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## District News

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### Assembly Honoring Local Veterans

There are many local individuals who have served our country with bravery in the armed forces. On November 11th, in a celebration of Veterans Day, Parkway held a school-wide assembly to honor veterans in our area, many of whom attended the assembly.

Celebrated on November 11th, Veterans Day falls on the anniversary of World War One's end. The November 11th assembly, run primarily by the Middle School Student Council, allowed Parkway to join in on the honoring of all those who have valiantly served our country.

The assembly included multiple speaking presentations from members of the middle school, patriotic tunes such as "I'm Proud to Be an American" sung by classes of Elementary and Middle School students, and military branch songs played by members of the Parkway High School Band. One fascinating portion of the assembly allowed for each veteran attending to stand, share information on their branch and service, and note who they are related to at Parkway.

Mr. Woods, the Middle School Principal, shared after the assembly that this gathering is "one small thing" that we can do for our veterans, and that it is an honor to be able to celebrate the day. The consensus among members of both the Parkway staff and student body is that it is wonderful to celebrate the day and the brave men and women who have inspired it.



*In this image, Parkway Band members play the Armed Forces Medley.*

### Operation Giving Back

As the holiday season nears, kids in every household will be enjoying brand new toys and playthings. But, not everyone in our country will be so fortunate. Mr. Minnich's Civics classes in the high school will be running a used toy donation for Afghan refugee children at Camp Atterbury near Indianapolis. Although the government has provided necessities for all of the refugees, there are a multitude of children there with no toys to enjoy. From December 1-8, the Parkway civics classes will gather used toys from drop-off locations around the school. A few examples of toys to look for in your own home are sports balls or equipment, jump ropes, plastic animals or dinosaurs, and stuffed animals. The team behind the drive asks for gently used toys- purchasing new toys is not necessary. For more information on *Operation Giving Back*, you may contact Mr. Lucus Minnich ([minnicl@parkwayschools.org](mailto:minnicl@parkwayschools.org)).





# High School News

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## The Party Never Dies at Parkway

Day of the Dead (Día de los Muertos) is growing across the United States, and Parkway's Spanish class is embracing the holiday with its annual celebration. Day of the Dead is a cultural celebration in Mexico where families celebrate the lives of lost loved ones for three days: the last day in October to the second of November.

In Mexico, the celebration lasts for three days and is dedicated to the memory of those who have passed on with traditional foods and ceremonies. ofrendas(decorated altars) are made for the deceased that are adored with papel picados (sheets of tissue paper that are cut with intricate patterns), calaveras (skulls made out of sugar or clay), and foods favored by the dead. In Mrs. Imwalle's class, the celebration is typically held on the closest Friday to the holiday, and students bring in traditional hispanic food. Each class also participates in the decoration of the classroom with Spanish I students bringing a picture of a deceased person, a candle, and a fake flower; Spanish II students make the Papel Picados; and Spanish III make the Calaveras from paper. The in-class celebration is a time to enjoy food and friends while learning about this cultural holiday and honoring those who have passed before us.

## Planning for life

Mrs. Clark, Parkway's Life Skills, Culinary Fundamentals, and Child Development teacher, had an eventful month of October with a multitude of activities that will benefit the students later in life.

In Culinary Fundamentals, students learned about MyPlate. MyPlate is a set of nutritional guidelines that were developed to help people eat a balanced diet. Mrs. Clark incorporated MyPlate into her class with the Celebrity Nutritionist Project, which had students create a meal plan that follows the meal requirements of real or fictional celebrities, and students had to guess who the other person's celebrity was based on the creative names they gave their dishes. Life skills students roasted pumpkin seeds as a way to make a tasty autumn snack to eat and share.

Mrs. Clark's Child Development Class took home a Real Care Baby. This high-tech baby simulates how a real baby would behave. Whether the baby is hungry or it needs to be burped, the Real Care Baby teaches students basic parenting skills. Ultimately, an electronic report is generated and sent to Mrs. Clark detailing how the baby was treated. Students reported that while they had fun taking care of the child, they didn't get any sleep during the night!

Students who take Mrs. Clark's classes get a glimpse into the real world and will be better prepared for it.

## Past Yearbooks Comeback

The Parkway Yearbook staff has sorted through old yearbooks and have extra copies. If you would like to purchase any of these yearbooks, place contact [albersn@parkwayschools.org](mailto:albersn@parkwayschools.org) for more information.

Prices: 2021--\$60  
2010-2015 and 2017--\$40  
2009 and older--\$25



Mrs. Clark's Child Development class with their Real Care Babies  
(from left to right- Kylie Barker, Brittany Sites, and Alizay Neuenschwander)



# Middle School News



Correspondents: Chase Heitkamp and Gabriel Schaaf

## October Students of the Month

**5th Grade - Steven Severt** - If you look up the definition for studious, you will find Steven's picture there. Steven is a diligent student who works quietly and efficiently every day. His work ethic and focus aren't the only positive attributes Steven has. He is a nice, well-liked student who is able to get along well with his peers. Steven is a member of Alacer. He is the son of Steven and Amanda Severt.

**6th Grade - Kinley Joseph** - All of her teachers have been super impressed with Kinley's hard work and positive attitude so far this year! She has really gotten off to a great start. Kinley gives 110% and is not afraid to ask questions to have a better understanding of the material being taught. Kinley is a member of Wadiarius. She is the daughter of Crystal Joseph and Bruce Beare.

**7th Grade - Holden Clay** - Holden is an extremely hard worker that asks questions when needed but tries to do things on his own first. He truly wants to understand the material and does advocate for himself. He is a kind and respectful student that is overall just a PAWSitive role model. Holden is a member of Spero. He is the son of Brent Clay and Selina Wendel.

**8th Grade - Maddie Miehl** - Maddie is an excellent student. Her teachers enjoy her positivity and her eagerness to help. She is a classroom leader and role model. She is a wonderful example of a Parkway Panther! Maddie is a member of Spero. She is the daughter of Melissa Henkle and Adam Miehl.



## 8th Grade Volleyball Wins MAC

The 8th grade Parkway volleyball team won the MAC tournament on Saturday, October 16, 2021, by defeating Marion Local, St Henry, and Coldwater. They finished the season 20-1, and they finished their middle school careers with a record of 37-1.

Team members include: Front Row: Manager Lindsay Nichols, Haley Perry, Milee Peel, Emmery Temple, Brittyn Bruns, Addison Fisher, Gabryelle Sill, Manager Elayna Moeller. Back Row: Jordyn Schaefer, Taylor Muhlenkamp, Colbie Smith, Bryn Schoenleben, Cora Wenning, Natalie Moeller, Taylor Minnich, Ava Pond, Megan Nichols, Addison Reigle, Coach Lisa Miller. Not pictured are managers Addilynn Kraner and Abigail Sipe.







# Elementary News



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## October Students of the Month

4th Grade- Harper Norris, Kallee  
Bransteter

3rd- Emry Peel, Makayla Ketchum

2nd- Payton Rutledge, Michael  
Moorman

1st- Briggs McIntire, Maci Caffee

K- Hattie Hayes, Colton Henkle



## Penny War

While Christmas may not be upon us just yet, Parkway's first-graders are all into the Christmas spirit. In October, the youngsters hosted a penny war to "adopt" grandparents in our local long term care facilities. The first grade class is hoping to help brighten up their Christmas with care packages that contain gifts and other treats. Each classroom had their own class total, and they competed with the other classrooms. In total, over \$600 was raised!

Mrs. Bruns - \$209.56

Mrs. Johnson - \$162.45

Mrs. Poor - \$186.16

Mrs. Samples - \$77.06

**Total: \$635.23**



## 2nd Grade "Glow Day"

To boost the Halloween spirit, the second-grade class hosted a "Glow Day" where students dressed up in neon and white and wore glow sticks to school. The second graders performed numerous activities such as reading to high school and middle school classes, playing "Ghost Bingo," and eating tasty class treats.