

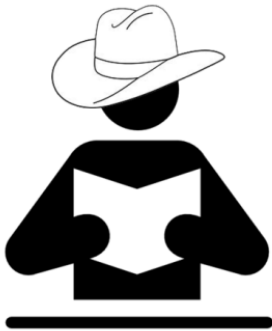
Robert J. Kleberg Public Library Newsletter
Happenings @ your library®
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Electronic Elves Workshop

No one knows electronics like today's tech-savvy teens, so the library enlisted the help of some electronic elves to advise and offer suggestions about MP3 players, smart phones, e-readers, laptops, and other electronic devices to novice shoppers. The Electronic Elves Workshop will be on Saturday, November 16, 2013, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon at the Robert J. Kleberg Public Library. The vision for the workshop is to make this holiday shopping season a little less confusing. The elves will share their electronic wisdom with patrons who are looking for holiday gift ideas for children, grandchildren, and friends. Local "Black Friday" circulars, catalogs, online databases, and a few devices will be available at the workshop, so patrons can do some comparison shopping. The library is planning a follow-up Electronic Elves Workshop for January 2014 to assist patrons on how to use the electronic gifts they received during the holidays. For more information on these workshops, contact Danielle Friend at 592-6381 during normal business hours.

Howdy Authors!

The library will be hosting, as part of the 2013 Ranch Hand Festival, a unique event for reading enthusiasts and book lovers alike. *Howdy Authors!* is a meet and greet book signing event on Saturday, November 23rd, 2013, from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. The event will provide guests an opportunity to sample the writings of and visit with local authors. Their works deal with a wide range of subjects, including life on the King Ranch, growing up in South Texas in the 1920s, an earless kitten who found a home, and even a personal family account of the day President John F. Kennedy was shot in Dallas, Texas. Amanda Cruz and Krystin Torres, event coordinators, succeeded in booking six authors from the South Texas area. During *Howdy Authors!*, the library will also feature the *Express Library* Bookmobile. The public will be allowed an up close view of the renovations and transformation from an ambulance to a bookmobile. Joey Garcia, IT Librarian, will be on hand to answer any questions about the Bookmobile and other library services.



Steel Drum Ensemble Concert

The Steel Drum Ensemble from the Music Department at Texas A&M University–Kingsville will be performing at the Robert J. Kleberg Public Library. Music majors and local residents comprise this ensemble, under the direction of Jason Kihle, interim Director of Bands. Steel drums or steel pans were created in Trinidad and Tobago in the 1930s. This percussion instrument, which can be struck or shaken, is made from a 55 gallon (oil) drum. Steel drums come in a variety of musical ranges. A person who plays a steel drum is considered a pannist. (www.steelpan-steeldrums-information.com) The public is invited to attend this unique performance on November 23rd, 2013, beginning at 10 a.m. Admission is free to the public.

