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## Drag Queens and Groomers: American Libraries Now Dens of Iniquity

If you thought American libraries might be chastened after the pushback against “Drag Queen Story Hour,” think again. In fact, in a story that could be titled “The (Groomer) Empire Strikes Back,” the American Library Association (ALA) is doubling down with a new aggressively activist, self-described “Marxist lesbian” president and advice on how to covertly seduce children into the sexual devolutionary world. Sound like an exaggeration?

Well, one new ALA effort is, reportedly, the suggestion that schools introduce kids to pornographic books with an activity called “blind date with a banned book.”



Emily Drabinski/X  
ALA President Emily Drabinski

The ALA’s new president, Emily Drabinski, was elected in 2022, took office officially this year — and is a true revolutionary. For example, *The Federalist* [quotes](#) the self-described “Marxist lesbian” as saying about her first librarian job: “At Sarah Lawrence, absolutely everybody was queer. ... There were so many ways to be gay. ... And it was my job to teach those students how to find themselves in our library catalog.”

“She described queering the library as ‘critical thinking’ and ‘thinking critically about the catalog,’” *The Federalist* added.

Then, quoting the Family Research Council’s (FRC) Washington Stand [newsletter](#), commentator James Stansbury [writes](#) (emphasis mine):

“ALA president Drabinski tweeted out a guide to planning Drag Queen Story Hour, after calling parental opposition ‘baffling.’ She has stated *libraries play a part in ‘the public project of raising children.’* In a 2021 talk titled ‘Teaching the Radical Catalog,’ Drabinski admitted her ‘queerness includes the subversion of ... normal family types.’”

Next, she represented the ALA and spoke at the September 1-3 “Socialism 2023” conference in Chicago. The conference was organized by more than 70 socialist organizations. While there, “Drabinski told speakers at one panel that she agreed with ‘your point that public education needs to be a site of socialist organizing. I think libraries really do, too.... Classroom libraries, but also school libraries of all kinds.’” She added that “there’s a real opportunity here to both connect [what’s] happening in public education [with] what’s happening in libraries.”

This Socialism 2023 conference was a doozy, too. “Its opening plenary session featured Angela Davis, a former member of the FBI’s ‘Ten Most Wanted List’ for furnishing guns to Marxist criminals who used them to kill a judge,” relates the FRC newsletter. This was mirrored by the event’s panels, too. They



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included, writes the FRC (edited for brevity):

- “Family Abolition Today,” which advocated replacing the family with a plethora of government programs...;
- “Kids as Comrades,” which discussed “best practices for developing socialist programming for kids”;
- “Resisting the Trad Wife Turn...”;
- “Sex Work, Policing and Border Abolition,” which called on socialists to advocate for “migrant sex workers” (illegal immigrants trafficked by international gangs) and promote “the abolition of police, prisons, borders and racial capitalism”;
- ... “Religion, Marxism, and The Struggle Over Third Spaces,” which called on left-wing activists to radicalize houses of worship...;
- “SunDDay School: The Spirit of Socialism with Dream Defenders,” which [included] a “Spirit of Socialism” service.... Speakers told attendees ... that “socialism doesn’t just save lives; it saves souls”;
- “Lenin: Catastrophe and Revolution,” which presented ... the supposedly “powerful democracy and collective struggles behind much of Lenin’s political thought...”;
- “Abortion, Race, and the 1%,” which accused “the capitalist class” of opposing abortion for “economic and racialized reasons”;
- “The Far Right, Border Abolition, and Anti-fascism in Crisis,” which demanded the “abolition” of all police, the release of all prisoners in jails, and the erasure of the U.S. border with Mexico...;
- “Homosexuality and the Left in American History,” which [discussed] how leftists worked homosexuality “into their critiques of capitalism”;
- “The Longer Road to a Green New Deal,” which ... pined for “transformative national legislation” to promote “public ownership” of goods and resources; and
- “Degrowth and Ecosocialist Revolution,” which explored the “consensus shared by the degrowth movement and revolutionary socialism.”

Oh, the conference’s “Friday night ended with a ‘Radical Drag Show,’” the FRC adds. “Sunday morning began with yoga and concluded with a screening of the pro-ecoterrorist movie ‘How to Blow Up a Pipeline.’”

Then there’s how you blow up kids’ moral compasses. The Media Research Center (MRC) [reported](#) Tuesday that the ALA “is encouraging public schools to intentionally entice students toward books with pornographic material as part of glittering ‘banned books’ displays.”

“In the display, the ALA encourages tax-funded public school staff to set students up on ‘blind dates’ with ‘banned’ books, encouraging librarians and teachers to ‘[c]over banned books in brown paper and list only the reasons why they were challenged on the jacket’ to keep students from knowing exactly what book they’re taking home,” the MRC adds (images below).

Pundit Olivia Murray [notes](#) that whoever “wrote the above ‘blind date’ cover is unable to spell ‘controversial,’ forgets that ‘I’ve’ has an apostrophe, can’t write straight or plan out proper spacing, and put ‘child prostitution’ inside quotation marks — ironically, this image screams ‘public school’ employee or student.”

Actually, it screams “Typical leftist revolutionary”; the sloppiness reflected above mirrors the sloppy thinking enabling one to embrace left-wing ideas.



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It gets worse still, however. The MRC writes that the ALA “even gives tips on how to make the displays more attractive to students with glitter, imagery, and seductive lighting.” One “way to lure kids to the display is to place it ‘in a pet crate or create your own cage out of discarded materials,’” the MRC quotes the association as recommending.

This prompted Murray to ask rhetorically, “I mean seriously, how pedophilic and brazen can these people be?”

Answer: Just as brazen as we allow. In a saner time, “drag queen” would’ve had a different meaning: ALA queen Drabinski would’ve been dragged from her office and run out of town on a rail — that is, if the peasants with pitchforks were feeling charitable that day.





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