



Reptile of the month was Wiggy the Green Iguana and Ruby the Red Tegu.

Previous Meeting
September 12, 2011

This Months Meeting
October 3, 2011

Upcoming Meetings
November 7, 2011
December 5, 2011

Dates to Remember
October 15, 2011
ODBC Fall Fest
10am—4pm

October 22, 2011
Mesquite Pumpkin Fest
10am—9pm

October 29, 2011
Challenge Air
8am—5pm

I would like to thank you all for the patience while getting this news letter up and going. My hope is that now that I have it going I will be able to keep it up every month and keep it interesting.

ARK Club Project Supply Wish List

Many of these items can be found at Wal-Mart or a hardware store like Lowes.

Expanding Foam (NOT the triple expanding.)

Styrofoam Insulation sheets or packing Styrofoam (not the pop corn

I will use this Newsletter to inform and remind you of upcoming events and activities and other dates to remember. I also hope to add interesting articles about reptiles for parents and for the children and teens.

The October meeting was a little lighter on attendance than normal, but I believe it was due to the MISD Student Fair Day holiday.

We had a great time, those there received their ARK Club shirts.

We did have 2 new members join and are excited to have them with us.

We had a reptile hunt on the church grounds and were able to find 3 small rough brown snakes, unfortunately one was dead.

The pastor was a little unhappy that we were able to find any snakes at all, but we hope to convert him to the reptile way soon enough.



type) or even Styrofoam coolers.

Powdered Grout Mix (just need one bag)

Paint Brushes All sizes

Latex or Acrylic Paints (all colors, we will use the earth tones more)

Latex type gloves

Plastic Tubs (11 liter)

Plastic Drop cloths and big garbage bags

Cement sealer or stain

Modge Podge (have 1 bottle could use another one)

Parent Volunteers

Open property to have field trips and day use camping or other events.

Fun Riddles



What type of reptile does this eye belong to?

Q: What subject are snakes good at school?

A: Hiss-tory !

Q: What kind of snake is good at math?

A: An Adder!

Q: What did the snake give to his wife?

A: A goodnight hiss!

Q: What do you get if you cross a snake with a pie?

A: A pie-thon!

Q: What do snakes do after they fight?

A: Hiss and make up!

Upcoming Events

...contact Jim either by email
(jim@thehappydragon.com)
or by phone
214-228-4966.

We are asking for parent and child volunteers to our upcoming events, especially the ODBC Fall Fest and the Mesquite Pumpkin Fest. This is strictly voluntary but should be fun for all. If you can donate just an hour or two to any or all events please contact Jim either by email or by phone.

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November Meeting

We will be starting our rock project in the next meeting. Remember our projects can be quiet messy, so be sure to dress accordingly. We will be working with Styrofoam and hot glue as we begin to form the foundation of our rock hides.

Three Dimensional Craft

Materials:

- printer and paper
- stapler
- scissors
- glue
- printer and paper
- Optional: either wiggly eyes or white paper

Instructions:

- Print the template of choice
- Color the template pieces (if using the B&W version)
- Cut slits in each corner of the large body shape
- Staple or tape the paper together so it overlaps slightly and forms a bowl shape
- Glue the eyes onto the head (moon shape)
- Glue the head onto the front of the body



This is a simple cut and paste turtle craft with a twist -- you end up with a three dimensional turtle to display or play with.

o Kaitlyn, age 8, folded the head a little and glued that onto the body (see photo at the top of this page). She was happy with this as the head lay flat on the table that way.

o You could also just glue the head on a little higher and not fold it.

o Fold the tabs on the feet and tail and glue them to the inside of the body



Calling all Photographers

We are starting a photo/ art contest and we want all your pictures and art work of reptiles, at home or in the wild! This contest begins, well NOW! So get to snapping or drawing and bring your pictures or art work with you to the next meeting. We will keep this running for a couple months and in January or February we will (that is YOU will) vote for your favorite picture and work of art.

Happy Herping!

A. R. K. Club

Amazing Reptiles for Kids

*Jesus said to be smart as snakes.
Matthew 10:16*



A reptile club that kids have fun while learning.
Hands on with LIVE Reptiles, Class Projects and Field Trips.



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Meetings are held on the first Monday of every month at Oates Drive Baptist Church

*Meeting time for ages 5-12 6:00 - 6:45 pm
**a parent or responsible adult 18 or over must be present.

Meeting time for ages 13 and up 7:00 - 8:00 pm



Treasurer's Report

Collections	YTD 10/3/2011	\$ 100.00
Expenses	YTD 10/3/2011	\$ 250.00
Beginning Balance September 12, 2011	40.00	
September Membership Fees	40.00	
September Expenses T-shirts	50.00	
Beginning Balance October 3, 2011	-210.00	
October Membership Fees	50.00	
October Donations	10.00	
Ending Balance October 3, 2011	-\$150.00	



** September Project Supply donations Package brushes, water colors and Modge Podge.

Thank you to those you have paid their yearly dues and a reminder to those who have not yet paid to please do so. Remember the yearly fee of \$25 covers the cost of the t shirt and helps cover a small portion of the cost of activities and the newsletter. We still need donations of either supply list items or money in our donation jar for supplies.