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Summer Program at the Library

The Children's Services Department is currently working on the 2012 Summer Reading and Activity Programs for ages five through seventeen. The theme from the Texas Reading Club is "*Get a Clue...at the Library.*" Summer activities will begin on June 5th and run through July 25th. The focus will be on mysteries in stories and in nature. The library will also be offering two ways for children to keep track of their reading this summer. The children may count the number of books or the number of minutes that they read. The idea of counting minutes was suggested by numerous parents who have slower readers. The library hopes this method will encourage children to read the recommended thirty minutes a day. Another suggestion from parents was to place a broader age range for activities so that all children in one family could participate in the same session. In order to accommodate the children and parents, the library has opened the activities on Wednesdays and Thursdays for all ages.

Community Patron Programs

The library is only three weeks into the New Year and already the Computer Tech Services Department is gearing up for a very active first quarter. Mr. Joey Garcia, Technical Services Assistant, was recently invited to Kaufer High School in Riviera to conduct a presentation on Wednesday, January 18th for high school seniors regarding managing and protecting their online reputations. Mr. Garcia will explain the potential consequences that students could face when applying for scholarships and employment. Another event the library will be hosting is *Data Privacy Day* on Saturday, January 28th. The public is invited to come by the library and talk with Joey Garcia to learn various methods to protect their medical records, their identity, their social network data, and other private information. Other community programs that are being planned include a *Library Card Registration Drive* at the Sarita Public Elementary School for Kenedy County residents during their next Parent-Teacher Association meeting. The Circulation Librarian, Mrs. Andrea Vidaurri, will be on hand to register residents for library cards. Mr. Joey Garcia will have a booth displaying the library's electronic services, and will be available to answer any questions. The next technical related event coming to the library is the American Library Association's (ALA) *Annual Teen Tech Week*, which is tentatively set for March. The library's Computer Tech Services Department will be issuing flyers to the public and placing announcements in the *Kingsville-Bishop Record News* for these upcoming programs.