

**Robert J. Kleberg Public Library Newsletter**  
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**Saturday, March 21, 2015**

**Mold Remediation and A/C System Update**

The library recently received encouraging news as remediation efforts slowly begin winding down. On Monday, March 9, 2015, Mrs. Veronica Hare, Kleberg County Insurance Coordinator, informed Library Director Robert Rodriguez that the air samples taken from the building on Monday, March 2, 2015, came back negative for mold. Mrs. Hare notified Ramos Refrigeration



that their technicians had the clearance to begin the next phase of the A/C upgrade. This phase includes installing the new air handlers, dehumidifier, and is expected to take approximately five weeks to complete. Once the new equipment has been installed and a stable air temperature has been maintained, technicians with GCI Remediation (Gerloff Company) will return to complete their remediation services by disassembling their equipment and returning the library's

collection and furniture from offsite locations. While the library is empty and closed, the Library Board feels this is an opportune time to replace the carpet, which was installed in 1978. In those 37 years, the carpet has seen a lot of traffic, and now the carpet is stained, torn, and lifting up in areas, which has created a tripping hazard. The library is working with City and County officials to explore the possibility of replacing the carpet before the library reopens to the public. The library is tentatively scheduled to reopen the latter part of April 2015. To keep the public informed, the library has posted a few pictures of the process on its Facebook page.

**Library Outreach Programs Continue**

The library's outreach coordinator and members of the staff had an opportunity to visit with local students at the *South Texas Career Expo* on March 6, 2015, at the J. K. Northway Exposition Center. (The *Spring Break Bash* scheduled for Tuesday, March 17, 2015, at Dick Kleberg Park



was cancelled.) The staff was on hand to answer questions and provide brochures about the library's online services to students, their parents, and educators. Over 300 visitors stopped by the library's outreach table to visit with the staff and learn more about the library's services. The library's next outreach is the *Dual Credit Enrollment Meeting*, on Tuesday, March 24, 2015, at H.M. King High School from 6:30-7:30 p.m. That event is followed by the *County Wide*

*Eggstravaganza* on Saturday, March 28, 2015, on the Kleberg County Courthouse grounds from 2-4 p.m. The bookmobile's *Library on the Go* staff will be on hand for these events. For more information about scheduling the library for a public or academic outreach, which can include the *Library on the GO* bookmobile, contact the library's outreach coordinator at (361) 592-6381.

**Join Overdrive® in the Big Library Read**

The library is participating in the *Big Library Read*, "a global eBook club." A compatible electronic device or home computer with Internet access is needed to check out and download eBooks from the library's website. Patrons with a valid library card will click on the "Enjoy eBooks" banner to access the collection. The spring selection is Laura Bates' *Shakespeare Saved My Life: Ten Years in Solitary with the Bard*, available from March 17-31, 2015.