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NELSON SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT – Nicole Berger (right) of Des Moines, IA, a member of the Ferris State University women’s tennis team, recently became the first recipient of the Joan Nelson Scholarship. The award for Ferris women student-athletes, funded through an endowment established by emeritus faculty member Nelson (left), recognizes academic achievement and leadership skills. Nelson taught physical education at Ferris from 1962 until her retirement in 1990 and has been a long-time champion for Bulldog women’s athletics. She received an Athletics Special Service Award from the Bulldog Athletics Hall of Fame Selection Committee during the 2003 induction banquet. Nelson, a resident of Big Rapids, lives in Charlevoix during the summer months. Berger, a senior who last fall played No. 6 singles and No. 2 doubles for the Bulldogs, transferred from Northwest Missouri State University. She is pictured with Ferris head coach Dave Ramos.

(See photo at <http://www.d.ferris.edu/newsfiles/nicoleberger021705.jpg>)

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