TAC it Up! April 22nd, 2006

North Vancouver City Library
Teen Advisory Council

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Background on NVCL

• Community of 47,000
• Teen collection created in late 2002
• Teen Advisory Council since 2003
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Getting Started

• Consultation with other libraries
• Goals and objectives drawn up
• Letters sent to high schools
• Teen users recruited
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TAC Today

• Membership open to anyone 13-18
• Promoted through
  o PSAs and other library publicity materials
  o School visits
  o Word of mouth
• CAPP/Volunteering hours are given
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The Future of TAC

- Planning teen department for new library building (opening 2008) will be priority for next two years
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TAC Meetings - what we do

• Program planning

• Promoting programs

• Planning and creating displays
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TAC Meetings - what we do

• Contributing to teen website

• Suggestions, suggestions, suggestions
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Major Projects and Successes

• Supporting new library application before North Vancouver City Council

• Participating in annual Canada Day Parade
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Major Projects and Successes

• Volunteering at City Staff picnic

• Designing TEENScene library website
A little riddle for you....

What encyclopedia contains a world of knowledge on a single page?

The Encyclopædia Britannica Online, of course! (A single web-page, get it?)

The Encyclopædia Britannica is just one of our brand new online databases. Have a giant science project hanging over your head? Get it started with Access Science, a huge online science encyclopedia that includes study guides and the latest news and developments in the world of science. History
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And here’s a fresh batch of Teen Council Top Picks, this time brought to you courtesy of Helen, a member of the Teen Advisory Council for over three years. Thanks Helen!

Helen’s Top Picks

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(Please note that the Teen Council Top Picks do not represent the opinions of the North Vancouver City Library.)
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Why Join the TAC?

• Opportunity to unite and work creatively with other youth
• Fosters leadership qualities
• Take part in administering teen services
• Experience working as a team with youth from different cultural backgrounds
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Why Join the TAC?

• Enhances administrative and planning skills
• Great for resume and university applications
• Builds self-confidence and courage
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More good things about TAC...

• Opportunity for teens to give back to the community

• Chance to meet new people, share opinions and ideas
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More good things about TAC...

• Makes teens more literarily inclined

• Earn service and CAPP hours

• Brownies!
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Why every library should have a TAC

• Teens are a terrific resource!

• TAC works to improve teen services and attract more youth to the library
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Why every library should have a TAC

• Strengthens the relationship between teens and library staff

• Ensures youth interests and needs are being met by library services