



The Milford Town Library experienced many changes this past year. Technical Services Supervisor Jennifer Pike, Assistant Youth Services Librarian Sonya Cruz and Library Page Caitlin Flannery left for other positions. Stephen Supernor has been hired as the new Assistant Youth Services Librarian. Library Trustee Lisa Bacchiocchi was re-elected for a third 3 year term. Jennifer Demanche Yohn was elected to fill the position of long time Library Trustee Victor Valente. Mr. Valente retired from the Milford Town Library Board of Library Trustees after serving ten years and two terms as Chairman.

Library Trustee Emeritus and library advocate Paul Curran passed away January 25, 2015. Mr. Curran's greatest achievement was his determination to build a new library building. Mr. Curran and other Board of Library Trustees saw the dream come true with the dedication of the current library on April 6, 1986. In recognition for his support and love of history, the Milford Town Library Board of Library Trustees in 2010 renamed the Local History room the Paul E. Curran Historical Collections Room. His advocacy will be missed.

The Strategic Plan is reviewed every five years and gives the library an opportunity to evaluate current strategies and plan future library services. The Strategic Plan Committee consisted of community members Maureen Fabray, Francisco Ramos; library staff Deborah Eastman Jennifer Pike, Sue-Ellen Szymanski; Library Director Susan Edmonds, Library Trustee Lisa Bacchiocchi, Finance Committee member Michael Nichols and Youth members Tony Milani and Shailyn Bacchiocchi . The committee worked diligently and submitted the FY2017-FY2022 Strategic Plan which was accepted by the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners. The plan is available at <http://www.milfordtownlibrary.org/annual-reports>

The Strategic Plan FY2017-FY2022 Goals:

- To develop, maintain and preserve collections in a variety of formats and locations.
- Goal 2: To provide programming to meet and reflect the community, focusing on diversity and bringing the whole community together across all ages.
- Goal 3: To provide services which enhance and incorporate both traditional and innovative methods to attract a wider audience to the library.
- Goal 4: Implement technology that will improve patron experience and library operations.
- Goal 5: Maintain and improve library facilities to continue to create a pleasant, secure, and accessible environment.
- Goal 6: To recruit and cultivate outstanding library staff.

The goals are the built on the successes of the ending strategic plan and the exciting future opportunities for the Milford Town Library. Remaining an important community resource for digital and print access is the overall mission of the Milford Town Library especially as the Library prepares for its 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary in 2016. The Milford Town Library is always grateful the continuing support of the Friends of the Milford Town Library, Town Meeting members and the entire community.