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2002-03 SCHEDULE/RESULTS

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME/RESULT
10/5	Western Ontario#	W 9-5
10/11	St. Cloud State	L 1-2
10/12	St. Cloud State	W 6-3
10/18	Bowling Green State*	W 10-1
10/19	Bowling Green State*	W 5-1
10/25	at Notre Dame*	W 5-2
10/26	at Notre Dame*	W 4-1
11/1	at Alaska Fairbanks*	W 5-0
11/2	at Alaska Fairbanks*	W 5-1
11/8	Wayne State	W 4-1
11/9	Wayne State	L 4-5
11/15	Western Michigan*	W 6-3
11/16	at Western Michigan*	L 1-4
11/22	Ohio State*	W 4-2
11/23	Ohio State*	W 2-1 OT
12/6	Michigan State*	L 2-6
12/7	at Michigan State*	W 5-3
12/29	Alabama-Huntsville◆	L 4-5 OT
12/30	Connecticut◆	W 5-0
1/3	at Niagara	W 7-1
1/4	at Niagara	W 8-1
1/10	Notre Dame*	W 6-3
1/11	Notre Dame*	T 4-4 OT
1/17	Northern Michigan*	L 1-3
1/18	Northern Michigan*	W 5-1
1/24	at Miami (Ohio)*	L 3-6
1/25	at Miami (Ohio)*	W 4-2
1/31	at Michigan*	L 4-6
2/1	Michigan*	W 4-3
2/7	at Lake Superior State*	W 7-1
2/8	at Lake Superior State*	W 5-1
2/15	Western Michigan*	W 2-1
2/16	at Western Michigan*	W 5-3
2/28	Nebraska-Omaha*	W 5-0
3/1	Nebraska-Omaha*	W 4-0
3/7	at Bowling Green State*	7:05 p.m.
3/8	at Bowling Green State*	7:05 p.m.
3/14-16	CCHA Tournament First Round	TBA
3/20	CCHA Tournament Quarterfinals	W 3-0
3/21	CCHA Super 6 Semifinals	5:05/8:35 p.m.
3/22	CCHA Super 6 Championships	7:35 p.m.
3/28-29	NCAA West Regional	TBA
3/28-29	NCAA Northeast Regional	TBA
3/29-30	NCAA East Regional	TBA
3/29-30	NCAA Midwest Regional	TBA
4/10	NCAA Frozen Four Semifinals	TBA
4/12	NCAA Frozen Four Championships	7 p.m.

All times Eastern; home games in **bold**

* - Central Collegiate Hockey Association game
- Exhibition

◆ - UConn Classic (Storrs, Conn.)

❖ - Detroit, Mich. (Joe Louis Arena)

❖ - Worcester, Mass. (Centrum Centre)

◆ - Providence, R.I. (Dunkin' Donuts Center)

◆ - Minneapolis, Minn. (Mariucci Arena)

◆ - Ann Arbor, Mich. (Yost Ice Arena)

★ - Buffalo, N.Y. (HSBC Arena)

FERRIS A POINT AWAY FROM CAPTURING CCHA REGULAR SEASON TITLE

THIS WEEK: The nationally-ranked Ferris State University men's ice hockey team, which is midst its most successful ever in the program's NCAA Division I history, is a league point away from capturing its first-ever Central Collegiate Hockey Association (CCHA) Regular-Season Championship title as the Bulldogs conclude the 2002-03 regular season against the Bowling Green State University Falcons this weekend (March 7-8) at Bowling Green, Ohio.

FACEOFF/ARENA: Friday & Saturday - 7:05 p.m. (EST)/BGSU Ice Arena (5,000).

CCHA FIRST-ROUND TICKET INFORMATION:

Tickets for the opening-round series of the 2002-03 CCHA Tournament, which will be held March 14-16 at FSU's Ewigleben (pronounced A-VAH-glave-in) Ice Arena in Big Rapids, are currently on sale. Single-game tickets for the best two-of-three series are \$14 for adults and \$7 for both Ferris State students with ID and youth in grades K-12. Tickets may be purchased by contacting the FSU Ticket Office at (231) 591-2888. Hours are Monday thru Friday - 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. (EST) and Saturday (home games only) - 12 to 5 p.m.

THE RECORDS: Ferris State improved to 25-8-1 overall and 18-5-1 in the CCHA following its third consecutive league series sweep. Ferris claimed a 5-0 victory over Nebraska-Omaha last Friday (Feb. 28) at FSU's Ewigleben Ice Arena in Big Rapids, Mich. The Bulldogs then notched a 4-0 home triumph in Saturday's (March 1) rematch. This week, Ferris is ranked second in the *Inside College Hockey.com* and is listed fifth in both the *U.S. College Hockey Online* and *USA Today/American Hockey Magazine* polls.

Ferris, which is 13-3-1 in its last 17 outings, is 12-3-0 on the road, 13-4-1 at home, and 0-1-0 at neutral sites this season.

• A season ago, Ferris was 15-20-1 overall with a ninth-place 12-15-1 CCHA record.

Bowling Green State is 8-21-3 overall and 5-18-3 in the CCHA after splitting a league series with Lake Superior State last weekend (Feb. 28-March 1) at LSSU's Taffy Abel Arena in Sault Ste. Marie, Mich. The Falcons lost 2-0 last Friday (Feb. 28) but notched a 3-2 overtime win in Saturday's (March 1) rematch, which halted a seven-game winless streak (0-6-1). BGSU is 4-7-2 at home, 2-11-1 on the

road and 2-3-0 at neutral sites this year.

• Bowling Green State concluded the 2001-02 campaign at 9-25-6 overall and 7-18-3 (11th place) in the CCHA.

BOB DANIELS: The sixth head coach in the program's history, Daniels became FSU's winningest coach following a 7-0 regular-season finale (3/4/00) win at Western Michigan to surpass the program's inaugural coach Rick Duffett (1975-82; 119-83-7). Daniels is first among Ferris' all-time coaches in CCHA wins with a 130-154-30 (.462) league mark.

THE COACHES: Ferris State - Bob Daniels

(Michigan State, 1982), 11th season, 174-205-33 (.462) - (15-14-4 vs. Bowling Green State - Away 5-10-2, Home 10-4-2). **Bowling Green State - Scott Paluch** (Bowling Green State, 1991), 1st season, 8-21-3 (.297) - (0-2-0 vs. Ferris State).

ABOUT BOWLING GREEN STATE: The Falcons have 10 individuals with double-digit point totals, led by junior forwards D'Arcy McConvey (6-21-27) and Mark Wires (11-13-24). In goal are sophomore Jordan Sigalet (6-10-2, 3.30 GAA, .909sv%) and senior Tyler Masters (2-11-1, 4.58 GAA, .880sv%).

SERIES INFORMATION: FSU trails 47-34-9

At Bowling Green: 14-30-4; **At Big Rapids:** 20-17-5

Goals For/Against: 322 (3.58 gpg.)/403 (4.48 gpg.)

First Meeting: BGSU 11, FSU 5 (12/15/78)

Last Meeting: FSU 5, BGSU 1* (10/19/02)

Current Win Streak: FSU 4 (2/8-10/19/02)

Longest Win Streak: FSU 5 (3/6/92-1/22/93);

BGSU 8 (2/28/87-3/5/88)

Last Season: FSU 5, BGSU 2* (2/8/02); FSU 6,

BGSU 3* (2/9/02)

This Season: FSU 10, BGSU 1* (10/18/02);

FSU 5, BGSU 1* (10/19/02)

Top FSU Scorer: Chris Kunitz (7-5-12, 10 GP)

Series Note: FSU has a four-game winning streak and is 7-2-1 in last 10 meetings versus BGSU.

* - Home game

MONTH	HOME	AWAY	NEUTRAL	TOTAL
OCTOBER	2-2-0	2-3-1	0-0-0	4-5-1
NOVEMBER	1-3-2	4-3-0	0-0-0	5-6-2
DECEMBER	4-2-0	1-7-0	0-0-0	5-9-0
JANUARY	4-5-1	3-5-1	0-0-0	7-10-2
FEBRUARY	7-5-2	2-4-2	0-0-0	9-9-4
MARCH	2-0-0	2-8-0	0-0-0	4-8-0
TOTALS	20-17-5	14-30-4	0-0-0	34-47-9

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2002-03 CCHA STANDINGS



	CONFERENCE					OVERALL						
	GP	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA	W	L	T	GF	GA
1. Ferris State	26	20	5	1	41	113	59	25	8	1	152	77
2. Michigan	26	18	7	1	37	104	65	24	9	1	136	82
3. Ohio State	26	16	8	2	34	83	56	22	10	3	111	76
4. Michigan State	26	15	10	1	31	101	78	19	13	2	123	104
5. Northern Michigan	26	13	12	1	27	85	79	17	15	2	111	99
Western Michigan	26	13	12	1	27	87	89	15	17	2	110	121
Notre Dame	26	12	11	3	27	86	84	14	14	6	108	110
Alaska Fairbanks	26	10	11	7	27	78	104	13	12	7	98	112
9. Miami (Ohio)	26	11	12	3	25	75	65	18	15	3	117	92
10. Nebraska-Omaha	28	9	17	2	20	64	97	13	19	4	94	123
11. Bowling Green State	26	5	18	3	13	66	108	8	21	3	85	128
12. Lake Superior State	26	3	22	1	7	39	97	6	24	4	57	123

RESULTS LAST WEEK

Friday, February 28

at Ferris State 5, Nebraska-Omaha 0*

at Lake Superior State 2, Bowling Green State 0*

at Northern Michigan 5, Ohio State 2*

Michigan State 4, at Michigan 0*

at Western Michigan 4, Notre Dame 2*

at Alaska Fairbanks 2, Miami (Ohio) 1*

Saturday, March 1

at Ferris State 4, Nebraska-Omaha 0*

Bowling Green State 3, at Lake Superior State 2 OT*

Ohio State 4, at Northern Michigan 1*

Michigan 5, Michigan State 4*◆

at Notre Dame 5, Western Michigan 2*

Miami (Ohio) 1, at Alaska Fairbanks 1 OT*

GAMES THIS WEEK

Thursday, March 6

Nebraska-Omaha at Minnesota State, Mankato, 8:35 p.m.

BULLDOG BITES: Ferris State is within one victory shy of tying the school record for most single-season victories. The mark was set by the 1979-80 team (26-11-1), the Bulldogs' first season as a CCHA member . . . Ferris' back-to-back shutouts against Nebraska-Omaha were the first in school history and the two wins were the first at home in their series versus UNO. FSU has now won three of the last four meetings after going 0-5-1 in the previous six contests . . . Sophomore goaltender **Mike Brown (Calgary, Alta.)** tied a single-season school mark for most shutouts with his fourth Saturday, which was held previously by Vince Owen (1998-99). Brown also equalled the Ferris career record of six whitewashes shared by Owen (1997-01) and Phil Osaer (1998-01) . . . Senior left wing **Chris Kunitz (Regina, Sask.)**, who has 92 career goals in 144 contests, is one shy of tying Rod Schluter (1984-89) for second place among

FSU's all-time goal scorers. His career-high 63 points (28-35-63) ties John DePourcq (1990-91; 15-48-63) for the fourth highest single-season scoring output in program history and needs five more points to tie Peter Lowden (1985-86; 28-40-68) for the third-best season point total . . . Sophomore right wing **Derek Nesbitt (Egmondville, Ont.)** has 12 points (6-6-12), including a short-handed goal on Saturday during a seven-game point streak . . . Senior left wing **Phil Lewandowski (Naperville, Ill.)** has compiled a career-best six-game point string (4-4-8) . . . Sophomore center **Jeff Legue's (Cornwall, Ont.)** 46 points (20-26-46) this season are four points shy of doubling his freshman scoring production . . . FSU is 10-14-2 in its last two regular-season games since 1990, including a 3-5-0 mark in its last eight such outings to date. The Bulldogs are 7-9-1 on the road and 3-5-1 at home during the 26-game span . . . Ferris has outscored its opponents 32-9 during its present seven-game winning streak. The Bulldogs are averaging 4.57 goals per game (32 total) to its opponent's 1.29 goals a contest (nine) during that period . . . 14 of FSU's current 22-member roster (63.6%) have double-figure point totals this campaign . . . Ferris finished 6-0-0 in February this season, which was its best mark ever in that month and surpassed the 5-3-0 mark set in 1980-81.

CCHA PLAYERS OF THE WEEK: **Mike Brown** and **Chris Kunitz** have been chosen CCHA Defensive and Offensive Players of the Week (March 2), respectively. Brown received the weekly award for a league-record sixth time this season while Kunitz was named for the fourth time. Brown recorded a combined 75 saves with two shutouts while Kunitz had five points (2-3-5) in the series. A FSU skater has received CCHA accolades 12 times this season.

HOBEBY BAKER AWARD CANDIDATE: **Chris Kunitz**, a 2001-02 CCHA First-Teamer as a result of scoring a league-high 25 goals, is a 2002-03 Hobey Baker Memorial Award candidate. A season ago, he had 38 points on a career-best 28 goals and 10 assists in 35 games. He has a league-best 63 points with 28 goals and 35 assists in 34 contests this season. Kunitz currently ranks first with over 69,500 points in phase two voting for the Hobey Baker Award. Once the nominating phase is completed, fans will be casting ballots along with the

Friday, March 7

Ferris State at Bowling Green State*, 7:05 p.m.

Michigan State at Western Michigan*

Notre Dame at Northern Michigan*

Michigan at Ohio State*

Lake Superior State at Miami (Ohio)*, 7:35 p.m.

Alaska-Anchorage at Alaska Fairbanks, 11:05 p.m.

Saturday, March 8

Ferris State at Bowling Green State*, 7:05 p.m.

Western Michigan at Michigan State*

Notre Dame at Northern Michigan*

Michigan at Ohio State*, 8:05 p.m.

Lake Superior State at Miami (Ohio)*, 7:35 p.m.

Minnesota State, Mankato at Nebraska-Omaha, 8:05 p.m.

Alaska-Anchorage at Alaska Fairbanks, 11:05 p.m.

* - CCHA Game ◆ - Joe Louis Arena (Detroit, Mich.)

All starting times are Eastern and 7:05 p.m. unless noted

BULLDOGS OF THE GAME: After each contest, a Ferris State player will be selected the Bulldog of the Game. Below is a compilation of the recipients to date.

DATE/OPP.	PLAYER	NOTES
Oct. 11 vs. SCSU	Mike Brown	39 saves
Oct. 12 vs. SCSU	Mike Kinnie	1-1-2
Oct. 18 vs. BGSU	Chris Kunitz	2-4-6
Oct. 19 vs. BGSU	Chris Kunitz	2-0-2
Oct. 25 at N. Dame	Chris Kunitz	2-2-4, +3
Oct. 26 at N. Dame	Chris Kunitz	2-2-4, +2
Nov. 1 at UAF	Jamie Dunlap	2-0-2, +2
Nov. 2 at UAF	Mike Brown	26 saves
Nov. 8 vs. Wayne St.	Mike Kinnie	2-0-2, +2
Nov. 9 vs. Wayne St.	Troy Milam	2-0-2
Nov. 15 vs. WMU	Phil Lewandowski	2-1-3, +3
Nov. 16 at WMU	Derek Nesbitt	1-0-1
Nov. 22 vs. Ohio St.	Derek Nesbitt	2-0-2, +2
Nov. 23 vs. Ohio St.	Derrick McIver	1-0-1, +1
Dec. 6 vs. MSU	Mike Kinnie	1-0-1, +1
Dec. 7 at MSU	Brett Smith	1-1-2, +1
Dec. 29 vs. UAH	Troy Milam	1-1-2
Dec. 30 vs. UConn	Chris Kunitz	2-2-4, +3
Jan. 3 at Niagara	Chris Kunitz	1-3-4, +4
Jan. 4 at Niagara	Jeff Legue	2-0-2, +2
Jan. 10 vs. N. Dame	Simon Mangos	2-0-2, +1
Jan. 11 vs. N. Dame	Jeff Legue	2-0-2, +1
Jan. 17 vs. NMU	Mike Brown	30 saves
Jan. 18 vs. NMU	Greg Rallo	2-1-3, +2
Jan. 24 at Miami	Chris Kunitz	2-0-2
Jan. 25 at Miami	Brett Smith	1-0-1
Jan. 31 at Michigan	Chris Kunitz	2-0-2, +1
Feb. 1 vs. Michigan	Chris Kunitz	2-1-3, +3
Feb. 7 at LSSU	Jeff Legue	1-1-2, +2
Feb. 8 at LSSU	Troy Milam	1-1-2
Feb. 15 vs. WMU	Mike Brown	29 saves
Feb. 16 at WMU	Derek Nesbitt	2-0-2, +2
Feb. 28 vs. UNO	Mike Brown	31 saves
Mar. 1 vs. UNO	Mike Brown	44 saves
Mar. 7 at BGSU		
Mar. 8 at BGSU		

All times are Eastern
▲ - Championship

* - CCHA Game
▼ - Third-Place Game

60 NCAA Division I college hockey head coaches to determine the Top 10 Finalists, which will be announced in March. Fans can log on to www.vote-forhobey.com and follow the prompts to nominate their choice.

MOST RECENT SUMMARIES:

Game 33 ◆ vs. Nebraska-Omaha

February 28, 2003 - at Ewingleben Ice Arena (2,413)

	1	2	3	FINAL
Nebraska-Omaha	0	0	0	0
Ferris State	1	1	3	5

1st: FSU-Chris Kunitz/27 (Derek Nesbitt, Jeff Legue); PPG: 3:18

2nd: FSU-Simon Mangos/8 (Troy Milam, Chris Kunitz); PPG: 19:49

3rd: FSU-Matt York/4 (Phil Lewandowski, Mike Kinnie); PPG: 6:22

FSU-Chris Kunitz/28 (Jeff Legue, Greg Rallo); PPG: 8:09

FSU-Brett Smith/8 (Jeremy Scherlinck, Troy Milam); 18:09

Shots On Goal: UNO 12-8-11-31, FSU 9-15-11-35

Penalties: UNO 12-24, FSU 9-18

Power Plays: UNO 0-6, FSU 4-10

Saves: UNO-Dan Ellis, L (12-17-4) (8-14-8-30); 60:00

FSU-Mike Brown, W (24-8-1) (12-8-11-31); 60:00

Officials: Referee-Stephen McInchak; Asst. Refs-Brian Hill, Keith Sergott

Game 34 ◆ vs. Nebraska-Omaha

March 1, 2003 - at Ewingleben Ice Arena (2,243)

	1	2	3	FINAL
Nebraska-Omaha	0	0	0	0
Ferris State	1	1	2	4

1st: FSU-Derek Nesbitt/12 (Jeff Legue, Chris Kunitz); 2:47

2nd: FSU-Greg Rallo/12 (Phil Lewandowski, Matt York); 16:10

3rd: FSU-Phil Lewandowski/13 (Mike Kinnie, Matt York); :57

FSU-Derek Nesbitt/13 (Chris Kunitz); SHG: 9:49

Shots On Goal: UNO 13-18-13-44, FSU 11-14-7-32

Penalties: UNO 11-30, FSU 14-28

Power Plays: UNO 0-10, FSU 0-6

Saves: UNO-Dan Ellis, L (12-18-4) (10-13-5-28); 60:00

FSU-Mike Brown, W (25-8-1) (13-18-13-44); 60:00

Officials: Referee-Steve McInchak; Asst. Refs-Brian Hill, Keith Sergott

2002-03 FERRIS STATE ROSTER

No.	NAME	Pos.	Yr.
2	Nick Scheible Big Rapids, Mich.	F	RFr.
5	Brett Smith Guelph, Ontario	F	Jr.
6	Troy Milam (C) Lake Orion, Mich.	D	Sr.
7	Greg Rallo Gurnee, Ill.	F	Fr.
8	Skip Renauld Regina, Saskatchewan	D	So.
9	Derrick McIver (A) Thunder Bay, Ontario	F	Jr.
11	Jeff Legue Cornwall, Ontario	F	So.
12	Matt York Woodhaven, Mich.	D	So.
14	Chris Kunitz (A) Regina, Saskatchewan	F	Sr.
16	Jamie Dunlap Nepean, Ontario	F	Fr.
17	Derek Nesbitt Egmondville, Ontario	F	So.
19	Trevor Large Brampton, Ontario	F	Jr.
20	Kevin Caudill Tustin, Calif.	F	Sr.
21	Carter Thomson Milden, Saskatchewan	F	So.
22	Simon Mangos Caledon, Ontario	D	Jr.
24	Jeremy Scherlinck Grosse Pointe, Mich.	D	Fr.
25	Nick Field Jackson, Mich.	F	Sr.
26	Mike Kinzie Shelby Township, Mich.	F	So.
27	Phil Lewandowski Naperville, Ill.	F	Sr.
28	Phil Meyer Lansing, Mich.	D	Sr.
29	Tim Vokey Mississauga, Ontario	F	Fr.
30	Mike Brown Calgary, Alberta	G	So.
31	Matt Swanson Clinton Township, Mich.	G	Sr.
35	John DeCaro Marysville, Wash.	G	So.
41	Andrew Winnik Mississauga, Ontario	D	Fr.

Average Height: 6 feet, 0 inches
Average Weight: 184.7 pounds
Average Age: 21.3 years

Head Coach: Bob Daniels
Assistant Coach: Drew Famulak
Assistant Coach: Derek Lalonde
Volunteer Asst. Coach: Tim Blashill
Equipment Manager: Ben Mumah, E.M., C.
Athletics Trainer: Tim Glover, ATC



FSU's RECORD WHEN ...

Playing at home	13-4-1
Playing on the road	12-3-0
Playing at neutral site	0-1-0
On Olympic-sized ice	2-0-0
On regulation-sized ice	23-8-1
Game 1 of a weekend series	11-6-0
Game 2 of a weekend series	14-2-1
Game 1 of a CCHA weekend series	9-4-0
Game 2 of a CCHA weekend series	11-1-1
Games following a win	17-6-1
Games following a loss	8-0-0
Games following a tie	0-1-0
The margin of victory is one goal	3-0-0
The margin of victory is two goals	4-0-0
The margin of victory is three or more goals	18-0-0
In overtime games	1-1-1
In games decided by one goal	3-3-0
In games decided by two goals	4-2-0
In games decided by three or more goals	18-3-0
Scoring first	20-2-0
The opponent scores first	5-6-1
Leading after one period	13-2-0
Trailing after one period	1-2-1
Tied after one period	11-3-0
Leading after two periods	23-0-0
Trailing after two periods	0-7-1
Tied after two periods	2-1-0
Outshooting its opponent	14-1-1
Being outshot by an opponent	10-5-0
Shots on goal are even	1-2-0
With fewer than 20 shots on goal	0-0-0
With 20-29 shots on goal	6-4-0
With 30-39 shots on goal	11-1-1
With 40 or more shots on goal	8-3-0
Scoring a power-play goal	16-6-1
Not scoring a power-play goal	9-2-0
Allowing a power-play goal	12-5-1
Not allowing a power-play goal	13-3-0
Scoring a short-handed goal	2-1-0
Allowing a short-handed goal	1-3-1
When FSU goalie makes fewer than 30 saves	15-4-1
When FSU goalie makes 30-39 saves	8-4-0
When FSU goalie makes 40-49 saves	2-0-0
When taking less penalties than opp.	12-4-1
When taking more penalties than opp.	12-3-0
When penalties are equal	1-1-0
Playing in TV games	4-2-0
When Chris Kunitz gets a point	22-5-1
When Chris Kunitz scores a goal	15-2-0
Versus CCHA Teams	20-5-1
Versus WCHA Teams	1-1-0
Versus CHA Teams	3-2-0
Versus Hockey East Teams	0-0-0
Versus ECAC Teams	0-0-0
Versus MAAC Teams	1-0-0
When wearing white jerseys	13-5-1
When wearing dark jerseys	12-3-0

MONTH-BY-MONTH RECORD ...

	HOME	AWAY	NEUTRAL	TOTAL
October	3-1-0	2-0-0	0-0-0	5-1-0
November	4-1-0	2-1-0	0-0-0	6-2-0
December	0-1-0	2-0-0	0-1-0	2-2-0
January	2-1-1	3-2-0	0-0-0	5-3-1
February	3-0-0	3-0-0	0-0-0	6-0-0
March	1-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	1-0-0
TOTAL	13-4-1	12-3-0	0-1-0	25-8-1

NEXT OPPONENT: Ferris State has clinched home ice for one of the six 2002-03 CCHA Tournament (March 14-16) opening-round best-of-three series, against a league opponent yet to be determined. Games times are 7:35 p.m. (EST) Friday, March 14, and 7:05 p.m. (EST) Saturday, March 15, and Sunday, March 16, if necessary. The FSU Athletics Department is promoting the series as "Operation White-Out" and will distribute 500 white t-shirts and white poms for Friday's (March 14) tourney opener.

CLUSTER STANDINGS ...

Under the CCHA's "rivalry pairing" cluster scheduling format, Ferris State, whose rivalry partner is Western Michigan, joins Bowling Green State and Notre Dame for the 2002-03 campaign. Following are the standings in FSU's scheduling cluster:

TEAM	GP	W	L	T	Pts
1. Ferris State	10	8	1	1	17
Notre Dame	12	7	4	1	15
3. Western Michigan	12	5	6	1	11
4. Bowling Green St.	10	0	9	1	1



The 2002-03 season marks the third year of the Perani Cup Three Stars, which is awarded following the conclusion of each CCHA regular-season game. Players from each school earn points throughout the season each time they are named a "star of the game" (5 points for 1st star, 3 points for 2nd star, and 1 point for 3rd star). At the end of the season, the CCHA will crown a Perani Cup champion and honor individual winners from each school. Following are the standings for Ferris State:

CCHA GAMES ONLY

NAME (CCHA RANK)	1ST	2ND	3RD	POINTS
Mike Brown	5	5	4	44
Chris Kunitz	5	5	1	41
Jeff Legue	2	3	4	23
Derek Nesbitt	2	2	2	18
Phil Lewandowski	1	2	2	13
Brett Smith	2			10
Greg Rallo	1	1	1	8
Mike Kinzie		1	3	6
Derrick McIver	1			5
Troy Milam	1			5
Jamie Dunlap		1		3
Matt York		1		3
Simon Mangos			1	1

OVERALL GAMES

NAME	1ST	2ND	3RD	POINTS
Chris Kunitz	7	5	1	51
Mike Brown	5	6	6	49
Jeff Legue	3	4	4	31
Derek Nesbitt	2	2	2	18
Mike Kinzie	2	1	3	16
Phil Lewandowski	1	2	3	14
Brett Smith	2	1		13
Troy Milam	1	1	1	9
Greg Rallo	1	1		8
Simon Mangos	1		2	7
Derrick McIver	1			5
Jamie Dunlap		1	1	4
Matt York		1	1	4
Andrew Winnik		1		3
Jeremy Scherlinck			1	1

CURRENT STREAKS ...

PLAYER	GAMES	G-A-P	STREAK
Three Players	1	1-0-1	Goals
Phil Lewandowski	3	1-3-4	Assists
Derek Nesbitt	7	6-6-12	Points

NCAA STATISTICS ...

Following is where Ferris State ranks as a team and individually from the NCAA statistics, released on Monday (March 3):

CATEGORY	TEAM		
	RANK	No.	Avg.
Scoring Offense	2nd	152	4.47
Scoring Margin	3rd	+2.21	
Winning Pct.	3rd	25-8-1	.750
Scoring Defense	6th	77	2.26
Penalty Killing Pct.	5th	156-182	.857

NAME	INDIVIDUAL		
	CATEGORY	RANK	Avg/No.
Chris Kunitz	Points PG	2nd	1.85
	Assists PG	4th	1.03
	Goals PG	3rd	0.82
	GWG	7thT	5
Mike Brown	Win Pct.	4thT	.750
	Save Pct.	4th	.926
	Goals Against	7th	2.26
Derek Nesbitt	GWG	1stT	7
	Assists PG	16thT	0.82
Jeff Legue	Points PG	16thT	1.35