

THE FLYER



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Upcoming Dates

Football Pep Rally- Oct 26
Halloween Bake Sale- Oct 28,
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Candy Drive- Oct. 27-28
Non-Uniform Day- Oct. 27
Take Your Kids to Work Day-
Nov. 2
School Dance- Nov. 10



Reminders....

Don't forget to check out our new "Humans of Eden" instagram page and our Facebook page to stay tuned for upcoming events!



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Students Cross Paths on Retreat

By: Braeden A. Miller

Many Eden students had a stellar time at the grade retreats this year. Students went according to their grades up to Camp Crossroads; a Christian camp in Muskoka, during the month of September to play many fun activities, to connect with other classmates, and to grow in their faith through ministering and worship. This year, not only did the grade tens, elevens and twelves get to enjoy all the fun activities of grade retreats like the previous years, but, the grade nines got to join in the excitement as well.

This year's three day fananza was filled with fantastic activities which could not have been done without the help of the student leaders as well as the SLC. These activities included sports such as volleyball, ultimate frisbee, canoeing and more. There was also a large group activity which managed to incorporate everyone who attended in an exciting thriller of a game. Not only were there planned activities, but each grade got free time to enjoy the scenic campground, play on the massive playground, or just relax and catch up on some reading.

The food was great too! No student went home hungry. Each grade was provided with a breakthrough breakfast, lovely lunch, delicious dinner and even scrumptious dessert snacks. Not only was the food amazing, but so was chapel! Fun, faith and family was what each student got at every chapel session hosted by our wonderful team members down at the SLC!

Every student got to go home with the satisfaction of making new friends and growing in their faith, while having a great time. The grade nines got to enjoy all the fun and excitement provided at the grade retreats for the first time this year.

"It was great to see students making new friends and connecting with the SLC so early in their high school journey. I wish I had that opportunity when I was in grade nine," says Kian Rego, one of the many student volunteers on the grade nine retreat.

This year's grade retreats will be looked back upon with smiles and laughter for many years to come.

Student Council Kick-Off

By: Noah Nickel

Edited By: Claire Terrio

On the afternoon of September 16th, while hundreds of Eden students were heading home for their early release day, a group of nearly one hundred students from grade 9 to 12 gathered in the gym for this year's Student Council Kick-Off! Everyone received their newly redesigned student council t-shirt, enjoyed some pizza, and played great ice breaker games together, taking up the better part of the afternoon. While there was fun to be had, it was also a great

chance for everyone to get to know their committee and to start brainstorming with other members on how they can make this year the best ever!

Student Council President Matt Puglisi had this to say about the kick-off:

"[It] went really well! [We had] the largest group to sign up for student council in Eden history, so I'm really proud to be a part of that. It was great to see a diverse showing from each grade coming to be a part of



our community. I can't wait to see what our promising group can do this year to leave our mark!"

Here's hoping that the rest of this year can go as well as the kick-off!

Can our Flyers have Roots and Wings?

Written by: Claire Terrio

On November 10th, 2016, history will be made at Eden High School. Our first ever school dance will be taking place in the cafeteria that evening, and Student Council, led by President Matt Puglisi, intends to make the event well worth the hype. But many wonder if Eden can maintain its old traditions while still making new ones, like the dance: Can our Eden Flyers find a way to stay true to our roots and still have wings?

shattered on November 10th. For this reason many are still torn on the idea, unsure of whether or not we can pull off such an event while still remaining true to the core values and standards that Eden was founded upon. Mr. Landry, the teacher in charge of facilitating student council, weighs in on the subject:

"I am very hopeful that it is going to be a success and I think it has all the potential to be. I think school spirit in general has been growing at Eden year after year and this is just another step in building up our Eden community. "

Mr. Landry was a major influence in making this dance possible. He has worked tirelessly with both Matt and Mr. Goerzen to bring the idea of the dance, that has been bounced around for years at this school, to

life. Both students and staff have been more than accepting of this change, including Mr. M. Klassen, who has more than enough experience at Eden to comprehend the weight of this advancement. With that in mind, he still gave his full support of the dance saying:

"My initial reaction is that the dance is great. I think Eden students know what is expected of them, and how to have fun and build spirit at the same time."

Overall, the dance definitely has the potential to be a huge success and if the support of the staff, students, and parent council continues to be as positive as it has been, it will soar to new heights of school spirit worthy of Eden Flyers' history.

The issue continues to be surrounded by plenty of controversy and opposing views on the matter. Our school, along with the parent council, has renounced the idea of school dances since Eden was founded in 1945. This means 70 years of tradition regarding prohibition of dances will be

Slice of Advice: How to Choose Your Future with Confidence

By: Bailee Huebert

Is your hair falling out from the stress? Or are you crying all the time thinking about next year? Well, don't worry. Here are some tips to get through picking and choosing your post secondary schooling.

Do your research, research, research. Look into schools and programs; you'll get a better idea

The Things that Keep on Giving

By Braeden Miller

It's Monday morning, Thanksgiving day. The sun sits high in the sky, with a warm breeze flowing in the air outside. It's fortunate weather for Thanksgiving. I think back to my past thanksgiving. I remember having family get-togethers sometime during the long weekend, but no exact recollections of the day itself. I remember how I would always look forward to the nice thanksgiving meals, where I could really devour to my heart's content. Those Thanksgivings meant nothing significant to me; I don't even remember being thankful for much during that time. I sat in the morning air, drinking a cup of tea as I basked in the sun outside my house. I turn to look over. There sits our loyal dog, Riley, sitting on the grass, enjoying

of where to go and what you want to do. You can also rule a lot of schools out this way.

Go to open houses and ask questions. Don't be afraid to ask questions to get a better understanding of a school or course; the people there are to help you, not intimidate you.

Apply to scholarships. If finance is what's really bothering you, look up grants or scholarships that you may be right for. Every bit will help. Eden also has an exceptional

the weather as well. The pudgy Yellow Lab starts wagging her tail as I approach her and pet her, ignorant to the fate ahead of her. It's interesting to think what must be going through her mind, with the whole family giving her extra attention these last few days, allowing her to do stuff she couldn't have at all before. We've all been giving her extra amounts of attention ever since we found out. At one point, my sisters go up to her and pet her extravagantly, feeding her a whole plate of spaghetti before, with a tear in their eyes, driving away. The rest of us set up base around her until the vet arrives. She comes over with her kit in hand and starts telling us all the stuff we need to know and what's going to happen. We continue to pet her as she takes out her needle. We continue to pet her as she finds a vein and starts injecting the liquid into her system. We continue to pet

guidance department. They will help you figure everything out. So don't worry, it will all work out.

And please don't forget to breathe. Before you know it you'll have a full head of hair and will be sleeping through the night knowing that you have applied to schools and have your life on the track you want to be on. Don't let other people discourage you and go after what you want. You'll never know unless you try.

her as she almost instantly starts to droop her head into my father's lap, and her heart slowly grows fainter, until finally stopping. We continue to pet her as my mother starts clearly sobbing, and as the guy's eyes start to get blurry from the sight in front of us. We finally stop as the vet, teary eyed as well, tells us about burial depths. We dug the hole that day and put her into it. We held a ceremony when my sisters got back and thought back on the memories. I used to not remember the exact Thanksgiving Day and not feel too thankful on it either. I'll tell you something about this Thanksgiving though, and that's that it definitely won't be one I'll forget. I will always be thankful for my dog Riley on every Thanksgiving to come.



CardBoard Boats make a Splash for Eden!

By Braeden A. Miller

Eden's architecture and design tech classes had an amazing time at the YMCA of St. Catharines, where the boats were raced to see which was the fastest and which one could hold the most weight. The competitors gave it their all, displaying innovative and ambitious ideas (one even tried making a submarine!), but in the end only the best could get through the challenges. There were surely some ferocious trials, where the competitors got to see their boats that they've been making since the beginning of school go onto water to see if they were up to the challenge. The winners of the

competition were the Bikini Bottomers, which was created by Ben Busca and Tyler Bush. Their boat was able to hold 715 pounds of weight and crossed the pool in at a speedy 15.2 seconds. The runner ups were the Niubi, manned by Owen Zhou and Ryan Epp. Their watercraft was able to hold 587 pounds and cross the pool in 16.9 seconds. The boat that got bronze was the Carrot Cab, created by Amanda Mitchell and Jasmine Wolfe. Their boat was able to hold 480 pounds and able to make the pool in 14.51 seconds. They all certainly put a lot of hard work into their boats, and it definitely showed!

"It was our first year doing the

cardboard boat challenge and it was a lot of fun," says Ben Busca, the Co-champion of the event. "We went into the project with little knowledge about the best way to create a boat out of cardboard, but we tinkered many concepts to create an outstanding boat."

After much time, hard work and labor come to a close, you can't help wondering what sort of brilliant engineers have shown their skills at this competition. The victorious team will now travel to Toronto for the next stage of the competition. Let's see if they can keep up their streak of victory, and if their boat design can outmatch their rivals.

Looking to get Involved?

By: Bailee Huebert

Have you ever heard that high school is way better if you get involved? Well, Eden is full of amazing opportunities to get involved either by joining teams and clubs that you can participate throughout the year or, if you can't find anything that interests you, start your own club! So without further adieu here's a couple clubs and teams that you may not have known about:

Do you enjoy throwing heavy balls down a lane? Then bowling club is definitely for you! Beginners or experts are welcome, come try it out; bowling is a blast!

What about watching movies? Well, we even have a club for that. Watch movies and eat snacks while you kick back and relax after school in film club.

Are fish your thing? Join fishing club and fish with your closest friends. You may even catch supper.

If you love business and being organized, Deca is definitely your thing. Compete against other schools and rule the business world.

Come on out and sign up for new clubs or old clubs; you won't regret it. Make new friends and have a great time. So keep an ear out for postings and the announcements so that there's no chance of you missing many awesome opportunities to get involved!

Senior Girls Basketball

Buy-In

By: Claire Terrio

Tuesday, October 4th, Eden High School hosted its first Buy-In event of the year to support the Senior Girls Basketball team in their first game of the St. Catharines Standard Tournament.

Ranked 2nd going into the tournament, Eden had high expectations for the game and needless to say, the girls did not disappoint. Eden came out flying and drove up the score early on with an aggressive offensive press first half, then worked hard on defence throughout the second half to keep a firm grasp on the lead right till the last buzzer. It was an amazing team effort as baskets were shared between 10 different players, lead by Jenneke Pilling with 15 key points. We spoke to Jenneke after the game to find out what inspired the girls and she attributes the win to Eden's spirit and the energy of the crowd, saying:

"The crowd and the Kiltmen's energy really helped us out to jump out with a big lead right from the start!"

She couldn't have said it any better, with the support of the crowd the whole team played well and gave the game everything they had to represent our flyers to the best of their abilities displaying high spirit and great sportsmanship. Coaches Brian Macisaac, John Pilling, and Sarah Vahrymeyer work hard to instil the importance of character building and team bonding through athletics in our girls, and it showed on the court today. With the Kiltmen and the whole school behind them, the team pushed and pulled off a huge 51-21 win over Centennial!

Fuelled by Flyers pride, the team went on in the tournament working to earn Eden a spot in the final and a chance

to fight for the coveted title of Standard Tournament

Champions. Unfortunately, the girls sportsmanship and hard work came up just short against Jean Vanier taking second place overall in the tournament. The Flyers fought hard until the very end and did an amazing job representing Eden with the help of the amazing fans who came out to support our girls. Special congratulations to Jenneke Pilling and Mackenzie Schroeder for being named Tournament MVPs. Great job girls!



The Flyer - Pop Trigger

By: Noah Nickel

Edited By: Owen Jeffries

Welcome to Pop Trigger, the Flyer's column about all things pop culture! This month's column is short because I would like to hear from you guys on what you think is important to cover! I want to look at something from movies, T.V., music, and books, so if there's anything you think is newsworthy let me know. Enjoy!



The Box Office: The top 5 highest grossing movies in September!

1. **Sully** - Starring: Tom Hanks, Directed By: Clint Eastwood
2. **The Magnificent 7** - Starring: Denzel Washington & Chris Pratt. Directed By: Antoine Fuqua.
3. **Miss Peregrine's Home for Peculiar Children** - Starring: Eva Green & Samuel L. Jackson, Directed By: Tim Burton.
4. **Storks** - Starring: Andy Samberg, Directed By: Nicholas Stoller.
5. **Deepwater Horizon** - Starring: Mark Wahlberg, Directed By: Peter Berg.

The Billboard: A breakdown of the top 5 songs on the billboard charts last month!

1. **"Closer"** by the Chainsmokers (Feat. Halsey) was #1 on the charts all month!
2. **"Heathens"** by twenty one pilots went up from #4 to #2
3. **"Cold Water"** by Major Lazer (Feat. Justin Bieber & MO) sat at 3rd
4. **"Cheap Thrills"** by Sia (Feat. Sean Paul) dropped from #2 to #4
5. **"Don't Let Me Down"** by the Chainsmokers (Feat. Daya) rose up to #5, giving the Chainsmokers two top 5 singles.

Short Story

By: Aaron Friesen

My name's Melvin, and I'm in grade 9. Let me tell you, adjusting to high school has not been easy. After almost two months, however, there was finally something to look forward to: The school Halloween party. And if everything went how I'd planned, I'd be walking away from it \$200 richer. But in retrospect, I don't know why I got my hopes up.

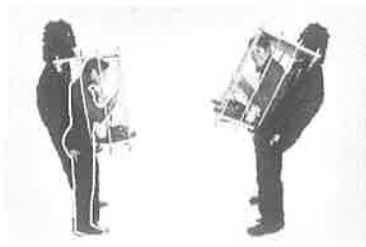
Let me backtrack a few weeks. You see, I've always loved trick-or-treating on Halloween. I mean, who could say no to free candy? A few days before I heard about the party, I told my parents I wanted to start shopping for my costume. But instead of taking me to the costume store like they had every other year, they told me I was "too old" for trick-or-treating. Last time I checked, you don't grow out of candy. I mean, I catch my parents eating my Halloween loot every year, and they're a few decades past 14. I tried to fight them on it, but they wouldn't change their mind.

I wasn't actually planning on even getting a costume after that until I heard about the school Halloween party. School parties are usually pretty lame, especially when the teachers come in costumes and start dancing. There was going to be crappy music and not enough candy to make you sick for a week, but what I was actually excited for was the costume contest.

To be honest, I'd never really gotten that fired up over those kinds of things. When it came to

trick-or-treating, I had always been in it for the candy and not actually putting on a costume. So I wasn't actually listening to our principal, Mrs. Jones, when she was telling us about the contest until she said that the prize for the best costume was \$200. That was all I needed to hear. I was immediately determined to win the contest. I'd been trying to save up for a new guitar at the music store for a few months now, and I knew this cash along with my savings would finally be enough to buy a brand new Fender Stratocaster.

I had browsed the internet for hours, trying to find the perfect Halloween costume. There were a lot of those cheesy plastic costumes that ended up falling apart an hour into wearing them, but I finally found what I was looking for on Ebay; the man in a gorilla cage costume. You put your legs into the gorilla's legs so you could walk around, but then put your arms and head into the man sitting in the cage, so that it looked you had been kidnapped by the gorilla. I knew that if I could pull it off, I'd win the contest for sure. But a costume that good doesn't come cheap, and it was going to cost \$69.99.



I thought about it and realized that I'd still be making a \$130 profit once I won the contest, so I decided it was worth it. I clicked "add to cart"

but when I went to check out, the arrival time of my costume was a few days after Halloween! I needed that costume for the party, so I payed an extra \$15 fee for a rushed delivery. No problem, that would still leave me with a profit of \$115.

With the rushed delivery, the costume was now set to arrive in a 2 weeks, a few days before the party. I was just hoping that I could trust Ebay and Canada Post to be punctual.

Two weeks later, I was home from school practicing my guitar and imagining how awesome it would be once I got that Fender Stratocaster, when I heard the doorbell ring. I went and opened the door to find a guy from Canada Post with my package. "Thanks," I said as I took the package.

"I was wondering what that charge on my credit card was," my dad exclaimed as I was closing the door.

"Oh yeah. It's a Halloween costume, I'm trying to win the school's costume contest. It was only \$85, I'll pay you for it."

"Son, you forgot two important things: Tax and American exchange."

I couldn't believe I'd forgot about those things. "I didn't even think about that. That would bring it to..." I tried to do the math in my head....

"\$103.60"

Great. Just great. Now I was only making \$96.40. Not the kind of money I was looking for, but

not too bad. It would still bring me closer to buying that Fender guitar.

I took the package up to my room and opened it up. Sure enough, my costume was inside. I took it out and laid it out on the floor. I found the zipper that allowed me to get into the costume and opened it. I put my feet into the gorillas and my arms and head through the sleeves and collar of the guy in the cage. I walked around my room a bit to adjust to the costume.

I went into the bathroom to check out my costume in the mirror. That's when I noticed a problem; the stuffing in the neck of the gorilla that was supposed to keep it up had fallen out and the head was bent backwards so that the gorilla was practically looking behind itself. It looked like zombie Harambe had captured me, which was definitely not the look I was going for. I had to take this costume somewhere to get it fixed up.

The next day was a Saturday, so my mom took me and my costume to a store where they sew holes and rips in fabrics for low prices. I hoped "low" was a reasonably accurate description for what they'd charge me, because I was definitely not looking to spend any more money.

When we got to the store we showed them my costume. They found the rip in the back of the neck where the stuffing must've fallen out.

"We can definitely re-stuff it and sew the hole up. I charge \$15 an hour for a job like this." the lady at the counter explained.

"Oh, well that's good," I exclaimed, relieved, "This should only take about 5 minutes, right?"

"Are you kidding me? It'll be at least two hours."

Another \$30, plus tax. Now I was only making a \$62.50 profit. This costume was getting more expensive then I thought it would.

"That'll be fine, thank you. We'll leave the costume with you and be back in two hours," my mom told the lady.

After two hours my mom went to pick up my costume from the store. When she came home with it, I decided to try it on. They had actually done a really nice job of making the costume look brand new. I took it upstairs to put it on, and this time, it looked perfect. I practiced acting like I really had been captured by a gorilla to make my costume seem believable.

Two days later, it was finally here; Halloween. The party was starting in about a half hour, so I went upstairs to get my costume on. I was pretty sure that I was going to win this contest. I ran down the stairs, but I was so excited I forgot that I forgot that I was wearing gorilla feet and slipped, sliding the rest of the way on my butt. I wish someone had recorded it because the video would've instantly gone viral on one of those 'epic fail' YouTube channels: *Gorilla kid wipes out on stairs*.

I saw my dad in the kitchen. "Hey dad, can you drive me to the school for the Halloween party?"

"Sorry Melvin, I have to stay back and hand out the candy," he apologized

"Oh, okay. Maybe mom can take me."

"Your mom was going out tonight, remember? She already left."

"So... Nobody can drive me?"

"You're on your own, son. Maybe you can take a taxi?"

"I'm not taking a taxi in this costume! I'll look like an idiot."

"Well, it's that or no party."

"How much is the taxi?"

"Well, your school's on the other end of the city, so a ride is probably going to cost you \$20."

He had to be kidding. Another \$20? This was getting ridiculous. Now I was taking a taxi in a gorilla costume, and for what? 43 flipping dollars. Whoop-de-do. This night was definitely not going how I'd planned.

I headed to the road in my costume. I didn't feel out of place with all the other kids running around trick-or-treating. Part of me just wanted to skip the contest and the embarrassing taxi ride and just spend the night getting as much candy as I could, but I spent \$157.50 on this Halloween costume and I wasn't missing up on my opportunity to earn it back.

I called a taxi and told him our address. He was there in no time, but gave me a strange look when I got in. "I don't have any candy for you, kid."

“I’m going to a Halloween party at my school,” I explained. I told him where my high school was

“Alright, \$20”

I still couldn’t believe I was spending even more money on this stupid costume contest. I gave him \$20.

Once the taxi got to the school I thanked the driver and got out. I was actually running kind of late at this point, so I ran through the front doors of the school and down the hall to the gym. Normally I would never get away with that with Mrs. Anderson on hall duty, but since it was after hours she wasn’t there to make me “go back, and *walk*.”

There were some chaperones standing at the front with a box. “Are you going to the party?” they asked me.

Nope, actually I just dressed up in a gorilla costume and came to the school so that I could run laps through the hall, I thought sarcastically.

“Yep,” I told the chaperones.

“Great! That’s \$5,” one of them exclaimed.

Jokes:

By: Victor An, James Maier, and Owen Lailey

A woman said to her son, “Tony do you think I’m a horrible mother?”
The son replied, “My name is Richard.”

What word in the English language do most people spell incorrectly?

Answer: Incorrectly

You’ve got to be kidding me. I wasn’t even sure if this was all worth, what was it now... \$38? I definitely wasn’t buying that guitar any time soon. I handed them a \$5 bill and went into the gym.

The gym was packed with grade 9’s dressed in costumes. They all looked up when I walked past, laughing and complimenting me on my costume.

The school had put the divider up in the middle of the gym again, because the chaperones just couldn’t bear the thought of the kids getting to use the whole gym during their party. They had decorated our half with those cheesy cardboard tombstones (“Hear lies Fred, a great big rock fell on his head”) and other lame Halloween decorations.

I found my friend Andy over by the food table. He was wearing a Donald Trump costume, and a really good one, too. He had a suit and tie, a freakishly realistic Trump mask and a “Make America Great Again” hat.

“Nice costume, Andy,” I complimented.

Why don’t you ever see hippopotamus’ hiding in trees?
Because they’re really good at it.

Chuck Norris threw a hand grenade and killed 50 people. Then the grenade exploded.

Q: What do peanut butter and feathers have in common?

A: Nothing

“Hey Melvin, that’s an awesome costume! Where’d you get it?” he asked.

“Ebay.” I reached my arms through my cage and grabbed some candy out of the bowls. Andy and I stood there and talked for a while as we helped ourselves to all the junk food we could ever ask for.

It sounded like our playlist was something along the lines of “Top 40 meets Halloween classics”. I heard it go from Taylor Swift to the Monster Mash and then into Drake. I kind of thought about heading onto the dance floor until I saw Mr. Smith start doing the robot in his pirate costume, which was just wrong. Jack Sparrow never did the robot in *Pirates of the Caribbean*.

I guess I was still on time for the costume contest, because a few minutes later our principal, Mrs. Jones, called us to the stage for the judging of the costumes. We all gathered as she grabbed a microphone.....

Stay tuned for the conclusion in next month’s edition!

Life Advice: You cannot buy friends. That’s absolutely true. But you can sell them quite profitably...

I used to think that the brain was the most important organ in the body... Then I thought, look at what is telling me that.

A recent scientific study showed that out of 8,394,718,130 people, 95% are too lazy to actually read that number.