

# **Intergenerational Programs at the Neary School**

## **ART QUEST**

**November 29 or December 13 (8:30 - 9:30am)**

**\*six seats available for each date**

Art Quest is a unique educational program designed to develop thinking skills through observation of visual works of art. Art Quest integrates art history and art appreciation with class curriculum providing students with an opportunity to learn visually. The digital projection of two images simultaneously provides opportunities for comparison and encourages students to participate in discussions. By examining and analyzing works of art participants learn historical information and to identify individual artist's styles and movements. Art Quest stimulates curiosity and imagination while improving and developing critical, creative and interpretive thinking skills.

## **PAWSING TO READ**

**Friday mornings 8:45-11:20**

**November 3<sup>rd</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup>**

**What is it?**--PAWSing to R.E.A.D. is a reading enrichment program for readers. Participants read to a special therapy dog once a week for 20 min. for 5-6 weeks (just Fridays mornings). Amidst the giggles and tail wagging, readers' confidence, fluency, word recognition, and comprehension improve! The dog (his name is Zeke) and his handler David are therapy team registered and certified through Delta Society Pet Partners, Tufts Paws for People, and have completed the Reading Education Assistance Dogs workshop. We've had it going on 6 years now. The volunteer would be responsible for calling each classroom to remind the teacher to send down the selected students that need to come to the Literacy Lab to read to/with the Zeke. **What we need: At least one adult volunteer (two if the seniors want to buddy up) per week.**

## **BOOK SWAP**

**Thursday, December 14<sup>th</sup> & Friday, December 15<sup>th</sup>**

**What is it?** The Book Swap will be a great opportunity for students to make room for new books in their home by bringing in "gently used" books that they have enjoyed and now want to give to classmates to enjoy. The Reading Teacher is requesting 5 volunteers on *Thursday, December 14<sup>th</sup> from 10:00am to 12:00pm* to help set up the Book Swap (no heavy lifting), *then will also need 2 volunteers 8:45am to 11:15am and 2 volunteers from 11:30am to 2:00pm on Friday December 15<sup>th</sup>* to assist in facilitating the Book Swap as classes come and go.



Please Contact Peg directly if you would like to participate in one or more of these programs. Call (508) 229-4453, email at [pleonard@southboroughma.com](mailto:pleonard@southboroughma.com), or stop by the senior center to sign up. I am very excited about these opportunities and hope that you will join in to interact with our local students.