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# The Parkside Post

## Lifelong Learning December 9



Lifelong Learning at Parkside will feature author Beverley Olson Buller. She will be the featured speaker in December.

We will meet Monday, December 9, at 10AM at the Parkside Apartments, 1 Park Avenue, Hillsboro. The public is invited!

Beverley will speak about her book and

research on William Allen White. White was a small-town newspaper editor who counted presidents and famous authors among his friends. He rose to world-wide fame before his death in 1944 but never left his hometown of Emporia. One of White's most interesting endeavors was his run for governor in the 1920's to rid Kansas of the Ku Klux Klan.

Beverley loves books and kids but especially matching kids with the right book. As a long-time librarian, her professional motto is "Anyone can like to read if they find the right book." She grew up in Wellington and currently resides in Newton.



### Christmas Craft Fair

*Saturday*

*December 7*

*9AM - 3 PM*

### Parkside Apartments

- *All Crafts are Handmade by Residents and Staff*
- *Items sold by Silent Auction*
- *Refreshments will be Served!*

**All proceeds benefit Parkside Apartment Residents**

# Get to know the Staff: Heather Haskin

**Heather Haskin** has been Parkside's Dietary Manager for five years. She has worked here for 13 years as of December. She is spunky. She admits her first response may be bold, but she's always willing to dig in and do her part to take care of things.

She grew up in Cottonwood Falls and attended Chase County schools. She is the oldest of seven children. So she has been taking care of (and probably feeding) others most of her life. Heather is married to Ed and they have one son, James, who is in the fourth grade. They live in Florence and James goes to school in Marion. When she has spare time, she enjoys reading.

Heather began working as a dietary aid at the age of 15 and has worked in long-term care her entire career.

Obviously, she has a heart for seniors and this type of work. She loves cooking delicious food for residents—even though she doesn't do much of that any more as a manager.



Heather Haskin having some fun during a recent Luau Party

## Christmas Crafting and Fun in Health Care





**Jim & Bess Halydier on a recent trip to the P & M Pumpkin Patch.**

# Learn to know your Neighbors

**Jim and Bess Halydier** live in Health Care at Parkside. They are both originally from Texas. Jim worked for many years for US Immigration and Naturalization. They have a son, Tracy, and a daughter, Christy. Tracy has 5 children, with 9 grands. Christy, lives in Tulsa and has 2 daughters, both are professional ballerinas. When they retired, they purchased an RV and traveled the country. They met so many interesting people and friends and saw many great parks and while touring the U.S.

They came to Hillsboro when their son Tracy relocated here for work. They converted the house walkout basement into a nice and comfortable home.

As health needs changed, Jim moved to Parkside Health Care in 2023. Bess followed after a fall, but that doesn't slow her down. Bess is always busy with activities, helping or visiting someone, and together they enjoy outings and the Friday Eats Tour spots.

Bess loves living at Parkside and being involved. She shared that everyone is so kind and helpful. She is thankful for the individual care both she and Jim receive.

## DECEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

Heather Haskin	13 years
Brooke Bernhardt	5 years
Jane Schale	3 years
Michelle Reed	2 years



## YEAR END GIFTS

As 2024 ends we are so thankful to many of you that have been involved and invested in the Parkside Homes Community. So many positive things have been accomplished this year. We are moving forward! It is still a slow and challenging road as a local non-profit in health care. If you are planning some year end gifts this year, we would ask that you consider donating to Parkside. We are within \$10,000 of our goal for the Wheelchair Accessible Van and our general budget can always use the funding. We covet your prayers too!

***Have a Merry Christmas & Happy New 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 Scope of Service for our Independent Living Residents in the Duplexes was a topic brought up in our most recent Board Meeting. There had previously been a question through conversation regarding what Parkside can provide the Independent Living Residents when a bathroom call light or a pendent call light is pulled. To help clarify the Scope of Services, I will refer to the Resident Agreement:*

*"Parkside and/or its agent may enter the premises immediately in the event of an emergency and take any and all actions necessary for the protection of life and property."*

*This statement alone needs more clarification to understand the exact actions Parkside's employees will take if the call light is engaged. Our first action will be to call the Resident of the Duplex. We have a list of all Duplex Residents' numbers at the phone for the Staff to use. If we have more than one staff member available working in the Parkside Apartments, we will send a staff member over to evaluate the situation.*

*We will call 911 on their behalf if we cannot reach them by the phone and we cannot make it to the Duplex. This action of calling EMS will be without delay on behalf of the Resident's safety. We have a safety box available to EMS which holds a master key for the Duplexes. This can and will be used by EMS to gain access to the Duplex in the event of an emergency.*

*One thing that is out of the Scope of Service is assistance with help off the floor after a fall. Parkside is a No-Lift Facility which means that we use mechanical lifts for lifting Residents. Assisting a Duplex Resident off the floor does not follow our Parkside Workers Safety Policy.*

*If you have any questions, concerns, or comments I would be happy to sit down and talk with you about them.*

**Stephanie Bryant, CEO**

## Friday Eats tour to Branding Iron, Florence



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