

April 9, 2003

To the TLN Staff and Tech Committee:

Donna Winter made a presentation of the "My Reading Log" program that the Technology Committee developed at the February Adult Services Meeting. She demonstrated how library patrons could keep track of their books with the easy to use log. The log is a practical way for the public to keep track of what books they have read and even comments to share about a particular title.

It is one way to get patrons who are very hesitant to use the computer in a fun, practical way. As word gets around, it would be apt to attract people who might not ordinarily use a computer. The Adult Services Committee was impressed by its ease of use and practicality. ASC supports the development and support of the project.

Poll of ASC membership taken the week of April 7, 2003

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TLN Technology Committee,

Michael L. McEvoy demonstrated "My Reading Log" at the TLN Young Adult Services Committee. We were impressed and excited at the prospect of such a program. It appears to be a program that would served all ages of library patrons.

The Teen Services Committee would like to endorse this project.

Sincerely,
Christine Gogolowski
Chair TLN Young Adult Committee
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March 8, 2003

Dear Michael and TLN staff:

Michael McEvoy visited the TLN Youth Services Committee Meeting on March 7, 2003. He represented the TLN Technology Committee to present their innovative “My Reading Log” project. The project would enable patrons to organize their personal reading selections by entering title, author, and other information. Options such as ratings, space for comments, and practical search methods would benefit the library community as a whole.

The Youth Services Committee agreed that this project is a worthwhile effort. We all have those patrons that work their way through series or authors and then have a difficult time remembering which titles they have read. The “My Reading Log” is an answer to this need. It is also a useful reader’s advisory tools for the patron/librarian relationship. The TLN Youth Services Committee supports the project and is hopeful that it will be implemented in the future.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Mackey
Youth Services Committee Chair