

Robert J. Kleberg Public Library Newsletter
Happenings @ your library®
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The library's Summer Program has entered its 5th week of activities and with 2 weeks remaining



there are still plenty of activities for children to take part in. As of June 21st, 2013, the library has had over 500 parents, teens, and children attend the program with that number expected to continue to climb. This year's summer theme, "Dig Into Reading", has exposed children to the excitement that they can find by picking up a book and digging into its pages for stories that capture their minds and spark their imaginations. Aside from reading, children have also been creating projects that are centered on digging and

creatures that dig. This year's program also incorporated a visit from Critters®, a local exotic pet shop that introduced children to the wild side of nature. Critters® staff members were on hand on June 13th, 2013 to show off to kids their collection of creatures that included a hermit crab, a milk snake, and an African Spurred Tortoise, just to name a few. Children and the public will have another opportunity to encounter the wild side of nature on Wednesday, July 24th 2013, as the Texas State Aquarium will be on hand presenting live baby alligators.



Toddler Time Thursday recently had Library Assistant Krystin Torres surprise both toddlers and parents by dressing up and playing Alice from *Alice in Wonderland* on June 20th, 2013. Alice welcomed both parents and toddlers into the Children's area, as well as entertained them with rhymes, songs, and stories about Wonderland. Alice also participated in the morning craft, helped toddlers and their parents put the projects together, interacted with them, answered questions they had about Wonderland, and took pictures with them and their families to help remember the day they met one of their favorite story book characters.