Robert J. Kleberg Public Library Newsletter Happenings @ your library® Friday, February 3, 2012

Online Safety Outreach Programs

Online safety outreaches were the goal for most of January as the Computer Tech Services Department spent extensive time promoting various safety measures to surrounding school students. Mr. Joey Garcia, Technical Services Librarian, took his online safety message and spoke to the graduating seniors at Kaufer High School in Riviera. His presentation, "Protecting Your Online Reputation," was aimed at informing young adults on how to avoid placing inappropriate personal information online that might jeopardize their reputation. Mr. Garcia also spoke to the student body at De La Paz Middle School in Riviera on a similar subject. His topic, "Who's Watching You?" focused on teaching students about online safety, and ways of protecting personal information on social media sites. Mr. Garcia's informative presentations were well received by both teachers and students. A total of 172 students attended both events.

Mr. Garcia also spoke at the Rotary Club where he discussed the advancement in technology and the impact that it has had on library services. Mr. Garcia provided the guests with informational flyers on Mango®, an online tutorial of 34 foreign languages, and LS2 Mobile, a cell phone application. Both programs are currently being offered for free to registered patrons. After the presentation, Mr. Garcia followed up with a question and answer session that was very complimentary of the library. A follow-up question and answer session was held after the presentation. The library was complimented for all of its services and technological progress.

New at the Library: Saturday Story-Time

The Children's Librarian, Ms. Danielle Friend, will be conducting a series of Saturday story-times open to all ages. Story-times will be held on the second Saturday of each month. Some Saturday story-times dates may fluctuate due to holidays or other scheduled events, but will always be held at 10:00 a.m. Interested parents can obtain a flyer of scheduled story-times outlining the different story themes for each Saturday at the Children's Services Desk or from the rotary display rack located at the Friends of Library Bookstore counter.

The first Saturday story-time theme, "Bedtime Stories," was held January 21. The children were encouraged to dress up in their pajamas. The children in attendance gathered in the children's area and listened to various bedtime stories read by the librarian. A total of 15 children and 9 parents attended the pajama story-time. The next Saturday Story-Time, "Heaps of Hearts," is scheduled for the 11th of February. Ms. Friend will read a variety of Valentine stories, and the children will have an opportunity to make simple Valentine crafts at the end of the program.

Technical Services

Public Library Stats for January 2012

Total # of	Total # of				
Circulated	Patron	Items in	Registered	Internet & Wi-Fi	Internet & Wi-Fi
Items	Visits	Collection	Patrons	User Connections	Usage Hours
3,249	4,257	57,378	29,936	2,722	3,406:00