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District News

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Welcome New School Board Members

Mr. Bryan Schoenleben

Mr. Schoenleben is a 1990 Parkway graduate. He was a business owner in Mercer County for 10 years and has been involved with many Parkway and community programs. Mr. Schoenleben wants what is best for both the school and the community.

Mr. Schoenleben has had three sons graduate from Parkway, and his daughter is currently a sophomore. His family had the school bus maintenance contract for several years in the late 80's and throughout the 90's, where Mr. Schoenleben has worked on the in's and out's of taking care of a business, and it has given him a great understanding of Parkway's transportation and maintenance needs.

Mr. Schoenleben and his wife have been involved in all of Parkway's sports programs throughout the years with volunteering, fundraising, coaching, and getting younger athletes ready for high school. He intends to continue to bring excitement and knowledge from over his years of experience. As a school board member, Mr. Schoenleben plans on looking into all finances and projects currently in place, and wants to focus mainly on making our district the best.



Mrs. Amanda Peel

Mrs. Peel is a 2010 Parkway graduate. She went to Defiance College, where she received both her Bachelor's in accounting, along with her MBA. She is currently an accounting supervisor at Central Insurance Company. Mrs. Peel is married to Mr. Andrew Peel, who is also a Parkway alumni. She has three children, one of which will be starting preschool at Parkway next year. Mrs. Peel aims to open the lines of communication and bring transparency between the Parkway School System and the community. She wants to make sure decisions are thought through and made logically, with the students being a top priority.

Mrs. Peel wants public involvement and looks forward to helping build a positive culture at Parkway Local Schools.



Veteran's Day Ceremony

On Friday, November 10th, Veterans were welcomed into the community room by the Parkway High School Student Government and Parkway's FFA members. The Veteran's Day Ceremony began with presenting the colors, saying the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by the singing of the National Anthem.

Acrostic poems were read by fifth graders, then grades K-2 sang the "Veteran's March." Sixth graders presented essays about why we should celebrate Veteran's Day, followed by the song, "Sacrifices Made" sung by grades 3-4. The 7th graders then read their essays, giving their thanks to veterans followed by the 5-8 grade's singing "God Bless the U.S.A." The eighth graders' read essays explaining what freedom means to them.

FFA members, Alexis Berry and Zoey Henning recognized attending veterans and their families. Concluding the ceremony, the band played the "Armed Forces Medley." Afterward, veterans, family, and students enjoyed a reception in the commons.

Parkway would like to thank all of the veterans for their service to our country and allowing our school to honor them!



High School News

Correspondents: Andrew Taylor and Caiden Berry



FFA Seniors Teach First Graders

Each month, the Parkway senior FFA students venture down to the elementary school to teach students about an agricultural topic. This month the seniors taught the first graders about harvest season. Each senior focused on a crop or farming equipment and researched to find interesting and age-appropriate information for the first graders. The following seniors participated:

- Apollo Thomas- corn*
- Jacob Winget- soybeans*
- Abbigale Sheets- wheat*
- Breana Berry- oats*
- Alexis Berry- tractors and silos*

The seniors will continue this year-long teaching project with each month focusing on a different topic. Their goal is to brainstorm, research, and create interactive ways to teach the elementary students and to plant a seed for future generations of FFA students.

The High School Cabaret: "The Fourth One"

The Parkway High School Cabaret was performed on November 3, 4, and 5. "The Fourth One" performance included solo and duet singing and sketch comedy. There were 21 students who participated in this year's Cabaret. A special thanks goes out to the community for the amazing support for these students!



FFA National Convention

Recently, Parkway FFA students traveled to the National FFA Convention in Indianapolis, Indiana. Before reaching the convention, the members took several side-trips including, Platts Show Pigs; John Deere Pavilion in Moline, Illinois; and John Deere Development Works and Headquarters. Afterward, the FFA members arrived at the Ninety-Sixth National FFA Convention and Expo Center. During the convention, FFA members experienced the general sessions, listened to the speakers, celebrated accomplishments, and had the chance to explore and learn more about companies and organizations in agriculture. Please read more about Parkway's FFA accomplishments by going to our Parkway Homepage, under Newsletter. Thank you Taylor Muhlenkamp for writing a detailed account of November's FFA adventures.

Spanish Trip To Bowling Green State University

Recently, Mrs. Imwalle's Spanish II and III students took a trip to Bowling Green State University to experience their college-level Spanish classes. Students listened to a presentation about foreign languages with a focus on Spanish-speaking countries. Later, three professors talked about what Spanish is like on a college-level and the advantages of studying abroad. The professors spoke in Spanglish (Spanish-English) the entire time, slowing down at times to make sure each student could understand.

This was the fourth time that Mrs. Imwalle has taken her Spanish classes to BGSU, and she hopes to continue this educational experience into the future.



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Middle School News

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Most Valuable Panthers for October

5th Grade: the 5th grade MVP is Caylin tong. Caylin started Middle School in an amazing way. She puts great effort into all of her work, is kind to others, and has a great personality. Caylin is a very conscientious student who strives to do well in all of her classes.

6th Grade: The 6th grade MVP is Elijah Shirk. Elijah is a responsible student who consistently comes to class prepared and isn't afraid to ask questions. He always takes initiative during any free time to challenge himself. Teachers appreciate how respectful he is to them and his peers. Eli is an all around great student and role model for others.

7th Grade: The 7th grade MVP is Greer Yoder. Greer is kind to both her teachers and peers. She is an extremely hard worker and asks good questions when needed. She's not only willing to participate in class, but also is willing to help other students that need help. Greer is a ray of sunshine that brings smiles to faces and comes in with a positive attitude every day.

8th Grade: The 8th grade MVP is Levon Fox. Levon gives his best effort daily, while also maintaining a great sense of humor. He shows grit, responsibility, and maturity. Levon is a classroom leader and his teachers appreciate the attitude that he brings to school everyday.



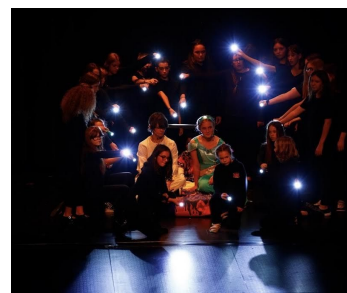
L to R: Elijah Shirk, Greer Yoder, Caylin Tong, Levon Fox

Middle School Quiz Bowl

The Middle School Quiz Bowl team is excited to be returning for another year. Students are asked academic questions and pop culture questions at random within rounds or when a time limit is reached. The questions vary in difficulty throughout the match, which makes for an exciting competition. Good luck to the Parkway Middle School Quiz Bowl Team!

Middle School Musical

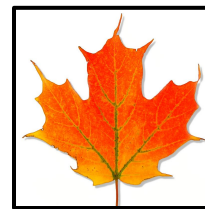
Congratulations to the middle school cast of the *Aladdin* musical for putting on three great shows over the second weekend of November!





Elementary News

Correspondent: Anna Bell



Students of the Month

Kindergarten - Henrik Hayes, Gauge Strader, Witten Boyer and Case Tong

1st grade - Averee Glossett, Luna Sigler and Evelyn Stover

2nd grade - Lillian Leichty, Michele Baker, Clayton Smith and Saylem Holbrook

3rd grade - Corbin Hemmelgarn, Morgan Knebel, Crew Bransteter and Samson Schwieterman

4th grade - Mara Slavik, Blakesley Stover, Josie Burtch and Charlie Overman

Please see the Parkway Homepage, under Newsletter for pictures of students.

Halloween parade

On October 30, the elementary got to show off their Halloween costumes. There were pirates, skeletons, and even the Grinch!



Lincoln Ridge

On Oct 27, the Kindergarten class went to the Lincoln Ridge Pumpkin Patch. They learned about how pumpkins grow, and each student got to pick their own pumpkin to take home.

PBIS Rewards

The elementary held its PBIS Rewards on October 27. They had an assembly for students who maintained a 93% or higher in Dojo points for the first nine weeks. Mike Hemmelgarn, a Ventriloquist/Comedian/Juggler, performed for the students. Congratulations students!

PAW WOW

The elementary holds their PAW WOW every other month. Last month, Mrs. Osterfeld led the PAW WOW and made special announcements about the book fair and how successful the fundraiser was at the beginning of the year. She also introduced the interim elementary principal, Mrs. Molly Hay.

Last month, the teachers battled to have a chance to win the coveted Super Spirit Stick. The kindergarten and 4th grade teachers played a cup game competing in the finals. Playing a second round of the cup game, the Kindergarten teachers won! This month's prize for winning the Super Spirit Stick was that students won 15 minutes of extra recess time and the winning teachers were duty-free for this time period.

Elementary students finished the PAW WOW by singing the Parkway Fight Song, and the 4th grade led the PAW WOW cheer before dismissing.

Native American Houses

The 4th grade has been learning about Native American Cultures in Ohio. They first focused on the tribes that were located in Ohio, then went in-depth about each tribe and compared and contrasted their culture. They also learned that their homes looked different, depending on where they were located. The students focused on longhouses, teepees, and wigwams. They watched videos, did research on how Native Americans built their homes, and made blueprints. Students used leaves, twigs, clay, pipe cleaners and popsicle sticks. They had trouble with the bases of the homes, learning that the Native Americans had to get creative with how they built their homes since they did not have modern technologies, like we do today. The students worked hard and learned a lot during this project.



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