



Coffee House Great Success



COURTESY OF R THOMPSON

Performer Brett Wilson takes the stage at Kenner CVI on October 31st. All proceeds went to Sleeping Children Around the World.

By R THOMPSON

Kenner Collegiate hosted its 24th bi-annual Coffee House featuring vocal, instrumental, and literary talents on Wednesday October 31st to raise donations for Sleeping Children Around the World (SCAW).

Twenty performers including singers, guitarists, pianists, poets, and spoken word artists took to the stage. The highlight of the night was when one particularly shy student, Max Amatsuji-Berry, took part in one of the performances from the back of the room and unexpectedly sang an Ed Sheeran song. His involvement was met with a standing ovation

when Kenner discovered that he was a gifted singer. In response to his performance, there was a flood of responses on Facebook.

The event was supported by Kenner's Ramnesty Club. The focus for the evening was to raise awareness about SCAW, which is an Ontario based charity started by Murray Dryden to provide bed kits to underdeveloped and developing countries around the globe.

The night brought in 18 bed kits which include a mattress, a pillow, a mosquito net, school supplies, and one set of clothes. In Tanzania, the location of SCAW's most recent distribution, a school uniform is required to attend school. There was overwhelming support

from staff and students to support this project. Last April, students raised enough to send 5 bedkits.

Mr. Thompson, who ran the event, wanted to support this particular charity after witnessing the life-altering distribution that his sister took part in this past August in Tanzania.

"Seeing the disparity between what we have in Canada, and what many basic necessities are absent in Tanzania, I felt that we needed to help," said Mr. Thompson. "100% of the donations to SCAW go directly to the bedkit. There are absolutely no administrative fees with this charity, so Kenner decided this was one way that we can directly impact the lives of people around the world."

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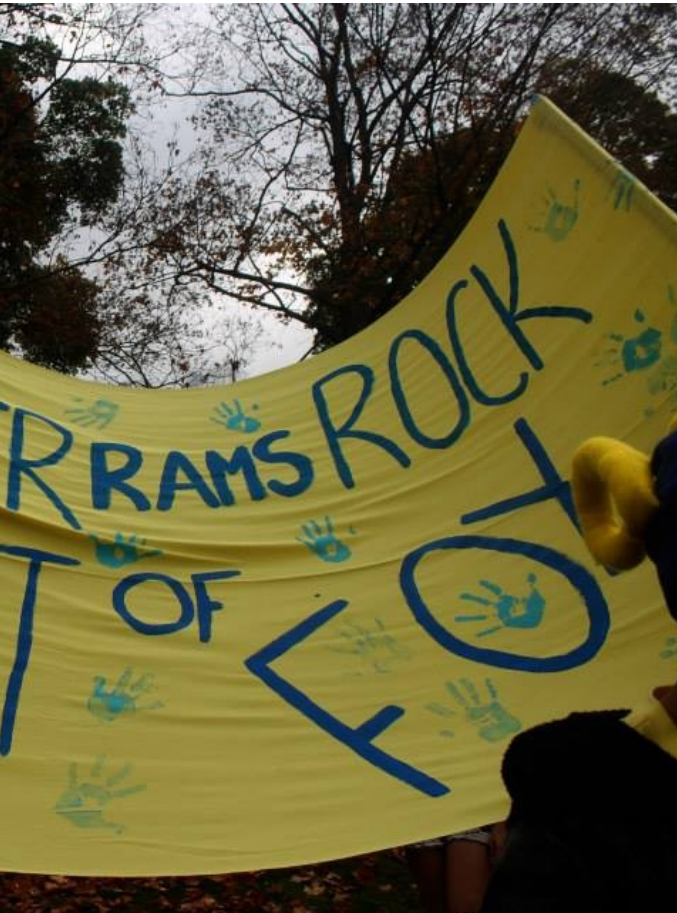


KENNER FOR

By BRIANNE DART

Another year has passed by, and Kenner's annual participation in Peterborough County's high school Terry Fox run was enthusiastic.

The run was held October 18th, due to the rain which occurred on the original date, October 16th. Kenner students trekked along the Rotary Trail to Nicholls Oval with other schools in the Peterborough area in support



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of Terry's dream: ending cancer.

To help make his dream come true, Kenner students raised money, and collected a grand total of \$11,448.43. Congratulations to the top fundraising classes! Mr. Curtis' class placed first with a grand total of \$917, while Mr. Cook's class came in second with \$614. Shoutouts also go to the top intermediate classes: Mr. Young's class placed first with \$591.85 and Mr. Veno's class placed second with \$532.40. Way to go Kenner, you made Terry proud!

▶ FREE THE CHILDREN

Club Holds Bake Sale

By CAMRYN NEILSON

When Craig Kielburger was twelve years old, he discovered a story in his local newspaper about a boy his age who had been protesting child labor, and was shot dead. Unable to ignore the story, he went to school and gathered a group of eleven friends who also thought the story demanded immediate attention, and Free the Children was born.

Now twenty-two, Craig and his older brother Marc are the co-founders of the charity, which involves and impacts more than 1.7 million youths. Kenner is a part of that, with our Free the

Children club moving along quite nicely. Our first bake sale was a huge success - thank you to everyone who baked, sold, made posters, and bought - so a new campaign is in the works, called the 'Turn Off the Music Campaign'. Simply put, we play the most annoying song we can find over the air, and the only way to have it stopped is to raise a certain amount of money.

And of course, we're always looking for new members! If helping youths all around the world is something you're interested in, meet us at lunch on Wednesdays in 229, Mr. Thompson's room.



COURTESY OF SERENA FORMENTI

This giant cookie, made by Serena Formenti, measured approximately 12 inches in diameter, was raffled off at the bake sale. The winner of the baking masterpiece, Mr. Mullins, later gave it to some hungry Kenner Rams.

OBAMA FACES SCRUTINY FOR WIRE



COURTESY OF THE GUARDIAN

U.S. President sidestepped questions on his awareness of the NSA's actions.

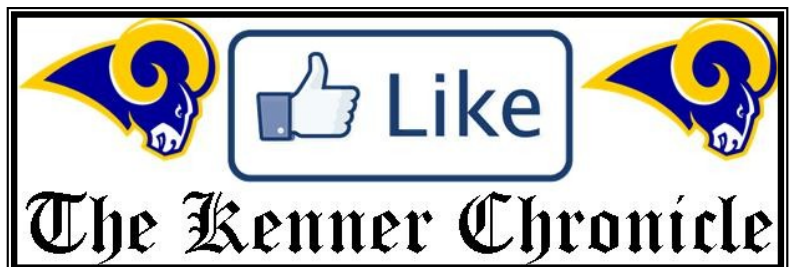
By LUKE POLEY

President Barack Obama is under more scrutiny this week after allegations of wire-tapping and data-mining by the NSA came to a front following a confrontation with German Chancellor Angela Merkel.

While evidence of surveillance by the US on the German leader has been found dating back as far as 2002, new evidence uncovered by German intelligence agencies suggests that President Obama approved for the monitoring of her calls in 2010. In response to allegations made against him, President Obama has assured Merkel that her calls will not be monitored in the future. However, as usual,

he has pointedly refused to discuss the NSA's past actions. Questions are presently being raised as to whether or not Obama has broken international and domestic laws in his monitoring of foreign leaders.

US Secretary of State John Kerry met in Europe this past week to discuss Middle-Eastern relations, but the conversation quickly turned to US surveillance. Hans-Peter Friedrich, the German interior minister, said this on the subject: "The Americans intercepted cell phones in Germany, they broke German law on German soil." He noted that wiretapping was a crime in Germany and that "those responsible must be held accountable."



Senior Rams Make History



COURTESY OF IVAN BAYARD

The Rams won their final game of the season 35-0 against Norwood on November 5 at TAS.

By **JOEL MILLS**

Kenner, history has been made. Kenner's Senior Rams strung together 8 straight wins this year and finished undefeated for the first time in Kenner's history, according to coach Mr. Curtis.

The team was consistent and strong, with Liam Findlay's offence embarrassing all

other teams in Tier 2. The closest game of the season was the 21-0 home opener against Haliburton. Meanwhile, the defence dominated as well. The boys crushed their opposition, shutting out their opponents on five occasions.

Recently, the team collected money for suicide awareness in conjunction with Adam Scott's Team 55 campaign. In total, \$305 was raised in spare change donations

and sent to the Canadian Mental Health Association.

Thanks go out to coaches Mr. Hanna, Mr. Curtis, Mr. White and Mr. Armstrong who spent enormous amounts of time and effort coaching the squad through the season. To those who will not be returning to Kenner, thank you for your legacy, and to everyone else, let's do it again next year!

Girls Basketball Wraps Up

By **LAUREN O'NEILL HAWTHORNE**

The varsity girls basketball team played their tenth and final game on Thursday against Adam Scott. Although the team never won any games, they battled hard and remained positive throughout the season. Being a varsity group playing against much older, more experienced squads, the team improved greatly and became closer as a team. The girls played tough defence all year, along with strong re-

bounding by Tamara Kimball, Amber Allen, Grace Lowes, and Ashley Barton. On the offensive, Elyse Pind, Miranda Stever and Sam Clark fought hard to get open on the wings with Kira Hillier sinking baskets from all over the court. Near the end of the season the team lost some vital players to injury, but the girls fought through and overall made the best of the season.

Boys Volleyball Comes to a Close

By **MATT HARRISON**

The Kenner Rams senior boys' volleyball team wrapped up the season. The Rams had a small but dedicated squad that battled hard and showed great heart all season long. The boys were optimistic, and never lost hope after giving up points. We improved throughout the season, and displayed increasing team chemistry on the court. Although we did not win any games, we put up a

fight against most teams, taking both Crestwood and T.A.S. to a full five sets. A big thanks to the coaches, Ms. Dyas and Ms. Rightmyer for all they did and special thanks to Vanida Khuth for volunteering her help throughout the season. Thanks to all the boys for a fun time and hope to see every one out next year!

MOVEMBER ROLLS AROUND



COURTESY OF MOVEMBER.COM

By **SHAELA ABBOTT-MCLEOD**

Now that we've entered November, around our school, our neighborhoods, our city and the world, beards and mustaches will start to pop up on many males. Though it may be viewed as a new trend amongst our society, it is actually for a good cause. Many of the people growing their facial hair are sponsored by friends and family members to raise

money and awareness for cancer research.

Others, however, are using it as an excuse not to shave or to test their "manliness." Seeing the patchy beards, uneven mustaches and little pieces of scruff on our peers and teachers around the school reminds us that life is precious, there are terrible things out there and we can all do our part to aid in the end of it by participating in this little thing we call "Movember."

Style for Students



By **AERIN FINN and PAIGE YOUNG**

Hi, everyone! As always, we have been keeping an eye out for the latest fashion trends, and this month seems to be... stripes! Yes, the reign of polka dots seems to have ended and ushered in the era of stripes. Another prominent trend has been corduroy pants

in earth tones, and a nice leather jacket is never out of style. Pair these together and you'll have a cute yet practical outfit. Also, as the weather gets cooler you don't have to sacrifice warmth for fashion; instead just add a hat and some mitts to your outfit. They'll keep you warm and are great accessories. That's all for this time, but we'll talk to you again in the next issue!

You Said It: Kenner Rams React to Coffee House Performance

"Performing at Coffee House this year was an amazing experience, as it always is. Although Kenner isn't known as an 'arts' school, the amount of talent never fails to impress. Whether it's the incredibly talented Coffee House regulars or spectacular new performers, the event always provides a supportive and encouraging environment for those on stage. This supportive spirit was demonstrated when members of the audience stalled for almost 25 minutes waiting for members of the football team who were last to perform. In my opinion, Coffee House is one of the events in the school year that best displays

the spirit and talent of Kenner and it is always a thrill to not only perform at but also to attend." - **Dan Brown**

"Performing at Coffee House for the first time was a really good experience. When Thompson asked Shaela to do it, she said she only would perform if I did it with her. I didn't want to, but I did and I'm really happy with my decision. Our friendship began with us singing for a school event but neither of us had done so since grade 8. It was really fun! Coffee House is a really warm environment and definitely a great place to perform!" - **Abigail Craine**



ZOMBIE GAME OF THE MONTH

By SHYAM SHUKLA

Zombie games are always a lot of fun, and often hilarious. They're usually simple shoot-em ups, but "The Walking Dead" by Tell-Tale Games stands apart from the zombie crowd and stimulates how it might feel to be in a zombie

apocalypse.

If you haven't already played it, the game is a fast paced visual novel game in which every decision you make will change people's opinions and attitudes towards you. In some situations, even the fate of their lives will depend on your choices. Zombies come at you at point blank, and it only takes a few hours of game play to know how to combat

them. I would rate it a 4.5/ 5 for its amazing storyline, engaging characters and, of course, the zombies.

It is available on XBOX 360, PC and iOS for between \$5.99 and \$19.99 depending on the platform, with a sequel to the critically-acclaimed game set to drop later this month.

'The Void' of Entertainment

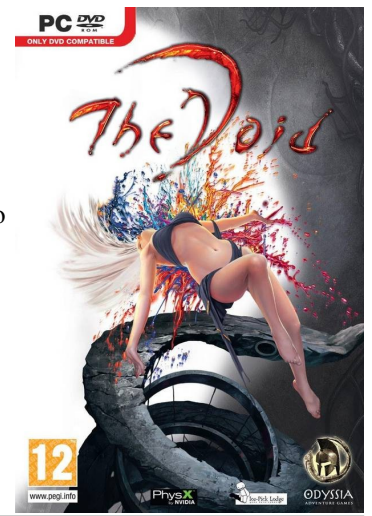
By CONNOR SCULLY

A frightening atmosphere is always enjoyable, whether or not you're a gamer. Ice Pick Lodge has mastered this in their first-person adventure game, The Void. Released in Russia in 2007, it won "Most Original Game" and was later released in other regions on October 23, 2009. It became available as a Steam digital download on December 16, 2009. Overall, it's a startling and unnerving experience the whole way through.

The game does include adult content. Basically, the game centers around a lost soul who just happened to defy a 1/1000 chance and lingered in

the void after experiencing death. In the void, a single resource represents everything that your character and the void need to sustain themselves: colour. Colour is your spirit's health, armour, stats and ammo. Colour is running out in the void, and it is your only chance to return to the land of the living. You must use colour to solve the various dilemmas that you face.

All in all, I rate it an 8.5/10. To compare, this game rated an average of 77/100 according to MetaCritic. I would highly recommend this game to anyone who enjoys a spooky atmosphere as well as an intuitive and creative game mechanic that stretches your quick thinking to the limit. You can buy it for PC on steam for \$9.99 USD.



IN THE JUNGLE — By SAM NUNEZ



AWKWARD TRICK OR TRAT MOMENTS— By FARAH KAMAR and SARAH KHALED ELMEDANY



Ask NzPenguin — By JEREMY CADENCE and JACOB MELLOR

This is the section where you can send in problems, stories or whatever's on your mind and NzPenguin will give stellar advice.

NzPenguin,

My dog won't stop barking and I can't concentrate on homework, let alone get any sleep! How do I quiet him down? -Janet

Dear Janet,

Dogs are usually docile and calm creatures. Making noise, running around, or being energetic in any way is truly abnormal behavior. If it is a large dog, it might be experiencing the "call of the wild," so to speak. There is, unfortunately, nothing that can be done at this point, except trying to prevent it from happening again. I would recommend unplugging your phone lines and changing your number.

Hope that helps! NzPenguin

NzPenguin,

My brother keeps stealing all of my food out of my fridge and I can't get him to stop! What do I do? -Ivanna H.

Dear Ivanna,

The first step in solving any sibling dispute is revenge. You should start with the classics - put a water balloon in his pillow and ketchup packets under the toilet seat, or rearrange the numbers for the contacts in his phone. Of course, food crimes require retribution of a special calibre. Slowly replace every item of food in your house with a low-fat vegan alternative. After a few days of enduring that less than tasty delight he'll never touch your food again.

Hope that helps! NzPenguin