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MPLA Children's and School Section Report

The Children's Services Section submitted three (3) programs to AzLA for consideration for the 2001 Conference in Phoenix. All three programs were accepted.

Program I: J&J's Interesting & Best Picks of 2001

Description: What are the most fabulous books of 2001? Julie Tomlianovich and Julie Linneman will highlight the best and most interesting children's titles. Books will range from preschool through upper elementary.

Julie Tomlianovich; System Children's Consultant; South Central KS Library System; Hutchinson, KS

Julie Linneman is the Children's Librarian for Wichita Public Library, Wichita, KS

Program II: Who Influence's Me the Most?...Making Good Choices. Successful Alcohol, Tobacco and Other Drugs (ATOD) Programs in Your Library.

Description: Learn how to tie ATOD educational programs into your library reading programs. You will go away with four successful programs to use and enjoy. 1. Effects of alcohol and tobacco on parts of your body. 2. Nicotine withdrawal. 3. Seat belt safety. 4. Huff 'n' Puff - understanding the importance of lung capacity.

Norleen Knoll; Children's Librarian; Hays Public Library; Hays, Kansas

Program III: They're Out there-Bring 'Em In: Reaching Out to Young Adults in Our Communities"

Description: Your attitude toward teens as legitimate library customers is the key ingredient to brining young adults into the library. Session will include a discussion of characteristics unique to YA populations, suggestions for making teens feel welcome in the library and program ideas to use when they arrive.

Barbara Stransky; System Children's Consultant; Northeast KS Library System; Lawrence, KS Patricia Suellentrop; Young Adult Co-coordinator; Johnson County Library; Shawnee Mission, KS

I have spoken with and e-mailed Arizona's children's section chair and vice-chair about the 2001 conference. In-coming children's chair, Amy Shelley, children's librarian from Cheyenne, Wyoming, is already planning and making contacts for the 2002 conference. She is also heading up the selection committee.

At the Omaha 2000 conference, the children's section voted against having a secretary, thus omitting having to look for more people to run on the ballot. It was decided that there are always enough people at the business meeting to appoint a secretary for the day.

Respectfully submitted

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