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## University Wide Notices

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## Regular meeting of the Emeriti Board of Directors

Dear University Community,

The regular meeting of the FSU Emeriti Association Board of Directors will be held on Monday, June 3 at 10 am in Prakken 114. Guests are welcome to attend.

*Anyone with a disability that needs special accommodations to attend this event should contact Mary Kay Maclver at (231) 591-3739 at least 72 hours in advance.*

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## Ferris Advance May 2019 - UA&M Newsletter



**FERRIS ADVANCE  
MAY 2019**

### **Ferris Futures Scholarship Challenge Update**

Since July 1, 2016, the Ferris Futures Scholarship Challenge has received gifts toward 277 new or existing endowments, with more than \$6.97 million of new gift commitments from Ferris State University benefactors. With the match, this creates more than \$13.94 million of endowed funds for the support of Ferris students.

The Ferris Futures Scholarship Challenge has matched 1,836 generous donations from 493 alumni, 141 faculty/staff and 1,202 friends.

### **Marsha Ferguson Establishes the Thomas E. “Tony” Ferguson Scholarship Endowment**

Marsha Ferguson recently established the Thomas E. ‘Tony’ Ferguson Scholarship Endowment to support students in the Welding Engineering Technology program. A long-time employee of Fluor Corporation, Tony served as a member of the WET industry advisory board. Marsha, and several close friends of Tony’s, created the scholarship to honor his memory and love for the welding industry and Ferris.

### **Dee Cramer, Inc. Establishes the Richard J. Cramer, Sr. Scholarship Endowment**



The Richard J. Cramer, Sr. Scholarship Endowment will be awarded to a full-time student majoring in the HVACR program. Dee Cramer, Inc. of Holly, Mich., is a third-generation, family-owned company founded in 1937 by Dee Cramer. Dee’s son, Richard, or “Dick,” took the lead role of the corporation, in 1975, then was followed by his sons, Matt and Rich, in 2003.

Dee Cramer provides heating, cooling and ventilation to commercial, industrial and institutional markets. The company is one of Michigan’s most trusted names in the industry and well known for its comprehensive service in design, build, delivery, installation and maintenance of quality HVACR systems, according to its website.

### **Robert and Nancy Shilander Establish the Robert G. and Nancy A. Shilander Scholarship Endowment and the Robert G. Shilander Scholarship Endowment**

Robert and Nancy Shilander recently established two new scholarship endowments. The Robert G. and Nancy A. Shilander Scholarship Endowment will support any student at Ferris with a preference for those who are graduates of Mason County Central in Scottville, Mich. The Robert G. Shilander Scholarship Endowment will support students in the Construction Management program. Robert is a 1969 graduate of the Construction program and a long-time member of the program’s industry advisory board.

### **Second Annual Growing Opportunity Partner Celebration Honors Dr. Bill Pink**



An overwhelming success! The second annual Growing Opportunity: A Partner Celebration was held on May 15 at the Goei Center in Grand Rapids, with Grand Rapids Community College President Dr. Bill Pink accepting GRCC's award as the 2019 Partner Honoree. Dr. Pink spoke powerfully of the role of intention in partnership, a message that resonated through the stories and testimonials of graduates, faculty, and industry leaders who have engaged the 28-year partnership between the institutions. Participants were enthusiastic in their responses, assembling backpacks of emergency supplies for housing and food insecure students utilizing the GRCC Food Pantry, and giving generously to the West Michigan Opportunity Scholarship for Ferris students. In fact, the Ferris Grand Rapids Council's signature fundraiser recorded an incredible tripling in donations from last year's event. Many thanks to the event's sponsors, Ferris Grand Rapids Council, event committee, honorary committee, and the volunteers and supporters who contributed to such a wonderful and impactful evening.



Photo Gallery: <https://ferrisphotos.smugmug.com/Alumni/2019-Advancement-Events/2019-Growing-Opportunity/>

### **New Swan Annex Laboratories, Academic Space Featured in Dedication Event**



A \$30 million collaborative investment by the state of Michigan and Ferris State University was on display Friday afternoon, April 26, when [expanded and renovated areas of the Swan Technical Arts Building Annex were dedicated](#). Following the dedication ceremony, there was a reception and self-guided tours.

The state made a \$22.5 million appropriation to support the development of the Center of Welding Excellence and the Center for Advanced Manufacturing in June 2016, more than two years after then-Governor Rick Snyder had toured the Swan Building at the invitation of Ferris President David Eisler. The university has put forth its required match of \$7.5 million of financial contribution and in-kind acquisition of technology and equipment for the centers.

Welding Engineering Technology Associate Professor and Program Coordinator Jeffrey Carney said the renovation has provided space for additional laboratories, which allows the program to admit more students to its associate and bachelor's degree programs.

### **Phil Hagerman Hosts Ferris Constituents at the Ferris Wheel Building to Learn More About The Center for Athletics Performance**



On April 25, nearly 60 alumni, staff and friends of Ferris attended an event at Phil Hagerman's Ferris Wheel

Building in Flint, Michigan to learn more about the Center for Athletics Performance. After Dr. Hagerman welcomed attendees to his building, President Eisler updated everyone on the Center and introduced Perk Wiesenberger, athletic director, and several Bulldog coaches to speak for the evening. They shared stories of their success and answered questions about the new facility and the impact it will have on the entire athletics department at Ferris. Please take a look at [the video](#) and [photo recaps](#) from the event, that include guest speakers President David Eisler, Phil Hagerman, Perk Weisenburger, Tony Annese, and Bob Daniels.

If you would like to [support the Center for Athletics Performance](#), it would very much be appreciated as our student athletes still need your help to bring this game changing project into fruition!

### **Alumni Association Hosts Annual Golf Outing on May 17**



The Alumni Association hosted their annual golf outing on May 17 in Grand Rapids at The Club at Thornapple Pointe with General Manager and alumnus, Scott Cook (B'15). Money raised from this sold-out golf outing, including the numerous hole sponsorships and special event sponsorships, will support the Alumni Legacy Scholarship Endowment. Event participants enjoyed a day of golfing with fellow Bulldogs followed by dinner and an awards and raffle ceremony.

### **Web Content Manager Collaborates with Campus Colleagues at “Web Content for Everyone” Symposium**

Ted Halm, Web Content Manager, collaborated with his campus colleagues from FLITE, the Faculty Center for Teaching and Learning, and the Staff Center for Training and Development to host a symposium addressing the important topic of universal design and website accessibility.

Many individuals at Ferris and its Kendall College of Art and Design have been working behind the scenes in recent years to ensure that the institution’s websites are accessible to all users, including those with sight, hearing and learning challenges. More than 80 employees from Ferris and KCAD participated in the May 15 “Web Content for Everyone” symposium that focused on building and maintaining websites that are accessible to all.

Rebecca Blakiston, user experience strategist at the University of Arizona Libraries and a nationally renowned speaker on universal design, was the keynote speaker for the symposium. Her presentation focused on writing for the web with clarity, making web content accessible, and overall content strategy to enhance the user experience.

Halm, an employee of University Advancement and Marketing for more than 39 years, joined Sela Constan-Wahl, assistant professor at FLITE for Collections and Access Services, to host a breakout session on web accessibility. Other breakout sessions covered the topics of writing for the web, usability testing, and video captioning.

Halm was also a member of the wrap-up panel and fielded questions from participants pertaining to inclusive web content, FSU resources for online and content creation, and universal design.

The symposium was made possible through the support of the Diversity and Inclusion Office, Administration and Finance, Educational Counseling and Disabilities Service, the Faculty Center for Teaching and Learning, FLITE, the Office of the Provost, Retention and Student Success, the Staff Center for Training and Development, and University Advancement and Marketing.

## Faculty Recognition and Online Course Design Cohorts

### THANK YOU

Thank you to all of those who attended and put in many hours at the Course Design Institute last week! You survived the 'Final Grades' Escape Room, learning Canvas and many different best practices for online courses. The progress on your online courses was impressive! Special thanks to those who planned, provided abundant food, presented and trained faculty. ~ *the Ferris eLearning Team*



### COURSE DESIGN COHORTS

**We can help.** If you would like to design your online course with eLearning support, training, and mini workshops, we have two upcoming cohorts. *If you haven't already, please register using the links below so we can plan seats, support materials and refreshments accordingly.*

**Su2019** - Cohort Kick off meeting: **MONDAY**, June 3, 2019, 11:00 am - 1:00 pm, FLITE 112, refreshments served. Meeting-workshops will be approximately every two weeks throughout the summer, with four additional sessions. [Su2019 Cohort registration](#).

**Fa2019** - Cohort kick off meeting will be in August 15, 2019, with four additional meeting-workshops approximately every two weeks Sept - Nov. [Fa2019 Cohort registration](#).

Questions? Contact the Ferris eLearning Design Team at (231) 591-2804.

For **Canvas** training information please see the [training page](#) of the eLearning website.

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*Online Design Consultant*

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Reminder from Accounting – May month end

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Please deliver **May** data (Journal Entries (JV's) & Uploads) to the Accounting Office by **5:00 PM, Wednesday, June 5th.**

All **May** Requisitions, PO's, and Direct Pays that have a [transaction date](#) in May need to be approved by **5:00 PM, Wednesday, June 5th.**

If you are mailing your JV's to the Accounting Office, please allow 2 days delivery time.

Thank you,  
The Accounting Office  
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