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From the Desk of the Director

This week, the Library will begin the process of working on a new, five-year, long-range plan. A long-range plan is a decision making process to set goals for future development of the library and plan strategies for reaching these goals. We first ask, "what kind of library do we have and where does the library fit in with the overall goals of the community?" A comprehensive plan includes recognition of our present situation and identification of our needs. Planning involves five basic questions. They are:



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1. Where are we now?
2. Where do we want to go, based on our community needs?
3. How do we get there?
4. What timetable will move us most effectively?
5. How can we measure our progress?

For the purposes of applying for any grant that is administered through the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners (MBLC) a library is required to complete a formal, multi-year plan with annual action plan updates. The minimum components of a long-range plan are:

- a mission statement;
- an assessment of user needs;
- multiyear goals and objectives;
- an action plan for at least the first year that includes activities, with specific time frames and/or means for measuring progress, for achieving objectives;
- a brief description of the planning methodology;

- approval of the governing board (Library Board of Trustees);
- annually, by December 1st of each year, an update for the following state fiscal year (July to June)

Ideally, this process should include input from the community. In order to gather information about the community's perception of the library as well as its wants and needs, we are asking you to fill out a [community survey](#). Please take 10 minutes to help us create an even better library for Dracut by [clicking here](#).

Another way that you can provide input is by speaking to any member of the long-range planning team. Members are as follows:

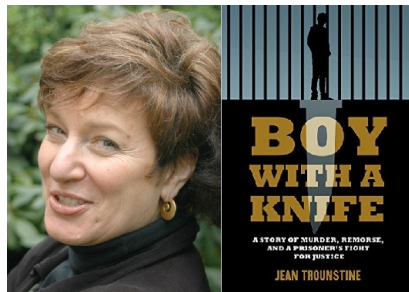
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As always, I am available to meet and talk with you. This is *your* library and we want to hear what you think!

[Nanci Hill, Library Director](#)

The Conversation Continues ..

*If You Liked Defending Jacob...
You'll Love Boy with a Knife*



Jean Trounstone
Monday, May 23rd
6:30 pm - 8:00 pm

Nearly a quarter of a million youth are tried, sentenced, or imprisoned as adults every year across the United States. On any given day, ten thousand youth are detained or incarcerated in adult jails and prisons.

Putting a human face to these sobering statistics, *Boy With A Knife* tells the story of Karter Kane Reed, who, at the age of sixteen, was sentenced to life in an adult prison for a murder he committed in 1993 in a high school classroom. Twenty years later, in 2013, he became one of the few men in Massachusetts to sue the Parole Board and win his freedom.

The emotional and devastating narrative takes us step by step through Karter's crime, trial, punishment, and survival in prison, as well as his readjustment into regular society. In addition to being a powerful portrayal of one boy trying to come to terms with the consequences of his tragic actions, *Boy With A Knife* is also a searing critique of the practice of sentencing youth to adult prisons, providing a wake-up call on how we must change the laws in this country that allow children to be sentenced as adults.

Jean Trounstone is the author of the highly praised *Shakespeare Behind Bars: The Power of Drama in Women's Prison* about her decade directing plays and teaching at Framingham Women's Prison in Massachusetts. She has written numerous articles on prison issues for publications including *Boston* magazine, the *Boston Globe*, *Working Woman* magazine, the *Women's Review of Books*, and *Truthout*.

[Register here.](#)

Alternatives to Pain: What is a Chiropractor?



**Tuesday, June 28th
6:30 PM**

The Dracut Opiate Task Force presents a panel discussion on chiropractic care. Join Dracut chiropractors Dr. Gerry Cassista, Dr. Steven Saro, Dr. Leah Parent and Dr. David Gelineau as they discuss what chiropractors can offer as an alternative to narcotics for pain. They will also cover the algorithm that has been presented to the state showing where chiropractic can best be utilized. [Register here.](#)

Featured Museum Pass



Boston Harbor Islands

The Friends of the Dracut Library are pleased to offer Dracut residents a two-for-one ferry to the Boston Harbor Islands National Park Area- Georges, Spectacle or Peddocks Islands. The pass is good for up to 4 people and is valid weekdays until October 7, 2017 (not valid weekends and holidays). Actual cruises are based on availability. [Reservations are recommended.](#)

You can reserve any of our museum passes online by [clicking here.](#)

Dracut Library Academy



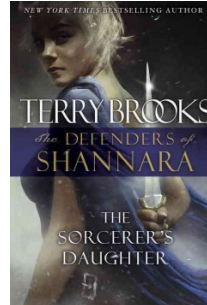
Wondering how to borrow an eBook from the Library? Want to download *free* music? Read everything by your favorite author and want suggestions for your next read? Need to research a famous person for that school assignment? There's no need to worry! The Dracut Library has subscribed to [Niche Academy](#). Now, by clicking on the tab at the top of our [webpage](#), you have access to tutorials that will take you through the process of accessing our library databases and more. Tutorials include those for:

- [Overdrive](#) - eBooks, AudioBooks and Movies
- [Freegal Music](#) - Download and stream popular music
- [NoveList Plus](#) - Fiction and Nonfiction book recommendations for all ages.
- [Goodreads](#) - Perfect book recommendations
- [Testing and Education Resource Center](#) - to help you pass that test!
- [Gale Virtual Reference](#) - Research help any time, anywhere
- [Academic OneFile](#) - Access to millions of

- scholarly articles
- [Ancestry Library Edition](#) - Access billions of genealogical records
- [Facebook](#) - From signing up to setting it up!
- [Twitter](#)- For people who have never tweeted!

All you need to do to get started is [click here](#).

June 2016 - New Adult Fiction Titles



Clicking on any title should bring you into the Dracut Library catalog, where you can read a summary, check availability and place a hold.

Fantasy

- Brooks, Terry. *The Sorcerer's Daughter: the Defenders of Shannara*
- Cogman, Genevieve. *The Invisible Library*
- Dunne, Rachel. *In the Shadow of the Gods: a Bound Gods novel*
- Grimes, Linda. *All Fixed Up*
- Humphrey, Claire. *Spells of Blood and Kin: a Dark Fantasy*
- Kadrey, Richard. *The Perdition Score: a Sandman Slim novel*
- Kay, Guy Gavriel. *Children of Earth and Sky*
- Kreuger, Paul. *Last Call at the Nightshade Lounge: a novel of Murder and Mixology*
- McKillip, Patricia A. *Dreams of Distant Shores* (see also: Short Stories)
- Skovron, Jon. *Hope and Red*
- Stross, Charles. *The Nightmare Stacks* (see also: Horror)

General Fiction

- Anam, Tahmima. *The Bones of Grace*
- Armstrong, Jesse. *Love, Sex, and Other Foreign Policy Goals*
- Cohen, Tamar. *The Fallout*
- Jewell, Lisa. *The Girls in the Garden*
- Jones, Stephen Graham. *Mongrels*
- Kelly, Elizabeth. *The Miracle on Monhegan Island*
- Norton, Ashley Prentice. *If You Left*
- Parker, Harry. *Anatomy of a Soldier*
- Smith, Alexis M. *Marrow Island*

Historical

- Amend, Allison. *Enchanted Islands*
- Loch, Norman. *The Port Wine Stain* (see also: Horror)

Horror

- Buehlman, Christopher. *The Suicide Motor Club*
- Loch, Norman. *The Port Wine Stain*(see also: Historical)
- Stross, Charles. *The Nightmare Stacks* (see also: Fantasy)

Mystery

- Bilal, Parker. *City of Jackals: a Makana Mystery*
- Billingham, Mark. *Die of Shame*
- Black, Cara. *Murder on the Quai: an Aimee Leduc Investigation*
- Brown, Eric. *Murder at the Loch: a Langham and Dupre Mystery*
- Brown, Rita Mae. *Tall Tail: a Mrs. Murphy Mystery*
- Collins, Max Allen. *Better Dead*
- Daniel, Ray. *Child Not Found: an Aloysius Tucker Mystery*
- Denning, G.S. *Warlock Holmes: a Study in Brimstone*
- Freydon, Shelley. *A Golden Age*
- Gutcheon, Beth. *Death at Breakfast*
- Haines, Carolyn. *Rock-a-Bye Bones: a Sarah Booth Delaney Mystery*
- Johnson, Craig. *The Highwayman: a Longmire story*
- Jones, Darynda. *Curse of the Tenth Grave*
- Levine, Laura. *Murder Has Nine Lives: a Jane Austen Mystery*
- McCafferty, Keith. *Buffalo Jump Blues: a Sean Stranahan Mystery*
- Moody, Susan. *Quick and the Dead: a Contemporary British Mystery*
- Myers, Tamar. *Tea with Jam and Dread: a Pennsylvania Dutch Mystery with Recipes*
- Quigley, Jeanne. *Murder, by George: a Veronica Walsh Mystery*
- Satterthwait, Walter. *New York Nocture: the Return of Miss Lizzie*

Romance

- Carlson, Melody. *All Summer Long: a San Francisco Romance*
- Feehan, Christine. *Shadow Rider: First in the New Shadow Series*
- Singh, Nalini. *Allegiance of Honor: a Psy-Changeling novel*

Science Fiction

- Ashby, Madeline. *Company Town*
- Cronin, Justin. *The City of Mirrors*
- Fintushel, Eliot. *Zen City*
- Hairston, Andrea. *Will Do Magic for Small Change*
- Sansbury Smith, Nicholas. *Orbs: A Science Fiction Thriller* (see also Suspense | Thrillers)

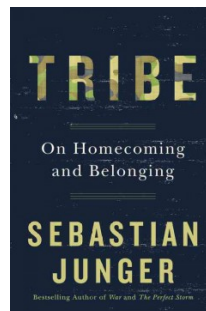
Short Stories

- McKillip, Patricia A. *Dreams of Distant Shores* (see also: Fantasy)

Suspense | Thrillers

- Adler, Elizabeth. *The Charmers*
- Bell, David. *Since She Went Away*
- Cavanagh, Steve. *The Defense*
- Ellison, J.T. *Field of Graves*
- French, Karen. *Breath of Malice*
- Furst, Alan. *A Hero of France*
- Hart, John. *Redemption Road*
- King, Stephen. *End of Watch*
- Palmer, Daniel. *Forgive Me*
- Palmer, Daniel. *Mercy*
- Rosenheim, Andrew. *The Accidental Agent: a Jimmy Nessheim novel*
- Sansbury Smith, Nicholas. *Orbs: A Science Fiction Thriller* (see also Science Fiction)

June 2016 - New Adult Nonfiction



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Autobiography & Biography

- Beddard, Kristen. *Bonjour Kale: a Memoir of Paris, Love, and Recipes.*
- Greene, Melissa Fay. *The Underdogs: Children, Dogs, and the Power of Unconditional Love*

(see also: Pets)

- Gucci, Patricia. *In the Name of Gucci: a memoir* (see also: Fashion)
- Guy, John. *Elizabeth: the Forgotten Years* (see also: History)
- Hamilton, Duncan. *For the Glory: Eric Liddell's Journey from Olympic Champion to Modern Martyr* (see also: Sports)

Fashion

- Gucci, Patricia. *In the Name of Gucci: a memoir* (see also: Autobiography & Biography)

History

- Bascomb, Neal. *The Winter Fortress: the Epic Mission to Sabotage Hitler's Bomb*
- Guy, John. *Elizabeth: the Forgotten Years* (see also: Autobiography & Biography)
- Kurlansky, Mark. *Paper: Paging through History*

Humor

- Kessels, Erik. *Failed It: How to Turn Mistakes Into Ideas and Other Advice for Successfully Screwing Up*

Military Science

- Roach, Mary. *Grunt: the Curious Science of Humans at War*

Pets

- Dickey, Bronwen. *Pit Bull: the Battle Over an American Icon*
- Greene, Melissa Fay. *The Underdogs: Children, Dogs, and the Power of Unconditional Love* (see also: Autobiography & Biography)
- Louch, Jan. *The True Tails of Baker and Taylor: the Library Cats Who Left their Paw Prints on a Small Town... and the World*

Psychology

- Junger, Sebastian. *Tribe: on Homecoming and Belonging*
- Kramer, Peter D. *Ordinarily Well: the Case for Antidepressants*

Sports

- Hamilton, Duncan. *For the Glory: Eric Liddell's*

- Hamilton, Duncan. *For the Glory. Eric Liddell's Journey from Olympic Champion to Modern Martyr* (see also: Autobiography & Biography)

June 2016 New Large Print

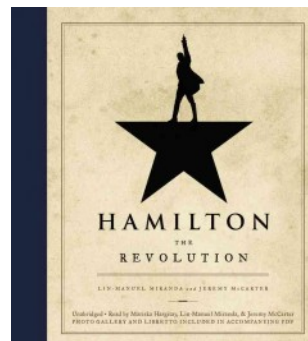


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Fiction

- Andrews, Mary Kay. *The Weekenders*
- Baldacci, David. *The Last Mile*
- Barr, Nevada. *Board Island*
- Brown, Rita Mae. *Tall Tale*
- Delinsky, Barbara. *Blueprints*
- Evanovich, Janet. *The Pursuit: a Fox and O'Hare Mystery*
- Frank, Dorothea Benton. *All Summer Long*
- Hannah, Sophie. *A Game for all the Family*
- King, Stephen. *End of Watch*
- Woods, Stuart. *Dishonorable Intentions*

June 2016 New Audiobooks



Clicking on any title should bring you into the Dracut Library catalog, where you can read a summary, check availability and place a hold.

Books on CD - Fiction

- Jones, Darynda. *The Curse of the Tenth Grave*
- Novik, Naomi. *League of Dragons*

Books on CD - Nonfiction

- Blom, Philipp. *Fractured Life and Culture in the West, 1918 - 1938*
- Miranda, Lin-Manuel. *Hamilton: the Revolution*

Playaways - Fiction

- Atherton, Nancy. *Aunt Dimity and the Buried Treasure*

Important Dates

Monthly Meeting of the Board of Trustees

Wednesday, June 8th at 4:30 pm in the Director's Office.

Late Opening

Thursday, June 9th - the Library will open at 1:00 pm so that the staff can participate in Professional Development.

Independence Day The Library will be closed on Monday, July 4th, in observation of Independence Day.

Friends of the Library The Friends of Dracut Library will meet on Wednesday, June 29th at 6:30 pm.

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