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## THE PLAY'S THE THING



There were many interesting scenes and costumes as the students from the Senior Drama Class performed Poe, Poe, Poe, during the school's Spooktacular Arts Night held to raise money so the student can go on an arts trip to Toronto.



The way KLDCS Senior Drama students portray it Edward Allan Poe had his moments of despair and anguish as he strived to be recognized as a poet. The students performed Poe,Poe Poe, during Spooktacular Arts Night that also featured the KLDCS choir.

## New college residence holds Halloween open house

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KIRKLAND LAKE – Halloween night was a chance for the new Northern College Student Residence to give back to the community. The new residence is located at 51 Fourth Street, and is better known to locals as the “old TPR” building. The students in cooperation with Sandstone Management Inc. – the company that manages the new student residence – held an open house for the community from 6pm to 9pm. They offered two tables lined with candy bowls and colouring

of the residence. “We are very pleased to be a part of this event”, stated Emmett. “We just want to be able to give back to the community and help in any we can. Our company is about people helping people, and the students have provided a great example of just that. We are impressed with the effort the students made to make this event happen. We would like to thank everyone involved in bringing this to life.” The students decided to give back to the community in others ways as well, by accepting donations of food, clothing, toys and money

stated Darlene. “There was so much work that went into this event. A small turnout, but everyone that came enjoyed themselves. These kinds of donations on “off seasons” really help with people in crisis; it enables us to help people in emergency situations. Our policy is usually non-perishable food items, but when people donate money this allows for us to purchase powdered milk, eggs and fresh produce. And I must say, it is so nice to see young people wanting to give back to the community. We would like to thank the students and Sandstone Man-



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Mark Hastings was putting on a show of taking down the ghosts for watching eyes, making the event come to life and adding a little bit of spooky to the scene.

sheets for the trick-or-treaters, baked goods and beverages for the adults, a penny pumpkin toss game for children to win prizes, a live band for music, and tours of the residence for curious community members. The residence was adorned with spider webs, creepy eyes, witches, pumpkins, ghosts and ghoulish skeletons. Most students were in costume to hand out the candy and host the community.

General Managers for Sandstone Management Inc., Emmett and Elizabeth Kelly were on hand to greet visitors and give them a tour

for the Salvation Army and local food bank. Sandstone will be matching all donations for the Salvation Army and the local food bank. “We are a people company, and it is our vision to help build stronger and better communities”, stated Elizabeth as she dropped off clothing into the clothing donation box. All the candy and decorations for the event were provided by Sandstone Management. Darlene and George Hastings, Captains of the Salvation Army in Kirkland Lake attended as well, to greet and thank the public for their donations. “Another fine example generosity”,

agement for organizing this event, and thank everyone who gave donations or gave of their time.” Darlene added that all proceeds from the Thrift store go to the food bank as well. If you would like to volunteer drop by at 6 Sylvanite or call (705) 567-5877. Rick's Magic Touch catering services donated baked goods, tea and coffee for the event. The business provides food services at the Northern College cafeteria and for students living at the new residence. “It is a pleasure to help”, said Rick Hobson. “It's nice to see that people are so willing to help others”,



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Left, Aalyah Lauzon-Morden, 6 years old with her sister, Abbey who is 5 years old were all smiles after winning prizes from the pumpkin penny toss game at the New Northern College Student Residence on Halloween night.



The students of the residence came together as a team to put on their first event. In the bottom left, Chad Boros, Alex Dulder and Bricker Dancy and the top left, Longina Tawozdera, Alysa Garrett, and Brent Wesley manned the tables to hand out candy and smiles to the trick-or-treaters.

Melanie Roy, a staff member of Rick's Magic Touch served coffee and tea with a big smile and welcomed everyone. Live music was provided by Claude and Noella Larente, who generously donated 3 hours of their time to provide everyone with enjoyable music. Later in the evening Ed Renaud, owner of the Franklin Hotel, with grandson Rick Renaud joined Claude to play music for the guests. Claude and Noella have actively played for different charities for the last 2 years, recently performing at the Rotary Park in late August to raise donations for the local food bank to help parents as they got their children ready for school. The pair also played during the Gold Daze event helping to raise money for local charities.

charities”, smiled Noella. “It is a really good feeling to know that you are helping other people. It boosts people's morale, especially ours. Helping others is what community is about, and we are just glad that we can contribute to making people's lives just that little better.” There are currently 10 students at the residence, but small numbers didn't stop them from trying to give back to the community, nor did it stop Mrs. Honey Wickens, Albert and Elizabeth Dinell, Mark Hastings, Alysa Garrett, Gary Garrett and Josh Maxwell from donating their time to help decorate and organize the event. President of the Student Residence Council, Bricker Dancy was seen dancing to the music and handing out candy, while Vice president

was cheering on the children for the pumpkin penny toss and handing out prizes to the kids. The other students residents; Alex Dulder, Chad Boros, Erik Ratcliffe, Derek Tanguay, Brent Wesley, Steve Hamelin, Lindsay Harvey and Ben Brabant assisted in the decorating, organizing and handing out the candy. All the students took turns handing out the candy and supervising the pumpkin penny toss with great enthusiasm. The students and Sandstone Management Inc. also hope to do another charity event before Christmas to help families in need during the holiday season. “This is what the north is about”, stated Mrs. Wickens. “People make the communities, and it is people helping people that make our com-

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