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ANOTHER YEAR, ANOTHER CHAMPIONSHIP

Bulldogs defeat Grand Valley for third year in a row, clinch GLIAC Championship outright

Cora Hall
Sports Editor

With 30 seconds left in the Anchor-Bone Classic, it was second down for Ferris, who led 21-16. Senior quarterback Travis Russell's knee touched the ground for a millisecond before he jumped in elation, having led his team to their second consecutive GLIAC Championship on Saturday, Nov. 9.

That, and they took down rival Grand Valley State University for the third year in a row in front of 7,948 fans. It wasn't necessarily a moment Russell expected to experience, coming back for his last year to start behind Harlon Hill winner Jayru Campbell. But with Campbell still out due to an ankle injury, the No. 2 nationally ranked Bulldogs were lucky to have the loyalty of Russell on their side.



Tony Annese

"He had the opportunity to play at a lot of different places and he said to me, 'Coach, I just can't leave my guys,'" head football coach Tony Annese said. "This is playing behind the returning Harlon Hill trophy winner and he obviously knows the circumstances, the realization that Jayru was here, and yet he still chose to come back."

The fact that Russell plays for Ferris against the team he grew up 10 minutes away from is ironic in his eyes. He remembers many Saturdays spent in Allendale with his dad watching the Lakers play. Today's win and the way they played, according to Russell, encompasses everything about why he stayed a Bulldog.



Travis Russell

"Just thinking about that last possession, the last run that it took for us to get the first down, just embodies our class and our five years here," Russell said. "We've just grinded, made no excuses, done a lot of things ahead of time we didn't want to do, and made a lot of sacrifices to put ourselves in this opportunity."

"To be able to celebrate that with our coaches, with that senior class and really our whole team, it's as good as I've felt in a long, long time."

Russell threw 14-for-30 and 287 yards with two touchdowns, one of them a 52-yarder to sophomore slot receiver Marcus Taylor. He also ran for 78 yards on 12 carries, leading the team in rushing. Annese has never doubted Russell's ability and said he could play him in any situation.

"He's the right guy every day," Annese said. "In every circumstance, there's never been a circumstance where I haven't found him to be the right guy."

The matchup was a surprisingly low scoring game, with the teams at a stalemate 0-0 until the end of the second quarter. A touchdown pass from Russell to sophomore

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Photo by: Cora Hall | Sports Editor

Senior quarterback Travis Russell runs the ball in Saturday's matchup against Grand Valley State University that resulted in a 21-16 win for Ferris.

When "OK" is not OK

Posters with a slogan tied to white supremacy were recently posted and then removed from Ferris' campus

Ry Rodriguez and Grant Siddall
Torch Reporter and News Editor

On the evening of Halloween, Ferris experienced unauthorized racially charged posters displayed around campus that read, "It's Okay to be White."

One professor took a picture of these posters and sent them to Ferris Professor of humanities Gary Huey who contacted the Torch.



Gary Huey

"I agree that it is white supremacist doing this, and they are trying to soften the message ... the [supremacists] think their rights are going away so that's why we saw these posted, I believe," Huey said.

Ferris professor as well as founder and director of Ferris' Jim Crow Museum of Racist Memorabilia David Pilgrim echoed Huey's comments about an attempt to soften the message of white supremacy being promoted by the posters.

"One of the things I learned early on [about the slogan 'It's OK to be white'] is that it was an attempt to provoke, but not in the usual way. By that I mean, if you have a Nazi flyer that's an obvious sort of white supremacist provocation. You see a Nazi flyer up and you ask yourself 'What's the community going to do in response to that?'" Pilgrim said.



David Pilgrim

Pilgrim said "It's Okay to be White" posters are more nuanced in their approach to promoting white supremacy than more direct messages such as

Nazi propaganda.

"The goal was that you'll put up a statement that in and of itself is innocent. It's obviously OK to be white, it's OK to be black, to be brown, whatever, and even though those of us who work in this area know that that's a slogan that was created — if not created certainly appropriated by — white supremacists groups, the casual person looking at it just thinks 'Yeah, what's wrong with that?'" Pilgrim said. "So the campaign to use that tries to play on the idea of 'We're going to provoke a response from a university where if they say this is racist and hate-driven then the casual person is going to say, 'oh my goodness, we've moved so far to the left in

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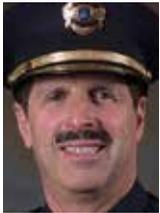
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Ignorance gets you towed

DPS instructs how students should park, especially in winter

Ry Rodriguez
Torch Reporter

Winter weather brings a variety of new parking challenges around campus, but Ferris' Department of Public Safety has some suggestions on how to avoid tickets.



Bruce Borkovich

"You must park within the lines of a designated parking space, or you could receive a ticket," Ferris' Director of Public Safety Bruce Borkovich said. "Of course, if the lines are snow covered, do your best to park where you think the lines would be. Obviously, based upon snow accumulations, it may be hard to see parking lines. Ferris does a great job of snow and ice removal, but there are going to be

storms that make the task very difficult."

One Ferris student felt particularly put off by this.

"I have a big truck, and if I missed the lines by a bit and I got a ticket, I'd be pretty damn pissed," Ferris construction management freshman Nick Adams said.

DPS recommends if any student has any mechanical problems with their cars to call them immediately to take care of the issue. DPS will offer students advice on what they can do with their cars if they are found to be broken down.

"If the battery needs to be jumped, our staff will come out and jump your car, so you can avoid paying for a jumpstart. If your vehicle is otherwise disabled, you must immediately make plans for repair or removal" Borkovich said.

If a student fails to communicate with DPS, they are subject for their vehicle to be towed from campus, and that can be a hefty fine.

On the other hand, there are other ways for student's cars to be towed from campus.

If a student finds themselves with six or more unpaid parking tickets, their vehicle is subject to be towed.

Another way to be ticketed or towed is if a student with a resident parking pass is not in their designated lot, or a

without a pass in the vehicle at all.

A way for a student to park their car in a different spot with no consequences is to park at a meter with time on it.

DPS released a reminder exclaiming how all vehicles need to vacate the commuter lots between the hours of 2 to

6 a.m. so the grounds crew can operate proper snow removal before classes start.

DPS stops ticketing meters weekdays at 5 p.m. at the University Center, Construction/HVAC building, and West Campus, but at The Rock Café DPS continues to ticket until 9 p.m. Monday to Thursday.

One Ferris student had their own opinion on the times of getting ticketed at The Rock Café.

"I don't think DPS should ticket the meters at the Rock past 8 p.m. because after

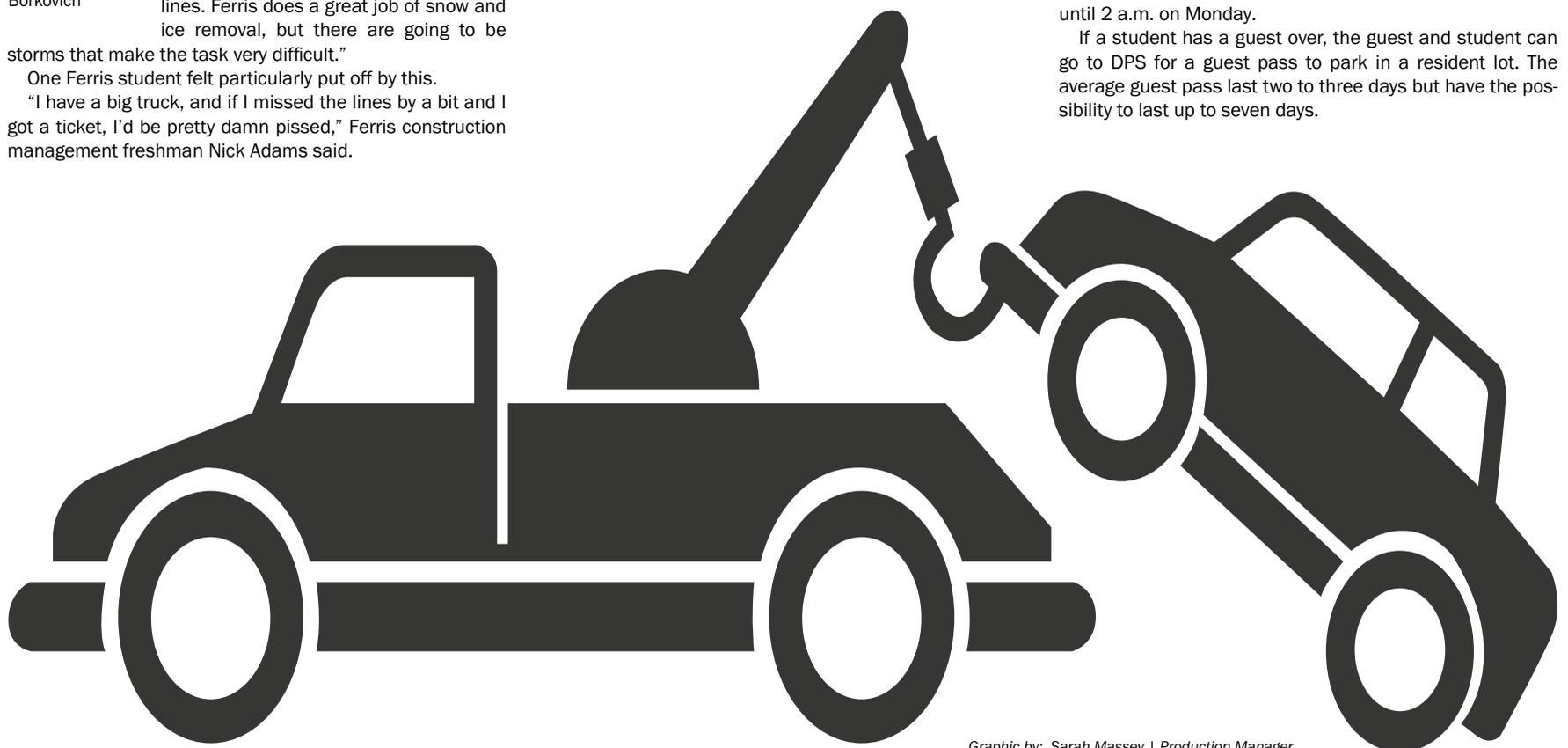
that it is late night food, and paying for a meter is not worth the food they serve there," Ferris accounting sophomore Adam Sinclair said.

DPS ceases ticketing parking citations at noon on Fridays, until 2 a.m. on Monday.

If a student has a guest over, the guest and student can go to DPS for a guest pass to park in a resident lot. The average guest pass last two to three days but have the possibility to last up to seven days.



Adam Sinclair



Graphic by: Sarah Massey | Production Manager

It's okay to be white

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this country that we can't even say it's OK to be white anymore without it sounding like hate speech,' and if you don't say something then it looks like you don't care about a welcoming and inclusive campus."



James Rudnicki

Pilgrim compared those who put up the posters to "internet trolls" trying to stir up trouble — but in real life — and he added that people shouldn't fall for the provocation and instead "say we recognize what you're

doing and here at Ferris we don't tolerate that but we're also not going to fall for [it]."

One student claimed feeling uneasy after hearing about and seeing the poster.

"I didn't know this even happened, it made me uncomfortable when I first heard about what happened and saw the poster," Ferris architecture freshman James Rudnicki said.

These posters have become more common around America in the last several years and have recently shown up in cities

and on campuses across the country. Universities have taken different approaches to handling the matter.

Eastern Tennessee's president personally released a statement saying how 'disgusted' he was, and Western Connecticut University even involved their Federal Bureau of Investigation state division on the matter.



Sandy Gholston

Ferris' news services and social media manager Sandy Gholston said the university has an official statement prepared, but in lieu of releasing it, they preferred to speak with the Torch about the matter.

Gholston also said while Ferris' Department of Public Safety was notified and called to the scene and documented the postings, they determined that the act was not a criminal one though if those responsible are discovered and are students, they may be referred to the office of student conduct.

As the posters become more of a national trend some have argued that from a legal standpoint restricting them is an infringement of freedom of speech.

A Ferris student had their own beliefs about people's freedom of speech.

"I think freedom of speech is important. We are like a box of crayons; we might be all different, but we are still made up of the same things so don't try to put others down. If they wanted to do this, they should have taken a more mature route to express their message" Ferris welding engineering and technology freshman Kyle Drouillard said.

Pilgrim added that legally there may not be much that can be done but that the message is more about ethics.

"I think our campus would benefit from having a month where we talk about 'What is free speech and is it really free?' Because I think we benefit when we engage our campus in hard discussions but I also think it would be an opportunity for people to be educated about what's legal and illegal. By the way, just because something is legal doesn't mean it's ethical. I sometimes think the legal bar is a low bar."

Pilgrim also said that he believes these posters and their message show the need for more dialogue on race at Ferris.

"We always need to be having discussions about race, race relations and racism because if we were an informed campus, and I don't think you're going to know everything as an informed campus, but if you are an informed campus then you've laid the foundation for discussion when things like

this happen." Pilgrim said.

Pilgrim said that once discussions about incidents such as this are had, it reminds people that we are better as an institution for promoting such meaningful conversations about race. When asked about if he thought the university would be willing to take a step towards opening these discussions Pilgrim said, "It's going to be willing to take it because I'm going to make it happen. I'm going to do it."

In the time immediately following the event, some felt the lack of an immediate public statement showed complacency from the university.

"When there is silence it makes me feel alienated and isolated, but nobody has any empathy ... and what [Ferris] has is an incident which is aimed at threatening minority students", Ferris' Professor and director of the Institute for the Study of Academic Racism Barry Mehler said. "This is serious business and it needs to be addressed ... instead of bringing in the FBI to find DNA on the scotch tape [Ferris] should just address the matter publicly."

When initially contacted, DPS, the Office of Student Conduct and the Office of Multicultural Student Services declined to comment.

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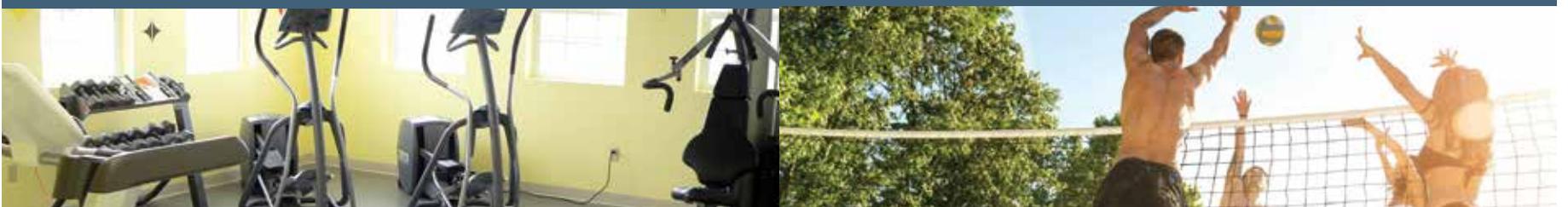
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WEEKLY WORLD NEWS

Catch up on news around the globe

Grant Siddall
News Editor

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Burkina Faso

A mine in Burkina Faso was attacked for the third time in the last 15 months on Wednesday, Nov. 6, leaving at least 37 people dead. The Canadian owned mining company believes that terrorists or bandits have been responsible for the attacks on the mine in West Africa. The attack took place on a convoy of local employees travelling to the mine, though the company says they have no reason to believe they are being specifically targeted.

Original article by Ian Austen, Nov. 7, 2019. *The New York Times*.

The Hague, Netherlands

A Congolese warlord known as "The Terminator" was found guilty of crimes including murder, rape and sexual slavery and sentenced to 30 years in prison by an international court on Nov. 7. Bosco Ntaganda was found guilty of 18 war crimes and crimes against humanity leading to the sentencing, which marked the highest ever handed down by the international court.

Original article by Associated Press, Nov. 7,

Bolivia

After weeks of unrest following a disputed election, Bolivian president Evo Morales resigned on Sunday, Nov. 10, a decision that he says was forced by coup. Morales made the decision after the Bolivian military indicated it would support the people calling for Morales to resign. Morales is currently in hiding and his home has been ransacked. As of Nov. 11 it is unknown who will take over political power.

Original article by Clifford Krauss and Daniel Victor, Nov. 11, 2019. *The New York Times*.

Hong Kong

The protests in Hong Kong continued to turn violent on Monday, Nov. 11 as one young protestor was shot by police and a man arguing with protestors was set on fire. As the protests continue, neither side has shown signs of compromise and it is unlikely that clashes between protestors and police will come to an end anytime soon.

Original article by Mike Ives, Elaine Yu and Edward Wong, Nov. 11, 2019. *The New York Times*.

- ON THE RECORD -

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

No dab November

Grant Siddall
News Editor

disciplinary Resource Center.

No dab November

Nov. 6, 7:25 p.m., a citation was issued for being a minor in possession of marijuana at Oakview Suites.

Get well soon

Nov. 8, 10:24 a.m., a mental health check was made at an undisclosed location.

Teen drinking is very bad

Nov. 9, 11:09 a.m., a citation was issued for being a minor in possession of alcohol in the Inter-

Should have just stayed home

Nov. 9, 11:49 p.m., an arrest was made for being a minor in possession of alcohol and disorderly conduct at 400 Block South Warren.

Hands aren't for hitting

Nov. 10, 3:46 p.m., an arrest was made for non-aggravated assault in Bond Hall.

Ferris Department of Safety issued 314 tickets from Nov. 3 to Nov. 9, totaling \$4,800.

NEWS BRIEFS

Grant Siddall
News Editor

Connect with Bulldog Connect

Come down to the CLACS office on Monday, Nov. 18 any time between 1 and 5 p.m. to get some help with learning Bulldog Connect. Staff will be available to help those interested in better learning the new program.

Passion for the Past – Impeachment

Join professors Gary Huey, Christian Peterson, and David Takitaki on Tuesday, Nov. 19 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. for a discussion about the impeachment process and the history of impeachment in the United States. This event will be held in UC 120 and is free to students and the public.

Five Star Event: "Setting Yourself Up for Success" with Phil Zeller

Come listen to business owner and entrepreneur Phil Zeller speak about his experiences going from homelessness to becoming a coaching Fortune 500 executives and closing multi-million-dollar deals. The event will be held on Thursday, Nov. 21 from 7 to 8 p.m. in UC 202. A follow up discussion will immediately follow this event.

Student census

Ferris' help with the 2020 census will provide extra funding for local community

Trenton Carlson
Torch Reporter

Ferris State is helping to ensure students are accounted for in the 2020 Census to provide more accurate data to serve the community.

When Ferris students are included in the 2020 Census, the accurate data that is presented to the government will supply more government funding for the area. For this reason, Ferris was given a grant that enabled them to hire student Caitlin St. Clair, in August. St. Clair worked with the university and community to create plans to advertise the census and to educate students on what it means for the community.

"Each uncounted person in the census equals \$1800 a year and \$18k over the next ten years in federal funding," coordinator of CLACS Career and Volunteer Centers, Michele Albright said. "In the 2010 Census, Big Rapids missed the student population of approximately 7k in the counts due to poor Census timing, process and information."

Albright's role on campus is to seek out opportunities for students to be involved in services. When she was contacted by the Fremont Area Foundation and the Michigan Nonprofit Association to be a part

of the Census 2020 advisory hub, she made it a top priority to make sure students were counted in next year's Census.

Students also believe it is important to be part of the data that helps fund the area.

"It's important for students to be accounted for because it gives us a sense of the body of students we have here at Ferris, and how many people we have living in Big Rapids," Ferris sophomore Collin Clover said. "I feel like everyone should do it. It's good to get students involved in the census to give us a better understanding of how many people are in the nation."

Other students believe spreading awareness and including the additional students to next year's Census will benefit Big Rapids.

"If you have more people aware, more people will be willing to make themselves known and then there will be more money for the community," Ferris freshmen Kourtney Jones, said.

There will be a Census 2020 meeting for students and community members of Big Rapids Monday, Nov. 21.

For more information regarding the 2020 Census contact CLACS in the University Center or visit Ferris State's website.

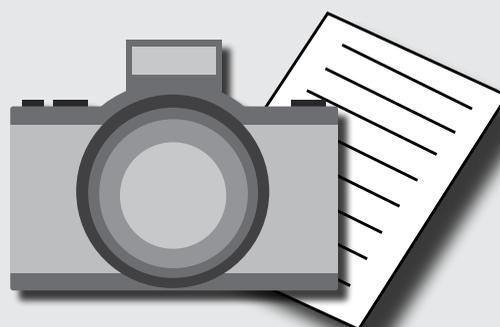
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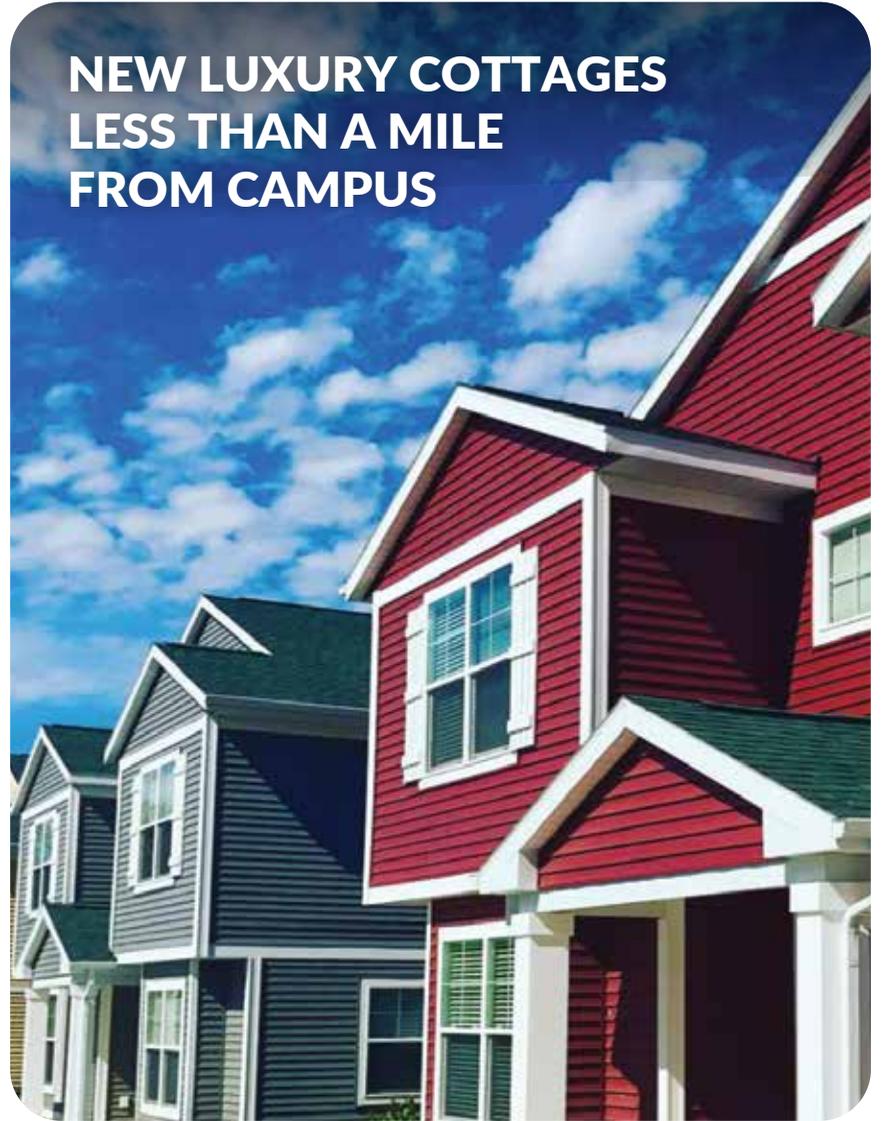
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"I've met a lot of nice people and I enjoy the way the professors here teach, so it's been a good experience." - *Mirko Smit* - See page 7 for story

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One stop shop



Photo by: William Byrd | Production Assistant

Ferris accounting freshman Logan Moses picks out a late night snack at The Market, located near the Rock Cafe on campus.

The Market vs. other convenience stores

Marissa Russell
Torch Reporter

Many students hate the inconvenience of walking across Big Rapids to get simple everyday needs, and The Market is a solution for campus residents.



Katie Kurburski

Ferris pre-pharmacy sophomore Katie Kurburski likes the many options The Market offers at reasonable prices.

"The Market is different compared to other places because you can get smoothies there, as well as Tylenol, all in one location and they are open until 1 a.m.," Kurburski said.

Kurburski often gets her groceries from Walmart or Aldi because of their low prices, but when she needs something quickly, The Market is a go-to for premade meals. Kurburski also appreciates that she can use meal swipes to get food when she wants something on the go.



Hailey Davison

"As a freshman, I went to The Market almost every week," Ferris business administration senior and Market employee Hailey Davison said. "I would just stop by and pick up quick lunch or dinner options, or just stop by to get a pack of gum in my way to class."

Davison believes it is more convenient than other places in Big Rapids, such as Walgreens or Walmart, because students don't have to leave campus to get something they may need, which is good because not everyone has cars.

"What I like about working at The Market is that it is more lowkey than working at a large store such as Walmart," Davison said. "You start to make friends with the customers that come into the store, which is an experience people who work at larger stores aren't able to do."

Ferris Director of Dining Scott Rossen said the prices for most of the products are the manufacturers' suggested retail price. Other products are priced based on their budgeted product cost.

Rossen and others try to relate with their vendors to best determine what products are selling at other universities. They have also visited other universities in the past to see what is selling for them, and to better understand student shopping habits.

One of The Market's goals is to provide students, faculty and staff with an affordable on-campus option that is within easy walking distance, particularly for students who are living in nearby residence halls.

"Students have responded well to the service and products that we offer at The Market," Rossen said. "While we're pleased with the response right now, we're always looking for ways to better serve our students, faculty and staff."

The Market is open from noon - 1 a.m. seven days a week.

From rags to riches

Pixar animator comes to Ferris

Marissa Russell
Torch Reporter

Lacking either money or a college degree may be a major hindrance in building a reputable career.

Pixar animator Bill Zahn lacked both, and was required to develop an intense level of skill to overcome these obstacles and be one of the leading creative minds in his field.

Zahn visited Ferris to verbally illustrate his journey from being a poor 19-year-old in Arizona with \$60 to his name to the person who brought many popular animated characters come to life. The five-star event, "From Rubber Monster to Digital Cowboys," was held Wednesday, Nov. 6, by Entertainment Unlimited.

Zahn has worked on such icons from handmade talking frogs in Budweiser commercials to the rodent gourmands in "Ratatouille." Although Zahn was excited to work on "Toy Story 4," he claims it was not his favorite.

"'Coco' is very high up on my favorites," Zahn said. "It's really special. We always see the movies and storyboards before we work on them. 'Coco' is the only one that I actually got choked up while I was still doing drawings."



Mia VanLandschoot

In the post-event discussions, students and attendees found many ways to relate to Zahn. Although he seems confident in his demeanor, Zahn expressed how he's always nervous and self-conscious. Some voiced admiration to how he "stayed himself" throughout his career despite adapting to new trends.

He was always sure to maintain his reputation as The Monster Man who animated severed heads but could also create an innocent little boy.

"There's that quote that it takes 10,000 hours to become



Photo by: Will Holden | Torch Photographer

Pixar animator Bill Zahn spoke to students about his career Wednesday, Nov. 6, in the University Center.

an expert," Zahn said. "Just keep cracking at it and then if you do 20,000, you'll be amazing. My advice is don't do it because you want to do it; do it because you have to do it. I went out to L.A. because I had to. If I didn't go, I would have lost my mind."

Even though he now has a top-level career with Pixar, students were shocked when they heard Zahn reveal not graduating college.

"My biggest worry was not being able to afford going to art school and that Michigan wouldn't be a good fit for

something as big and prestigious as California or New York," Ferris digital animation and game design freshman Mia VanLandschoot said. "But Ferris was a really good fit and I really like it, so seeing him and that he never went to college and his experience with it was - for me, personally - very encouraging."

VanLandschoot believes it is important to learn more and connect with people in the industry who have found success, but have faced troubles during their career, as well.

It all leads to this | Ferris seniors reminisce on their college experiences

Veronica Mascorro
Torch Reporter

With graduation mere weeks away, many Ferris seniors found themselves at the graduation fair buying their caps and gowns for the big ceremony.



Jan Henrik Janssen

Ferris business administration senior Jan Henrik Janssen found it a bit difficult to summarize his college experience after all the time he has spent at Ferris.

"My college experience has been very interesting," Janssen said. "It's consisted of a lot of studying, but not only that. I met a great amount of people here and I had a lot of fun. Even though studying took up a big majority of my time, I still found the time to go out on the weekends and have fun with a great group of people who all were so close to one another and developed this great community."

After graduating, Janssen plans to find a few internships in Germany and eventually work on his master's degree either in Germany or in the United States.

Janssen advised students to try to find the middle ground between schoolwork and having fun.

"Definitely keep yourself focused, but make sure to not indulge yourself too much in schoolwork," Janssen said. "It's definitely all about finding the balance."

Ferris pre-pharmacy senior Hong Ho has a bit of a different experience compared to some of her peers. Ho will be completing her bachelor's degree this December but will stay at Ferris to continue her second year in the pharmacy program. Ho plans to apply for residency once completing the program.



Hong Ho

As an international student, the biggest challenges Ho has had to face are cultural differences and managing homesickness.

Ho recommends other students give it their best and try to take advantage of all the perks and activities that college has to offer.

Ferris business administration senior Mirko Smit has also enjoyed his time at Ferris, despite the times when things become stressful.

"I've met a lot of nice people and I enjoy the way the professors here teach, so it's been a good experience," Smit said. "There have been times when I've had to lock myself up in the library, but that's a normal part of

student life."

This year's fall commencement ceremony will take place Saturday, Dec. 14. Tickets are required to attend all ceremonies.

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There are currently seven major international locations Ferris students can choose from. Ferris also has a plan for third party helpers, meaning if a student has a specific destination in mind, the university can help them find a third party to help students earn the right credits in the country of their choice.

Along with the third party, there are two other possible ways to study. One is an exchange program, where a student lives abroad on their own. The other is a faculty-led program, where Ferris faculty escort a group of students and teach classes in a different country.

Ferris education abroad coordinator Megan Hauser-Tran said she loves seeing how students have

changed after their educational journey. She said she can see that the students who come back have done everything they possibly could to absorb the new and different cultures.

"We do not have specific partners in Latin America or Africa quite yet, and I think it would be an excellent opportunity for students if we could find partners in those locations," Hauser-Tran said.

Hauser-Tran understands the many reasons why people choose not to study abroad. However, she encourages students to consider the options before assuming they are not interested.

"Before you completely write it off, just look into it. Before you say it's too expensive, come and look at the options we have because they are affordable. There are many ways to fit a study abroad in," Hauser-Tran said.

There are scholarships and financial aid available for trips, depending on where and what you are studying. Some students have even started GoFundMe campaigns to raise money for their trips. Most students stay in available student housing at these locations, but there are also apartments and host families periodically.

Weekly workshops are held 1 p.m. every Friday in IRC 104.

TORCH CONFESSIONS

Do as I say, not as I do

Torch staff members write about slightly embarrassing aspects of their lives because hey, we all have those.



Sarah Massey
Production Manager

Hello, my name is Sarah, and I am terrible at applying for jobs.

Let me give you some context. I am graduating in December and have been applying for jobs like crazy. If a job has the word "marketing" or "communications" in it, you can bet I have applied for it.

I was perusing the job board sites one night and found two jobs I wanted to apply for: one for a copy writing position and another for an office manager position.

I was updating my cover letter for the writing position and was super proud of how it ended up. Without a second thought, I entered my information, uploaded my resume and cover letter and hit apply.

Just a few seconds later, I received a confirmation email, and to my dismay, it was from the office manager job...

I was so embarrassed.

Now, this isn't the first time I messed up applying for a job. The first position I applied for sounded right up my alley. It felt like I was the person they were looking for and would have the job in the bag. I sent in the application, looked back at my cover letter and realized I spelled something wrong in the first sentence.

I know, everyone makes mistakes and it can be forgiven, but of all places to make a mistake, a job application is not one I want to

make.

I only have a few more weeks in Big Rapids before I move out and it was a goal of mine to find a full-time position somewhere right out of school so I wouldn't have to worry about bills or insurance or anything. I've actively avoided being an adult pretty much my whole college career and now reality is hitting me.

In retrospect, the stress of graduating and trying to get my resume out in the world is probably the cause of me making all these dumb mistakes.

I have to keep reminding myself that everything will work out in the end and those messed up applications won't matter. If anything, it's kind of funny. But right now, it really sucks. Imagine being that office manager job and receiving my application for a position that is VERY different from what you were expecting.

So kids, please learn something from my stupidity. Double check literally EVERYTHING on your job application before sending it in. Read your cover letter out loud and take your resume to the Center for Leadership, Activities and Career Services. If you're customizing them to each position you are applying for, please, for the love of God, remember to make sure you are submitting the right documents.

Next time, I know I will.



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Events calendar



Wednesday

Nov. 13

Wake up Wednesday

Location: University Center

Time: 7:30 - 8:30 a.m.

Coffee Hour with the Veterans office

Location: University Center

Time: 5 - 6 p.m.

Thursday

Nov. 14

All Bodies Dance Party

Location: LGBTQ+ Resource Center

Time: 11 - 11:30 a.m.

Reception and Artist Talk: Incoherent

Thing War: A Useless Analysis

Location: Fine Art Gallery

Time: 5 - 6:30 p.m.



Friday

Nov. 15

Study Abroad Information

Workshop

Location: IRC 104

Time: 1 - 2 p.m.

Fridays at Ferris: Fall Edition

Location: CLACS Career Center

Time: 9 - 11 a.m.

Sunday

Nov. 17

West Central Chamber Orchestra Fall Concert

Location: Williams Auditorium

Time: 4 - 5 p.m.



Monday

Nov. 18

Mental Health 101: Setting Goals for Progress Not Perfection

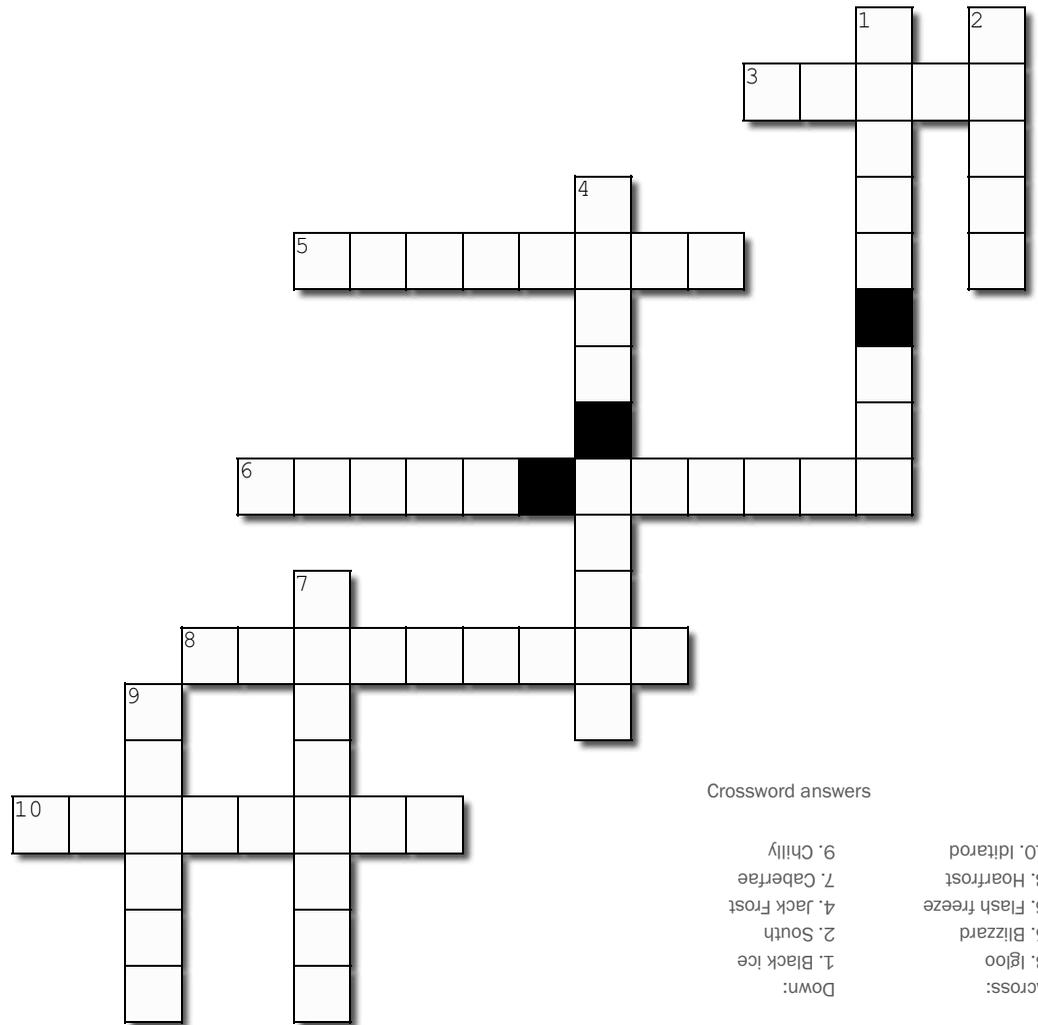
Location: Birkam Health Center

Time: 1 - 2 p.m.

For more events, check out calendar.ferris.edu

Baby, it's cold outside

Bundle up and complete this crossword, inspired by winter weather and activities!



Crossword answers

- 1. Black ice
- 2. South
- 3. Igloo
- 4. Jack Frost
- 5. Blizzard
- 6. Flash freeze
- 7. GabeRrae
- 8. Hoarfrost
- 9. Chilly
- 10. Iditarod

Across

- 3. These are houses made out of tightly packed snow.
- 5. This winter storm is also a popular Dairy Queen treat.
- 6. This occurs when the weather drops below freezing shortly after rainfall.
- 8. Thin, clear ice found on leaves in late autumn, called ____, often symbolizes that winter is near.
- 10. This sled dog race occurs in Alaska every year.

Down

- 1. This occurs on roads in the winter and it often goes unseen, making it extremely dangerous.
- 2. Penguins are popular in the ____ Pole.
- 4. This character is said to be responsible for the winter weather.
- 7. Many students head to this nearby ski resort to hit the slopes.
- 9. If you're a little cold, you might use this word, which is shared with a popular winter dish (with a different spelling).



Dawgs sink the anchor

Ferris students tailgated before the Anchor-Bone Classic Saturday, Nov. 9, at Top Taggart Field.

Photo by: Will Holden | Torch Photographer

SPORTS

"It didn't cost us anything to wear them and we represented him because you never know how that could affect him and help him get healthy."
- Devin Gardner - See page below for story

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Third time's the charm

Bulldogs dominate first round of GLIAC Tournament against Northwood

Brendan Samuels
Torch Reporter

After taking an unexpected loss to Northwood University in their last regular season game, Ferris women's soccer came back in dominating fashion in the first round of the GLIAC Tournament.

The Ferris women's soccer team played Northwood University three times over the past seven days, shutting the Timberwolves out in two of the three matchups. After suffering a 1-0 loss to end their regular season, the Bulldogs

were looking for revenge in the GLIAC Tournament Quarterfinals.

"We knew that Northwood is a good team and that it would be a tough game,"

Ferris senior goalkeeper Grace Kraft said. "Our team plays its best when we are able to control the game and play how we want to play. When we play for each other we are at our best."

The Friday, Nov. 8, matchup didn't turn out the way the team had hoped.

"We wanted to come out and

set the tempo early, obviously we had a tough match against them Friday where things didn't really go our way and we didn't get the bounces," Ferris head soccer coach Greg Henson said. "It's difficult to play somebody three times in eight days."

Dominant play led Ferris to a 6-0 victory over the Timberwolves Sunday, Nov. 10. The win came at a critical time in the season, as tournament time is a winner-take-all situation.

The Bulldogs started quickly, as junior defender Maddie Dickens found the back of the net just five minutes into the game. Twenty minutes later, junior midfielder Bri Rogers added another goal to give Ferris a 2-0

lead after the first half. "The loss we took on Friday was a fluke," Dickens said. "We had to regroup, and our coach helped remind us of who we are as a team and what we're fighting for. We've had a great mindset and attitude all year. Now it's just making sure we bring that same ferocity into

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Photo courtesy of Ferris Athletics

Junior defender Maddie Dickens celebrated her first collegiate goal against Northwood in the GLIAC Quarterfinals on Sunday, Nov. 10.

Two different lifetimes

22-year old Clary Walker reconnects with former Michigan quarterback six years later

Cora Hall
Sports Editor

If you had told Clary Walker six years ago he would one day film GLIAC Championship football footage, and still be friends with former Michigan quarterback Devin Gardner, he probably would have told you that you were crazy.

You see, six years ago Walker was going through chemotherapy at Mott Children's Hospital in Ann Arbor. It's where he first met Gardner on Thursday nights when athletes volunteered with younger patients. Walker, who was diagnosed with Stage III Non-Hodgkin's Lymphoma at 16, was shocked to see such a high profile athlete enter his hospital room.

"To have someone, arguably the face of Michigan football, to have them in your room and giving you just attention as just another kid honestly just meant so much to me," Walker said. "The Thursday nights were what I looked forward to in treatment. It was a big deal for us. We popped popcorn, we'd make drinks for the players, we wanted them to feel as comfortable as possible. It's definitely hard to walk into a room and see

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Photo courtesy of Clary Walker

Former Michigan quarterback Devin Gardner visited Clary Walker while he went through chemo treatment at Mott's Children's Hospital in Ann Arbor.



Photo by: Cora Hall | Sports Editor

Garnder and Walker reconnected by surprise on Saturday, Nov. 9 at the Anchor-Bone Classic. Gardner was there to color commentate for Fox Sports Detroit and Walker to film for Ferris Athletics.

WEEKEND SCORECARD

Football

Nov. 9 - Ferris 21, Grand Valley State University 16

Women's Soccer

Nov. 8 - Ferris 0, Northwood 1
Nov. 10 - Ferris 6, Northwood 0

Hockey

Nov. 8 - Ferris 22, Western Michigan 4
Nov. 9 - Ferris 2, Western Michigan 8

Walker
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Photo by: Cora Hall | Sports Editor

Clary Walker, a junior at Calvin University, shoots video for the Anchor-Bone Classic on Saturday, Nov. 9.

kids going through cancer and what we're battling and to treat us just as regular kids, they did an outstanding job, all the players."

That night, Walker gave Gardner and his teammates his cancer bracelets. They wore them all season.

"I thought it was really cool he had those made," Gardner said. "It didn't cost us anything to wear them and we represented him because you never know how that could affect him and help him get healthy."

The 22-year old Walker, originally from Traverse City, is a junior at Calvin University now, pursuing marketing and videography on the side. This December will mark his sixth year in remission.

Walker was invited to help shoot the Ferris football game against Grand Valley and acquire drone shots, and he was met with a pleasant surprise when he ran into a familiar face in the press box. Gardner, who now works with Fox Sports Detroit, was at the Anchor-Bone Classic on Saturday to color commentate.

"It was awesome, I almost didn't recognize him with a full head of hair," Gardner said. "So it was great to see him because you never know how cancer will attack people, so for him to fight back and be so healthy and be out there taking picture and videos is amazing."

Walker was touched that Gardner recognized him, given the sheer amount of people he encountered while playing at the University of Michigan.

"I think for me it was just really cool because it allows for introspect," Walker said. "Because when you are going through treatment, you're lucky just for the next day. Now to be like 'whoa,' this is where I'm standing six years later, seeing what he's doing with Fox Sports and now I'm out here pursuing video with sports."

"If you would have told me that six years ago in the hospital bed, I would have been like man, I just want to get out of here. So for me, I think it's just really, really, cool that that experience got to happen."

Walker connected with Ferris Athletics through Scott Vander Sloot, who graduated Ferris in 2018 and worked as an intern for Athletics for his entire college

career. Vander Sloot and Walker met at a Make-A-Wish ball in Grand Rapids five years ago and after talking, discovered they both had the same type of cancer around the same time of their lives.

They also bonded over their shared love for soccer, Walker having used his "Wish" to meet star striker and Portuguese international Cristiano Ronaldo, and Vander Sloot once having had college soccer aspirations.

Vander Sloot, who now creates content full time for Ashland University Athletics, was the videographer behind the content from the Ferris men's basketball championship run in 2018. While it was incredibly difficult to set aside his original aspirations to play college soccer, Vander Sloot said it all turned out for the better.

He is now somewhat of a mentor to Walker and current Ferris Athletics intern Conner Pyrc, who films and creates content for the football team.

"I kind of had the epiphany and linked them up because I realized that for Clary, it was going to be great experience to get to work with the program," Vander Sloot said. "But also he'd be able to help out Conner to give him a second shooter on the field, give him the drone footage, because Clary's a great drone pilot. I really enjoy trying to share what I know and insight because ultimately, I just really like seeing everyone make cool content and helping each other do that."

Saturday's game was an experience Walker will remember for a long time, and he was nothing but grateful for the opportunity to shoot at a university's football championship.

"It was a blast shooting it with Conner. I always appreciate working with other filmmakers and learning from them, seeing how they do things and how I can get better," Walker said. "So it was really sweet to make more connections and get to film such a high caliber game with the Championship game for the GLIAC, which was really awesome to be a part of that. It's surreal, I know I'll definitely look back on these days and think, 'Wow, I can't believe I was doing that.'"

Soccer

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each and every match."

The second period started just as quickly, as sophomore forward Pia Nagel netted her 13th goal of the year. Ferris finished off the game with three goals from junior forward Mackenzie Dawes, sophomore forward Emily Mergener and senior midfielder Maddie Fouts.

The thought of a one-and-done situation is enough to knock anyone off their game, but the Bulldogs did not back down from the challenge.

"Our mindset doesn't change much," Kraft said. "Throughout the year our coach has told us that we can only focus on one game at a time and not look into the future. For the tournament, we are really going to have to put that into motion."



Greg Henson

With the win, Ferris moves to 13-4-2 on the year and gives themselves one more game to focus on.

"We talk a lot about putting together 90 minutes and chasing that perfect 90-minute game and I think this was probably ... as close as we've been all year," Henson said. "It's an elusive thing, you're never going to get it, but I'm really pleased with how we played in all phases of the game today."

Next up for the Bulldogs is a rematch with the Grand Valley State University Lakers Friday, Nov. 15. The Lakers shutout Ferris 7-0 in their last matchup.

"Every team that we will play postseason is going to bring their A-game. They're fighting just like we are to stay alive," Dickens said. "Our job is to make sure we don't overlook any teams and just stay focused on the task at hand."

Although the focus for Ferris is on the game directly in front of them, make no mistake: The Bulldogs have their eyes set on the NCAA Division II Tournament.

"An NCAA berth is always going to be in the back of our minds," Kraft said.



**THIS WEEKEND'S
SPORTS FOR FERRIS**

Thursday, Nov. 14:

- Women's Basketball vs. Hillsdale at 5:30 p.m.

Friday, Nov. 15:

- Women's Soccer vs. Grand Valley in GLIAC Semifinals, time TBA
- Volleyball at Northwood at 7p.m.
- Hockey vs. Bemidji State at 7:07 p.m.

Saturday, Nov. 16:

- Men's Basketball vs. Findlay at 3 p.m.
- Hockey vs. Bemidji State at 6:07 p.m.

Sunday, Nov. 17:

- Women's Soccer GLIAC Championship, time and location TBA

Volleyball

Nov. 8 - Ferris 3, Michigan Tech 2
Nov. 9 - Ferris 3, Northern Michigan 1

Men's Basketball

Nov. 9 - Ferris 85, Davis & Elkins 58
Nov. 10 - Ferris 77, Alderson-Broadus 73

Cross Country

Nov. 9 - Team: 13th (Women's), 19th (Men's)
Top Individual: Katie Etelamaki 11th (21:52.3), Donis Harris 79th (33:52.2)

Women's Basketball

Nov. 8 - Ferris 85, Lake Erie 64
Nov. 9 - Ferris 89, Walsh 74

Football

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wide receiver Xavier Wade—who led the team with 102 receiving yards on five catches—with 19 seconds left in the first half was the Bulldogs' only score in the first half.

The halftime score was 9-7 with Ferris down, despite getting in the red zone four times and generating 285 yards of offense.

GVSU's scores in the first half came from a field goal and a touchdown return after a bad snap at the Grand Valley 16-yard line that led to a fumble. Annese knew the half wasn't pretty, but said it's been that way against the Lakers the past three years.

"They're ahead at halftime, we'll come back out and make some plays in the third quarter and we'll be out ahead and we drove the field," Annese said. "We had 525 yards of offense, that's by far the most their defense has given up. We had 80 plays, we did a lot of things well statistically, we just had some breakdowns and it was pretty much a sinking feeling when their linebacker took it 90 yards for a touchdown. But then you see how our team is, we answer right away."

With touchdowns on back-to-back drives at the end of the third quarter, Ferris shifted the momentum in their favor and the energy change on the field was electric. The Bulldogs held on to the lead in the fourth with the defense forcing a fumble and bringing in their second interception of the day. The "Chain Gang" was in full swing today with interceptions from senior linebacker Delon Stephenson and senior defensive back James Ceasar, his sixth of the season.

The "Chain Gang" is all the defensive backs, according to senior defensive back Omari McCauley, who had 11 tackles on the day. Ceasar and senior defensive back Alex Thomas were also tackle leaders, with seven a piece. McCauley was impressed by the collective stats and said the defensive backs' play was "ridiculous."

"Everybody contributed. That's one thing about our defense, nobody kind of sticks out, everybody contributes," McCauley said. "The energy level for the defense, pretty much every play that we have to step onto the field, we all yell, we all scream at each other. Just to show each other we're still in the game, still a lot of to be played so we just have to try to keep the energy up every time."

Annese called the defense "the key" to their success and said McCauley was at the heart of it.

"He's probably the best vocal leader we've got on the defensive side of the ball and it's just a blessing to have him," Annese said. "Just really proud of him and the guys to just be



Omari McCauley



Photo by: Cora Hall | Sports Editor

Ferris football won its second consecutive GLIAC Championship after defeating Grand Valley State University 21-16.

so committed to themselves and never giving in. Never giving up, never giving in and making the best of every circumstance."

With the win, Ferris improves to 10-0 and 8-0 in conference, claiming the GLIAC Championship outright, a goal that has weighed on Annese the last few matchups. After losing both assistant coach Ryan Brady and offensive coordinator Steve Casula last year, Annese said the way the coaching staff came together this year was miracle work.

"It's 370 games I've coached and that's one of my top all-time games. Not because it's Grand Valley but because, I'm telling ya, I've been stressed to try to be undefeated and win this GLIAC championship outright," Annese said. "To win a GLIAC championship outright when everybody talks about how great this league is, it's just amazing. Undefeated two years in a row in GLIAC play."

"So very proud of the young men I coach. (They're) so resilient, our guys are just unbelievably determined to play at their best and so I'm just extraordinarily pleased by that."

The Bulldogs will get a bye week to catch their breath and could possibly get a first round bye in the playoffs, depending on how their region shakes out. As of the Super Region rankings this week, Ferris is No. 1 in Super Region 3.

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Top Dawg
Xavier Wade

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Cora Hall
Sports Editor

The lyrics "X gon give it to ya" rang true this week for Ferris football and with sophomore wide receiver Xavier Wade's performance, Top Dawg honors stay on Top Taggart this week.

Wade's touchdown catch, with just over thirty seconds left in the first half, was Ferris' first score against Grand Valley on Saturday, Nov. 9 and made the half-time score 9-7. If Wade had not made the catch in double-coverage, Ferris would have ended the first half scoreless in what was the biggest game of the season so far.



Tony Annese

It was a touchdown that gave Ferris a breath of fresh air and the opportunity to start the second half even, according to head football coach Tony Annese.

"Probably a lot. 9-0 probably shakes us a little bit more," Annese said. "That score right before half-time...I walked in there and really

said, 'It's 9-7, it's tied,' truthfully because whoever wins the second half wins the game. So that was a huge score right before half, a huge score."

With 102 receiving yards on five catches, Wade made a huge impact in the 21-16 win. In fact his one touchdown may have been the most important play of the game.

Annese said he told senior quarterback Travis Russell to take a shot with Wade, and if it was the wrong coverage, then to look at him. Well, with Wade stuck in double coverage, Russell looked at Annese, who shrugged back, at a loss for what else to do.

"He just put it up for Xavier Wade and Xavier had a great game," Annese said.

Wade might have racked up even more yards had he not been hindered by three missed pass interference calls on a single drive at the beginning of the third quarter.

Wade has 603 receiving yards this season and four touchdowns and makes a dangerous duo with sophomore wide receiver Sy Barnett going into the post-season.

Bulldogs trampled by the Broncos

Struggling Ferris hockey team falls to 2 - 7 after crushing 8 - 2 loss to Western Michigan

Brendan Sanders
Torch Reporter

Going into the weekend, the Bulldogs were looking to turn their season around. After this weekend, there are more questions than answers.

If the results of the first stretch of games weren't a tough enough go for the Bulldogs, they went into the weekend without junior forward Marshall Moise, one of their top performers so far this season. Moise suffered an elbow injury and his return is questionable for this weekend. He is expected for the trip to Alaska.

The team has also lost junior forward Lucas Finner, who is out of the lineup until at least the Great Lakes Invitational. He sustained a broken leg in practice Monday, Oct. 28 after he was suspended for a hit against Northern Michigan. Finner and Moise are responsible for six goals for the Bulldogs and Moise has three assists as well.

The Bulldogs took two more losses this weekend, 4-2 at Western Michigan University on Friday, Nov. 8 and 8-2 at home against the Broncos on Saturday, Nov. 9. Head hockey coach Bob Daniels felt the play on Friday was much better than Saturday when things fell apart for Ferris.

"Don't get me wrong, [Western] played very well but I think it was us," Daniels said of Saturday's game. "From the coaches to the goaltenders right to the



Bob Daniels



Photo by: Samantha Cavotta | Torch Photographer

Freshman defenseman Brenden Rons skates up the ice against Western Michigan University. The Bulldogs fell 4-2 and 8-2 in the weekend series.

team, I thought it was on us and that we didn't play well. [Friday] night we played a very good game that could have gone either way, and that didn't happen tonight."

Going to Kalamazoo first to play the No. 10 nationally ranked Broncos, the Bulldogs stayed close and went into the third period tied at two goals apiece, with goals by sophomore forward Jake Transit and sophomore forward Justin Michaelian. The Broncos then scored two straight goals to win 4-2 over the Bulldogs.

With a close loss, the hope was the home ice advantage of the Ewigleben Ice Arena would be enough to give Ferris State the edge. For one period, it seemed to be the case, as the team went into the second period tied at 1-1 with a goal by senior forward Dominic Lutz.

After the first period, though, it quickly became a game to forget for Ferris. The second period saw the Bulldogs give up 6 straight goals. The offense never seemed to get going in the game, as they were out shot by Western Michigan 40-14.

The game saw all three Ferris State goaltenders enter. Sophomore Roni Salmenkangas got the loss after allowing four goals and then senior goaltender Austin Shaw entered the game in the second period and fared no better, allowing three more goals.

Down 7-1 entering the third period, freshman goaltender

Carter McPhail entered the contest and had the best night out of the trio, allowing one goal but making 12 saves.

After another goal by WMU and a final score by freshman forward Dallas Tulik brought upon the end result of 8-2 in Western Michigan's favor.

Daniels did point out that, even in a loss like Saturday's, there were always positive takeaways.

"I'm sure there's a few. I thought Carter when he went in there and played very well," Daniels said. "So, there will be a few. I could always find silver lining on something but there's plenty of things tonight."

Daniels wanted to keep things in perspective on the season and not to focus on this one game. Instead, he looked at how the team has performed as a whole this season.

"We've played some pretty good hockey," Daniels said. "We haven't been winning, but every single game up until this one was a one goal game. This is one where I think we're going to have to be have really a short-term memory type thing and put it behind us and then get to work on Monday."

The Ferris State hockey season is still in its infancy, so there is still a lot of time for the Bulldogs to turn around their 2-7 record. The turnaround may begin this Friday, Nov. 15, with Bemidji State coming to Big Rapids for a weekend series.



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When will it stop



It’s that time of year again. No, I’m not talking about flu season. Although seriously, these residence halls have been turning into actual infirmaries with all the sick people dragging themselves around these past few weeks.

I’m talking about the yearly chat about rising tuition in colleges and universities across the country. If you haven’t heard, tuition rates are once again expected to increase across the nation in 2020.

Of course, this isn’t anything new. According to figures collected by U.S. News, in-state tuition and fees at public National Universities have grown exponentially, increasing by 221% in the past 20 years.

I don’t know about everyone else here at Ferris, but I sure as hell can’t afford these constant increases in tuition. Heck, my bank account is already lingering into the red, which is unfortunately better than a good amount of people here at Ferris.

I’m not going to be the person who goes in-depth about how wages need to be raised parallel to the raises in tuition costs. I feel that’s a discussion for another day. The point that I feel gets overlooked in this argument is the morality of pushing people into piles of debt they’ll never be able to work themselves out of.

Who decided to make college into a place where

we’d have people pushed to their fiscal breaking point? Who decided that this is how people should prove to others they’re ready for careers in their adult lives?

Ignore the fact that college is stupid expensive for no apparent reason. If Ferris doesn’t value the professors enough to pay them what they’re worth without a strike, then why should students pay the university thousands of dollars to learn from those same professors?

But let’s be real. College is certainly not the only expense people who attend have in their lives. Currently, I’m drowning in hospital bills, phone payments and numerous other expenses to help keep my family afloat. But of course, if those things get brought up, you’ll always have those people who give you the financial aid argument.

Newsflash: financial aid doesn’t solve all the money problems for college students, and if tuition prices continue to rise, then it never will.

Of course, none of that matters. As long as colleges and universities continue to turn a profit, this moral dilemma won’t exist for them and these trends will continue as they have for the past 20 years.

Imagine more, folks.

Down with the sickness

People need to be more aware when they’re ill

Maybe it’s just me, but I try to avoid people like the plague (ironically) when I’m even slightly ill. I have noticed people don’t care if they get you sick, and I’m hoping to let you know our campus does care. If you sit down next to me I’ll hold my cough, and if I have to sneeze, I get up and shoot my boogers in the opposite direction of your personal space. But I most definitely try my best not to wipe snot all over you and even myself, because that’s just gross.

I try to keep this persona up that I believe I can do good for my fellow man and stop the spread of a medieval cold that seems to defy any modern serum or elixir. Unfortunately, this strategic offense doesn’t always go as planned to help my winter comrades. If I’m in a class, meeting, or even in a social environment, I find it difficult to prevent the flu from spreading.

Somewhere along the ride people deemed it unacceptable and frowned upon to get up and blow your nose



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or even cough to keep your sickness away. While this is an unwritten rule, it seems very obvious if you have any amount of grasp on social cues. While this is personally what I attempt to do when ill, it would seem that others aren’t as caring or aware of what people think or what could affect them. We probably all know that one guy or gal who will sneeze so loud break the sound barrier and then announce to the room “I can’t help it.” Not only does a person like this not care for what people think, they consciously know of their actions, but still feel the need to comment on it for attention. This is sad.

Another example of an absolute unit is a person you meet for the very first time and they wipe their snot off

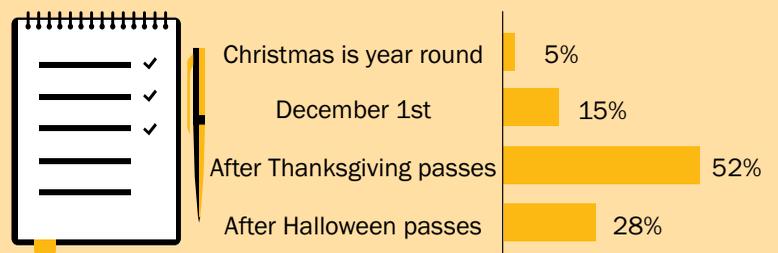
the tip of their nose onto the hand they just coughed in. And while you watch in horror the entire time talking to them you realize that this individual has done this multiple times before shaking your hand.

PRO SOCIAL TIP: Ignorance is bliss. If you see it, you believe it. If I see you doing something nasty, I’m going to assume you’re a nasty person. Likewise, if you are a germaphobe and you constantly wash your hands then I will assume you like to stay very clean. But no matter what type of person you are, you are subject to Murphy’s law which states, “anything that can happen will happen.” So no matter what measures you take you’re probably going to be consuming someone’s germs on a door handle, chair, desk or even the air you breathe.

Just try to take some precautions kids, and care for the wellbeing of your fellow classmates.

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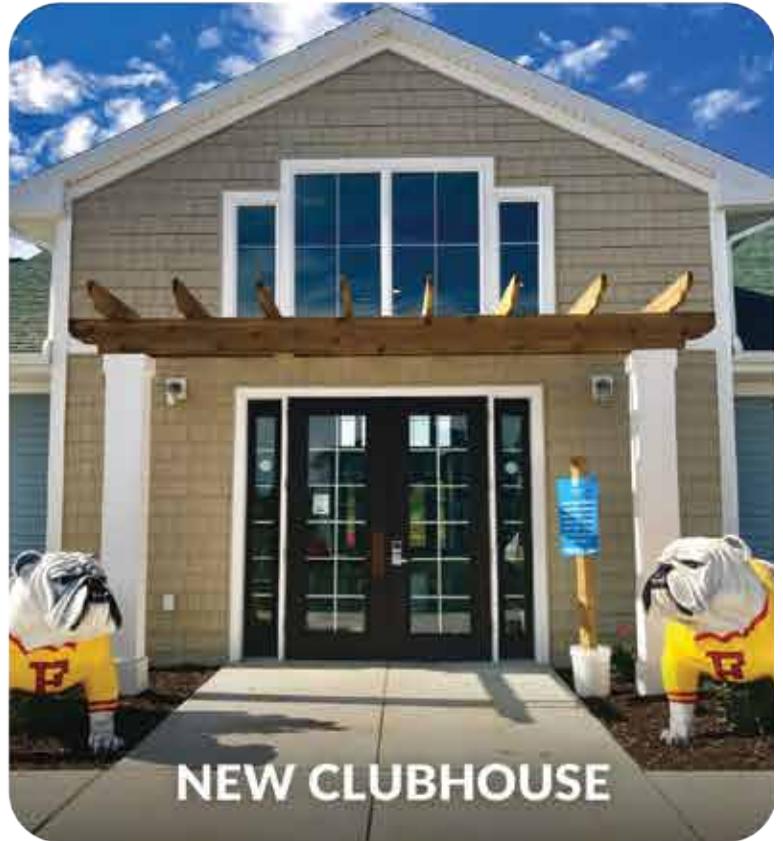
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