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and Agencies* **IN THE NEWS**

Valdosta State University

VSU's Odum Library Celebrates National Library Week with Read Fest

Odum Library teamed up again this year with Valdosta State University's (VSU) Dewar College of Education and Human Services to host Read Fest on April 15, 2016. Read Fest is an annual event held during National Library Week. The purpose of Read Fest is to promote a lifelong love of reading and literacy. Each year the local pre-kindergarten classes are invited to VSU's campus to interact with librarians, teaching

faculty, student-teacher candidates, and other volunteers with activities like reading stations, sing-along stations, temporary tattoos, foam visors, bookmarks, and coloring.

Last year VSU had almost 250 students attend. This year, due to the weather, the event was held inside Odum Library, with over 240 students attending. In addition to the activities during the event, each student gets to take home a goodie bag that includes a book along with other treats. The event is a great way to promote reading to a young audience.

