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The following article is very interesting for ALA-ophiles, but I warn you, it (and this blog post) contains salty language and the picture to the right from the site:

"[Library Conference Secret Twitter Proves Librarians Sexy, Stern](#)," by **Amanda Hess**, *The Sexist*, 13 July 2009.

Dig the part about the likely ALA member censoring other ALA members, then preventing access to past tweets. Don't you love the double standard when the ALA censors people (like [Robert Spencer of JihadWatch](#)? [Ginny Maziarka of West Bend Citizens for Safe Libraries](#)? [Greg McClay of SHUSH](#)? [Myself](#)?), but legally keeping inappropriate material from children is derided by the ALA as censorship?

Notice how the censorship was done in a surreptitious manner:

Well, it saddens me that a member of the library profession took exception to @alasecrets and shut it down by logging in and changing the password. They protected the updates thereafter so, supposedly, people couldn't see them.

Any word on the #ala2009 gangbang tonight? Where do we assemble? Who has the lube?

4:56 PM Jul 11th from TwitterMail

You're going to have to pardon my language here but FUCK that. I despise censorship in any form and I especially loathe the idea that a librarian shut down that Twitter account. So I did something about it.



I set up another anonymous Twitter account, @ALASecrets2009. But instead of giving out the password, I've set it up so anyone can post to it via SMS or e-mail.

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Source: "[ALA Secrets](#)," by **sonorandragon**, . . *Not All Bits* . . , 11 July 2009.

I'm considering adding these librarians who oppose ALA censorship to my "[Good Librarians](#)" page.