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# KRF NEWS



## THE KORTNEY ROSE FOUNDATION

### KRF'S FIRST YEAR IN REVIEW - 2007

WOW WHAT A FIRST YEAR!!!  
\$75,000 FOR RESEARCH!!!

#### JANUARY

President of The Kortney Rose Foundation (KRF) **Kristen Gillette** and **Principal** of Wolf Hill Elementary School **Renee Bonin** appear on **News 12 New Jersey's "12 in Our Schools"** to discuss plans for the new playground addition in Kortney's honor.



**Kortney Rose Gillette**  
11/27/96—4/27/06

#### FEBRUARY

**Kortney's Playground dedicated at Wolf Hill Elementary School in Oceanport.** Four new swings, a climbing volcano, a 4-seated rocker, a rocking balance beam, Toss n Score game, and two spring rockers were all donated to the school in Kortney's memory by money raised at Kortney's Challenge—a two mile fun run/walk held in September 2006.

**Kortney's Playground dedication featured on the News 12 New Jersey nightly newscast.**



#### MARCH

**World Subaru of Tinton Falls** agrees to be the **Premiere "Pink Rose Corporate Sponsor"** for The Kortney Rose Foundation 2007 events.

#### MAY

**Samantha** and a group of her friends sold ice cream and purple frosted cupcakes as a fundraiser at **Holy Cross School in Rumson.** They **raised over \$350** during the lunch periods!

#### JUNE



**THE FIRST ANNUAL KORTNEY ROSE FOUNDATION DINNER/DANCE** event took place at Gibb's Hall in Tinton Falls. **OVER 250 ATTENDEES** enjoyed a performance of "Vinny Provolone and Carmella Mozzarella's Engagement Party," dancing, raffles, and gift/silent auctions. **\$60,000 RAISED FOR RESEARCH.**

The **fifth grade gifted and talented students from Maple Place School** organized a **"5th grade Fitness Fun Friday"** to benefit The Kortney Rose Foundation.

Kristen Gillette was interviewed on television by Steve Adubato for **"ONE ON ONE WITH STEVE ADUBATO"** where she spoke of **building Kortney's legacy of helping other children through the promise of research and the need to GAIN PUBLIC AWARENESS THAT BRAIN CANCER IS THE #1 CANCER-RELATED CAUSE OF DEATH IN CHILDREN AND IS BEING DIAGNOSED AS OFTEN AS LEUKEMIA!**

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**OUR GOAL  
FOR 2008 IS TO  
RAISE \$100,000  
WHICH IS THE  
COST OF ONE  
RESEARCHER  
TO DO HIS/  
HER JOB FOR  
ONE YEAR!!!**

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### JULY

**Lakewood Blue Claws game** organized by **Bobby Yunker** and several of Rich Gillette's (Kortney's father) co-workers. **Over 260 attend raising over \$1600!**



### AUGUST

**7th grader Mara** created the idea of a crabbing business called **Crabby Mara** where she caught, cleaned and delivered crabs, by the dozen, to raise money for The Kortney Rose Foundation. Through her hard work and several matching gifts she **RAISED OVER \$4,000 FOR KRF.**

**Radio Interview on WCBS Radio in New York** to promote the Foundation and Kortney's Challenge.

### SEPTEMBER

**500 PARTICIPATED IN SECOND ANNUAL KORTNEY'S CHALLENGE WHICH RAISED OVER \$11,000.**

Runners and walkers of all abilities came for a leisurely or competitive two mile course. **Tony and Jimmy, two brain tumor survivors, participated as did the CBA sprint team.**



**Oceanport Brownie Troop 1805** adopted The Kortney Rose Foundation as their charity and handed out water at Kortney's Challenge. **Oceanport Girl Scout Troop #19** added to their community service hours and stuffed 500 bags full of corporate sponsorship goodies.

**Java's Brewin'** of Shrewsbury held their **grand opening** and donated half of their proceeds to The Kortney Rose Foundation! **Over \$350!**

**7th grader Sabrina** and her mom Jackie baked dozens of "**Kortney's Kookies**" and made over \$150 selling them at Kortney's Challenge.

### OCTOBER

A group of **KRF volunteers** helped at the **Breeder's Cup 5K**. KRF also had an information table at the **Breeder's Cup FanFest.**

### NOVEMBER—DONATION OF \$75,000

On Tuesday, November 27, 2007, what would've been their daughter Kortney's eleventh birthday, **Kristen and Rich Gillette** gave a gift not to their daughter but to doctors at The Children's Hospital of Philadelphia. As friends and supporters of The Kortney Rose Foundation looked on, the couple presented the Children's Hospital doctors, who treated their daughter during her battle with a brain tumor, with a check from the Foundation for \$75,000. Children's Hospital's pediatric brain tumor research program is one of the premiere programs in the world.



### DECEMBER

**Wanamassa Girl Scout Troop #56** adopted The Kortney Rose Foundation as their service project to work toward achieving a bronze star. They packaged "**Kortney's Kandies**" and had an information table at their school's holiday boutique.

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