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BACK ON THE ICE

Bulldog hockey begins season this weekend

Beau Jensen

Torch Reporter

Students at Ferris State get excited for three things when October rolls around; Halloween festivities, pumpkin spice lattes and Bulldog hockey.

With a record of 25-15-6 and a berth in the West Regional Final of the NCAA Tournament, the Dawgs put out an impressive 2015-16 season that only built on their already great legacy. With the graduation of Simon Denis,

this year marks the first that no player from the 2011-12 National Championship runner-up team will be a part of the program.

Junior forward Drew Dorantes put in eight goals last year for the Dawgs, and despite the loss of some great seniors, he is excited for what is to come.

"It is always tough losing your seniors, the bonds you make with them are extremely special because they have been through just about everything," Dorantes said. "We were fortunate however to only lose five, so as a group we

return a lot of talented players."

The 2015-16 season saw numerous freshmen step up and Dorantes is hopeful for that this year as well.

"We also have a strong freshman class that came in," Dorantes said. "Combining everyone together, we have an extremely motivated team that I think fans will really enjoy watching this year."

The Bulldogs will be returning the man that led the team in scoring with 16 goals last year: senior forward Gerald

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"We have money, we have resources, we just need you to tell us what you want,"
- Kristi Scholten
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Ferris architecture sophomore and president of the Hispanic Student Organization, Daniel Rivera, with criminal justice junior Annete Espinoza and Spanish for the professions senior Ben Davis.



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Ferris dental hygiene sophomore Hannah Neahr and pre-dental hygiene sophomore Mckenzie Freeman attended the first event in the Latin American heritage celebration.

Ferris Fiesta

Annual Latin America heritage celebration kicks off

Megan Hiller

Torch Reporter

The Ferris State Office of Multicultural Student Services will host its 10th annual Latin@ American Heritage Celebration, taking place over the next couple weeks.

The event, kicked off Monday, Sept. 19, with the Trailblazers Exhibit and ends Wednesday, Nov. 2, with the celebration of the Día de los Muertos.

"The best part about this is the fact that they are actually promoting it and having the celebration. I like that they are taking the time to not only promote it, but to help you understand what it is about and the daily battles we have," said Ferris Spanish for the professions senior and member of the Hispanic Student Organization, Ben Davis.

"Knowledge is something that is very important for every generation to have. Every person should know things about other races and ethnicities. It helps strengthen the community in general," Davis said.

As stated by collegedata.com, about five percent of Ferris students are Hispanic or Latino. However, the road to higher education isn't always an easy one. According to the Pew Research Center, one in three Latinos/Hispanics don't graduate from high school.



Annete Espinoza

"I think it is important to know how other people struggle," Criminal justice junior Anette Espinoza said. "Not every Hispanic goes through those things so it's better to have an understanding of where people are coming from, how they are struggling and how to make it better for them too."

Espinoza felt empowered by knowing that people like her were able to go to college and overcome their obstacles.

"My biggest struggle was not having the right models growing up," Espinoza said. "But knowing that other people were going to college and doing things for themselves...that inspired me. If they are doing it, why can't I?"

Ferris architecture sophomore and president of the His-

panic Student Organization, Daniel Rivera, encouraged understanding of his platform.

"We need to advocate for the culture and for issues that aren't advocated for enough, especially in the media. It's very important to get the word out there and give knowledge to students and to educate others," Rivera said.

Rivera distinctly remembered what it was like growing up as a Latino American.

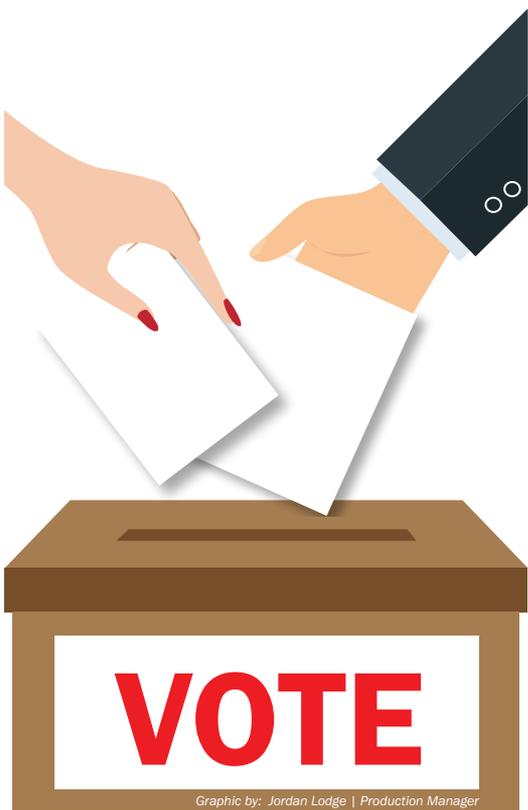


Daniel Rivera

"I remember going to a school that was predominantly white. I stood out in the crowd because of where I was from and what I was speaking. It was definitely a struggle. Coming to college was different with all the diversity," Rivera said.

Rivera also encouraged students to participate in the upcoming Latin@ American Heritage Celebration events.

"Come out and enjoy some culture. It is going to be a good time for exploration and a way to gain cultural knowledge."



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Hands-on Democracy

Students register to vote

Andrea Lenhart

Torch Reporter

Ferris course, Political Science 122, has a group of students working on a project that involves getting students registered to vote.

"Our project is to try to get students at Ferris State University to register to vote because we want to stoke their journey and political involvement," said Ferris history senior, Meg Corner.

According to Corner, the only way a democracy is going to work is if the governed, or the people, are directly involved and that means to vote.

"As a group, we decided that voter registration is important because people need to know that they have a voice," said

Ferris political science sophomore, Indra Phillips. "Especially in local elections, you can really make a difference."

Leen Keely, a Ferris freshman in secondary education, said that even if you do not want to vote in the presidential election, you can still register and vote locally for things that will directly affect you.

"Most of you will be here for four years, so registering will allow you to vote on all matters, locally or nationally," Keely said.

According to Phillips, it is still important to vote for the presidency because voters have the chance to make a difference and to vote on their beliefs.

"I don't agree with students that say that they aren't going to vote because they do not agree with the candidates. Your voice is still important and needs to be heard. It is so important to vote," Phil-

lips said. "Silence is acceptance."

According to Richard Sinclair, a junior in political science at Ferris, in a democracy, voting is the only way for the government to hear us, and the outcome will affect our lives.

"Voting is an important right in our society," Sinclair said. "Basically, when you register, you are registering your opinion, and when you do not vote you are agreeing with the outcome."

Registration tables will be at the University Circle in front of the University Center from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. from Monday, Sept. 26, through Wednesday, Sept. 28, and again from Monday, Oct. 3, through Wednesday, Oct. 5. Information about where to vote will be provided and questions are welcomed.



Fire trucks on campus

At approximately 2 p.m. Sept. 22, fire alarms went off in Ferris' College of Business. Students were evacuated and informed that the situation was not a drill and that they needed to leave the building immediately and get as far away as they could. There were two fire trucks and one police vehicle parked on the street near the south doors of the building, responding to a report of smoke. Whether or not the report was legitimate is unknown as several faculty members in the College of Business refused to comment, but students were allowed back in the building at approximately 2:45 p.m.

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Shark tank and Starbucks

Students pitch ideas over coffee

Andrea Lenhart

Torch Reporter

The Political Engagement Project (PEP) is hosting a series of events throughout the semester that allow students to bring ideas to the table in hopes of making them a reality.

PEP got the idea from ABC's television show, Shark Tank.

"I thought it would be an opportunity for students, faculty and registered student organizations that have ideas but don't know how to capitalize on those ideas," said Ferris communications professor and co-coordinator for PEP, Kristi Scholten.

The sessions are called "coffee talks" and are meant for students and faculty to bring ideas to PEP to brainstorm and ask for guidance. Unlike the reality show, PEP will not turn down any idea that is brought forth.

"PEP wants to know how we can help you turn your glimmer or sense of something into something real that meets our mission and that is useful to students and that is engaging," Scholten said.

According to Scholten and Mike Leathermen, an assistant project management engineer technology professor and co-coordinator of PEP, they just want people to bring ideas to the table, and they will offer guidance, resources and money.

"I think that this is a great idea. It's prompting students to think,

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Pi Lambda Phi and Lambda Kappa Sigma took first place in the Homecoming Lip Sync competition with their collaborative Taylor Swift medley.



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Candidate Wayne Bersano was elected the sole member of Ferris' 2016 Homecoming Royalty during the football game's halftime ceremony.



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The winner of the Homecoming 5K Color Run was Ferris computer information systems senior Kyle Reamer (middle), followed by alumna Chelsea Dukes (left) and plastics and polymer engineering technology freshman Nathan Park (right).

A WEEK OF SPIRIT

Bulldogs participate in homecoming activities

Harley Harrison
Torch Reporter

Homecoming brought the school to life last week as Bulldogs were busy attending the daily events put on by the Ferris State Center for Leadership, Activities and Career Services (CLACS).

"I would say that if you don't come then you're not really getting the experience of Ferris," said Ferris respiratory therapy senior, Sarah Baldwin. "I'm always a school spirited person, and just for being my last year, I want to get involved as much as I can with homecoming."

CLACS began the week with a kickball

tournament and lip sync followed by a 5K Color Run and War in the South Quad on Wednesday. All the proceeds from the 5K registrations were donated to United Way.



Wayne Bersano

"It was good; it was tough," said Ferris biology senior, Lisa Raney. "I've always enjoyed running a little bit and this summer I challenged myself by running in my first 5K and I decided I'd like to try a few more, so I heard about this one and signed up."

The first place winner was Ferris comput-

er information systems senior, Kyle Reamer, who thought the race was outlined pretty well.

"We're a part of the Ferris State Running Club so people post on our page about races on campus," Reamer said. "We really trained a lot for this race. We always run down at the Rock at six o'clock every day, so it really helped us out."

Thursday night at 8 p.m., the Williams Auditorium filled with students excited to hear comedians Michael Che and Natasha Leggero, an event that was free for students to attend.

Both Leggero and Che interacted with the students. Leggero even invited a couple

students to the stage to set them up on a date, calling a restaurant in the process.

Bulldogs celebrated their Friday night in Lot 61 at a large homecoming bonfire that included a live DJ, snacks and drinks for all students who attended.



Sarah Baldwin

The final homecoming event was Saturday's football game against Ashland at Top Taggart field. Students, alumni and community members packed the stadium to show their school spirit.

At half time, Ferris hospitality and See Homecoming on page 5

Did you not have a trash can?

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

By Angela Graf - News Editor

False alarm

Sept. 10, 12:40 a.m., officers responded to a report of suspicious subjects in Lot 24 carrying street signs. Upon arrival, the scene was vacant and portable signs had been pushed over, but not damaged or removed from the scene.

Clearing the air

Sept. 12, 5:15 a.m., Big Rapids Fire responded to the Automotive Building to a smoke complaint. Smoke was discovered when the building was opened for classes that morning. A malfunctioning machine was found to be the source and fans were used to clear the building.

Wasn't me

Sept. 12, 7:30 a.m., officers investigated a fraud complaint lodged by a student living off campus involving a credit card.

Break it up

Sept. 12, 8:15 p.m., officers assisted a student with a harassment complaint in Starr. The victim reported unwanted contact with another student and parties were told to leave each other alone.

Damn

Sept. 13, 8:55 a.m., officers investigated a report of a vehicle damage complaint in Lot 5. It occurred at some time over the previous evening.

Cash money

Sept. 14, 6:20 p.m., officers investigated a report of money stolen from a room in McNerney Hall.

Puff

Sept. 14, 11:05 p.m., officers investigated a suspicious vehicle in Lot 28. Two students were found using marijuana and were referred to the Office of Student Conduct.

You got served

Sept. 15, 1 p.m., four arrest

warrants were served to a female student regarding misdemeanors including two counts of contempt, failure to appear and a probation violation.

Puff

Sept. 16, 12:20 a.m., officers investigated a suspicious vehicle in Lot 61. Three students were referred to the Office of Student Conduct for use of marijuana.

Douchebag

Sept. 16, 12:15 p.m., officers received a report of a hit and run accident in Lot 1.

Drunk and wandering

Sept. 18, 2:10 a.m., officers investigated a suspicious subject near Cramer Circle. The subject was found to be intoxicated and was referred to the Office of Student Conduct.

Did you not have a trash can?

Sept. 18, 4:30 a.m., officers investigated a report of a subject vomiting out of a fifth floor window in Cramer Hall. One student was referred to the Office of Student Conduct.

Slow down

Sept. 18, 3:15 p.m., officers pulled over a speeding vehicle on Ferris Drive. The driver was found to have a warrant out for their arrest and was escorted to the county jail.

Burger King bash

Sept. 19, 2:30 p.m., officers assisted city police with a two car accident near Burger King on State Street.

Do not reply

Sept. 19, 7:30 p.m., officers received a report of a harassment complaint. The student's ex-boyfriend was bothering her via cell phone. Advice was given on steps to reduce contact.

Flying high

Sept. 19, 9:55 p.m., officers investigated suspicious persons in the area of Lot 61. One student was referred to the Office of Student Conduct for use of marijuana.

Highest honor

Sept. 19, 11:10 p.m., officers assisted hall staff at Miller Hall with a marijuana complaint. The incident was handled by hall staff.

The Ferris Department of Public Safety issued 364 parking tickets between Thursday, Sept. 15, and Thursday, Sept. 22, totaling \$6,170.



NEWS BRIEFS

By Angela Graf - News Editor

Learning Spanish

Ferris students, faculty and community members alike will have the opportunity to learn how to speak Spanish in an informal, non-credit forum called "Hablemos." The event is being put on by the Center for Latin@ Studies in collaboration with the faculty in the Spanish language department. The sessions will take place in the Center for Latin@ Studies, IRC 131, on Tuesdays, from 5:15 a.m. to 7:15 a.m.

Communication, choices & consent

Ferris will be hosting their annual presentation this week on the importance of the three C's: communication, choices and consent. Title IX coordinator Kevin Carmody and Birkam Health Center Counselor Elisa Cotter will be hosting the presentation at William's Auditorium on Thursday, Sept. 29, at both 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.

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engage and to get their ideas out there," said Ferris hospitality management senior, Lauren Thomas.

Students and faculty that bring ideas to "coffee talks" are offered free Starbucks while brainstorming ideas with the experts on the panel.

"We are really trying to work with students to get speakers, send groups on field trips, an event... it doesn't even have to be big party politics, just anything that students feel the need to be changed or added," said program assistant, Shana Schadler.

According to Scholten, all ideas are welcomed, such as a new recycling policy or anything regarding Ferris. There are endless possibilities.

Future "coffee talks" will take place Tuesday, Oct. 18, and Tuesday, Nov. 29, from 2:30 p.m. to 4 p.m. Those looking to attend should meet at the Starbucks in the University Center.

"We have money, we have resources, we just need you to tell us what you want," Scholten said. "We're interested in listening to your ideas while you enjoy free Starbucks."

HOMECOMING

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restaurant management senior Wayne Bersano was crowned homecoming royalty. The candidates included Jamie Baranek, Alyssa Bodrie, Andrea Lenhart and Alex Reeds.

"I feel absolutely honored that the student body of Ferris State University chose me to be there representative for 2016 homecoming royalty," Bersano said. "It was just an incredible experience that I think just really rounded off my entire Ferris experience."

This year's celebration was the 90th homecoming for Ferris State University and it brought spirit to many throughout Ferris and the Big Rapids Community.

HOMECOMING ROYALTY VOTING NUMBERS

There were 970 votes cast for Homecoming Royalty

Wayne Bersano	-----	418
Alexandra Reeds	-----	212
Andrea Lenhart	-----	168
Jamie Baranek	-----	117
Alyssa Bodrie	-----	55
Total	-----	970



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- Aubrey Kemme
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Gettin’ my Axe on

My experiment with men’s hygiene products



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Do you use female-oriented hygiene products, but are having a difficult time finding products that work well for you? If so, I’ve got news for you: women’s hygiene products are actually kind of a joke. Well, at least razor blades and deodorant, anyway.

Before trying a men’s razor, I’d always subconsciously thought that there couldn’t be too big of a difference between men and women’s razors, save color and design. The blades themselves were pretty much the same, right? Wrong.

Anyway, I have thick, coarse and dark hair (a blessing and a curse), so shaving always seemed to irritate my skin and leave behind an unreasonable amount of stubble. I happened to see a Gillette commercial for the Profusion razor, featuring some middle-aged dude that was shaving his face. The voiceover on the commercial was saying something about “the closest shave ever,” and a lightbulb appeared over my head. I decided to go procure this glorious-sounding men’s razor, and I haven’t budged from my Gillette Profusion since. It gives better results than any women’s razor I’ve tried.

But this still isn’t happily ever after, because the blasphemy doesn’t stop there. Quite recently, my boyfriend happened to enlighten me on the superior quality of men’s deodorant as well. I’d switched around brands of women’s deodorant since the dawn of puberty, but had settled on the women’s Dove deodorant line for the past few years. I’d pretty much accepted the fact that I probably just sweated more than the average girl, so maybe I was more prone to

sweating through my deodorant and needed a second application more frequently than other girls. Wrong.

I learned this after spending the day boating on the river this past summer with my significant other and his family. That evening, we decided that we wanted to go out to eat. I didn’t have my deodorant with me, and I was all sorts of a hot mess from spending the day in direct sunlight in the middle of August. We were getting cleaned up for dinner, and I said something along the lines of: “Shoot, I forgot to put my deodorant in my bag.” My boyfriend handed me a stick of Axe deodorant and said: “Here, just use mine.”

I was reluctant at first, since I wasn’t too keen on smelling like Axe body spray but it trumped the Eau de Summertime Sweatiness that I was currently wearing. I put some on and the rest is history. Apparently, Axe deodorant lasts all day on me and I don’t sweat through it. Amazing.

So ladies, if you think women’s razors and deodorants suck as much as I do, try using men’s products. Feel free to also write the companies that make the women’s products and tell them how much they suck compared to men’s options. Although, I think I’ll stick to my women’s-oriented shampoo, conditioner and body wash... for now.

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5... 4... 3... 2... 1... It’s time.

You’ve been waiting for this moment for weeks. You’ve refreshed the webpage 15 times in the last two minutes waiting for the perfect time to make your move. Finally, the tickets to your favorite band’s concert go on sale.

And they’re gone.

But how? You—just as the cheetah stalks the gazelle—had been waiting to pounce on these tickets since last month. Money was set aside, plans were set in place and you even planned an outfit for the show. Scrap your plans and blow that money on hard liquor, because there’s no way you’re getting to that

show now.

The pain would be tolerable if other fans had beaten you out. If it were other super fans also obsessively waiting for tickets, then the outcome wouldn’t be so bitter.

But it’s not fans of the artist buying out all available tickets immediately.

It’s the scalpers and scammers who are using illegal, automatized means to buy out tickets with the intent of flipping them for profit. These actions are against the terms of service for major ticket sale sites, but people are able to find ways around them.

Buying secondhand tickets is

very rarely a fan-to-fan sale. It’s more often an example of a scumbag who’s getting rich off others’ desire to attend concerts at the expense of fans and artists.

Sure, tickets will be available again, but they’ll be marked up 250 percent of the original asking price the artist intended. The jacked up price is compounded by unnecessarily high “service fees” that are attached to every online ticket sale.

The fan doesn’t receive any additional perks for being forced to pay twice the original price. The artist doesn’t see a dime of that excess money.

Instead, the exorbitant excess all

goes straight into the pockets of the scammers who are perpetuating the unreasonably high prices.

The secondhand ticket market is destroying our lives and we as consumers are entirely helpless to it.

Some bands like the Foo Fighters and Iron Maiden are taking steps to prevent this kind of thing from happening. However, we will not see any form of change until all touring artists take a unified stand against it.

In the meantime, we are forced to become accustomed to either missing out on concerts, or paying far too much to attend them.

Ticket Turmoil

Inspiring girls to do more



This picture shared by Amy Schumer on Instagram shows the vast differences between the pressure on a young girl to look her best, while a young boy is encouraged to be his best.



Aubrey Kemme
 Multimedia Editor

Growing up, I was lucky enough to have parents that were invested in my future. They wanted me to become smart, happy, ambitious and successful in life. Up to this point, I feel like I have become all of those things. That is partly thanks to them, but also the many years it took to build up my confidence and realize that I can do anything I set my mind to.

I have no idea what it is like to be a parent and raise a child in this world, and I can only imagine that it's increasingly harder as the popularity of social media rises. But, we need to teach girls to set their standards high. That goes for not only parents but us as a generation, too. For example, I recently saw this photo posted by Amy Schumer on Instagram (see attached photo).

Although I'm sure this wasn't intended, it's shit like this that sends a strong message to young girls about what they "should" be doing versus what they could

be doing. We need to teach them to care about their future and what they think of themselves instead of what other people think of them. Girls should be able to take risks, try new things and have goals without someone saying, "Don't get your dress dirty".

As a girl myself, I know the pain of constantly worrying about how I look or act. It wasn't until college that I realized I could do something worthwhile with my life. It wasn't until then that I really even thought about it, despite my parents trying to tell me. See, it's not just parents that influence us but every day interactions as well.

It's time to celebrate and encourage girls' minds.

When there's only one spot left:



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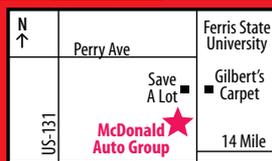
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Chalk outline



Scientist's findings suggest link between sidewalk chalk and imminent doom

Michael Hunt
Necrophiliac

The words "vote for Homecoming Royalty" have never looked more deadly, according to one scientist's study.

Ecologist Vladimir Mustafar of the Environmental Science and Studies Association found a link between chalk artwork and environmental destruction in his latest experiment.

"I've found that once chalk is washed away by rain, it never leaves the Earth. It seeps into the groundwater, thus tainting the entire ecosystem. It's just a downward spiral from there," Mustafar said.

According to Mustafar's findings, the groundwater reserves become toxic and flammable once

exposed to chalk dust.

"In great enough quantities, I believe that the chalk will kill off all plant life. This of course will result in apocalyptic mass extinction and warring among the few stragglers left alive. The world will then be inherited by cockroaches, which will survive on all of the newly decomposing mounds of bodies," Mustafar said.

Mustafar noted that college campuses like Ferris State were a hotbed for excessive chalk usage and as a result will be primary contributors to the downfall of us all.

The act of chalking is often utilized by people hoping to draw more sizable crowds to their resident student organization (RSO) or event—or more recently—by those vying for Homecoming

Royalty votes.

"I just really wanted people to know about the unicycle club. I didn't mean to bring about the end of times," Ferris applied mathematics junior and Unicycle Club treasurer Alex Finklebum said.

"I hope winning the Royalty election was worth it, because now I have to go tell my daughter that she won't see her next birthday. Good thing you chalked up the whole campus," Mustafar said.

Mustafar recommends, "literally any other method," to get the word out about an RSO or upcoming, superfluous election.

"If you're considering chalking, then don't. You'll be killing us all," Mustafar said.

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Eisler Says:

"New rule: No more 'dabbing' anywhere on campus. Make it so. Write that shit down."



Tire Fire

Satirical insert laced with absurdity, hyperbole and going way too far

Pull out this section for the hardest-hitting fake news ever put to print

AH-CHOO!

Head Football Coach Tony Annese sneezes during National Anthem, launches wild speculation as to what he stands for

Marie Davenstaff
Egg Scrambler

Prior to Ferris' 39-31 loss to Ashland on Homecoming, Head coach Tony Annese was spotted sneezing during the playing of the National Anthem.

Social media platforms erupted soon after with speculation as to what the fifth year coach was trying to say through this action.

"I think it's clear that he's standing up against institutional racism, which is a discourse that should be opened. He could've gone about it in a better way though. For example, he could have blinked rapidly and stood on one foot, which would be a more respectful way to protest," Ferris marketing sophomore Janet Jopiln said in a chain of tweets.

Other students weren't as open to Annese's demonstration.

"What a disgrace. If Annese doesn't have the respect for our military to suppress all involuntary, physiological responses during our anthem then I don't want him coaching at Ferris," Ferris CAD drafting senior and ROTC cadet Mike Mortchey said.

Annese had a chance to explain his actions in a press conference following the game, in which he was asked the same question about the sneeze about 15 times in various wordings.

"I have allergies," Annese said. "Can we please just talk about the game?"



North campus living

New residence hall to benefit future freshmen while inconveniencing literally everyone else

Mr. Floofy
Actual Pomeranian

Most students have seen the construction on Ferris' north campus and have begun to wonder how exactly the project will affect the campus as a whole.

The structure will be a new residence hall devoted to incoming freshmen beginning fall of 2017.

The immediate benefits are already being seen.

"I have to get to campus at least an hour before my class," said Ferris biology sophomore Sandy Wich. "The complete lack of commuter parking has taught me a lot about time management in addition to the street-fighting skills I've picked up competing for a spot. It's making me a much more well-rounded individual."

Ferris Vice President of Administration and Finance Jerry Scoby is one of the heads managing the new project.

"Our goal is really to inconvenience as many current, paying students as we can in an attempt to appeal to high schoolers with bad attitudes and their rich shitty parents," Scoby said.

Perhaps the biggest impact, other than commuter parking, has been in regards to traffic flow.

"I really love how many more cars are driving past my house at 8 a.m. now," said Big Rapids resident Marilyn Hopper. "It makes me feel much closer to the students at Ferris."

Ferris marketing junior Micheala Brady eats lunch on north quad with her boyfriend a few days a week and the pair couldn't be more excited to see the new building done.

"The noisy construction equipment and dirt flying everywhere has been nice, but I'm really looking forward to having a giant prismic building blocking out the sun," Brady said.

Chemistry in the lab

Student hopes to develop more meaningful relationship with cute lab partner way out of his league

Laura Ruffles
"Wet Works"

An exothermic reaction isn't the only "chemistry" heating up in one chem lab section on campus.

"I can feel that there's something between us, I just have to make her see it," Ferris chemistry freshman Eugene Clayton said of his new female lab partner in CHEM 121.

The duo were first united after all other students in the lab paired up with friends and fellow inhabitants of their residence halls. Clayton—a five on a good day—and his partner Ferris pre-optometry freshman Wendy Wright were forced together since they

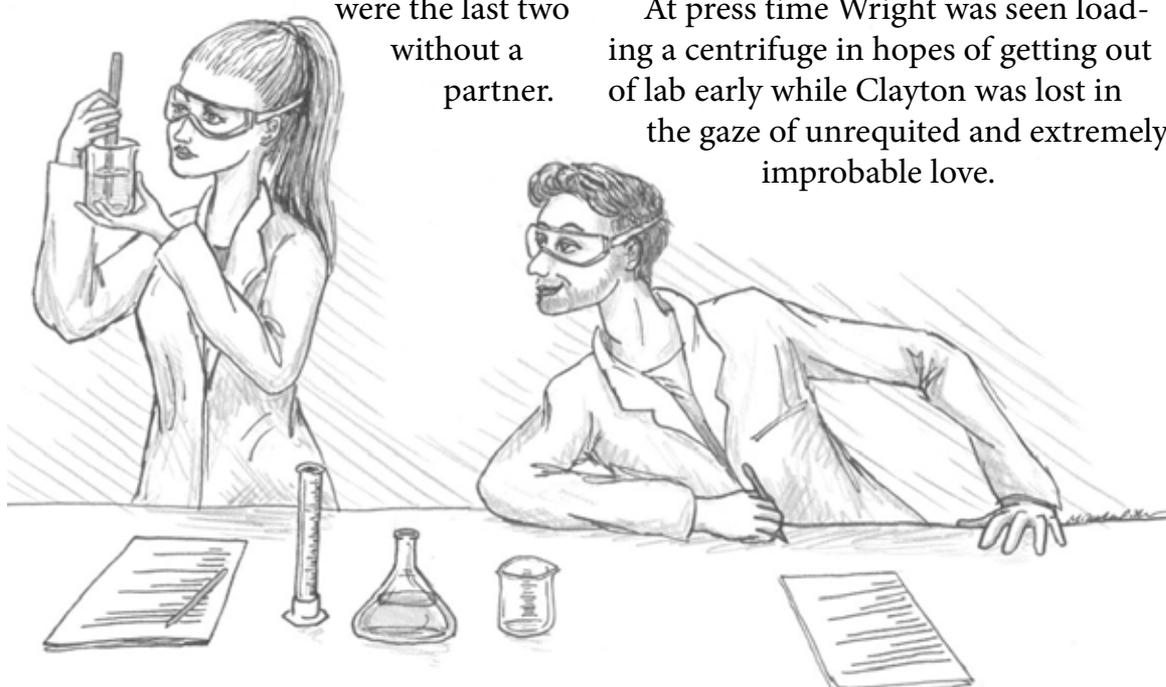
were the last two without a partner.

"We're just so perfect for each other. I mean, we're both freshman, we're both in this chemistry class and she's super hot. Plus, I can tell she's really into me," Clayton said.

Wright was not as certain about her future with Clayton, having repeatedly asked others in the lab section to switch partners and even inquiring with her advisor about changing her schedule.

"Eugene who? Oh, you mean that creepy guy in my chem lab? He's so annoying. He never does any of the work and just stares at me while he talks about how much he can dead lift. I don't know or even care what that means, but every lab takes forever because of him," Wright said.

At press time Wright was seen loading a centrifuge in hopes of getting out of lab early while Clayton was lost in the gaze of unrequited and extremely improbable love.



The Tire Fire was renewed for season two for some reason, so let us know how it could be improved! Email us critiques, story suggestions or tasteful nudes at fsutirefire@gmail.com.

Horror-scopes



Aries: March 21-April 19

You might as well eat that extra slice of cake. You're going to Hell for your unholy ways anyway. If you're going down, you should go down happy, tubby.



Taurus: April 20-May 20

Your mom will soon marry a homeless man with no teeth. Wait, maybe your mom IS a homeless man with no teeth. The stars are kind of uncertain there.



Gemini: May 21-June 20

Gemini is the star sign of the twins, so it's reasonable for you to wonder why you don't have one. It's because you ate him in the womb. Turns out, you were a horrible person from the start.



Cancer: June 21-July 22

Your parents only sent you away to college so they could have sex in your old room.



Leo: July 23-Aug. 22

All of your friends from high school are getting married or moving into their own house and you're sitting around reading this shit. Nice life choices, champ.



Virgo: Aug. 23-Sept. 22

He's not going to call.



Libra: Sept. 23-Oct.22

He is going to call! And by "he," the stars mean the murderer. OH GOD HE'S CALLING FROM INSIDE THE HOUSE!



Scorpio: Oct. 23-Nov.21

Now is a good time to let go of the past and leave your regrets behind. You'll soon make plenty of other horrible decisions to dwell on.



Sagittarius: Nov.22-Dec. 21

The emergence of Jupiter in your system suggests that you'll get more stupider, whereas your peers will go to college to get more knowledge.



Capricorn: Dec. 22-Jan.19

You will enjoy a rich and rewarding sex life with the partner of your dreams. Though, neither of you will enjoy it as much as the guy across the street who owns a pair of binoculars.



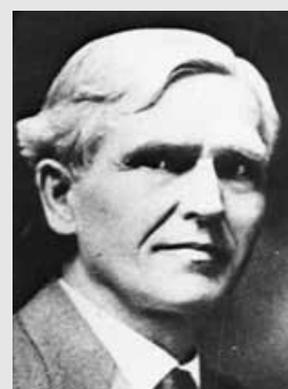
Aquarius: Jan. 20-Feb. 18

Keep your drink covered next time you're out partying. Not because you're going to get drugged, but because the common cold knows no mercy.



Pisces: Feb. 19-March 20

Your girlfriend's ex has a way bigger penis than you. She doesn't miss him but she does miss it.



Ask Woodbridge

Submit questions to fsutirefire@gmail.com for a chance to see Woodbridge N. Ferris give you personalized advice.

"I really like this guy, but he has a girlfriend. We are totally perfect together. Our horoscopes match, we like all the same stuff, etc. I have a huge crush on this guy, and I really want to be with him. He could totally be the one. How do I get this other girl out of the way?"

- Crazy in Love

Okay, well obviously you are crazy. Rule number one: guy has a girlfriend, it's not gonna happen. Unless he's a total douche bag and cheats on her. Either way, give up girl and get on some chill pills.

Of course, if they were to break up because there were horrible rumors of one cheating on the other, or even a tragic accident happened to the girl and you were there to pick up the pieces... well those circumstances are out of your control. You were just the loving and supportive girl who was there for him.

If you know what I mean.

- Woodbridge

"I found out my best friend from childhood has actually been lying about me behind my back to a guy I like that she introduced me to, and now he and all of his friends don't talk to me or hang out anymore. She denied saying anything when I confronted her and said she's still my 'sister,' but I don't trust her anymore. What do I do, Woodbridge?"

- One Lestie Bestie

First off, dump that bitch's ass. If you can't trust her, she's obviously not a friend. Go with your gut. Don't put up with two-faced chronic liars, you don't need that kind of negativity in your life. This girl probably has a thing for that guy and was super insecure and saw you as a threat.

As for the guy, he's stupid. If he couldn't see through your former friend's bullshit and see you for you, he's not worth your time. He'll probably end up alone the rest of his life anyway if this girl keeps sabotaging anyone else's chance because she's jealous.

You do you, boo-boo. You're a strong, independent woman who don't need no man. Karma will bite them in the butts one day. Of course, sometimes one does have to give karma a head-start.

- Woodbridge

"There's this guy in my FSUS class that I'm totally crushing on. How do I—"

- Nervous Nancy

SHUT UP. This is not a real problem. I'm done answering this question.

- Woodbridge

Lol, oops

Ferris official admits to huge mistake

Angela Chart
Whistleblower

As we all know by the giant blank spot left on Ferris State's southern landscape, the South Campus Apartments have been utterly demolished and their rubble removed. Apparently, these were supposed to remain standing.

Oops.

"Actually," said Ferris State Office of Demolition Chairman Stanley Mao, "it was supposed to be the East Campus Suites that were scheduled for a tear-down. This was an error on the part of the construction workers who couldn't read a damn compass."

One worker present refuted this claim wholeheartedly.

"That's utter bull," said construction foreman Red Penssil. "Not only did the compasses not work properly, but upon further analysis, they weren't even compasses but rather drawings of compasses made in crayon."

According to Mao, this additional error was again the fault of the workers.

"They couldn't tell the difference between a compass and a child's drawing?" Mao said. "What is this world coming to? We hired what we thought were the best and brightest in their trade. They had awesome reviews. We were once again entirely let down by Yelp."

Mao's disappointment with the contractors may have stemmed from their lack of experience.

"We're not even on Yelp," Penssil said. "We're high school students. I'm 16 years old. I have absolutely no experience in construction or demolition. Mao paid us in FLITE library credits."

Mao did not deny these allegations.

"Actually, I can't believe that ploy worked," Mao said. "There's no such thing as library credits. Checking books out is free. Ha. Idiots."

News of East Campus Suites' destruction came as a surprise to many as the complex is not even five years old.

"We have to tear it down because it's the wrong color," Mao said. "The original plans called for something more of a mauve-ish beige. What was erected simply does not gel with the surrounding buildings. Plus, it's about six inches too far to the left."

East Campus Suites is scheduled, again, for a late November demolition, followed by further demolitions of the following structures:

- The Swan building
- Vandercook Hall
- The University Center
- The Music Center
- Cramer Hall
- At least two Subway restaurants
- The Muskegon River.

As for anybody occupying the previously listed facilities, Mao was vague about their future.

"Fuck 'em," Mao said.



#BringBrutusBack

Ferris mascot loses Bulldog costume in drunken stupor

Frank Furder
Luchador

Many Ferris students may have noticed a recent absence of the school's mascot, Brutus.

Instead of being stalked by Brutus, Bulldog fans have been followed around at sporting events by Brutus' uglier, scarier-than-hell cousin, Rufus. The big, blue-eyed Bulldog, that seemed to have hit every branch on his fall down the ugly tree, had replaced Brutus before the beloved mascot returned from a long hiatus at the homecoming football game against Ashland last Saturday.

What many don't know though, is that the hiatus which triggered the social media centered campaign #BringBrutusBack was a marketing scheme that kind of happened by accident.

"Honestly, I just got trashed after a long day of being trapped in that sweaty costume and got so hammered that I misplaced the whole costume, except for the tail, which was the only thing that I was wearing when I woke up from my night out," said the person inside the Brutus costume, whose real name has never been released out of customary mascot tradition.

The mascot said that he was floating down the river doing beer bongs all day and forgot that he had to work an event for incoming freshman. He put on his costume and made his way to the event, but went to a local bar when he was done working still wearing his costume.

"Basically what happened is that I

bet my buddy \$20 that I could take five straight tequila shots without puking. The last thing I remember was him telling me that I was a dumbass and slapped \$20 into my hands. Next thing I know, I wake up and the whole suit is gone. I'm just glad I found it under my bed before homecoming," said the mascot.

Luckily enough for the person beneath the Brutus suit, after walking into work with their tail between their legs and begging for forgiveness, they were told that everything was all right and that school administrators would use the missing costume as a marketing scheme to gain followers on social media.

Many Ferris-related social media accounts used the hashtag, "#BringBrutusBack" in hopes to gain more traction on the social media game and get as many favorites and retweets as possible in order to satisfy their constant need for acceptance from their followers.

One account owner said, "I tweeted something with the #BringBrutusBack hashtag and got like six retweets and 15 favorites which is, like, the most I've, like, ever gotten. I've never before felt so loved. I honestly cried a little."

Ferris twitter accounts that used the hashtag gained an average of four followers per account, which in the grand scheme of things isn't jack-shit, but to some people, those four followers can bring a lifetime of an overwhelming feeling of acceptance.

Pep in their step



Photo by: Aubrey Kemme | Multimedia Editor

The Ferris State hockey team will begin their season this Saturday against Alabama-Huntsville, but first, Ferris fans will be able to meet the team at a pep rally on Thursday night at Wink Arena.

Ferris to hold hockey pep rally this Friday

Marshall Scheldt
Sports Editor

With the hockey season quickly approaching, some Ferris students are hosting a pep rally for the Bulldogs in preparation for their 2016-2017 campaign.

The idea came to fruition thanks to Ferris State communications professor Dr. Sandra Alspach and the Sports Careers registered student organization (RSO).

According to a press release from the Sports Careers RSO, headlining the pep rally will be Dr. Adam Earnhardt, an associate professor in the Department of Communication at Youngstown State University. Earnhardt has published numerous

research pieces and co-authored many books on the subject of sports fandom, including his most recent book that he co-wrote in 2015 called, “The ESPN Effect: Exploring the Worldwide Leader in Sports.”

During the pep rally, Earnhardt will be discussing the importance of fandom and the fan’s role in propelling their team to victory.

Students can expect to meet the hockey team, including head coach Bob Daniels, while also getting to know fellow Dawg Pound members and other fans, including new Dawg Pound leader, Alex Colville.

Colville, a Ferris secondary education senior said, “I’m excited to hear [Earnhardt]. I really want to learn how to connect with the student section, so hopefully

he’ll give me some insight on how to do it properly.”

Colville will also be doing some speaking of his own at the pep rally.

“I’m going to run down all of the chants and how the game goes and everything so that these freshmen coming in don’t feel like freshmen anymore, they feel like part of a greater student section,” Colville said.

Colville also said that there will be a lot of changes this upcoming season as well.

Ferris sports communication senior and Sports Careers RSO member Alex Freeman is helping run the rally with Dr. Alspach and other RSO members.

“Back in the day, there was a gathering for the Dawg Pound to come pick up their Dawg Pound shirts, and they did

something kind of similar to this that disappeared in the last year so we wanted to recreate this and get them all together to get their shirts and meet the team,” Freeman said.

The pep rally is open to all Ferris students and the Big Rapids community as well. Current season ticket holders and Dawg Pound members are encouraged to come and cheer on the Bulldogs while they get ready for their season opener at Ewigleben Ice Arena against Alabama-Huntsville Saturday, Oct. 1.

The pep rally is free and open to the public. It will take place this Thursday, Sept. 29 in Wink Arena from 7:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

FERRIS FANTASY FOOTBALL

While the Ferris State football team were handed their first loss of the season, and their first in 29 regular season games, I was handed my first loss to the Bulldogs in this week's edition of Ferris Fantasy Football.

While the No. 7 ranked Bulldogs were downed by No. 5 Ashland 39-31, I was taken down by the Bulldogs 81.5 to 75, putting me at 2-1 in the fantasy football season. If it weren't for Jordy Nelson, it wouldn't have even been close, but thanks to his two touchdowns and 100 plus yard receiving day, I made it respectable.

Although Reggie Bell didn't have any touchdowns, he made a big impact on the game with 395 all-purpose yards, combined with his 21 pass completions, he led the Bulldogs with 27 fantasy points

Hopefully next week will be better for both of us and we can add another tally to the win column.

Here's my lineup for next week, we can see how Team *Torch* will compete with the Bulldogs as they travel to Ohio to take on Findlay Saturday, Oct. 1, at 7 p.m.

QB: Drew Brees, New Orleans Saints: Brees and the Saints live to throw the ball, and against a weak San Diego defense, I think he'll make a fool of the Chargers secondary. Bold prediction: he'll throw plenty of touchdowns, maybe even five.

RB: Le'Veon Bell, Pittsburgh Steelers: Bell is one of the most versatile backs in the NFL, able to run over or around defenders and catch passes out of the backfield. He'll be playing in his first game of the year against the Chiefs in week four after returning from a suspension.



Marshall Scheldt
Sports Editor

Le'Veon Bell with fresh legs is scary for any opposing defense.

WR1: Brandin Cooks, New Orleans Saints: Once again, I'm doubling up on the quarterback and wide receiver connection. Cooks is one of Brees' favorite targets and he is fast, fast, fast. Expect a couple big plays from him next week and a lot of catches.

WR2: Doug Baldwin, Seattle Seahawks: Baldwin is a threat every time he steps on the field. Seahawks quarterback Russell Wilson loves looking his way too, and lightning-quick Baldwin will likely be head-to-head with the Jets' Darrelle Revis, who seems to have lost a couple steps in the past season.

FLEX: Cole Beasley, Dallas Cowboys: Beasley has emerged as rookie quarterback Dak Prescott's favorite receiver, despite having standout Dez Bryant at wide out. Beasley averages just under seven receptions a game, and if he can find one of those in the end zone he's up for a big day.

D/ST: Houston Texans: The Texans got handled last week but I see them coming back strong against a poor Titans offense this week.

K: Adam Vinatieri, Indianapolis Colts: Vinatieri is a Hall of Famer and it's pretty obvious when he stands behind a kick that the ball is going to sail through the uprights much more often than not when coming off Vinatieri's foot.

TEAM TORCH BOX SCORE

Starters

Position	Player	Stats	Pts
QB	Philip Rivers	26 COMPLETIONS, 330 YDS, FUMBLE	16
RB	DeAngelo Williams	4 REC, 44 TOTAL YDS	6
WR1	Jordy Nelson	6 REC, 101 YDS, 2 TD	25
WR2	Stefon Diggs	4 REC, 40 YDS	6
FLEX	Travis Benjamin	4 REC, 82 YDS	8
D/ST	Tampa Bay Buccaneers	37 PA, INT, FR, TD	8
K	Cairo Santos	FG, 3XMP	6
Total:			75

FERRIS STATE BOX SCORE

Starters

Position	Player	Stats	Pts
QB	Reggie Bell	21 COMPLETIONS, 395 TOTAL YDS	27
RB	Jahaan Brown	2 REC, 132 TOTAL YDS, TD	20
WR1	Shakur Sanders	6 REC, 97 YDS	12
WR2	Jajuan Pollock	3 REC, 27 TOTAL YDS, TD	9.5
FLEX	Robert Thomas	22 YDS, TD	8
D/ST	Ferris State	39 PA, 474 YA, INT, 2 SACKS	-2
K	Wyatt Ford	FG, 4 XPM	7
Total:			81.5

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One lucky Dawg

Ferris hockey player gives away season tickets to fortunate fan

Cody Burkhard

Torch Reporter

Ferris hockey senior Chad McDonald picked up the tab for one lucky current student season ticket holder. McDonald, a forward on the Bulldog roster, wanted to give back to the Ferris student section, the Dawg Pound.

"My parents raised me to give back to a community that means so much to you," McDonald said. "Ferris hockey isn't special without the Dawg Pound. This is a thank you to give back to them for all the memories."

The winner of the giveaway was Ferris hospitality management junior Luke Pattison. Pattison is an avid hockey fan who has been a Ferris season ticket holder since his freshman year.

Pattison first learned about winning from his friends texting him congratulations. Afterward, he saw an email from athletic communications associate and voice of Ferris hockey, Jared Shafran.

Pattison had already made plans to buy tickets next year so he wants to pay it forward.

"I emailed Jerad about paying the \$99 to continue the giveaway. I don't care if they keep it in Chad's name or someone else's but it would be awesome to be a part of it," Pattison said.

Pattison has not gotten any confirmation on his idea but he said Ferris hockey might have plans to continue the giveaway regardless.

This year's giveaway started with McDonald talking with the ticket office staff. He was informed there were some tickets that were left to be sold. He decided this was a great chance to follow through on what his parents taught him, so he paid for the season tickets.

This giveaway gave Pattison an opportunity to continue being a member of the Dawg Pound, but it may also ensure more future Dawg Pound members so they're as rowdy and excited as ever. That same rowdy and excited energy from the stands translates to the ice.

McDonald said, "I know I speak on behalf of all the seniors

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TICKETS

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Photo courtesy of Ferris Athletics

Ferris junior Luke Pattison poses with his free season tickets.

and guys that have been here but [the Dawg Pound] brings a whole different element that's irreplaceable. Without them, we wouldn't be where we're at."

Backed by the Dawg Pound, Ferris hockey has been a successful program during McDonald's tenure. During that time, Ferris made a final eight appearance and has won a Western Collegiate Hockey Association (WCHA) title. This year, McDonald expects more of the same despite losing key players like Kyle Schempp and Simon Denis.

Last year, McDonald had a career high in goals, assists and points with 10, 15 and 25 respectively. The Bulldogs will need more of the same from him this year. Regardless of how he or the team performs, they will be backed by the Dawg Pound plus one more lucky Dawg that won the tickets from McDonald.

McDonald said, "If a little ticket giveaway that I can do is enough to show my appreciation, that's great. There's not going to be enough I can do to show them what they've given us."

Though the giveaway ended on Wednesday, Sept. 21, student season and game tickets will still be available.

The Bulldogs athletics ticket office is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on weekdays and starting at noon on Saturday game days. Tickets can be purchased from the ticket office or by calling Startickets at 1-(800)-585-3737 if you'd like to purchase over the phone.

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FERRIS STATE UNIVERSITY

UPCOMING HOME ATHLETIC EVENTS

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September

30 - Women's Soccer vs Ashland

3:00PM

October

1 - Men's Ice Hockey vs Alabama-Huntsville

5:07PM

2 - Women's Soccer vs Tiffin

12:00PM

2 - Men's Ice Hockey vs Alabama-Huntsville

3:07PM

6 - Men's Ice Hockey vs Western Michigan

7:07PM

7 - Women's Volleyball vs Ashland

5:00PM

7 - Men's Ice Hockey vs Western Michigan

7:00PM

8 - Women's Volleyball vs Tiffin

3:00PM

14 - Women's Soccer vs Findlay

12:00PM

15 - Women's Tennis vs Ashland

10:00AM

15 - Football vs Northern Michigan

1:00PM

15 - Men's Ice Hockey vs Michigan

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Sports Shorts

By Johnathon Gustin - Torch Reporter

Ferris men's tennis dominates Bulldog Invitational

Ferris hosted its annual Bulldog Invitational on Friday, Sept. 23, and Saturday, Sept. 24, for the men's tennis team. The Bulldogs won 34 out of 36 matches during the two-day span in singles play. The competing players came from Hillsdale College and Lake Superior State University. In doubles play, Ferris won 10 out of the 15 matches played. All losses in doubles play came against Hillsdale College. The invitational closed the Ferris men's team fall season and they will resume play on Friday, Feb. 17, 2017, at Davenport University.

Women's volleyball sweep weekend

With three games in two days, the Lady Bulldogs took care of business at home Friday, Sept. 23, and then on the road Saturday, Sept. 24. On Friday, the women's volleyball team defeated Walsh 3-0 in Big Rapids. Saturday, Ferris faced off against Olivet Nazarene University in the first of two matches they played that day at Davenport University in Grand Rapids. Against Olivet Nazarene, the Lady Bulldogs won 3-0 and were led by freshman outside hitter Allyson Cappel who had 15 kills. The second match for Ferris was against the Davenport Panthers. Ferris muzzled the Panthers and won 3-1 off another strong showing by Cappel, who had 22 kills in that match. The other top scorer on the day was junior Ayanna Buckley who had 17 kills in the two games combined. The next two home games for the women's volleyball team are Friday, Oct. 8, at 5 p.m. against Ashland University and Saturday, Oct. 8, against Tiffin University at 3 p.m.

Women's soccer end weekend on hard-fought tie

The Ferris women's soccer team traveled up to the Upper Peninsula this weekend to face GLIAC foes Michigan Tech and Northern Michigan. On Friday, Sept. 23, the Bulldogs fell 1-0 to Michigan Tech in Houghton. Ferris goalie Nyla Peterkins saved five out of the six shot attempts on goal in 90 minutes of play. In game two for the weekend, the Bulldogs faced off against the Northern Michigan Huskies on Sunday, Sept. 25, that ended in a 1-1 draw after two overtimes that resulted in 110 minutes played. Ferris' lone goal came from freshman forward Brandi Wagner at 2:31 into the match. NMU's Aimee Colla then scored at 76:56 off her teammate Hollie Koning's assist. Ferris women's soccer team is now 2-5-1 and next plays at home Friday, Sept. 30, at 3 p.m. and Sunday, Oct. 2, at noon. Both games will take place at Top Taggart Field.



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Cody Burkhard

Torch Reporter

Till von Winning is winning on the court and in the press as this week's Top Dawg. The German-born sophomore tennis player went undefeated at the Bulldog Invitational this weekend in No. 1 singles and No. 1 doubles action.

Winning won his first singles match in straight sets then his next match in a hard fought battle by a score

of 6-1 and 7-5. Winning teamed with sophomore Steward Sell to win three doubles matches by scores of 8-3, 8-0 and 8-3.

Winning was one of many Bulldogs with outstanding performances in their final showing of the fall season. Overall, Ferris went 34-4 in singles action. Performing in the top flight, Winning shined a little brighter than the rest.

The Ferris men's tennis team will resume play in late February when the Bulldog tennis squad will look to continue the fall's success.

Volleyball win streak



Photo by: Aubrey Kemme | Multimedia Editor

After a tough start to the 2016-2017 season, the Ferris State volleyball team is catching traction with four straight wins and stands at 8-5 overall.

Brendan Samuels

Torch Reporter

The Ferris State volleyball team is confident and it shows as they have clawed their way to an 8-5 record to start the season.

The Bulldogs came into the season hoping to not only repeat the success they had last year, but build team chemistry. In 2015, the volleyball team posted a 33-3 record and absolutely dominated the Great Lakes Intercollegiate Conference (GLIAC) division with a record of 17-1. However, repeating their success in 2016 didn't appear to be as easy after losing four key players including outside hitter Megan Vander Meer.

After struggling earlier in the season, it seems they have finally found their rhythm as the Bulldogs are in the midst of a four game winning streak. Head coach

Tia Brandel-Wilhelm has done a great job of rolling with the punches as her team is 2-1 in division play.



Tia Brandel-Wilhelm

"We just try to get better each and every day," Brandel-Wilhelm said. "The team has been working very hard to improve and is focused on competing in every match. In order to continue our recent success, we need to continue to communicate well and adapt to everything the opponent throws at us."

With a team that looks to be coming together quite nicely, it's hard to find many flaws in their play. In fact, it seems the scariest thing for Ferris opponents is that the FSU volleyball team can only get better and senior setter Jenna Way knows it.

"We have a lot of room to grow," Way said. "We haven't reached our peak as a

team yet, but as long as we continue to prepare ourselves through film sessions and practice, we should peak at the end of the season when it matters most."

For any team, reaching a peak can spell bad news for their opponent. If the Bulldog volleyball team can reach their peak come tournament time, they could be competing yet again for a GLIAC title.



Jenna Way

With four consecutive matches against conference opponents lined up, the Bulldogs will need to fight for wins in order to stay competitive within the division.

The Ferris State Bulldog volleyball team will look to continue improving as they take on Lake Erie Friday, Sept. 30 at 7 p.m. in Plainville, Ohio.

HOCKEY PREVIEW

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Mayhew. Mayhew was also selected as the 2016-17 Preseason Player of the Year for the WCHA. Sophomore forward Corey Mackin is also returning for the Bulldogs, a man who won the WCHA Rookie of the Year award last season.

Another huge part of the Dawgs' first ever WCHA Tournament Championship last year was sophomore goaltender Darren Smith. Last year as a freshman, Smith came in early on and was later determined to be the 2015-16 best rookie goaltender in the nation according to College Hockey News. He was also named MVP of the WCHA Tournament last season. Smith talked about how this year's team is a tightknit Bulldog crew.

"We are a pretty close team, we spend almost every day together, all the guys get along really well and I believe it has always been like that in previous years," Smith said. "The coaches do a great job of recruiting guys that are not only talented players, but also good teammates."

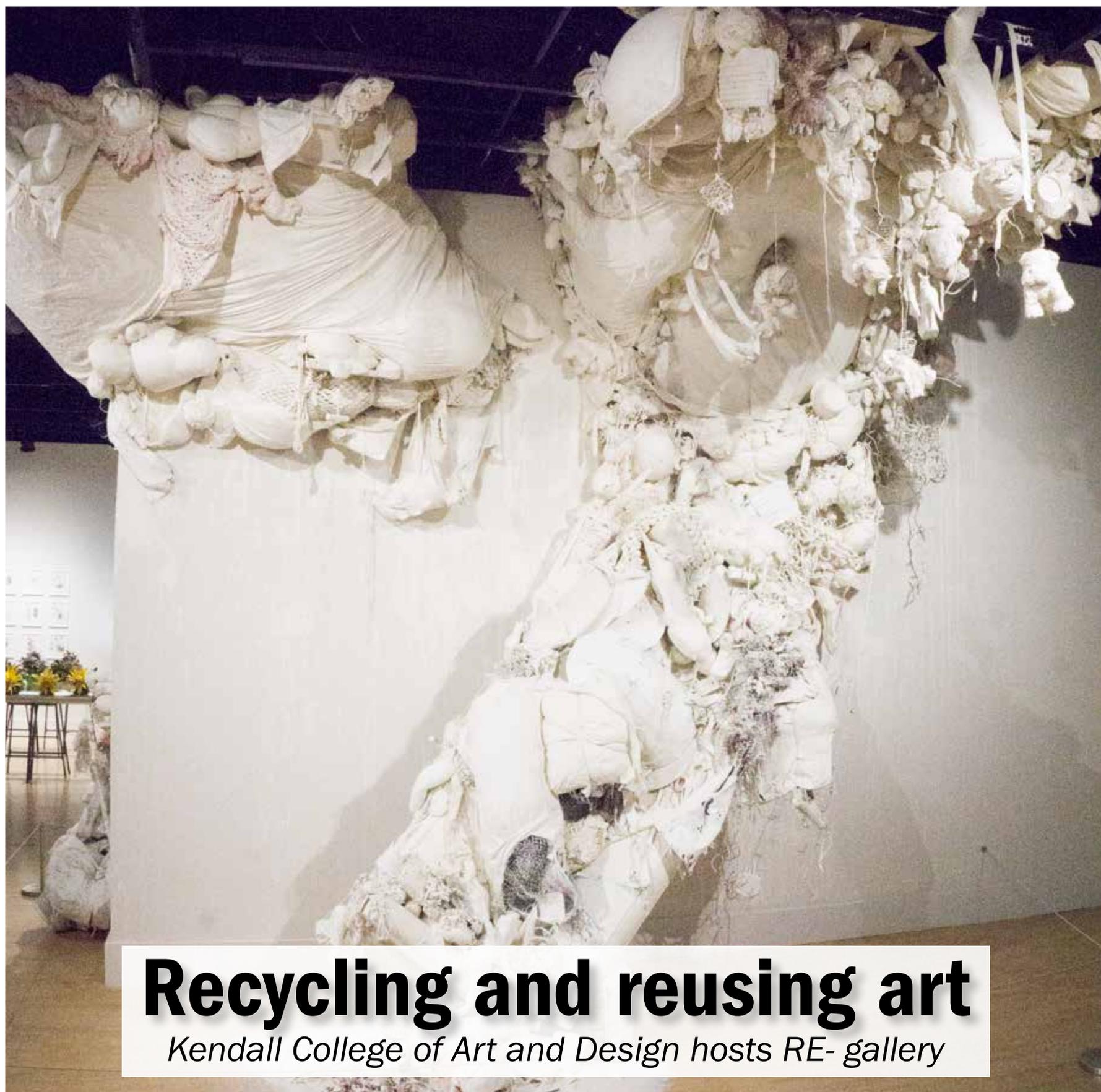
Last year Smith totaled 836 saves, 585 of those coming in conference.

"You can see it translate on the ice, it helps the chemistry throughout the lines," said Smith. "The guys are having fun playing together and it makes us want to come to the rink every day and work hard."

As for the man with the best record in Ferris history, Head Coach Bob Daniels will be heading into his 25th season with the Dawgs. Daniels' name alone is a big contributor to the great recruits that Ferris State continues to gather, and Dorantes elaborated on that.

"His teams always have a tough edge to them and I think our style of play doesn't resonate well with other teams," said Dorantes of Daniels. "His teams are always good at the simple details such as being the hardest working team on the ice, finishing checks, and making tape to tape passes. Personally, he has taught me to play with pace, always keeping my feet moving, and he has pushed me to shoot the puck in the offensive zone."

The Ferris State Bulldog hockey team is finally back in action on Saturday, Oct. 1 with a hungry group of guys. The Dawgs will be taking on Alabama-Huntsville, a team that the Dawgs went 1-0-1 against last season, at 5:07 p.m. in Big Rapids in Ewigleben Ice Arena.



Recycling and reusing art

Kendall College of Art and Design hosts RE- gallery

Photo by: Nick Vander Wulp | Lifestyles Editor

Rising to the ceiling like a forming cloud of plaster and discarded household items, the sculpture “Cumulus” is hosted inside the Woodbridge N. Ferris Building of Kendall College of Art and Design.

Nick Vander Wulp
Lifestyles Editor

ArtPrize has begun in Grand Rapids, and Kendall College of Art and Design (KCAD) is hosting a gallery focused on sustainability and reusing materials rather than discarding them.

Michele Bosak, KCAD Curator of Exhibitions, explained in her curator statement that the gallery is meant to “broaden current notions of reclaiming, conserving and sustaining.”

The gallery’s exhibits featured the theme of conservation and reuse in some unique way, by either pointing out how our food has become genetically modified or by making music with junk. None of the works on display in the gallery were by KCAD students but by 10 local and national artists.

Tucked in the corner of the gallery near the entrance is the “Magnetosphere.” It’s one piece made up of multiple objects emitting sound to produce a song when the pieces are activated according to the tempo and notes.

“This piece by Matthew Steinke is all electromagnets

that are pulsing through different objects. So we have barrels, keyboards and tin cans that make different sounds,” said KCAD digital illustration senior, Logan Matthew.

The “Plantbot” exhibit, by artists Wendy DesChene and Jeff Schmuki, is like walking into a greenhouse with a row of plants that dominates the center of the room. Along the sides are jars with plants and electronics that make the plants sing. On the far end of the room are more plants that sing and dance when a button is pressed.

“The ‘Plantbot’ is a comment on working with nature and technology, and it’s also getting at genetically modified organisms,” Matthew said.

“The exhibit gets at where food is sourced from and that genetically modified organisms (GMOs) are something being utilized in our food chain,” said KCAD medical illustration junior, Sarah Gautraud.

Exiting from the dancing plants and back into the corridor there are two exhibits; one on the left and the other on the right. To the right, back toward the entrance is “Artifacts from the Future” and “Binomial Nomenclature” is at the end of the corridor.

On the other side of the hall is a larger room with a

large sculpture called “Cumulus” by Daniel Bare; it’s made out of various household objects running from the floor to the ceiling that have been plastered together.

“That sculpture is actually all recycled Goodwill products that we got since KCAD partnered with them for this exhibit,” Matthew said. “The whole gallery is about reuse, and trying to repurpose things that would typically be wasted.”

“Some students are going to reuse the plaster once it’s taken down for impressions and patterns, so none of it is going to be thrown away but reused,” Gautraud added.

On the south end of the room is a roped off area where artists will be working throughout the week on a project called “Yardage” by artist Mark Rumsey.

“Students from our fashion program are going to make garments out of what they have as to not waste any of the material. They don’t throw away the scraps as they make their pieces,” Gautraud said.

“Everything has a purpose is basically the moral of the story,” Matthew said.

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Lit at sundown

Outdoor concert at Oakwood a success

Travis Sacher

Torch Reporter

A night of music lit up the back quad of Oakwood on Friday Sept. 23, with the help of light and sound provided by CHoFF Entertainment.

The outdoor concert was created and organized for the purpose of Ferris artists performing their music outside as the summer has finally come to a close.

Ferris public relations senior Christian Hoffer called Sundown a “forward thinking multi-genre musical extravaganza to showcase the hard work students put into their music.”

The night formally kicked off at 6 p.m. with Duke “Twenty” Talley and his hometown collaborator PMoe on a makeshift stage of wooden pallets. DJ CHoFF mixed the beats on his own setup atop the backdoor porch. The crowd gradually increased as Twenty performed seven tracks from his recently released mixtape, “Cool Is Kept,” without taking a breath.

“I loved it. I loved the rush,” Talley said as he came off the stage with a smile.

Next up was energetic rapper and Ferris student Denerro Thornton, known as Toronto Young. Toronto Young’s charisma on stage was undeniable. One of the most intriguing parts of the whole show was just watching the speed he had in the release of his vocals.

Ferris alternative rock band City Sun followed Toronto Young. City Sun is led by front man Devin Vargo, with Patrick Cunningham on bass, Nathan Seifferly on drums and recent addition Steve Rhein contributing rhythm guitar.

Trademark City Sun cover tracks included “Your Graduation” by Modern Baseball and “Laugh Till I Cry” by The Front Bottoms. They also performed “Closer” by rising DJ duo The Chainsmokers.

City Sun closed with a cover of “All These Things That I’ve Done” by The Killers. This was a great way to finish out their set and much of the crowd sang

along, especially to the repeated line, “I got soul, but I’m not a soldier.”

“Sitting on the second story windowsill during all these things was my favorite moment of the set,” Vargo said. He added, “When I look at someone in the eyes and see them singing along with me, it is the greatest possible feeling for me.”

Recent music industry management graduate and rapper Oseia Blanding “OSHEA” Davaun made his Ferris return and closed out Sundown while CHoFF assisted with the beats and backing vocals. The lights were on as the sun set and the crowd was at its largest. OSHEA’s next album, “Motor City Rose,” is to be released Wednesday, Sept. 28, and he unveiled it Friday night including the single “Night on Pelkey St.”—a memory of a near-death experience when Blanding was nine years old.

“Pay attention to the story,” Blanding said. “I am a boy from Detroit surrounded by negativity. I chose to stay positive. I chose to go to college and get a degree.”

Blanding added, “The most important thing I want listeners to take away from the album is to feel the love.”

One of the most impressive moments of OSHEA’s set was an a cappella verse on police brutality, which ignited a certain feeling on the situation for listeners to want change.

According to Ferris music industry management and public relations junior Chandler Owen, OSHEA was her favorite artist of the night.

“He interacted with the audience very well. Also, OSHEA engaged women well and made them feel important,” Owen said.

Owen refers to Blanding leaving the stage to sing directly in front of fans as he distributed over a dozen red roses.

Ferris business administration junior Lindsey Meisel enjoyed this event for its personal nature and because it was completely organized by students, with no administration involvement.

“It was promoted by the students for the students. If you heard about it, you were there,” Meisel said.



Photo by: Aubrey Kemme | Multimedia Editor

Twenty and PMoe on stage during the Sundown show at Oakwood Apartments.

Street artist David Zinn

Presents Ferris with his illustration chalk art



Photo by: Aubrey Kemme | Multimedia Editor

David Zinn bends down to create an anamorphic figure he’s become known for on a piece of cracked pavement in downtown Big Rapids.

Tia-Jane’ Oakes

Torch Reporter

Street artist David Zinn displayed his 3-D chalk art to the participation and enjoyment of Ferris State and the community Thursday, Sept. 22, in the Ferris State University Fine Art Gallery.

There were 22 pieces of his art on display and for purchase throughout the gallery, including framed illustrations and urban chalk art.

“I would describe my work as childish

temporary street art,” Zinn said. “In a way it looks 3-D from one specific viewpoint; better known as anamorphic art.”

The Anamorphic art origins date back to the 15th century. It is characterized as art that has to be viewed from an unusual perspective, and gives the subject the appearance of standing, sitting or leaning.

“I’m the only person I know who draws small-scale anamorphic art,” Zinn said. “A lot of people come up to me and say, ‘Do you know how to make the sidewalks look like a huge tavern?’ and I tell them no

because it’s hard to improvise something huge.”

Zinn’s theme for his art is centered mostly around small animals and creatures—mice and frogs, for example.

Ferris communications freshman Taylor Wildeboer said it was her first time viewing sidewalk chalk art and she really enjoyed it.

“I’ve always been around art because my mom was painter. She used to go to people’s houses and paint murals on their walls,” Wildeboer said.

Wildeboer also said that she could see herself attending more art exhibits like Zinn’s because it’s a fun atmosphere.

Zinn’s presentation at the Ferris Fine Art Gallery was his first time having his work displayed in a formal setting.

“I prefer to do my art on the sidewalk then just walk away. This is a rare opportunity that Ferris State University has given me to actually put it on the wall and treat it with seriousness,” Zinn said.

For more information on David Zinn and his artwork, visit zinnart.com.



Photo by: Alexa Bourne | Torch Reporter

You Beautiful Black Woman president Taylor Williamson (left) and vice president Todd'Nita Taylor (right) host their vision board event in the common area of Merrill and Travis halls.

You Beautiful Black Woman

Promoting sisterhood and empowerment

Alexa Bourne
Torch Reporter

Working to empower women at Ferris State University for the last 10 years, You Beautiful Black Woman (YBBW) recently held an event to create personal vision boards and meet new students.

The organization grew out of an annual women's conference, according to Ferris graphic design junior and YBBW vice president, Todd'Nita Taylor. The group was formed to gain sisterhood, learn new things, build relationships and encourage campus involvement.

While the group is named 'You Beautiful Black Woman,' Taylor stressed that it is not just for women of African American descent but anyone who wants to join.

"My favorite part is learning about other people," said

Ferris business administration senior and YBBW president Taylor Williamson, who joined because a friend encouraged her to get involved. "When you get in the real world, you're going to work with different types of people. Being diverse and knowing how to adapt to those types of situations and teach others what I know about that is definitely a plus for me."

"Just being here helped me learn a lot of things, helped me grow as a person," Taylor said, who credits joining YBBW as the best decision she has made at Ferris. "I'm more comfortable with meeting new people, talking to strangers and just building relationships with people I probably would never have spoken to."

Both Taylor and Williamson credit YBBW for teaching them how to dress and act professionally, as well as learning how to network, compose professional communications and get involved.

"I feel like we can definitely teach people some things that they won't learn inside of a classroom," Williamson said. "In the classrooms you learn the book stuff, but they don't teach you how to work with someone that you may not like, they don't teach you how to put on an event or do something that you can actually use in the future; something you will use outside school or the classroom."

"It's an awesome learning experience," Taylor said. "You learn so many things, you meet so many people. The connections are awesome. You meet people with different majors, so you're building relationships with people that will help you in the future."

YBBW will host its fall informational Monday, Oct. 3, in FLITE 135 at 8 p.m., and its annual lock-in to support the fight against breast cancer from 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. Friday, Nov. 4, at the University Recreation Center.

Music on the Muskegon

Music Industry Management prepares for second year at Hemlock Park

Nick Vander Wulp
Lifestyles Editor

Rebooting this year's Music on the Muskegon, Ferris State University Music Industry Management students will be hosting bands, beer and activities for students and the community to enjoy.

"If you're a Ferris student, and need to meet a concert attendance requirement, go to Music on the Muskegon. It'll be a fun show, drink some beer and earn a couple concert credits," said Ferris music industry management senior Kat Cody.

For more information on Music on the Muskegon, visit facebook.com/musiconthemuskegon.

EVENT INFORMATION

Location: Hemlock Park

When: Oct. 16, 2016 at 12:00pm - 6:00pm

Bands: The Accidentals, An Dro, The Appleseed Collective, Pan Franek & the Polka Towners

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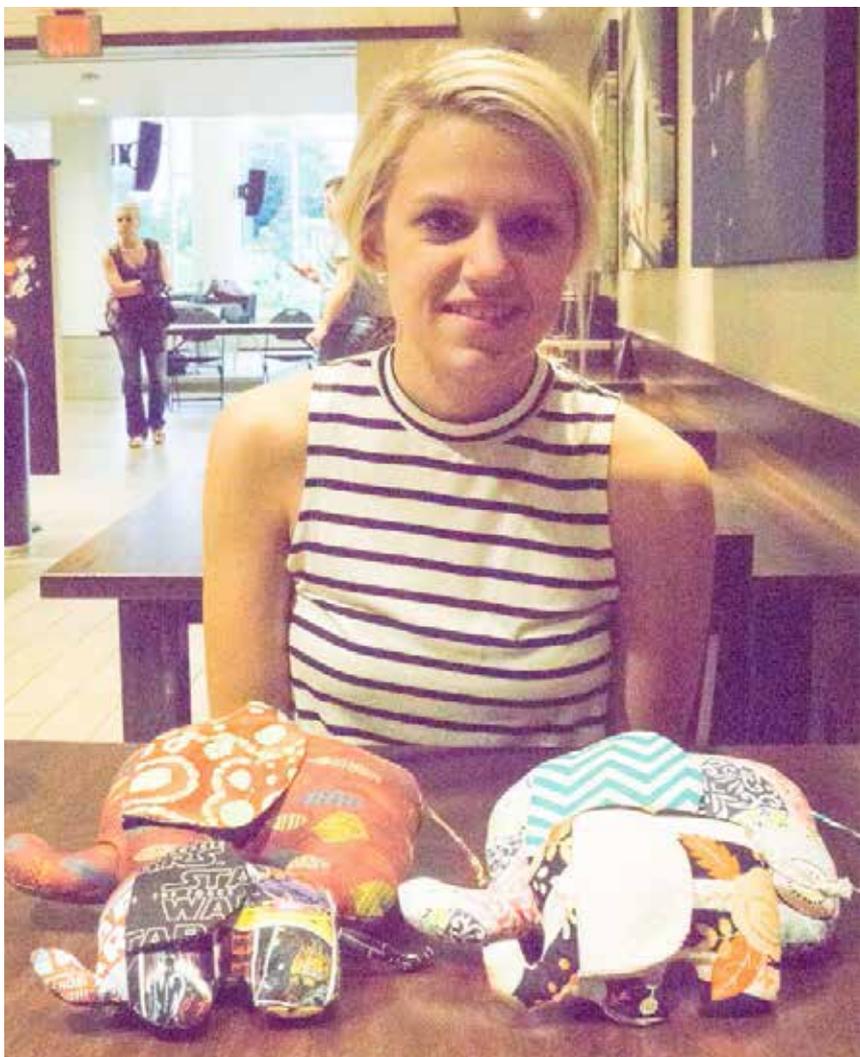


Photo by: Nick Vander Wulp | Lifestyles Editor

Ashley Modrzynski displays some stuffed elephants she crafts and donates to local hospitals.

Lucky strength elephants

Student donates stuffed animals to children

Nick Vander Wulp
Lifestyles Editor

Giving and donating takes many different forms, and one Ferris student has started her own philanthropic outreach to two children's hospitals in Michigan.

Ashley Modrzynski, a Ferris social work senior, has found a unique way to help kids who need blood drawn for different illnesses and conditions.

"I started sewing last year, and it was over the summer that I decided I wanted to do something different," Modrzynski said. "My grandma and I were browsing through Pinterest when we found this really cute pattern for an elephant. We made one for my cousin's baby, and when we started on it I thought, 'I can do so much more with this.'"

Modrzynski decided to make more elephants for sick children who have to get their blood drawn after thinking about what her sister had to go through.

"My sister, when she was about six, was sick with a blood disorder, and she had to go in for a poke every week to get her blood drawn," Modrzynski said. "Every time she got one done, she would get an animal, so I thought, 'How can I make it so people can purchase one and I can do something to give back?'"

Modrzynski did more research on branding, and found that elephants in different cultures mean luck and strength. Building on this, she named her line the 'Lucky Strength Elephant'.

Her main philanthropic efforts are focused on Helen DeVos Children's Hospital in Grand Rapids and Mott's Children's Hospital in Ann Arbor.

"I want to start local, and the reason I chose Helen DeVos Children's Hospital was because that's where my sister went, and it's more toward home for me," Modrzynski said. "Because Mott's is in Ann Arbor, and I have a store in Dundee, we figured more local for Dundee would make people more apt to buy them."

While she wants to expand into other hospitals, Modrzynski's plan is to donate around 50 elephants to each hospital before looking toward another market.

"Last week I set my goal at 20, and I had no idea that so many people would be so supportive," Modrzynski said. "That goal was blown away. I want to get to 50 or 60. I can donate to the Helen DeVos Children's Hospital, and I'll make those and start again."

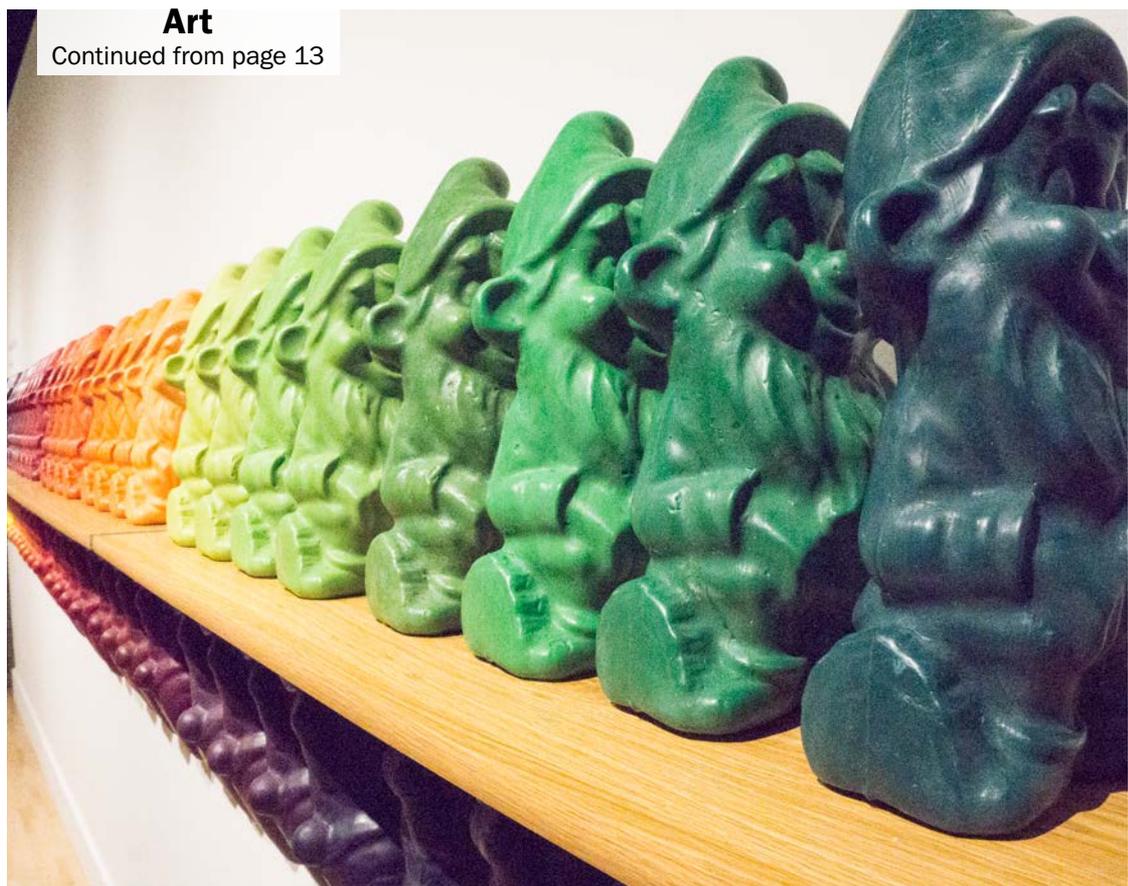
A small elephant can be bought for \$8 and a large one for \$12. They come in various prints for all children.

For more information about the Lucky Strength Elephants, visit etsy.com/shop/beyondthebowtique.



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Wendy DesChene and Jeff Schmucki's singing plants entertain in "Plantbot."

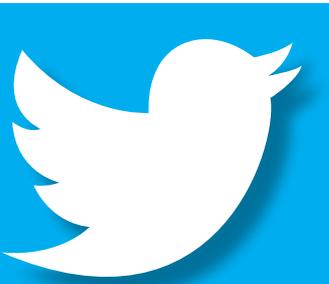


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"Binomial Nomenclature" by Michael Peoples uses a wax-casting process to make gnomes from recycled materials, creating a colorful commentary on systems of classification.



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Saturday, December 17, 2016

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