Robert J. Kleberg Public Library Newsletter Happenings @ Your Library® Saturday, March 7, 2015

Fun Fact Quote

"I have a theory that there is a little bit of magic involved in public library community outreach programs...It is what happens when our community engages with our program, our staff, and our library."—Zola Maddison, *Public Library Outreach Makes Magic*

Mold Remediation and A/C System Update

Entering its fifth week of the remediation process, the Gerloff Company of San Antonio, Texas, is preparing to hand over the building to the Rimkus Consulting Group also from San Antonio. The consulting group will re-inspect the building's internal environment for any signs of mold.



If the test results come back clear, Gerloff's technicians can proceed with the next phase of the cleanup process. Since February 16, 2015, air conditioning (A/C) technicians with Ramos Refrigeration of Kingsville, Texas, have also been onsite performing pre-demolition work of the library's air handlers and chiller. Once the consulting group gives them the required clearance to enter the library, the A/C technicians can install the interior components of the new system. In addition, at a Special Kleberg County Commission meeting held on

Monday, February 23, 2015, the County agreed to pay half of the purchase cost for a commercial dehumidifier system. The dehumidifier is vital because it will help the new A/C system pull excess moisture out of the building. Better controlled moisture levels will foster a healthy environment for the books and comfortable surroundings for the patrons year round.

Library Prepares For Spring Outreaches

The library is making preparations to begin its spring outreach events that include a career expo and library card registration drive. On Friday, March 6, 2015, library staff will participate in the *South Texas Career Expo* at the J.K. Northway Coliseum from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Over 2,000 area



middle school and high school students will be on hand to explore career and college opportunities. The library will have a booth manned by staff who will inform students about library resources, such as LearningExpress® Library. The library's resources can play a vital part in helping students make post-graduate choices. In addition, the library will host a *Library Card Registration Drive*, which will take place on the Kenedy County Courthouse grounds in Sarita, Texas, on Wednesday, March 11, 2015. Library staff will be on hand from 12 noon to 4 p.m., so

that Kenedy County residents can register for new cards or update existing cards. Residents can also view the *Library on the GO* bookmobile and discover more about *The After Hours Hub*, a webpage specifically designed to serve patrons who need access to specific library services and resources after the library's normal operating hours and during closures. Additional library outreach opportunities are being planned that will include presentations at area schools and community events. For more information, residents can call the library at (361) 592-6381.