

Lincoln Parish Library's GoodReads Group

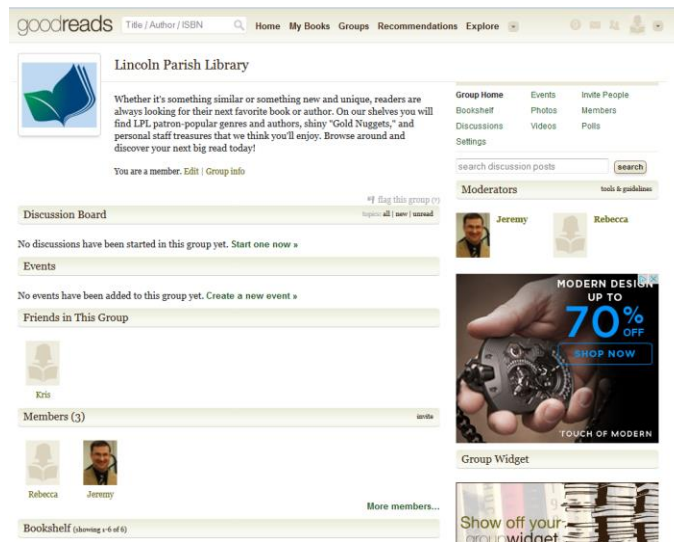
What is GoodReads?

GoodReads is a social networking platform designed for readers. Members create shelves of books they've read, what they want to read, and are currently reading, as well as giving members the opportunity to rate books and receive book recommendations.

How are we using GoodReads?

LPL has a GoodReads group that will actively involve readers in our collection through discussion boards, reading guides, and staff recommendations.

The landing page for the Lincoln Parish Library GoodReads Group:



Discussion Boards:

These will allow us to interact with patrons. To add a topic or to view the discussions, click on “discussion board.”

To start a discussion:

1. Click on “new”

You are a member. [Edit](#) | [Group info](#)

Discussion Board

[flag this group \(?\)](#)
topics: [all](#) | [new](#) | [unread](#)

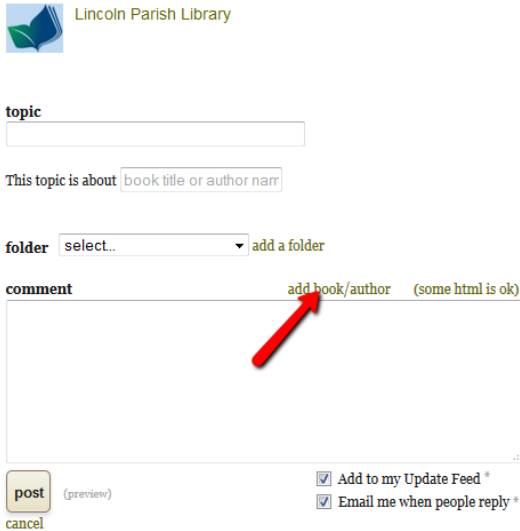
2. Fill out the Discussion Topic form, using the drop down folder menu to select topic type.
3. Follow individual Discussion Board guidelines as needed.

We currently have 3 Discussion Boards:

1. New Books

- Every month, this discussion board will mirror the New & Notable Book List
- New Discussions are named as follows: Month Year-New Books (ex: March 2015-New Books)
- Adding Books:
 - a. Write in your topic name, choose the appropriate discussion board from the folder drop down menu

Post a New Discussion Topic



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topic

This topic is about

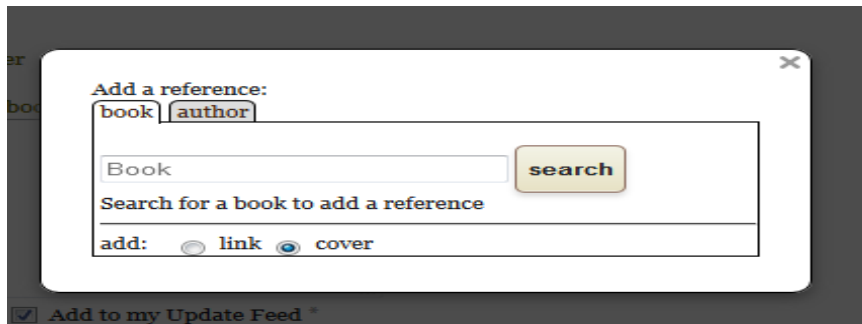
folder [add a folder](#)

comment [add book/author](#) (some html is ok)

Add to my Update Feed *
 Email me when people reply *

(preview)

- b. Click the link titled 'add book/author' (red arrow above) and the following window will open



Add a reference:

book | author

Book

Search for a book to add a reference

add: link cover

Add to my Update Feed *

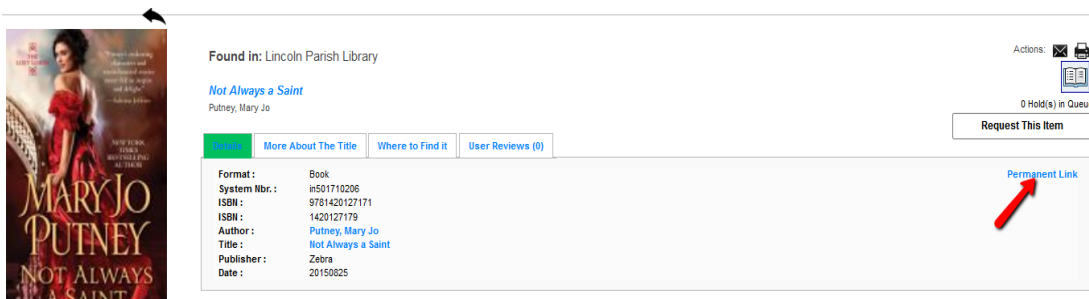
- c. Make sure the add toggle button is set to cover and then enter the title of the book into the search bar.
- d. Once you find the right book, click the add button.



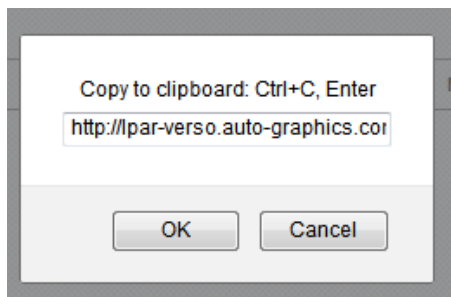
e. Once you add it will look like



f. Now, go to the new catalog, search for the title and open up the record.



g. Click on the 'Permanent Link' (red arrow) and copy the link



h. Go to Bit.ly (<https://bitly.com>) to shorten the link and copy the new shortened link

i. Once you've gotten your shortened link, go back to goodreads and after [bookcover:title] type `Title by Author`

New Books > March 2015-New Books (edit)

Comments (showing 1-1 of 1) [post a comment »](#)

by Rebecca (last edited Mar 14, 2015 03:33PM)

editing comment

[add book/author](#) (some html is ok)

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[bookcover:Not Always a Saint|22750006]<a href="http://bit.ly/102Ygiz">Not Always a Saint by Mary Jo Putney</a>
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Be mindful of spacing and punctuation!

- j. Click edit post and here's your final product (The cover will take you to the goodreads page, and the title will bring you to the catalog)



[Not Always a Saint by Mary Jo Putney](#)

2. LPL Staff Recommends

- By the 25th of each month, submit your staff recommendation of the month (a title/author with a brief description of why you are recommending it and who might enjoy)
- These will be done in a newsletter style
- Follow the 'To start a discussion' directions to get started
- Named: LPL Staff Recommendations Month Year (ex: LPL Staff Recommendations March 2015)

3. Reading Challenges

- On the 1st of the month a new challenge for discussion will be posted
- On your social media day every week, please check this board, as well as the others, for new patron posts and respond accordingly
- Always be thinking of new challenges!
- Follow the 'To start a discussion' directions to get started
- Named: Month Year Reading Challenge: Name of Challenge (ex: March 2015 Reading Challenge: TBR Pile)