender or orientation shouldn't feel excluded. Whoever campaigns properly and gets the most votes will win."

In addition to the week of events, which include Monday's lip sync competition, comedian Bo Burnham on Wednesday and the homecoming parade and

football game on Saturday, the homecoming committee encourages students to participate in spirit week.

Students who dress for spirit week, whether it's for "Movie Star Monday" or matching another student for "Twin Tuesday," can pick up Ferris pride prizes daily in the CLACS office between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m.

Another change to homecoming week is a larger budget for events. Homecoming used to be funded through the Division of Student Affairs, but this year, the committee was allocated more funding by applying to the Finance Division of Student Government.

According to committee member and music industry management senior Si-yong "Z" Lee, the overall feeling of this year's homecoming celebration will be different than previous years.

"I'm excited because we made a lot of changes," Lee said. "We're giving homecoming more of a festival atmosphere."

For more homecoming information, visit ferris.edu/alumni/homecoming, visit the CLACS office or call (231) 591-2685.

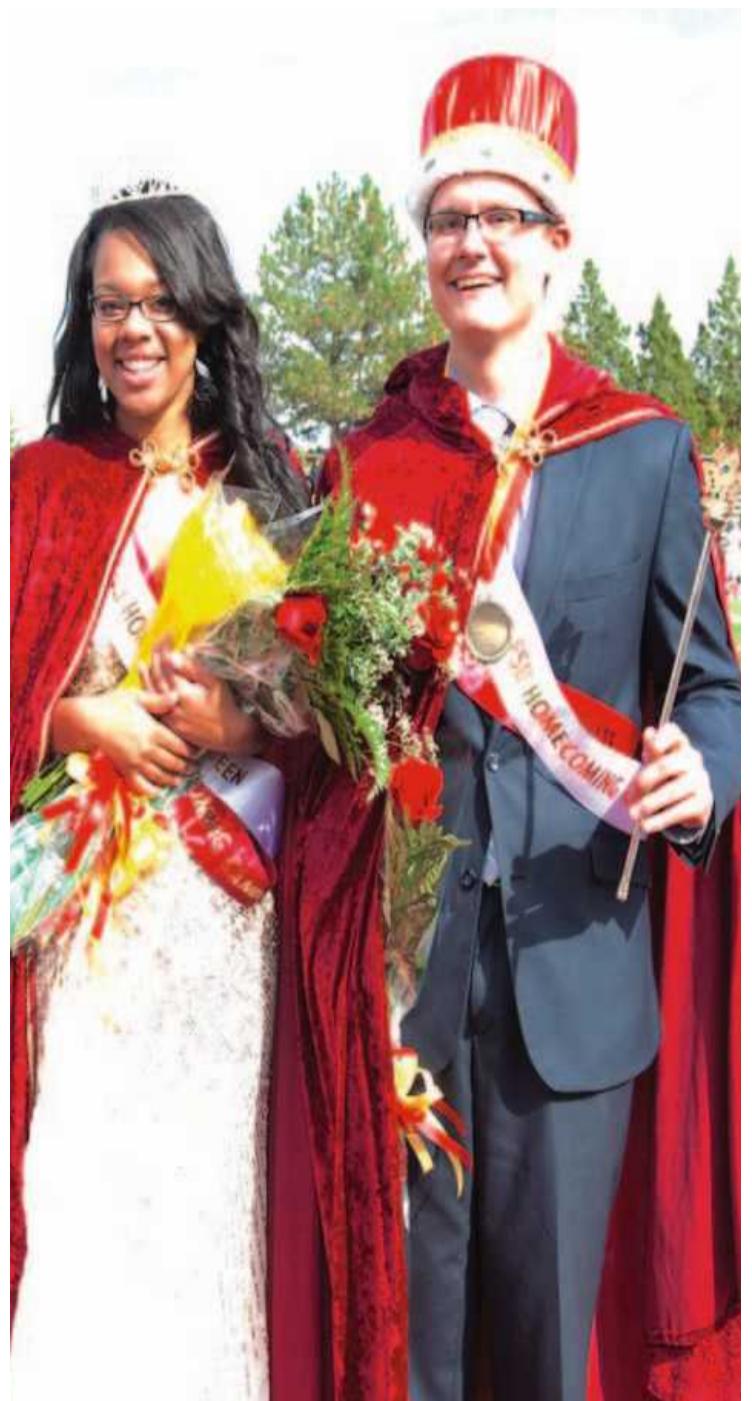


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Jazmine Goode (left) and Evan Pazkowski (right) will be the last Ferris State Homecoming Queen and King.



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Tragic passing of a communication professor

that I really enjoyed coming to, just because Professor Green was so funny and he was such a good storyteller."

Solemn heads nodded in agreement as the small group of Green's blindsided students that gathered supported Dame's sentiment. The students were attending what they assumed would be a normal class session in Johnson 104 on Monday at 1 p.m. when the news was broken to them by other members of the Humanities Department.

"I'm one of those people that likes to form a connection with my instructors. I sat in the front row in this class, and Professor Green would be interacting with me all the time,

and even interacting with the people that sat in the back of the room. That's just the kind of guy he was," Dame said.

According to a statement released by the university at noon on Monday, Green had been teaching at Ferris since 1985, and was spending this semester instructing several sections of COMM 105, along with serving as the coordinator of the communications program.

A group counseling service will be held on Thursday at 11 a.m. in room 203 in the University Center for those grieving Professor Green's passing. Walk-in services will also be available at the Counseling Center prior to Thursday's

Homecoming Events

SUNDAY Sept. 20

United Way Color War/5K
Located at the Intramural Fields
6 p.m. (Family/Children) Reg 4:30-5:45
8 p.m. (Students/Adults) Reg 6:30-7:45

MONDAY Sept. 21

Lip Sync Competition at 7 p.m. in Williams Auditorium

TUESDAY Sept. 22

Royalty Voting Begins 8 a.m. on OrgSync
Kickball Tournament 7 p.m. at Top Taggart Field

WEDNESDAY Sept. 23

Homecoming Comedy Show: Bo Burnham at 7 p.m. in Williams Auditorium

THURSDAY Sept. 24

Carnival & Dawg House Competition from 3-7 p.m. in the North Quad
Royalty Voting Ends at 11:59 p.m.

FRIDAY Sept. 25

Bonfire at 8 p.m. at South Campus Quad near Lot 61

SATURDAY Sept. 26

Parade at 12 p.m. in downtown Big Rapids
Football Game: FSU vs. SVSU at 2 p.m. at Top Taggart Field

Spirit Week

Movie Star Monday
Twin Tuesday
Career Wednesday
Throwback Thursday
Ferris Pride Friday

ON THE RECORD

Sunday drinky Sunday: Three minors caught drinking and smoking in public

A roundup of this week's crime at Ferris State University. All calls might not be reported.

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Hit and run

Sept. 3, 4:45 p.m., Department of Public Safety officers responded to a hit and run accident in Lot 1.

Credit card fraud

Sept. 4, 1:25 p.m., officers responded to a complaint of credit card fraud in Bond Hall. The victim canceled the credit card.

Ooh that smell

Sept. 4, 9:40 p.m., officers responded to a marijuana complaint at West Campus Apartments. Three students were referred to the Office of Student Conduct and a request for a warrant was sent to the prosecutor's office.

Party in the lot

Sept. 4, 10:20 p.m., officers responded to a complaint of a large group of students drinking in Lot 4. The suspects fled upon arrival.

That smelly smell

Sept. 4, 11:45 p.m., officers responded to a marijuana odor complaint at East Campus Apartments. Ferris housing staff handled the incident.

Booze cruise

Sept. 5, 1:55 a.m., officers assisted the city police with a traffic stop on Woodward Avenue. The driver of the vehicle was lodged in the county jail for operating while intoxicated.

Car accident

Sept. 5, 7:45 p.m., officers responded to a two-car accident in Lot 39.

Street for an expired plate. The driver was ticketed for driving without a license.

Assault

Sept. 7, 4:45 p.m., report of assault in Puterbaugh Hall. Two non-students were lodged in the county jail.

The smell that smelled

Sept. 8, 8:30 p.m., officers responded to a marijuana complaint at West Campus Apartments. Two students were reported to the Office of Student Conduct.

More marijuana

Sept. 9, 1:30 a.m., officers investigated a suspicious vehicle in Lot 28. One subject was ticketed for possession of marijuana.

Creepier

Sept. 9, 11:55 a.m., officers responded to a complaint of a person peeking in windows at Henderson Hall. The subject was not found.

Drunk at Walgreens

Sept. 11, 12:25 a.m., officers assisted city police with an intoxicated subject passed out in front of Walgreens. The subject was taken to the hospital for treatment.



Sunday drinky Sunday

Sept. 6, 1:55 a.m., officers investigated suspicious activity in Lot 61. Three suspects were ticketed for minor in possession and one of the three suspect also ticketed for possession of marijuana.

Disorderly student

Sept. 6, 7:40 p.m., officers assisted Merrill Hall staff with a disorderly student.

No license

Sept. 7, 1:20 p.m., officers stopped a vehicle on State

TORCH NEWS BRIEFS

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Farmers market open through October

The Downtown Big Rapids Farmers Market will remain open throughout October. The market, which features a variety of produce and baked goods made entirely in Michigan, is open from 1 p.m. to 6 p.m. on Tuesdays through the end of September and from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Fridays through Oct. 23. Vendors set up in the Big Rapids City Hall parking lot at 226 N. Michigan Ave.

Hockey tickets now available

The Ferris hockey team is preparing for another eventful season and tickets are now on sale. Season and single-game tickets are available at a special student price for Ferris home games. The last day to purchase season tickets is Friday, Oct. 9. For information, call the FSU athletics ticket office at (231) 591-2888.

Improv Group makes return

Fans of improvisation, acting and "Whose Line Is It Anyway?" can share a laugh with the Improv Group once again this year. Ferris' Improv Group announced weekly shows will take place on Wednesdays from 7 to 9 p.m. in University Center room 209. Students are encouraged to attend as participants or as an audience. No prior experience is required.

Open skate

This semester, students have the opportunity to hit the ice for open skate. Every Sunday from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m., open skate will take place at the Ewigleben Ice Arena with skates available to rent.

Big Rapids 46th safest college town in America



Courtesy Photo

The Ferris Department of Public Safety Director Bruce Borkovich with his police force. Due in part to the Ferris DPS, safewise.com named Big Rapids the 46th safest college town in America for 2015.

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News Editor

The safety of a community is often a factor in considering where to live, especially as a new college student.

SafeWise, an online source for home security and safety advice, recently published its list of 50 safest college towns in

America. Brookings, South Dakota tops the 2015 list and at No. 46 is Big Rapids, Michigan.

The list was made using crime statistics and the number of safety programs in a given town.

SafeWise attributes this standing to collaboration

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Out with the old

Student housing to get a makeover in years to come

Mari Ann Loucks
Ferris State Torch

Ferris' plans for the future of student housing will no longer include Taggart Hall, East Campus Apartments or South Campus Apartments.

Taggart Hall, East Campus Apartments and South Campus Apartments will all be demolished next summer, said Michael Hughes, the Associate Vice President of the Physical Plant.

Though the original plan was to remodel Taggart, it is now set to be demolished because the building structure would not accommodate the needs of current and future students, Hughes said.

"Part of the reason we are tearing down the buildings is due to the economics of it," Hughes said. "We pride ourselves on making higher education affordable for students, and at this point, it is more cost effective for us to just build new housing. We need buildings that are handicap accessible and can handle the electrical ca-

capacity that students need."

According to Hughes, tentative plans are in place to replace most current residence hall housing with more modern living facilities.

"We are using a visioning process to think about what students will need in 5 to 10 years," Hughes said. "We are planning housing for what today's second graders will need at Ferris."

Hughes said there will be a continual evaluation of what current and future students will need. While campus is moving towards being more modern, not all buildings will be torn down; Ferris hopes to renovate many buildings.

"We may remodel housing near the Rock, or we may work on buildings by the University Center," Hughes said. "We haven't made those decisions yet, but we should within the next 60 days."

It is still undecided whether or not they will rebuild new housing in place of Taggart Hall after demolition.



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Taggart Hall, constructed in 1964, is slated for demolition during the summer of 2016.

Standing up to sexual assault

Ferris implements programs for prevention and education

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Lifestyles Editor

A new year at Ferris is bringing about multiple tactics to educate students on sexual assault and related topics.

"We're trying to provide a number of different options," Title IX Coordinator and Associate Dean of Student Affairs Kevin Carmody said. "If we rely too heavily on one and somebody doesn't get it, that's our missed opportunity."

One of these options is Haven. Haven is an online course Ferris contracted last semester that helps students understand sexual assault, dating violence, harassment, consent and more. Haven is a short, confidential and interactive program offered to all Ferris students at everfi.com/register with the registration code `f7cf4da7`.

"We've personalized Haven so there are resources we can provide on campus if, after going through it, someone realizes, 'that's what happened to me and now I want to do something about it,'" Carmody said. "They will know where to go, how to start, what to approach and how the university can help them."

A new program being implemented this semester is an event called Sexual Health & Wellness for College and Beyond. FSUS classes will attend this event on Tuesday, Sept. 22, at 7 p.m. in Williams Auditorium to learn about sexual health topics. Though FSUS classes are required to attend, the event is open to all students.

StepUp! Ferris is an on-campus training program aimed at

bystander intervention tactics that began last year. Carmody said informational StepUp! presentations are given to RSOs, classes and FSUS groups.

Though Sexual Health & Wellness, Haven and StepUp! Ferris are available to all Ferris students, Carmody said the programs are aimed at first-year students so they learn sexual assault information at the beginning of their college careers and can continue to educate others.

"We've also tried to connect with various student leaders, such as RAs, to put it on students' radars," Carmody said. "Our training with various faculty and staff is something we're trying to do to make sure they're aware of it so they can pay it forward. If we can empower a lot of different people, it's much more likely that people will get it on their radar."

Ashley Summers, a Ferris applied speech communication senior, is the senior resident advisor (SRA) in Brophy McNerney Hall. According to her, Housing and Residence Life staff members undergo a Title IX and Consent training session at the beginning of the year to learn how to handle sexual assault incidents.

"As RAs, it's not our job to convict or accuse anyone," Summers said. "We're there to provide support for each student that may unfortunately go through this situation. Our number one priority is to make that student feel safe and to let them know that we're there for them and proud of them for being strong enough to come forward and that the situation was not their fault."

Summers said RAs are

trained to report incidents to their hall directors and then a professional, such as Carmody, will intervene and assist the student.

Additionally, Ferris Department of Public Safety Chief Bruce Borkovich talks with every athletic team on campus every year about sexual assault and consent.

"What I try to avoid is another adult lecturing," Borkovich said. "I tell the athletes, 'I'm here to protect you. I'm not here to threaten or scare you. I'm here to make you understand what this is so you don't get yourself in a position where you ruin your life.'

"I think that's a successful message when they know I'm here to protect them, not ruin their lives." Borkovich said he believes overall, Ferris is a "really safe" campus.

"We try to do a good job, and the university is committed to safety as a whole," Borkovich said. "But we also have a lot of good, quality students here. I think it's a combination of those things that make it a safe campus."

For more information, contact the Ferris DPS at (231) 591-5000, Kevin Carmody at (231) 591-2088 or the Personal Counseling Center at (231) 591-2614.

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DPS works hard to make Ferris State a safe campus

between the Ferris Department of Public Safety, Big Rapids Department of Public Safety, the Mecosta County Sheriff's Department and Michigan State Police.

"Not only does the department on campus work hard to make sure Ferris is a safe environment, cooperation also extends to the city and county departments," said Captain Jim Cook, assistant

director of the Ferris DPS.

SafeWise also mentions the Bulldogs Text Tip initiative as a good safety measure coordinated by the Ferris DPS. Students can confidentially report crimes to BulldogsTextTip@ferris.edu or call (231) 591-5000.

Other Michigan college towns that made the list include Houghton, Marquette, East Lansing and Mount Pleasant.

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“We have to ask ourselves why we feel afraid when we see people who are different than us.”

Matika Wilbur

See below for story



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Ferris students and faculty enjoyed learning about Native American culture last week at the Project 562 Exhibit in the FSU Fine Art Gallery.

Matika's story

The woman behind the FSU Fine Art Gallery exhibit



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Wilbur speaking at her FSU Artist's Reception for Project 562.

Jen Corrie

Ferris State Torch

This week in the University Center Fine Art Gallery, works of art from Project 562 by Matika Wilbur are on display. Wilbur is a Native American photographer of the Swinomish and Tulalip tribes. I had the opportunity at her Artist's Reception to speak with her on the project and hear her story of incredible inspiration and perseverance.

Project 562, which began in 2011, is a collection of photographs taken by Wilbur of Native Americans from the hundreds of tribes that exist in America. There were 562 tribes when Wilbur started the project but there are now 566. Her art aims to break the stereotypes that tend to be associated with Native Americans, like that they are vanishing.

“We are not vanishing,” said Wilbur. “We are thriving.”

Wilbur said she's visited around 350 tribes in her three years of travel so far.

“In November, it will be the start of the fourth year,” Wilbur

said. “I think I have about two years left, realistically. I was hoping to finish in three years but it's not going to happen.”

Several of the photographs have black and white backgrounds with color specifically on the subjects or hints of color within them.

“I used to take pictures of people with plain backdrops because I love plain portraiture,” Wilbur said. “I mean genuine character study portraits where you really try to capture the essence and soul of a person. I decided for this project to photograph people outside in their natural environment because I think for a project of this nature, it makes sense to show the landscape as well because the landscape is also connected to our sense of self. [Where they come from] is equally important to telling the story. But in the beginning stages of my portraiture, I'm like, ‘but I want this to be more about the person than the whole thing. I want this to be a portrait.’ So then I started hand coloring them.”

Wilbur said she didn't know how difficult the project was

going to be when she started it.

“I knew it would be hard, but I'm well-traveled,” said Wilbur. “I've been all over the world, shooting on assignment for years, so I didn't think that this would be much different. But to do this project, I first had to sell everything that I owned because I couldn't afford to keep an apartment or a mortgage. I didn't have a home base, so I had to stay with people at their houses and just keep going. Have you ever traveled long distances and then were excited about going home? You just want your own bed, you want a refrigerator with food in it that you like and you want to be around people that you know. So I had to learn to find identity not in the stuff that I owned, but in the person that's inside that I carry with me.”

When she went to college, Wilbur didn't want people to know she was a Native American.

“I was embarrassed,” she said. “When I would tell people that I was an Indian they would

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Helping Ferris be mindful

Andrea Lenhart
Ferris State Torch

Ferris communication professor George Nagel teaches students how being mindful helps them to better themselves through his Mindfulness Practices Laboratories.

Nagel's labs enable students to learn about a number of mindfulness practices, increasing the quality of both their personal and professional lives. Nagel teaches practices that can be used at any time and in a matter of minutes, not just in his workshops or a formal setting.

"I offer these events to students to help them be more mindful because mindful students learn more

and better," said Nagel.

According to Nagel, students perform better on quizzes and exams in classes that start with mindful meditation, which is why he asks his students to take five minutes of silence before he starts teaching.

"If we are truly mindful, we are better at everything we do," said Nagel.

The Mindful Practices Labs take place in FLITE 442 on Wednesdays with the first session starting at 12 p.m. and the second starting at 1 p.m.

"I enjoy being able to relax, have time to myself, and to close my eyes," said an anonymous Ferris staff member. "I will attend these events in the future to give me 30 minutes of stress-free time."

The 30-minute sessions are time away from classes, homework and organization involvement. This is time to take for yourself to refresh your mind in the middle of the week.

Nagel claims being mindful is to be focused and paying attention. If you are being intentional and have the right attitude, you can maximize the situation and get the most out of each and every moment.

"I want to stress that these sessions are for students, faculty, staff and community members," said Nagel. "We are all equals in this room and when we share experiences about the mindful practice."

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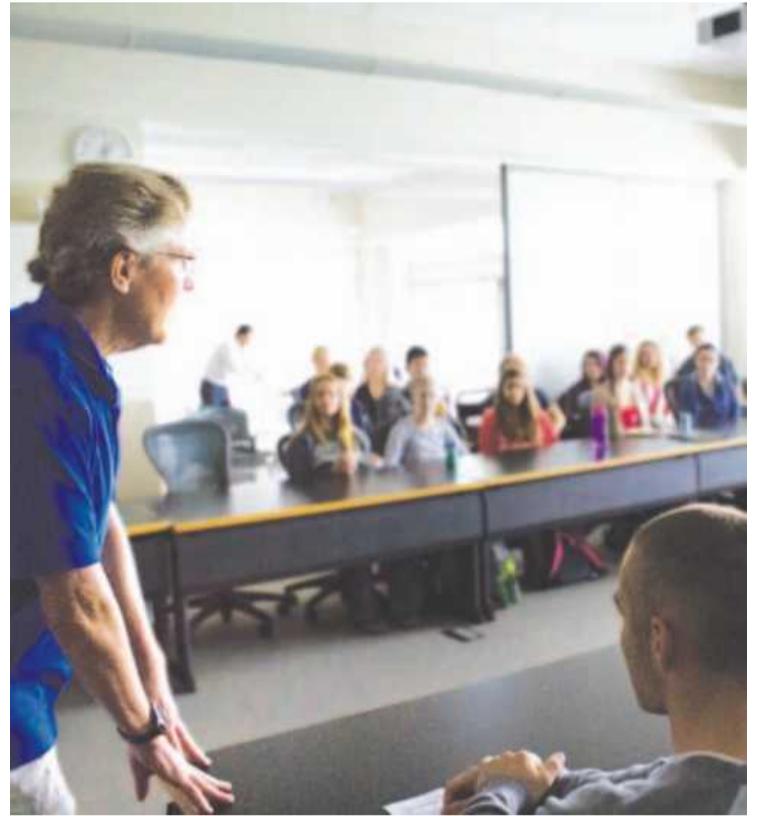


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Professor Nagel teaching one of his first sessions of 2015.

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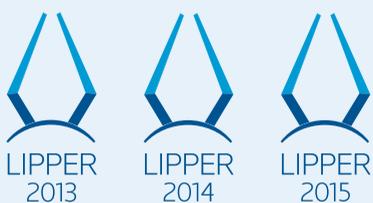
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Jazzin' it up



Ferris Jazz Band gearing up for the year

Kip Biby
Ferris State Torch

The Ferris Jazz Band is making waves this semester with a veteran lineup.

More than 75 percent of the players are returning members. Music professor Matt Moresi, who has been playing piano and trombone since his early childhood, is the band director.

"We want to foster the creativity of students," Moresi said. "This is an opportunity for students who played in high school to continue their talent."

Moresi graduated from the University of Oregon with a music performance degree and a master's in jazz arranging. Moresi has been the jazz band director since 2006. He also

teaches several music classes.

Doug Reed, a senior studying accounting and finance, has been a member of the Jazz Band for four years as the drummer.

Reed explained his excitement for this year's concerts because the seasoned players understand how to communicate with each other and are very in sync.

"We play music from the 1930s to songs that were just recently written," said Reed. "We've even played a jazz cover of a Britney Spears song."

The Jazz Band was formed in 1977. Harry Dempsey, the band's original director, explained that there were two bands, the Jazz Band and the Lab Band. The Lab

Band was formed to experiment with different instruments and improvisation. These experiments were then applied to the Jazz Band.

"In 1977, the university was big into the idea of having jazz bands here," Dempsey said. "That's when they hired me."

Today, the band generally consists of five saxophones, four trumpets and four trombones. The rhythm section is made up of piano, bass, guitar and drums.

Students interested in joining the jazz band are encouraged to speak with Matt Moresi in the Music Center. Moresi explained the band is always looking for new players, especially trombone players.



Professor Matt Moresi plays a tune at the Music Center.

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Jazz Schedule

Fall Concert – Nov. 5th, 8 p.m., Williams, Free

Holiday Concert with FSU Choir – Dec. 8th, 8 p.m., Big Rapids High School, Free

Winter Concert – Feb. 25th, 8 p.m., Williams, Free

Ferris Jazz and Alumni Show – Apr. 23rd, 8 p.m., Williams, Free



A 2014 Ferris Jazz Band performance at Williams Auditorium.

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Media Minute

Reggie Watts: A convincing simulation



Courtesy photo

It's tough comparing Reggie Watts to any other artist.

A self-avowed "disinformationist" and "afro-musicologist," Watts mixes stream of consciousness standup comedy and music made with a looping machine. The LA Times called Watts' act "deliciously strange." He is constantly trying to disorient his audience with different accents, points of view and convincing gibberish.



Devin Anderson
News Editor

Watts' best work, including multiple performances at PopTech and on Conan, can all be seen for free on YouTube. He also has two standup specials, has several albums with the rock band Maktub and served as bandleader on the first three seasons of the IFC se-

ries, "Comedy Bang! Bang!" Watts' big voice and genre-defying musical vocabulary somehow come across as funny. His banter between songs rides the line between philosophy and outright absurdity. Whether he's giving a TED Talk or at his current job as bandleader on "The Late Late Show with James Corden," his improvised wit never ceases to elicit a giggling "huh?"



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THIS WEEK IN THE QUAD: Signs are out and recruitment is in full swing for Rush Week at Ferris.



MINDFUL from page 7

Nagel says mindful practices promote better quiz and exam scores

The experiences work the same for professors as they do for students. "Being mindful will help them be better teachers, for the very same reasons,"

said Nagel. "Being mindful allows the brain to have access to more information." Nagel also offers Lunch and Learn session on Fridays in FLITE 438 and sessions at

Heart and Sole Yoga in Big Rapids. For more information, contact George Nagel at nagelg@ferris.edu.



PROJECT 562 from page 6

Project 562 breaks Native American stereotypes

assume that I was poor, that I came from drunks or that all Indians were dead. I got tired of fielding that question in college. I got tired of educating every person I encountered. So I stopped telling people that I was an Indian. I didn't want to work in Indian country because I didn't want the struggle of Indian country to be my struggle. So I pursued advertising, worked in LA and New York in fashion. I thought for sure that was the direction that I'd be going. Then I realized that industry wasn't for me."

Wilbur then got a job and moved to South America to photograph indigenous people there.

"Then I had a realization that I hadn't worked with my own people," Wilbur said. "So I came home and started photographing the elders of my tribe. So I had this collection of all these elders that I'd photographed and then my mom drug me into this art museum because they were having a big show. I didn't want to go in because I was embarrassed since I didn't want to show my portfolio to a big fancy curator. She told me 'We're going anyways,' and drug me in there and so I showed my portfolio and the woman said, 'I'd love to put your work up in a show.' So I had an exhibition that led to another exhibition and pretty soon I was an art-

ist, before I even knew it."

After doing another project photographing descendants of a Native American boarding school, Wilbur decided to start Project 562.

In the course of Wilbur's project, no one she has asked to photograph refused her.

"Everybody sees the need for it," said Wilbur. "Everybody has felt the racism, the segregation, so they understand why the message needs to be shared. So they help, because they want it to be different for their children. They don't want their children to experience the racism that they did. Racism is directly connected to perception. We have to ask ourselves why we feel afraid when we see people who are different than us. We have to check our fear and realize that it's not coming from a truthful place. That fear was implanted in you. Somebody lied to you when they told you that you should be afraid of black people or when they told you that all the Indians are vanishing. So we have to go back into our memories to figure out when we agreed to believe those lies and erase them so we don't treat people in a way that we don't want to be treated."

Project 562 will be at the FSU Fine Arts Gallery through Saturday, Sept. 26.

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“We are blessed to be playing for such a supportive university.”
Danielle Dowd
See below for story

Volleyball wins Colorado Premier Challenge

Marshall Scheldt
Sports Editor

The Bulldogs are off to an undefeated 8-0 start and they have gotten there in spectacular fashion.

FSU has only dropped five sets this season and they've beaten some very good competition. The team also brought home some hardware this past weekend after winning the Colorado Premier Challenge in Boulder, Colo.

The Dawgs came into the weekend ranked No. 13 in Division II NCAA, but after a big weekend in Boulder, that ranking has jumped to No. 4 in the nation. Ferris went 4-0 and beat the No. 2, No. 4, and No. 25 ranked teams in the nation all in a weekend's work.

They started off their weekend against Missouri S&T and dropped the first set of the match 25-27. They turned it around quickly and won the next three sets to topple the Miners 3-1. Senior Megan Vander Meer had 18 kills in the match and seniors Caroline Heitzman and Alexis Huntey added 14 kills each for the Dawgs.

Ferris kept it rolling later that day with a 3-0 sweep of No. 25 West Florida to improve their tournament record to 2-0. Huntey led the team in both kills and digs with nine and 16 respectively. The Dawgs were far from finished, with two top four opponents ahead.

Saturday began with a matchup with No. 2 Southwest Minnesota State. The match was close every set, but the Dawgs came out on top with a 3-1 victory. They would win the first set 25-20, but drop the second 23-25. FSU came back strong and defeated Minnesota State in the next two sets by scores of 25-20 and 26-24.

Senior libero Danielle Dowd had 26 digs in the match and junior Stephanie Sikorski contributed 35 assists for Ferris State. Huntey, Heitzman and sophomore Ayanna Buckley combined for 36 kills. The match was close, but the next one was even closer.

In a gritty match against No. 4 Concordia-St. Paul (Minn.), the Bulldogs played a grueling five setter that went on for two



Photo courtesy of FSU Photo Services

Ferris Volleyball receives some helpful advice during a stoppage in play this past weekend at the Colorado Premier Challenge

hours and 20 minutes. In the tournament championship, the Bulldogs outlasted the Golden Bears of Concordia-St. Paul by a very close margin. After the Bulldogs dropped the first set 21-25 they battled it out in the second set and won 29-27. The Dawgs won the third set 25-23 before losing 22-25 in the fourth.

Ferris State won the fifth and final set by a score of 15-11 against a Concordia-St. Paul team that won seven straight national championships from 2007-2013. The Golden Bears beat last year's national championship-winning University of Tampa team in the

semifinals of the tournament before playing the Bulldogs.

“We went to Colorado to look to push ourselves and see what we could do and we were challenged and happy to come out on top,” said Ferris freshman Katie Placek.

The championship match was broadcasted live on ESPN3 and both teams put



Katie Placek
Ferris State University

on a show for viewers. Vander Meer led the Bulldogs with 18 kills, Buckley followed with 17 and Heitzman added 15 of her own. Sikorski assisted on 53 of the Bulldogs' 69 kills. Dowd tallied 22 digs to lead the Bulldogs.

Dowd said, “We just worked to play for each other, and anytime there was turmoil we would look to our team and remind ourselves that we are here to serve each other. We are grateful for all the support we received while we were playing in Colorado from the university and from all the students and faculty. We are blessed to be playing for

such a supportive university.”

Concordia-St. Paul was led by junior Anna Schlaak with a match-high 20 kills. Junior Riley Hanson tacked on 18 more kills for the Golden Bears. Leading the team in assists was junior Kasey Williams with 62 assists in the match.

Following a busy weekend, the Bulldogs will rest until this Friday when they will take on Saginaw Valley State in their first conference matchup of the season at 7 p.m. On Friday, FSU plays Wayne State at 3 p.m. on the following day in another GLIAC showdown.

Dawgs take down the Timberwolves

Cody Burkhard
Ferris State Torch

The trees had begun to carry a crimson and gold tinge and there was a distinct autumn chill in the air. But that wasn't enough to stop 5,976 Ferris fans from watching the Dawgs top Northwood 40-3 under the lights in the first game of the season.

On a chilly night, the Northwood offense started cold with only 67 yards in the first quarter thanks to a Ferris defense that was set on stopping the run, oftentimes bringing eight or more bodies into the box. Northwood is a read-option team, but dogs don't always bite when you throw a bone.

The Bulldogs looked like they were going to run away with the game early with a two-play 83 yard touchdown drive when senior Jason Vander Laan connected with Jamel Lockett for 56 yards.

On their next possession, Ferris was put in a great field position after a deep connection with senior Antonio Agurs who emerged as an

early star of the game with four catches for 94 yards in the first half, but they were held to just a field goal.

On the subsequent Northwood possession, the Bulldogs were caught off guard when the Timberwolves decided to



Tony Annese
Ferris State University

air the ball out with senior Mark Morris connecting with senior Dan Richmond for 62 yards.

They were also held to a field goal, which would be the only points of the game for the Timberwolves.

Later in the game, Ferris State punted the ball to have it scooped up by the Northwood returner. The ball was knocked loose after a monster collision leaving Ferris' own Kyle Kujawa to recover it in the end zone

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Photo By: Katie Tobak | Photographer

Ferris Quarterback Jason Vander Laan beats a Northwood defender to the sideline. He ran for 158 yards and a touchdown last Saturday.

Ferris fantasy football



Marshall Scheldt
Sports Editor

Many Ferris State football players racked up impressive stats in a 40-3 victory over Northwood this past Saturday.

The NFL also kicked off the first week of their season this past week as well, bringing in the start of the fantasy football season as well. On Thursday, an article was posted on the Torch website with my fantasy football picks for week one.

I created an NFL fantasy football team and decided that I would compare the stats of my fantasy roster to the stats of the Bulldog football players.

Each week I'll choose one quarterback, one running back, two wide receivers, a tight end, a defense/special

teams, and a kicker from various NFL rosters. These players will go head to head against the best performers of Ferris from that particular week.

Many of my players didn't perform as well as I had expected, so hopefully nobody tried to base their roster off of mine.

Here was my team last week and their fantasy point totals compared to the best that Ferris State had to offer following their game against Northwood last Saturday.

Look to fsutorch.com this Thursday for next week's matchup. If you have any players you would like to see in the lineup, tweet your player suggestions to @fsutorch to see your tweet in the next edition of Ferris Fantasy Football.

Team Torch Box Score

Starters

POSITION	PLAYER	PTS
QB	Cam Newton, Carolina Panthers	13
RB	Demarco Murray, Philadelphia Eagles	13
WR1	Julio Jones, Atlanta Falcons	27
WR2	Davonte Adams, Green Bay Packers	5
TE	Benjamin Watson, New Orleans Saints	2
D/ST	Seattle Seahawks	19
K	Dan Carpenter, Buffalo Bills	11
Total		90

Ferris State Box Score

Starters

POSITION	PLAYER	PTS
QB	Jason Vander Laan	39
RB	Ben Hinamanu	8
WR1	Jamel Lockett	22
WR2	Antonio Agurs	10
TE	Jake Lampman	5
D/ST	Ferris State	10
K	Nate Iveson	8
Total		112

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Teeing off in tournaments

Marshall Scheldt
Sports Editor

Both men's and women's golf played in their first tournament of the year last weekend bringing different results.

The men's team found themselves in a very close tournament that could have gone anyone's way. The Bulldogs placed fourth out of six teams in the Northern Michigan Invitational in Marquette, Mich. The Dawgs shot a two day total of 618, which was only six strokes away from Northern Michigan who won the tournament with a 612. The top five teams of the tournament were all within seven points of each other.

Leading the Bulldogs were Jack Weller and Seth Terpstra who both tallied a two day total of 152 which was good enough to tie for sixth place. Ferris State's Ryan Bayer came in 14th, Andrew Hammett tied for 18th, Cody Simons tied for 22nd and Brad Walling tied for 41st for the Bulldogs.

The team will play in the Great Lakes Intercollegiate

Athletic Conference (GLIAC) North invitational in South Haven, Mich. this year.

As for the women's team, the weekend was a little bit rocky. The team placed 11th in the Michigan State Invitational in East Lansing. Notre Dame won the tournament at 23 over par as a team in three rounds.



Seth Terpstra
Ferris State University

Ferris State was led by Destiny Lawson who shot 75-80-79, which was good enough to tie for 30th. Behind Lawson was Sydney Murphey who was 59th, and right behind her was Libby Berens who finished at 60th. Tied for 61st was Gianna Dela Cruz, and Kelsey McKinley. They rounded off the Bulldogs squad at 65th place.

The ladies will play next at the Grand Valley State Invitational in Allendale, Mich. on Sept. 26th and 27th.

Winning at the Warhawk



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Head tennis coach Chad Berryhill gives some friendly input to FSU No. 1 singles player Vasil Surduk.

Sports Shorts

Marshall Scheldt
Sports Editor

Ferris Soccer comes back strong

After two disappointing losses to start the season, the FSU soccer team came back with two wins of their own last week.

The Bulldogs topped Indiana Wesleyan 3-0 last Wednesday in Big Rapids and followed with a 1-0 victory over nationally ranked California State University, San Bernardino in Allendale, Mich. on Sunday.

In the matchup against Ind. Wesleyan, freshman defender Carley Dubbert started the scoring off in the first half. It wasn't until late in the second half that the Bulldogs scored a couple cushion goals. In the 81st minute, junior defender Meredith Smith scored off an assist from seniors Hunter Dolan and Casey Shauman. Exactly one minute later, senior forward Nichole Boehnke put the nail in the coffin with a goal off an assist from senior defender, Lindsey Scott.

Senior goalie Maddie Haustein was awarded eight saves and the shutout for the Bulldogs. In the game against Cal. State San Bernardino, Haustein made nine saves to shutout their opponent in a close game. Nichole Boehnke scored the only goal of the game early in the second half on a deflection off a corner kick. The Bulldogs improved their record to 2-2 and play Tiffin this Friday in Big Rapids.

Women's Tennis Undefeated

The FSU women's tennis team survived a nailbiter against conference foe Saginaw Valley State to stay undefeated.

The Bulldogs beat the Cardinals 5-4 in a Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (GLIAC) match last Sunday. The Dawgs and the Cardinals split 3-3 in singles, but the FSU doubles teams took home wins in two of three matches. The Dawgs lost at one, two and three singles but the bottom of the order really stepped up, winning the other three matches.

Olga Martinsone took home two wins for the Bulldogs, one at four singles and one at one doubles. Nicole Meylor also won both matches at six singles and three doubles. The Bulldogs will look to keep their undefeated streak alive today at 2 p.m. against Northwood.

Cody Burkhard

Ferris State Torch

The Ferris State men's tennis team was in action this past weekend at the Warhawk Invitational where four Ferris players took first place in their respective flights.

Overall, it was a strong showing for the Bulldogs. In addition to their wins in singles, the Bulldogs tallied a win in doubles as well.

They're a young team with a lot of international talent and that talent showed through last weekend. Senior Till von Winning from Shopfheim, Germany lived up to his name yesterday as he took first in the men's two singles bracket at the tournament in Whitewater, Wis.

Junior Conner Hunt said, "He's got a good stroke

with a lot of power. He's going to do good things for us this year. We've got a lot of young guys but we're going to do well this year."

Hunt finished in third place at six singles for the Bulldogs and posted a 2-1 record on the day. The Bulldogs had four first place winners in singles including von Winning, Robert Camplin at seven singles, Connor Douglas at eight singles and Simon Levy who beat his teammate Raleigh Grossbaum in the finals of the men's five singles bracket.

There was plenty more Ferris success as well. Red-shirt freshman Maiz Sinclair played his way into the finals of the men's four singles bracket before losing in two sets. Freshman Stewart Sell and Conner Hunt went to the

second round in men's three singles and six singles respectively with Hunt taking third ultimately in his bracket.

The combination of von Winning and sophomore Vasil Surduck was enough to take win the consolation bracket at men's one doubles. The combination of Grossbaum, Connor Douglas and Levy took first in the fourth doubles flight.

The Bulldogs will be in action at the ITA Midwest Regionals in Grand Rapids, Mich. on starting Saturday Sept. 19th, through Monday, Sept. 21st. Last year the Bulldogs sent Tyler Bridges and Zachary Grabovic to the B Doubles flight finals in the ITA's where they fell to Grand Valley State in the championship.

Top Dawg



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Jamel Lockett stiff-arms a Northwood defender. Lockett caught two TD passes last Saturday against Northwood.

Marshall Scheldt Sports Editor

After an undefeated regular season last year, the Bulldogs picked up where they left off with a 40-3 victory of Northwood last Saturday, Sept. 12. The Dawgs picked up the win with help from junior slot receiver Jamel Lockett. Lockett, a Warren, Mich. native

scored two touchdowns in Saturday's game. He started off the scoring for the game, catching a pass in the flats and taking it 56 yards to the house up the right sideline. Lockett caught another touchdown, this time from 12 yards giving the Bulldogs a three score lead early in the third quarter. Lockett had six catches for 96 yards on the day including his two touchdowns.

Lockett is off to a roaring start in comparison to last year's stats. His two TDs Saturday match the number of touchdowns he had all season last year. This weekend Lockett will get to showcase his talent in Allendale as the Bulldogs will try to beat rival Grand Valley State for the fourth straight season. That game will take place at 7 p.m. this Saturday, Sept. 19.

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FOOTBALL from page 11

Ferris St. opened their season with a 40-3 vwin over Northwood

for a touchdown.

Ferris State won 40-3. Vander Laan, last year's Harlon Hill Trophy winner, was exceptional with 158 yards rushing and 320 yards passing through three quarters when he was ultimately taken out shortly after. His top targets were Lockett and Agurs with 96 yards, two touchdowns and 95 yards receiving respectively.

Of course defense played a role in the 40-3 win, and leading in tackles for Ferris was defensive end David Holley with eight stops.

This should give the Bulldogs momentum heading into next week when they face rival Grand Valley State in Grand Rapids, MI. Last year, Ferris State rolled over the Lakers like they did most of the GLIAC en route to a conference championship.

This year the game is on Grand Valley's field and as Ferris State Head Coach Tony Annese said, "Once two teams line-up, X's and O's tend to go away."

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Corner of the universe



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Ferris students find time to unwind by doing yoga exercises and forgetting about stress.

Finding time in college is tough. Now, add a job or two to that, maybe a social life, and if you're lucky, a worthwhile hobby. It's a circus itself to juggle several responsibilities, but still taking time to relax, reflect, and rejuvenate is an entirely new act, worthy of attention.

I know what you're thinking: there's not enough hours in the day. It seems like we're either scrounging for more time, barely hanging on, or completely restless searching for something to do. It's a funny place to be, but there's something you can do about that extra time you could be spending scrolling endlessly on Facebook.

Senior year has blessed me with 1pm classes most days. I tumble out of disheveled sheets anywhere between 9:30 and 10 a.m. I usually try to incorporate some kind



Lydzi Sakowski
Ferris State Torch

of intention for the day, either to be patient or kind, try to speak less and listen more, or simply that I will be completely present in everything I do that day. It may seem like a small act, but it helps me feel purposeful throughout the day. I'm on a quest in an 8-bit game and no one will stop me.

Setting intentions, practicing yoga in the morning, reading for pleasure; these are the things I bring into my slice of the universe. When I say that, what I mean is that I have found a space that is mine that brings me bliss. Besides snacks, I have books, art, my yoga mat, and a copious amount of journals in

this space. I also make sure the lighting is bright enough I can read, but dim enough to feel comfortable. Here, I escape when I need a breather, when I need to pause briefly.

8 AMs may be unfair, but you, too, can reserve a corner of the universe where you can relax, reflect, and rejuvenate. First, designate somewhere you can retreat to whenever: a place in your room or a spot outside works well. Secondly, find what you like to do. I already gave my examples, but anything that you can find that you enjoy doing is fine. Music really helps: find the jams that lift your spirits and play them. Thirdly, try to go there when you feel it necessary. Stressed, tired, needing a break; it is entirely up to you when and why you go there.

Chat with the chief

Editor in Chief, Keith Salowich

It was noon on what looked to be an ordinary Monday. I had just finished my 8 a.m. Monday morning gauntlet of classes in the Science Building, and I returned home to take a nap before another class later in the day.

I was roused from sleep by a flurry of calls and texts, all of which had been sent in the last few minutes. News was trickling in about long-time communications professor Lon Green passing away the night before, and I was determined to ensure that

accurate reporting was done on the subject. Meanwhile, several of Green's students packed notebooks into backpacks en route to his usual class session which was set to meet in under an hour.

It was at this scene that the news would be broken to the class full of unknowing students. They entered the room, and were greeted not by the familiar face of Professor Green that they had grown accustomed to seeing over the first two weeks of class, but rather a small

group of teary-eyed members of the Humanities Department and counselors.

The room was rife with confusion. Uneasy, shifting eyes questioned the scenario as the last few students trickled in. There was a brief pause, followed by the solemn statement.

"Professor Lon Green passed away last night in a motorcycle accident," Head of the Humanities Department Trinity Williams said.

A silent bomb shook the walls of the classroom.

Stunned silence was broken by further explanation, but much of it fell on deaf ears. The veil of shock refused to be shaken, and students were having trouble processing the news in its immediate aftermath.

Class was understandably cancelled for the day, so bewildered students filed out of the room with little to say. The only words on everyone's mind? "I'm completely shocked."

Shocked

Best and worst of fantasy football



Marshall Scheldt
Sports Editor

If you couldn't tell by looking at the sports section, I love fantasy football. Since I'm going to sit on the couch and watch football all day on Sunday anyway, I might as well have some extra motivation to do nothing with my life. Fantasy football is that motivation.

I can't tell you how many emotions I go through when I update my fantasy roster every 10 minutes on Sundays, but there are definitely ups and downs. Here are the top five best and worst things about fantasy football.

Best aspects of the game:

1) You can win money- Whether it's one-day fantasy sports or a friendly wager with your best friends, everything is a little more interesting with money on the line. Ask Pete Rose.

2) You can feel like a genius

If you started Tampa Bay tight end Austin Sefarian-Jenkins this week because you thought he was going to have five receptions, 110 yards, and two TDs then you probably feel like some kind of fantasy football savant.

3) Bragging rights

Nothing is better than beating your best friend's fantasy team and coming to class the next day to tell him, "Hey, you didn't happen to see who won in fantasy this week do you?"

4) More reason to watch football

As if watching the Lions blow an 18-point second quarter lead wasn't enough reason to lock in to the TV on Sundays, now you can watch two teams who you don't care about at all battle it out in hopes that your WR2 catches a couple touchdowns.

5) The glory of winning

I witnessed my brother watching Marshawn Lynch score a touchdown and win him his fantasy championship two years ago. You would have thought he had just won the Super Bowl.

Worst aspects of the game:

1) You can lose money Please don't spend your next month's rent on one-day fantasy football, or any fantasy football for that matter. It's

called gambling for a reason.

2) You can feel like an idiot

Last year someone in my league drafted Josh Gordon in the second round. He was suspended for the first 10 games of the season.

3) The last second TD that has no bearing on the game

This week, Ben Roethlisberger threw Antonio Brown a touchdown with just two seconds left in the game. Despite the late touchdown, the Steelers still lost to the Patriots but fantasy owners rejoiced because they got points for a touchdown that didn't really matter in the grand scheme of things.

4) The bye week blues

There's always a couple weeks out of the year when a lot of teams have byes. If both of your wide receivers have the same bye week, you're going to be scrambling on the waiver wire to try to pick up a guy who might get lucky and catch a TD on his one target of the game.

5) The last place punishment

Whether it's standing on a street corner in a speedo hold-

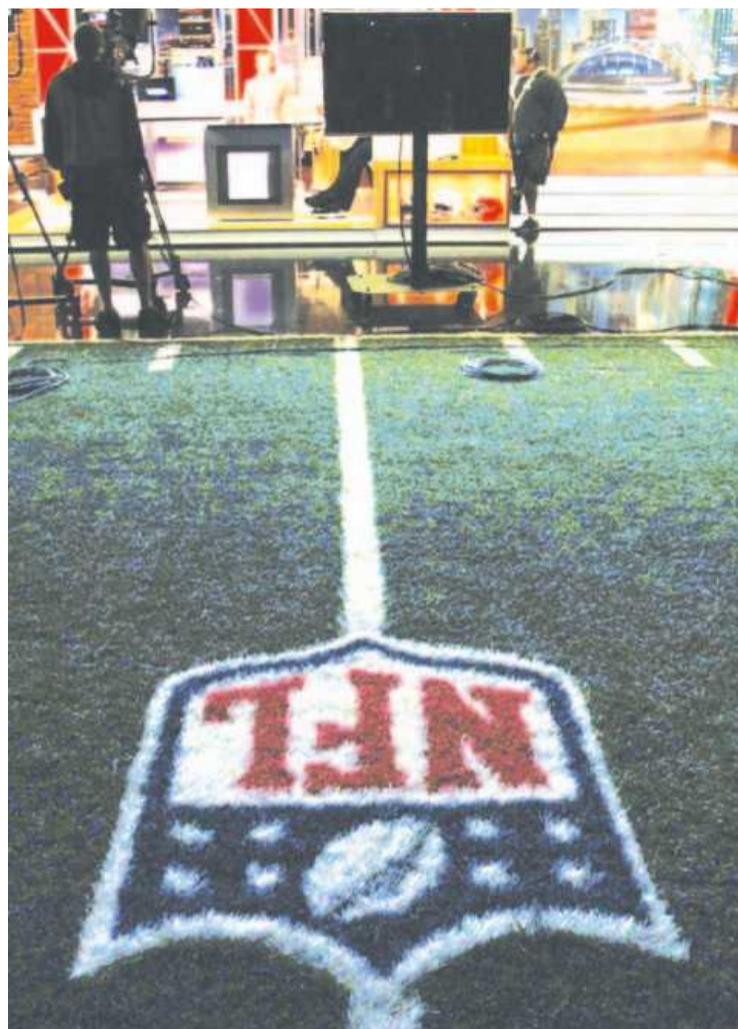


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Fantasy football has practically become synonymous with the NFL season.

ing a sign that says, "I suck at fantasy football" or having to pay for and take a proctored SAT, the punishment for last place typically isn't very pleasant.

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Who's trumping who?

A Torch survey asked 100 Ferris students who they plan on voting for in the 2016 election. The survey consisted of the top three Republican and Democratic runners, as well as "Undecided" and "I'm not going to vote" options.

Many students feel they aren't aware of politics enough to vote as 15 percent of students said they didn't know whom they will vote for, or didn't know enough about the candidates to choose. Some students also choose not to vote; five percent responded that they would not be voting in the election next fall.

We are all armed with a mind that is curious and capable. We must nourish our minds, whether in the form of questioning what we hear, reading up on things or analyzing arguments made by people, especially figures in power. By doing this, we make sure that we aren't just "drinking the Kool-Aid."

In other words, we are secure in the fact that we are not easily misled because we are actively questioning the messages presented to us. And there are many messages constantly interacting with us. To me, it is essen-

tial to read up on things, stay informed and understand the implications of decisions made by us or the people in charge.

I like what Bernie Sanders has to say. He appeals to my aspirations: reducing the wage gap, taking money out of politics, funding institutions that protect women's reproductive health, taxing carbon and



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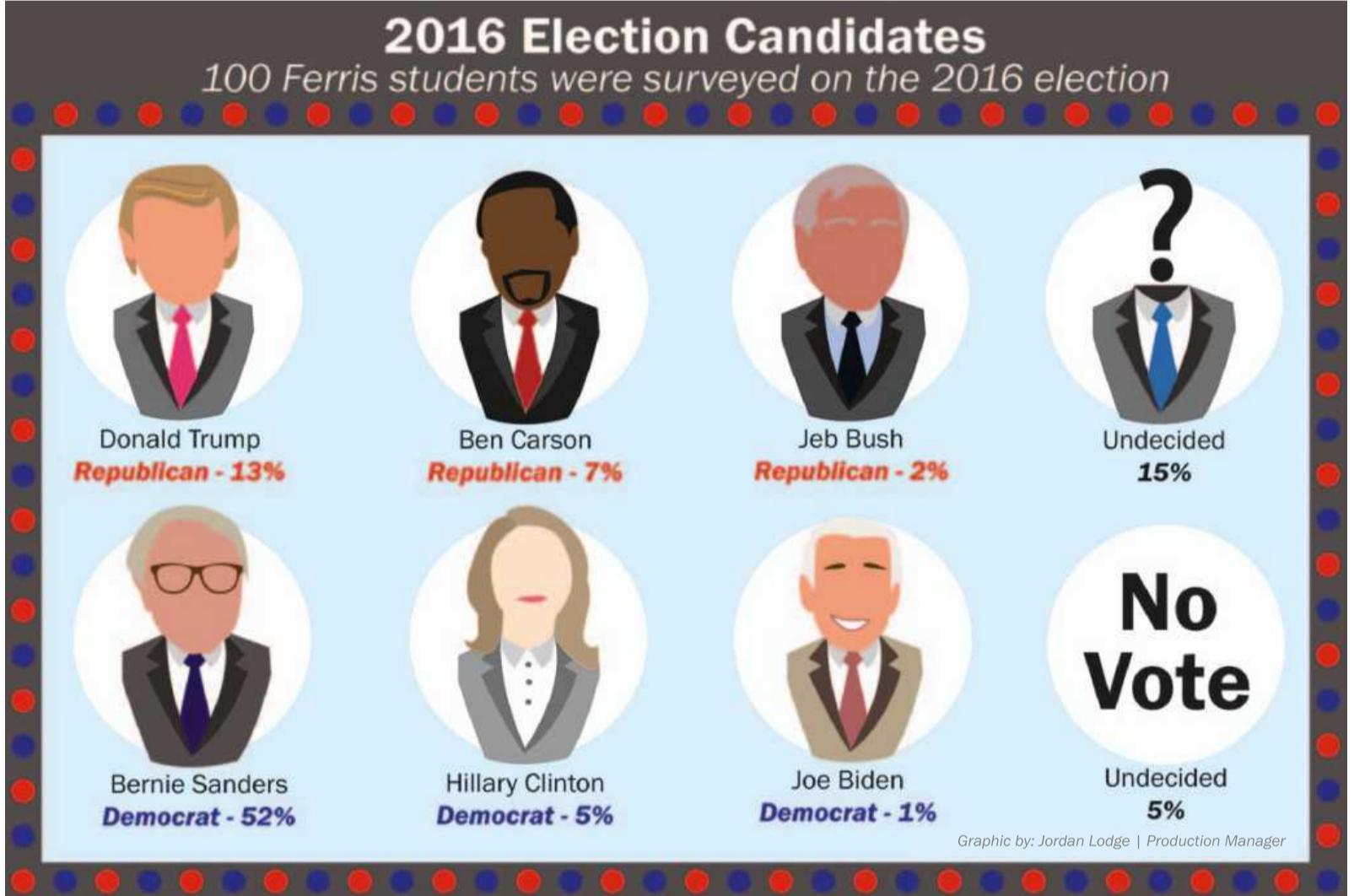
methane emissions through legislation, etc. I "feel the Bern" and want my voice heard on these topics, so I will be voting for Sanders in the fall.

Being informed is a crucial

step in the voting process. Many people choose to have their vote disregarded because they don't feel comfortable with how much they know. Don't vote blindly, but also know your resources. Any search of political candidates for 2016 and their platform can give you a glimpse into that person's plan, helping you decide which

person best fits your values, beliefs and ideas. The entire universe of the Internet is at our immediate disposal; it is up to us to direct how we use it.

To ensure our future is one that represents our hopes, dreams and aspirations, get informed and register to vote.



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