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# The Parkside Post



## Lifelong Learning October 14

Superintendent of USD 410, Clint Corby, will be speaking at our Lifelong Learning event on Monday, October 14. We will meet at 10 AM in the Parkside Apartments, 1 Park Avenue, Hillsboro. The Public is invited!

He will be highlighting completed bond projects and discussing upcoming projects in relation to the successful bond from January 2024. He will also be available to answer questions.

Mr. Corby has lived in Hillsboro since 2015, with his wife, Heather, and son, Emerson.

## Community Health Night -- Medicare Part D

Eric Driggers, Pharmacist and owner of Hillsboro Hometown Pharmacy, will be speaking at our Community Health Night on Monday, October 28, at 7 PM. He will be sharing what is new this year and what changes have come out with the Medicare Prescription Drug Plans.

He says there is still a lot of information coming out about the new Medicare Payment Plan and how the costs can be spread out throughout the year.

We will be meeting at the Parkside Apartments, 1 Park Avenue, Hillsboro. Public is invited!

# Get to know the Staff: Jennifer Fortner

While **Jennifer Fortner** is full of energy and enthusiasm when it comes to her work at Parkside, when asked to provide some personal details, it was short and sweet. I'm sure if we were talking in person, there would be more to the story. She is serious, but very engaging as she works with residents and staff as Assistant Director of Nursing and MDS Coordinator at Parkside



Jennifer & Bryan Fortner

She hails from Houston, Texas, and has one son, who is a Marine. Jennifer is a newlywed, marrying Bryan, a Navy veteran, just last December. She enjoys riding her motorcycle and wheeling in her Jeep. They also have a boat and enjoy going to the Ozarks to camp and boat. She enjoys traveling and going on cruises. Jennifer and Bryan live north of Galva and go to church in Lindsborg.

When asked what Jennifer thinks about working at Parkside, this was her response, 'I love my coworkers and my residents. I am in House 5 and I am very close with the residents there. We are like a family. I like the challenge of my job. I like teaching the staff.' We are so glad you're here Jennifer!!



**Fall  
Painting  
Crafts**

**Friday Eats Tour  
Sale BARn  
Tampa, Kansas**



# Learn to know your Neighbors

**Clara Toews** was born and spent her early years in Inman, KS. At age 14, she moved to Hillsboro, mostly to be closer to her older sister, Pearl. At 19, she became a Nurse Aid at Salem Hospital (now Hillsboro Community Hospital) for the next 6 years. Wanting to further her education and loving the nursing field, she earned her LPN degree and worked at Salem Hospital and Bethel Hospital (now Newton Medical Center).

Then she heard about and accepted a one-year volunteer opportunity at a Children's Hospital for Neglected and Abandoned Children on the Navajo Reservation at Window Rock, Arizona. She loved working with the children and there were so many needs there, she stayed longer than a year. Even after her time at the reservation, she stayed in Arizona and worked in Boswell Hospital in Sun City.

When Clara returned to Hillsboro she was able to continue to do what she loves--work with children--through Pediatric Home Care. She has worked with 8 different children over the years. They became family to her. She still cares for a boy part time.

Clara only recently moved into the Parkside Apartments, in April 2023. The most interesting thing she shared about the move was how she 'thought' things would be, living here with these 'old people.' She loves to cook and there was no reason to have lunch with everyone. After 3 days of unpacking boxes, she decided it certainly would be a nice to have lunch prepared and take a break. She found she enjoyed visiting with others. And many told her they had thought the same thing! Many had waited 2 weeks to eat lunch with everyone. Oh, what they had missed!! Clara says she learns something new all of the time over the conversations at lunchtime.

**Mark your Calenders! German Meal November 14**

**Parkside**  
*Caring Is Our Calling*

## October Anniversaries

Adrienne Hardey	4 years
Emma Hein	2 years
Sherri Wilson	1 year

If you or anyone in your family would like to receive *The Parkside Post* via email, please call LeAnn in the office, 620.947.2301, or email Krista Heinrichs at [kristah@parksideks.org](mailto:kristah@parksideks.org).

# CEO Notes

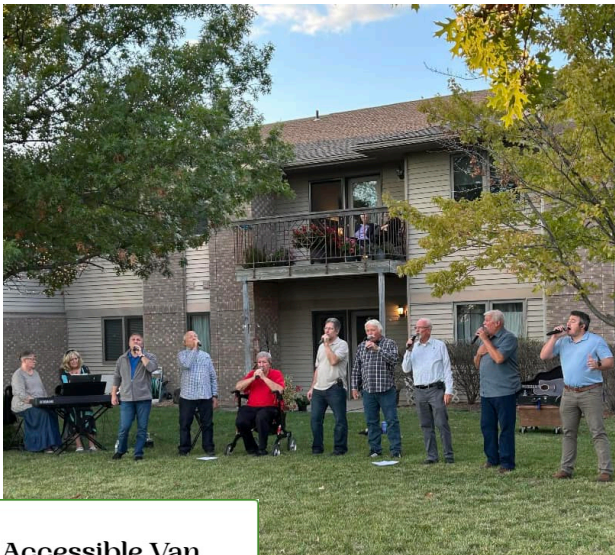
*The Hearts 4 Him concert fundraiser was a huge success for Parkside. There was a total of \$10,669.36 in donations collected at the concert, as well as in the mail and drop offs at the business office. Parkside is at \$26,612.36 of our \$40,000 goal for a new Wheelchair Accessible Van for our residents. We cannot be more thankful to our generous donors for helping make this possible for Parkside. It truly is a blessing to have so many thoughtful individuals on our campus and in our circle to show support to the Parkside Community.*

*Our next fundraiser will be a German Mennonite Meal on November 14th, from 5:30-7:00 pm. We are still working out all the details, but we will be making a limited number of meals. We are suggesting RSVP'ing to reserve your meals by November 1st by calling or emailing the office, (620)947-2301 or [leanne@parksideks.org](mailto:leanne@parksideks.org). The Menu will include Verenika with Ham Gravy, German Rope Sausage, Chicken Borscht, Green Beans, Zwiebach with Jam, Pluma Moos or Cherry Moos. The suggested donation for this meal is a minimum of \$20. All proceeds will go towards the Wheelchair Accessible Van Fund.*

Thank you! **Stephanie Bryant, CEO**

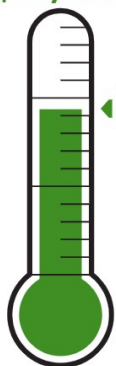
## Hearts 4 Him Concert

What a beautiful Kansas evening and time of Worship!



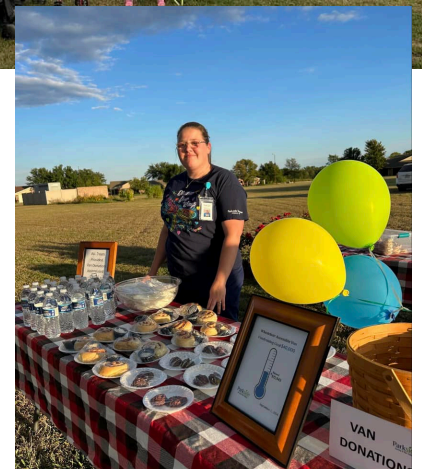
Wheelchair Accessible Van

\$40,000



**We are so thankful to all that came out and all that gave the evening of September 24. The music, snacks, fall weather and Kansas skies certainly did not disappoint.**

**And a big thank you to all of the staff that prepared for the event!**



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