

# \*DECEMBER JANUARY NEWSLETTER\*

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## Young Author's Day

Teachers Ashley Bayard and Kelly Villar organized this special day where students had the chance to meet and interact with an award-winning book artist and author. Jon Buller came to tell stories, draw pictures and teach cartooning during three assemblies. It was wonderful to see kids so excited to go home to share their cartoon or new book.

## PTO Officers:

- ◆ President: Erin Clark
- ◆ Vice-Presidents:  
Lindy DeGennaro and Mel O'Donovan
- ◆ Secretaries:  
Jennifer Mott and Sheralyn Sibia
- ◆ Treasurer:  
Noreen Halbrooks

## Upcoming Events

- ◆ Dec. 9 Gifts Due for Adopt a Family Program
- ◆ Jan. 18, 6:00PM Harlem Wizards Basketball Game @ EO Smith
- ◆ Jan. 29, 6:30PM Cocoa and Cultural Crafts in the gym

## The Wizards are coming!

The Harlem Wizards are known for their comedy, audience participation and spontaneity. This year's tri-school basketball game will be a blast with the addition of the Wizards. Parents, staff and teachers from Southeast, Vinton and Goodwin will go up against the Wizards on Jan. 18 at EO Smith. Stay tuned for more information!!

## Adopt a Family Program

Please be sure to check out our Adopt a Family bulletin board this holiday season. Select a tag from the board and purchase a gift for a child or family from our Mansfield Community. Gifts are due by Dec. 9 and can be left in the gift boxes in front of the main office.

## THANK YOU TO THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE/TEAMS FOR THEIR WORK THIS FALL!

Maryann Olson for organizing the SE/Uconn Co-Op Book Fair

Jana MacDonald for heading up the Thanksgiving Bake Sale

Betsy Parker and all the teachers, staff and volunteers who always make Running Club so great!

Mrs. Gagne and crew for an amazing Thanksgiving feast

Parent Volunteers who set up, served and cleaned up the Thanksgiving Feast-Darlene Murphy for planning the feast

The Aspire Team for their time and effort running Fall Workshops

Cheryl Hathway and Lisa Cackowski for honoring our Veterans and Active-Duty Military community members at the Luminary Display

## We asked SE kids & community to share what they are thankful for-

*Here are some of their answers, in their own words:*

- ◆ I'm thankful for my house.
- ◆ I am thankful for food at Southeast.
- ◆ I am grateful for Mr. Hendricks.
- ◆ I am thankful for Southeast School.
- ◆ I am thankful for Mrs. Cackowski.
- ◆ I am thankful for my clothing and shoes.
- ◆ My friends, family, food, shelter, clothes and my life.
- ◆ I am thankful for a place for us to be educated.
- ◆ I am thankful for my cats and my mom.
- ◆ Food at my table
- ◆ I am thankful for my friends.
- ◆ I'm thankful for Mrs. Rodriguez.
- ◆ I'm grateful for Auntie Kate
- ◆ I'm thankful for the time teachers spend to teach us.
- ◆ The world and everything in it!