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## YA literature

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>> There are just 7 students in the class, and 3 of them were in my YA lit  
>> class in the spring when Kristin Pekoll came down to talk to them about  
>> the challenge. So half of the students know about the situation as of  
>> mid-April. The "removal" of the board members by the city council had  
>> not  
>> taken place, and the petition drives had not taken place. So I guess you  
>> could give a very small bit of background for the 4 students who haven't  
>> heard about it, but focus on recent developments and the library board's  
>> plan for the future. Since this is a little course devoted specifically  
>> to GLBTQ materials for young adults, it would be good to concentrate on  
>> those objections, too. It seems that the challenge has grown from GLBTQ  
>> into any materials that contain any sex, but the challengers seem most  
>> motivated about the GLBTQ materials.  
>>  
>> Would you be willing to come by at about 7 PM that night? It would be  
>> great for you to share your knowledge about this challenge along with  
>> your  
>> many years experience at the high school level – I assume they had a  
>> GSA.  
>>  
>> Let me know if 7 PM on June 8th works for you. Thanks again for offering  
>> to share you experiences with this group of library school students.  
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>> Mary  
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>> Senior Lecturer  
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>> ----- Original Message -----  
>> From: "Patti Geidel" <[REDACTED]>  
>> To: "Mary Wepking" <[REDACTED]>  
>> Sent: Wednesday, May 20, 2009 8:01:00 PM GMT -06:00 US/Canada Central  
>> Subject: Re: YA literature  
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>> Hi Mary,  
>> I could do June 8. What time is the class? How much background do the  
>> students need?  
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>> Patti  
>> ----- Original Message -----  
>> From: "Mary Wepking" <[REDACTED]>  
>> To: "Patti Geidel" <pattige@charter.net>  
>> Sent: Wednesday, May 20, 2009 7:31 PM  
>> Subject: Re: YA literature  
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>>> Hi Patti,  
>>>  
>>> I'm glad you found the info useful. I begin teaching my YA lit class  
>>> with  
>>> The Chocolate War (1972) which I consider a book that sort of  
>>> established

>>> literature for this age group as honest & real.  
>>>  
>>> I would love it if you could come to my class some Monday night in June.  
>>> It's a 1-credit add-on to the full YA lit course in which we discuss  
>>> GLBTQ  
>>> materials. If you would be willing to come to campus to share your  
>>> experience with this particular challenge in West Bend, the students and  
>>> I  
>>> would be grateful. We meet Monday nights, June 1, 8, 15, and 22.  
>>> Either  
>>> the 8th or the 15th would be great. Let me know what you're thinking.  
>>>  
>>> Hope to talk to you soon!  
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>>> Mary  
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>>> ----- Original Message -----  
>>> From: "Patti Geidel" <[REDACTED]>  
>>> To: "Megan Schliesman" <[REDACTED]>, "Mary Wepking"  
>>> [REDACTED]  
>>> Cc: "Kristin Pekoll" <kpekoll@west-bendlibrary.org>, "Deborah  
>>> Caldwell-Stone" <[REDACTED]>  
>>> Sent: Wednesday, May 20, 2009 5:04:58 PM GMT -06:00 US/Canada Central  
>>> Subject: YA literature  
>>>  
>>> Thanks to all of you for providing information. Kristin and I are trying  
>>> to  
>>> pull together a quick powerpoint for our library board meeting on June 2  
>>> (6pm). I remember taking an undergrad Library Science class called "YA  
>>> Lit"  
>>> at UW-Whitewater in 1971 or 1972. Your info confirms my memory!  
>>>  
>>> Mary, I may be able to "help" with your class after June 2...  
>>>  
>>> Patti Geidel  
>>> WBCML Board member  
>>> (MALS, UW 1976)  
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