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Editor's Note

Dear Kelvinites,

A lot has happened these last two years. A pandemic, an election, winter. There's been no shortage of entertainment either. With new streaming services and movies coming out every week, there's almost too much to do.

And now that you'll be able to hang out with your friends this summer without having to worry about a chem test on Thursday or an assignment that was due last month, you can live a stress-free life until school starts back up in the fall.

What better time to start a school paper?

Introducing: The Kelvin Stapler. Your source of anything from breaking stories around the world, to the Clippers' latest losses, to a fun little comic in every issue.

We have worked very hard on this first issue so if you don't like it, you're wrong.

*Happy new year,
Harold Schmidt
Editor of the Kelvin Stapler*

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SPORTS



Clippers Cut Out New Team

Saul

Commotion has recently begun to arise amongst the Kelvin Clippers Football team. It's a well-known fact that many football teams have what are called 'benchwarmers', players who don't ever get to play due to a severe lack of skill. The Kelvin football team is not an exception to this cruel tradition.

The benchwarmers of the Kelvin football team have been unhappy about being benchwarmers since the day they didn't play their first game. That's why they have decided to resign from the team and announced their own new football team, 'The Kelvin Underdogs'.

This new team sought two goals: To allow fellow benchwarmers to have fun and play football at a high school level and to beat the Kelvin Clippers and show that they mean business. "It's time for a change. The Clippers' reign of terror must be brought to an end," said one Underdog before promptly getting hit in the head by a football.



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Coach Brown of the Clippers released a statement in which he said: "If these 'Underdogs' as they call themselves, think they can take us down they'll have to prove it on the field. We hope they bring their best because we sure will."

The Clippers and the Underdogs are scheduled to face off in October of this year.

Trailblazers Score Unprecedented -3 Points

Ben Urich

America has baseball. Britain; football, Australia; rugby. Canada has hockey. And while we don't have a snazzy motto for it like "America's favourite pastime" or "There's literally nothing else to do in Britain so might as well watch football", we certainly love it.

Given our love for hockey, it's no surprise that the sport is played by some here at Kelvin and other schools in the division. Our very own home team, the Kelvin Clippers represent our school in the 'Winnipeg High School Hockey League', or 'WHSHL'. They truly are people we can look at and say "wow, they certainly *play* hockey".

Perfectly exemplifying this statement was yesterday's game against the 'Saint Paul's Smashers', in which our Clippers destroyed the record for least goals scored in a game of hockey. The Clippers scored a never-before-seen negative three points this Wednesday. Truly astounding what

you can achieve when you put no mind to it. Up to this point, the Clippers had a track record marred only by 'the incident of '89', which we *don't* talk about.



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Top 10 Sports Moments In History

Harold Schmidt ,Lexa Pearl, Saul



Ben Urich via pixabay.com

10 - When in the first Super Bowl, a live piglet was used in place of a football.

The Green Bay Packers insisted on a pig raised in Wisconsin despite plenty of pigs being available in the LA Memorial Coliseum, where the game was played.

9 - When Michael Schumacher ran over a zebra at the Indianapolis 500.

A 23-car pileup ensued shortly after this unrelated incident.

8 - When Wayne Gretzky threw his skates at the opposing goalie.

“Is this bothering you? Are you distracted?” said Gretzky while hucking his skates at the New York Islanders player. As per 1982 NHL regulations, he received a two-minute penalty for his offence.

7 - When the Liverpool F.C. didn't show up to a game so their fans played for them against Manchester United.

The fans beat Manchester with a final score of 15-0.

6 - When O.J. Simpson branched out.

After a brief stint as a baseball player he retired from the sport, frustrated because his glove never fit.

5 - When a gust of wind knocked Cristiano Ronaldo to the ground, breaking six ribs.

Following this, the wind was issued a yellow card. The then unconscious Ronaldo was forced to take a penalty shot.

4 - When Aristotle wrestled Plato for the first Olympic gold medal in 776 BC.

In a battle of brawn, no man truly wins, for it is the mind which makes him strong.

3 - When Tiger Woods wouldn't stop eating golf balls at the 2001 Masters Tournament.

"Yummy yummy in my tummy," he said after eating each ball.

2 - When a mysterious portal opened in Staples Center swallowing the LA Lakers whole, never to be seen again.

We can still hear their screams.

1 - When we remember baseball counts.

We usually don't remember that baseball counts as a real sport. But when we do, we wish we didn't.

Join The Stapler

Interested in writing for Kelvin's third best school paper?

Go for it!

It's not like you have anything better to do.

Message @kelvinstapler on
instagram or talk to Mr. Mann
in room 5 for more information.

POLITICS & WORLD AFFAIRS



New Kids On The Bloc

Bloc Québécois Among Most Supported Parties By Kelvin Students

Harold Schmidt

A recent survey conducted by the ‘Winnipeg School Division’ and ‘Elections Canada’ shows that 93% of Kelvin students plan to vote for the federal political party ‘Bloc Québécois’ in the 2025 federal election. The other 7% is split evenly between the ‘Green Party of Canada’ and the ‘People’s Party of Canada’, each with 3.5% of Kelvin students’ support.

When asked about the outcome, a Kelvin teacher said it was no surprise to him that “a lot of the students here at Kelvin like the Funny French Man,” the official title of Bloc leader Yves-François Blanchet, as stated on the official Bloc website.

Some ‘PPC’ supporting students spoke out about the survey. “It’s a global movement, there’s no way only 4% of us would vote PPC. The survey’s rigged,” said one of six people protesting former schoolwide mask requirements outside the ALC, under the impression that they are still in effect. They were quickly corrected that it was 3.5% of students that supported the ‘PPC’, not 4%.



blocquebecois.org

‘PPC’ leader Maxime Bernier was one of the six protestors. He told our reporters, “I am more than grateful for all the support from Kelvin. Justin Trudeau has for too long ruled our country with an iron fist. Under my leadership, every Canadian will have access to basic human rights, like the right to breathe freely or the right to harass transgender people whenever they feel like it.”

As for the Funny French Man himself, our sources tell us that Blanchet, although recognizing the support for his party, sees it useless coming from people too young to vote.

Chess Club Co-Founder Harrasses Russian Students

Saul

Recently, the Kelvin chess club has begun actively feuding with the Russian students in the school as a response to the situation in Ukraine. The chess club sees this as a “righteous act that ultimately does good for the school, as these Russian students need to be stopped,” said chess club co-founder Cameron Gies in a public statement explaining his belief that all Russian students support Russia in the war. Of course, Cameron is the only member of the chess club who thinks this way, and other members who have been approached felt embarrassed by the whole situation.

When confronted about the allegations made by the chess club, Russian students being targeted stated that they were in full support of Ukraine and saw no reason for the chess club to face them. As a response, the previously mentioned co-founder publicly an-

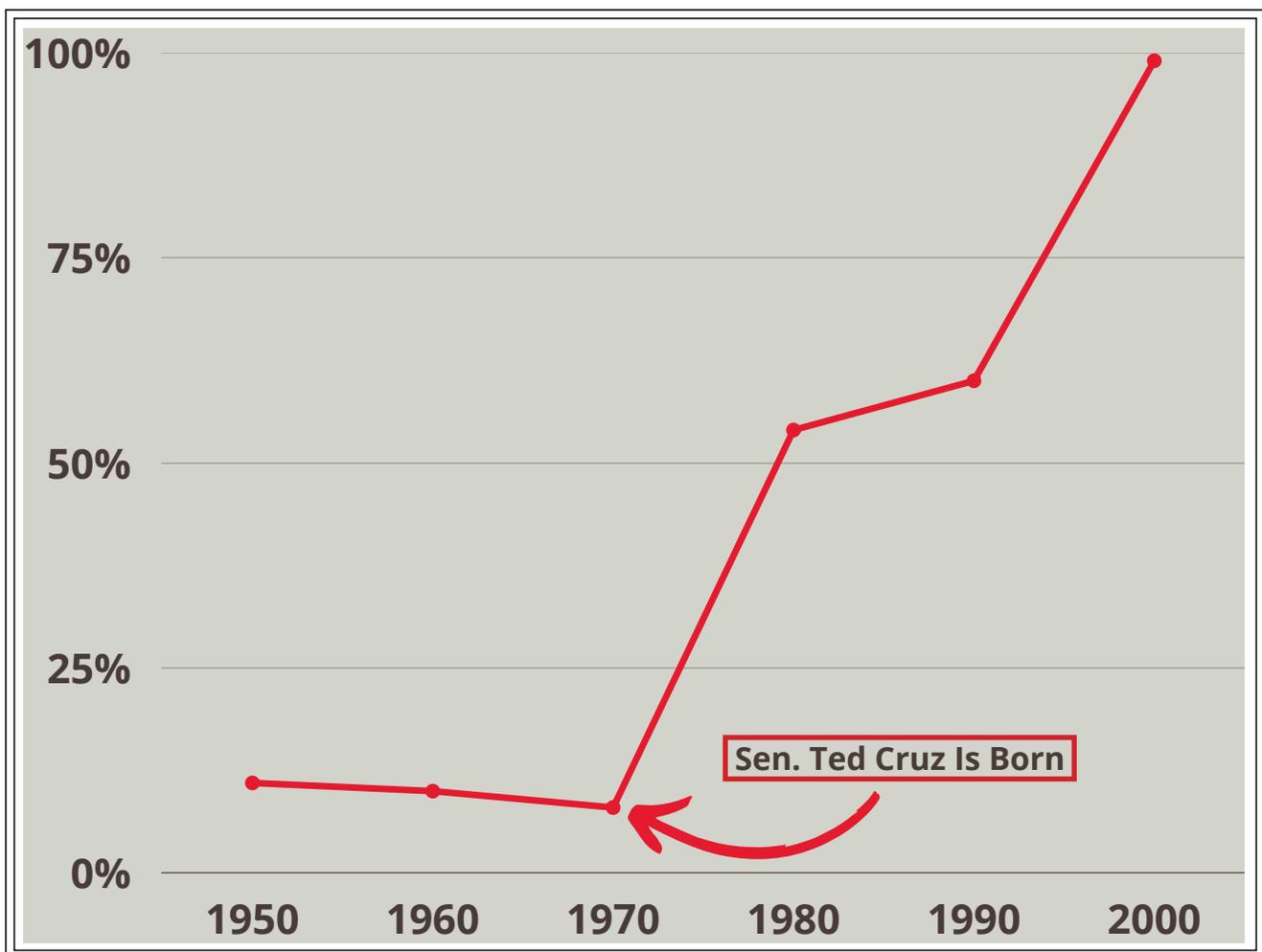
nounced that he would be facing off against the highest Elo-rated Russian student in the school. The actual highest Elo-rated student denied playing him. So, he instead went to the second-highest rated student who did step up, seeing it as an opportunity to face a peer and had not previously been told of the allegations made by the chess club.

Nine students came to watch the ultimately uneventful game that ended quite shortly with Cameron losing to a basic level gambit. After the game, Cameron went on to say “this does not change how I feel. These Russian students clearly brought in a better player to cheat and win for them.” The estranged club founder is said to be going around the school, challenging every Russian student to a game of chess, as a last-ditch effort to save his dignity. He has not yet won a match.

InfoGraph

Harold Schmidt
The Duke Of Deliciousness

Percentage Of Unhappy Children Over Time



SCHOOL AFFAIRS



Elon Musk To Buy Kelvin High

Henry O.

SpaceX HQ, CALIFORNIA - After the announcement that he would buy “basically the whole universe. I don’t know, I’m rich and bored,” Elon Musk has set his sights on our very own Kelvin High School.

According to Musk’s lawyers, the paperwork is all in order and the transaction is ready to be made, with Musk’s team scheduling a meeting with principal Tim Cox to discuss the future of the school. The Winnipeg School Division reached out to Elon via video call to discuss in further detail exactly what this purchase will mean for the staff and students of Kelvin. “This purchase is being made for the betterment of all humanity, and I plan to increase free speech at- wait, what am I buying again? Oh right, the school,” Musk said, duel-wielding a ‘Boring Company’ flamethrower and ‘Tesla’ whisky bottle. “What’s important is the fact that all the changes I implement will benefit you, the staff and students.” Almost immediately after the purchase was announced, world-renowned rapper ‘Ye’ and controversial podcaster ‘Joe Rogan’ arrived at the school, announcing that Musk had instated them as the new principal and vice-principal respective-

ly. As of writing, the pair are currently engaging in a heated argument with Ms. Charbonneau in the administrative office.

When asked about exactly what will change after the purchase, Musk described what he called “a newer, more futuristic way of living for Kelvin students,” that would realistically be more expensive and inconvenient than anything the school had done prior: “For starters, the lunchrooms will no longer be accepting any form of payment aside from everyone’s favourite cryptocurrency, DogeCoin! I’m sure it won’t be too much of an issue for each student to adapt to this change by investing in order to buy your daily lunch. We will also be offering a premium mode of transportation to and from school in the form of personal Tesla vehicles for every student, available for the very low price of only two thousand dollars a month! As you can see, my team and I have worked very hard to make sure it’s accessible for everyone.”

Musk is expected to deliver the payment later this week in the form of a ‘SpaceX’ branded jar containing \$25 million worth of loose change and crumpled-up dollar bills.

Scientology Most Followed Religion at Kelvin

The Duke Of Deliciousness

Scientology, a pseudoscientific religion founded by science fiction writer L. Ron Hubbard, has now officially become the largest religion amongst the Kelvin High school student body. With over six confirmed members, it has now surpassed all other beliefs.

Some students have gone so far as starting a branch of the Church of Scientology right here at Kelvin. A Sunday service will be held each week behind the Harrow Street dumpsters and led by hardcore Scientologist and enthusiastic conspiracy theorist Mr. Mann.

We asked a student about their thoughts. "I saw that Tom was into it, so I did some research, and I just can't stop," said an excited Kelvinite. "I just can't seem to get out of it."

Given Scientology's large appeal to Kelvin students, especially among Freshmen, it brings up the question: where could all of this have started? It's rumoured that the old recruitment video featuring Tom Cruise had begun circulating in the school a few months back, which is believed to be the genesis of the new interest.

This. Changes. Everything. I had no idea that Maverick himself thought so highly of the organization. I, on behalf of the Kelvin Stapler, wholeheartedly endorse the Commodore's teachings and wish that all Kelvinites join the church as soon as they can. See you on Sunday.

Kelvin's Curse

*Harold Schmidt,
The Duke Of Deliciousness,
Lexa Pearl*

As Kelvin's 110th anniversary on June 10th approaches, students and staff have been expressing concern for what's to come. The original Kelvin Technical High School constitution outlines a legend of an ancient spirit set loose in the school on the day of its premiere. It details four brave students who had fought the spirit known only as 'Nivlek the Unbanishable' and banished him to the stink room, never to be seen again... until now.

What Kelvin historians failed to notice was that on the back of the document, in big red text, read: "Nivlek shall return on the eve of the one-hundred and tenth anniversary of his exile, and take revenge on the souls that inhabit the halls of his prison."

All is not lost, however, because those same historians had discovered a prophecy on the old Kelvin building's blueprints. The prophecy tells of a brave warrior who will return that same day to vanquish the spirit and bring peace to the school once and for all. Until this point, nobody knew who the chosen one was, but it is now believed that former Kel-



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vin student and multi-Grammy award-winning singer-songwriter Neil Young will be the one to save our school from the otherwise inevitable doom of Nivlek's rule.

The battle will take place Friday in the gym before the Staff vs Varsity students Basketball game. Tickets for the battle will be \$5 for students and \$8 for adults.

ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT



TikTok's Most Dangerous Trend

Ben Urich

If you've been on the social media app 'TikTok' lately, you may have noticed a new major fad cropping up: eating pears while recording yourself. Aside from the clear danger in this challenge, might I point out the sheer bizarreness of it all? You've probably seen a pear before, they are very clearly not supposed to be eaten! According to trend participant Janice FBI (granddaughter of CIA founder James FBI) who wished to remain anonymous, but whom I will expose anyway because she ate a pear, commented that she was pressured into eating the pear because "it looked like this rock I saw one time that looked kinda tasty".

IS SHE INSANE? JUST EAT A ROCK IF IT LOOKS THAT TASTY! IT'S EASILY SAFER THAN EATING A PEAR, FOR XENU'S SAKE!

My apologies. I lost my cool there. It's just- I don't want all these young impressionable kids eating things so dangerous as pears. Anyway, on with the show.

When asked about what else may have compelled her to eat a pear, Janice commented: "Plenty of people did the pear challenge and got thousands of likes. When I saw them I figured it couldn't be that hard." The previous two are not the only reasons Janice did what she did. This trend has a kingpin. "On April twenty-third, I was messaged by someone with the username 'Tenjamin Turich', who told me I should try the challenge." I, Benjamin Urich, am appalled by the idea that someone could potentially be grooming people into eating pears. This 'Tenjamin Turich' could be anyone. He could be your neighbour. He could be your mom. He could even be me. We will never truly know.

There have been several counter-terrorism organizations that have launched investigations into this horrific pear trend, though it's unlikely they will ever catch the dangerous criminal Tenjamin Turich.

The Stapler Standard

The Batman (2022)

Lexa Pearl

'The Batman (2022)' is the most recent film by director Matt Reeves based on the superhero Batman, and Robert Pattinson's first film in which he takes on the mantle of the beloved character. The Batman is a dark, gritty, suspenseful, and thrilling adventure through the city of Gotham with a deeper focus on the very noir, dirty and corrupt atmosphere not seen in other representations of the city in film.

The adaptation introduces a unique and different twist on the well-known elements of the characters. But it is a major letdown when, even with all of this going for it, the film ultimately fails to provide an enjoyable viewing experience since Batman is always seen chewing gum very loudly with his mouth open throughout the film. The cast provides an amazing performance, which highlights the film's intense emotional scenes and gets you invested in the characters. This makes it extremely disappointing when the chewing noises coming from Robert Pattinson's mouth get louder and louder throughout the film's progression.

The potential this film has makes it all the more upsetting when in its climax, Batman

spoils the tension by taking the gum out of his mouth, tearing it apart with his hands, and putting the separated pieces back together before putting the gum back in his mouth and continuing to chew. As a viewer, you cannot overlook scenes like these, and you'll find yourself not being able to do anything but sit in disgust through these sometimes two-minute-long sequences, wondering what Reeves was thinking during the film's production. It is understandable that the story of these characters has been told many times before, and that it needs to have creative differences to remain original, but this change was too bold and completely fails to contribute to an interesting idea. Batman has never chewed gum in previous films, and he has certainly never started every scene by offering someone a stick of gum. Even to people Batman would never be so friendly with otherwise, and that should not change about his character.

In the end, the movie would have been much better if this small mistake was avoided. My final thoughts on 'The Batman (2022)' are those of disappointment and longing for the movie it could have been. FINAL SCORE: 6/10

Cartoons & Puzzles

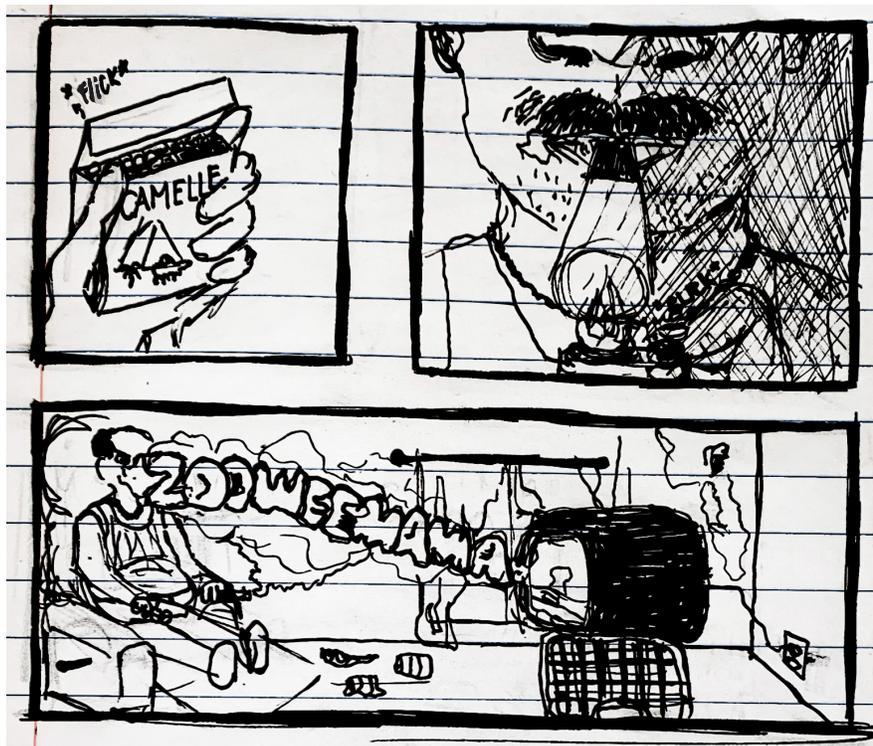
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Food Word Search

Harold Schmidt, Ben Urich

Word Bank:

APPLE	CHEESE	PUMPKIN
BREAD	MELON	QUESADILLA
BURGER	ORANGE	SANDWICH
CARROT	PEANUT	SOUP
CELERY	PIZZA	STEAK



A Conversation With John Martens

Sam Wakeman

John Martens is not a man that can be described in one word. Even a sentence could not possibly encapsulate his essence. He is a complicated individual deserving no less than what you see before you.

Featuring a timeless personality and John Malkovich's facial features, Mr. Martens can often be seen making sweeping comments about your average pitchfork reviewers' favourite music. There truly is no better person to interview for the first issue of The Kelvin Stapler. The following is a transcript of the interview:

What is, in your opinion, the greatest album of all time?

Easily the Cars 2 Soundtrack. You know, I really think it's the pinnacle of music. I own it in every format.

Could you give our readers any reasons why they need to drop everything right now and listen to the Cars 2 Soundtrack?

I've said it before and I'll say it again, Weezer's 'You Might Think' is the single greatest work of art in the last 250 years.

Wouldn't someone like you prefer the artistic genius that would stem from a record like 2009's 'Raditude'?

Oh, well yes. There is no doubt about Rivers' genius. After the release of the blue album, everyone was skeptical of where Weezer's career was headed, but once 'Raditude' was released I was convin-

You don't like the Blue Album?

If you interrupt me again you will find a 0 on your report card. 'Can't Stop Partyin' is



Courtesy of Harold Schmidt

a close second on my list of greatest songs of all time. It's simply just a fact that you wouldn't understand. You are a short-minded individual only capable of understanding a mere 1% of the complexities Rivers has layered throughout his music. 'You Might Think' has just as much genius as the entire first half of Weezer's discography combined. You should practice more. I hear you getting sloppy in class.

He then stormed off. He must have been frustrated with my suggestion that Weezer's magnum opus could have been anything besides their contributions to the Car's 2 Soundtrack. I suppose that is John Martens' best quality, though. His undying passion for Weezer's hit classic 'You might think' makes attending his classes a delight. He is a little bit scary though, so don't get on his bad side.



Visit the Grand Canyon
America's Deepest Landmark
Ignore the Vinegar Smell!

Obituaries

Remembering Those We've Lost



Ben Urich's Favourite Pen January 2022 - March 2022

In my life, I've known and used many pens varying in quality. Pen Urich was the best one I ever knew. I look back fondly on the times when I wrote the answers to questions in assignments with him and once filled out my school registration with him. I was in Period 4 math when it happened. I was in the middle of an assignment, writing with him when his ink started running out. I thought "No matter, It's probably something blocking the tip". It wasn't. I shook him a bit to see if that would change anything. It didn't. I took Pen apart to see how much ink was left in him. There wasn't any. Now is when I started to get desperate. I took him apart even more and attempted to swap out the ink cartridge. I took out every ink cartridge from every pen in my pencil case and tried, futilely, to swap

them out. By the end of the period, I knew Pen was dead. I went back to using a pen I'd had previously, a typical blue pen, but it just wasn't the same. I'll miss you, Pen. I'll miss you.



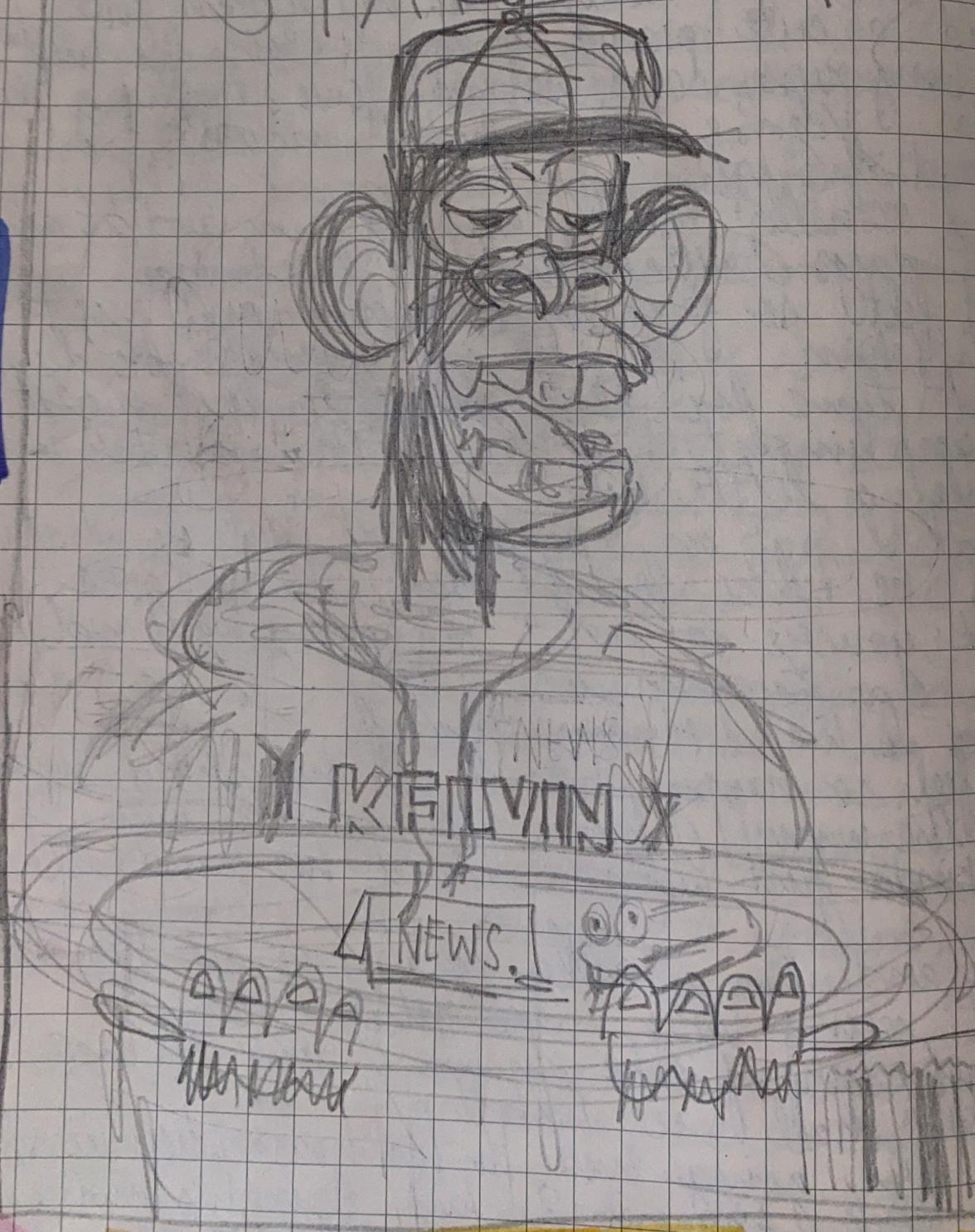
Rejected Kelvin Stapler Articles February 2022 - May 2022

When writing a school paper, there are some ideas that you know are great but just don't cut it. "How to pleasure a dolphin in 5 easy steps", "The Secret Life of Tim Cox", and "How to build an IED" were some of those ideas. They were great ideas. They made us laugh, they made us cry. They were with us through so many hours of research and collaboration, that they had become like our children. That's why we were so heartbroken when they were rejected by our cruel, coldhearted editor. Rest in peace, dear articles. We'll miss you.

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