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Posted by [Stu](#) on Mon, 06 May 2002 09:22:33 GMT

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cheers,
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Posted by [Ted Cary](#) on Mon, 06 May 2002 13:32:35 GMT

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DIALOG_MESSAGE or David Fanning's ERROR_MESSAGE are good for per incident error reporting, but it sounds like Stu wants to generate an error log in a persistent "message window," not just show the error message in a modal window and have it disappear. Stu, if you're truly not satisfied with reporting your errors to the output log using PRINT or MESSAGE, then you are correct that you will have to learn widget programming. Buy Fanning's book. A text widget widget will do what you want.

Are you sure you want to scare users with a record of errors? Many of us even turn off some of the default error reporting to the output log.

Good luck,

TC

"Reimar Bauer" <r.bauer@fz-juelich.de> wrote in message
news:3CD68967.7905BD1E@fz-juelich.de...

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Posted by [R.Bauer](#) on Mon, 06 May 2002 13:47:19 GMT

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Online Help:

The `DIALOG_MESSAGE` function creates a modal (blocking) dialog box that can be used to display information for the user. The dialog must be dismissed, by clicking on one of its option buttons, before execution of the widget program can continue. ...

Reimar

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a IDL library at ForschungsZentrum Juelich
http://www.fz-juelich.de/icg/icg1/idl_icglib/idl_lib_intro.html

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Subject: Re: suggestions?

Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Mon, 06 May 2002 15:19:18 GMT

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A text widget will do what he wants, but it would
be even better if that text widget was attached
to an object and could be updated with a SetMessage
method. :-)

Cheers,

David

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Posted by [Stu](#) on Mon, 06 May 2002 22:15:31 GMT

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Posted by [Pavel A. Romashkin](#) on Mon, 06 May 2002 23:41:06 GMT

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I thought that the log window does exactly that. I may be wrong of
course. And objectified output would be a lot more fun indeed :-)

Cheers,

Pavel

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Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Tue, 07 May 2002 03:12:55 GMT

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No, no. *Object* widgets!

Cheers,

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