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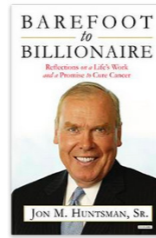
▶ Editor's Profile

Dan Crissman has edited for Farrar, Straus & Giroux at Macmillan and Overlook Press. He is currently a Senior Editor for The Countryman Press at W. W. Norton & Company. Crissman focuses on non-fiction.

His notable titles are ▶ *Barefoot to Billionaire* by John M. Huntsman, ▶ *Standard Deviations* by Gary Smith and ▶ *Climate Capitalism by L. Hunter Lovins and Boyd* by L. Hunter Lovins and Boyd Cohen.

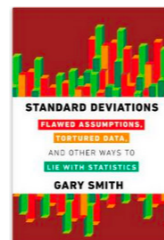


Booklist: Dan Crissman NON-FICTION



Billionaire entrepreneur, bestselling author, and father of a former governor and presidential candidate, Jon M. Huntsman, Sr. has been very fortunate in life. In ► *Barefoot to Billionaire* Huntsman revisits the key moments in his life that shaped his view of faith, family, service, and the responsibility that comes with wealth.

“ONE OF THE FINEST HUMAN BEINGS, INDUSTRIAL LEADERS AND PHILANTHROPISTS ON THE PLANET.” – STEPHEN R. COVEY, AUTHOR OF THE 7 HABITS OF HIGHLY EFFECTIVE PEOPLE



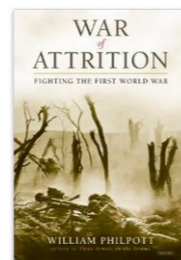
As Nobel Prize-winning economist Ronald Coase once cynically observed, “If you torture data long enough, it will confess.” Lying with statistics is a time-honored con. In ► *Standard Deviations*, economics professor Gary Smith walks us through the various tricks and traps that people use to back up their own crackpot theories. Sometimes, the unscrupulous deliberately try to mislead us. Other times, the well-intentioned are blissfully unaware of the mischief they are committing.

“A VERY ENTERTAINING BOOK ABOUT A VERY SERIOUS PROBLEM. WE DECEIVE OURSELVES ALL THE TIME WITH STATISTICS, AND IT IS TIME WE WISED UP.” – ROBERT J. SHILLER, WINNER OF THE NOBEL PRIZE IN ECONOMICS AND AUTHOR OF IRRATIONAL EXUBERANCE



In ► *Climate Capitalism*, L. Hunter Lovins, coauthor of the bestselling *Natural Capitalism*, and the sustainability expert Boyd Cohen prove that the future of capitalism in a recession-riddled, carbon-constrained world will be built on innovations that cutting-edge leaders are bringing to the market today. These companies are creating jobs and driving innovation.

“SHOULD BE ON EVERY CEO’S READING LIST AND REQUIRED IN EVERY CORPORATE BOARDROOM.” – BILL BECKER



One hundred years after the first guns of August rang out on the Western front, historian William Philpott reexamines the causes and lingering effects of the first truly modern war in ► *War of Attrition*.

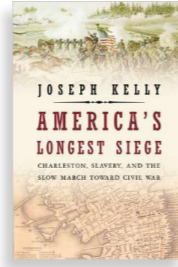
“PHILPOTT ARGUES PERSUASIVELY THAT THE STUNNING VICTORIES OF THE LAST HUNDRED DAYS OF THE WAR WERE THE RESULT OF A STEEP LEARNING CURVE NECESSITATED BY EARLIER BLOODBATHS..”

- THE WALL STREET JOURNAL



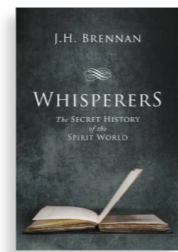
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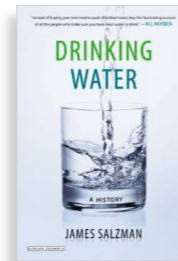
In ► *America's Longest Siege*, Joseph Kelly examines the nation's long struggle with its "peculiar institution." From the earliest slave rebellions to the Nullification crisis to the final, tragic act of secession that doomed both the city and the South as a whole, Kelly captures the toxic mix of nationalism, paternalism, and unprecedented wealth that made Charleston the focus of the nationwide debate over slavery.

"WELL WRITTEN AND FINELY DETAILED, KELLY'S DEBUT HISTORICAL WORK IS AN IMPORTANT CONTRIBUTION TO SOUTHERN ANTEBELLUM HISTORY ." - LIBRARY JOURNAL



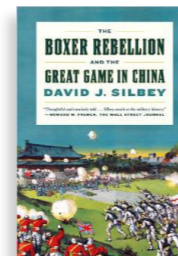
In ► *Whispers*, bestselling novelist and expert on the occult J. H. Brennan explores how the "spirit world" has influenced our own since the dawn of civilization. With a novelist's flair and a scholar's keen eye, Brennan details the supernatural affinities of world leaders from King Nebuchadnezzar to Adolf Hitler, showing how the decisions and policies of each have been shaped by their supernatural beliefs and encounters.

"A HIGHLY INTERESTING, ACCESSIBLE, EVEN SOMEWHAT PRACTICAL GUIDE TO ELUSIVE ASPECTS OF A UNIQUE CULTURE ARISING OUT OF A HIGH PLACE OF THIN, COLD AIR." -PUBLISHERS WEEKLY



James Salzman shows how drinking water highlights the most pressing issues of our time--from globalization and social justice to terrorism and climate change--and how humans have been wrestling with these problems for centuries. Provocative, insightful, and above all fun to read, ► *Drinking Water* shows just how complex a simple glass of water can be.

"AN APPEALING, FACT-FILLED OVERVIEW OF THE MOST BASIC NECESSITY OF HUMAN LIFE." - KIRKUS REVIEWS



Many scholars brush off the Boxer Rebellion as an ill-conceived and easily defeated revolt, but in ► *The Boxer Rebellion and the Great Game in China*, the military historian David J. Silbey shows just how close the Boxers came to beating back the combined might of the imperial powers. Drawing on the diaries and letters of allied soldiers and diplomats, he paints a vivid portrait of the war.

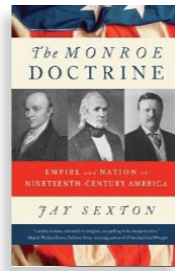
"[T]HOUGHTFUL AND CONCISELY TOLD . . . SILBEY EXCELS AT THE MILITARY HISTORY."

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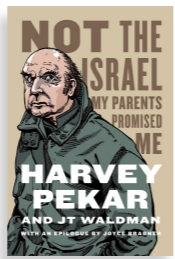
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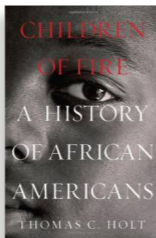
This engaging book explores the varying conceptions of the doctrine as its meaning evolved in relation to the needs of an expanding American empire. In Jay Sexton’s adroit hands, the ► *Monroe Doctrine* provides a new lens from which to view the paradox at the center of American diplomatic history: the nation’s interdependent traditions of anticolonialism and imperialism..

“DOCTRINE AND COROLLARY ARE TEXTBOOK STAPLES, AND SEXTON’S WORK WILL BENEFIT STUDENTS TASKED TO ELUCIDATE THEIR HISTORY.” - BOOKLIST



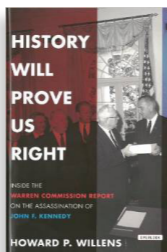
In ► *Not The Israel My Parents Promised Me*, the final graphic memoir from the man who defined the genre, Pekar explores what it means to be Jewish and what Israel means to the Jews. Pekar interweaves his increasing disillusionment with the modern state of Israel with a comprehensive history of the Jewish people from biblical times to the present, and the result is a personal and historical odyssey of uncommon power.

“THIS POSTHUMOUS PUBLICATION REFLECTS THE SEMINAL GRAPHIC MEMOIRIST AT HIS EDGY BEST.” - KIRKUS REVIEWS



In ► *Children of Fire*, renowned historian Thomas C. Holt challenges this form to tell the story of generations of African Americans through the lived experience of the subjects themselves, with all of the nuances, ironies, contradictions, and complexities one might expect.

“MASTERFULLY STRUCTURED AND BEAUTIFULLY WRITTEN, IT REFLECTS THE MATURE WORK OF A GREAT HISTORIAN WITH A FIRM AND DEEP GRASP OF HIS SUBJECT.” - HENRY LOUIS GATES, JR



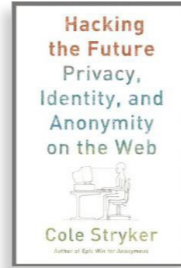
Drawn from Willens’ own journals and extensive notes on the investigation--which have never before been published-- ► *History Will Prove Us Right* tells the true and complete story, perhaps for the first time, of every aspect of the investigation into one of the century’s most harrowing events from a uniquely first-person perspective.

“WILLENS’S ACCOUNT DESERVES CLOSE AND CAREFUL SCRUTINY BY ANYONE INTERESTED IN THE KENNEDY ASSASSINATION.” - LIBRARY JOURNAL



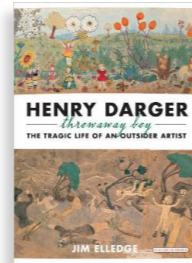
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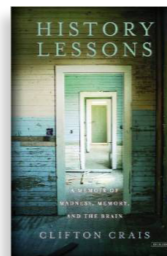
In ► *Hacking the Future*, Stryker presents a strong defense of anonymity and explores some of the tools and organizations relating to this issue, especially as it has evolved with the ubiquity of the Internet. Cogent and compelling, his examination of online identities, both false and real, is an essential read for the social-networking age.

“SHARP, WITTY, AND WELL-RESEARCHED.” - *THE RUMPUS*



Drawn from fascinating histories of the vice-ridden districts of 1900s Chicago, tens of thousands of pages of primary source material, and Elledge’s own work in queer history, ► *Henry Darger, Throwaway Boy* also features a full-color reproduction of a never-before-seen canvas from a private gallery in New York, as well as a previously undiscovered photograph of Darger with his lifelong companion William Schloeder, or “Whillie” as Henry affectionately referred to him.

“[ELLEDDGE] HAS WRITTEN THE DEFINITIVE ACCOUNT OF AN ARTIST WHO ALCHEMIZED TRAGEDY INTO ART OF TRANSCENDENT AND DISTURBING POWER” - *OUT MAGAZINE*



Crais examines the science of memory and forgetting, from the ways in which experience shapes the developing brain to the mechanisms that cause the chronic childhood amnesia—the most common and least understood form of amnesia—from which he suffers. Part memoir, part narrative science and part historical detective story, ► *History Lessons* is a provocative, exquisitely crafted investigation into what it means to be human.

“MAGNIFICENT . . . A SEARING, DEEPLY MOVING WORK.” - *LOS ANGELES TIMES*



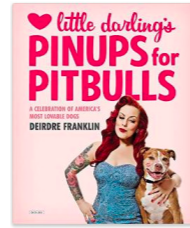
Sports fandom is either an aspect of a person’s fundamental identity, or completely incomprehensible to those who aren’t fans at all. What is happening in our brains and bodies when we feel strong emotion while watching a game? How do sports fans resemble political junkies, and why do we form such a strong attachment to a sports team? In ► *The Secret Lives of Sports Fans* Journalist Eric Simons presents in-depth research in an accessible, brilliant way, sure to interest readers of Jonah Lehrer and Malcolm Gladwell.

“SPORTS FANS WILL FIND THIS A POWERFUL TOOL FOR SELF-EXAMINATION” - *BOOKLIST*

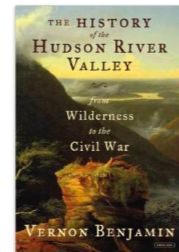


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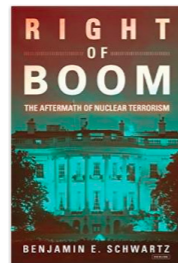


Deirdre “Little Darling” Franklin founded the non-profit organization, Pinups for Pitbulls, because she was tired of so-called rescues and shelters euthanizing healthy, friendly, and adoptable animals due to their alleged “breed.” Drawing on her background in modeling, she created a calendar like no other—eye-catching pinup girls and their pit bull pups, in era-appropriate style—that has become something of a phenomenon in the world of animal advocacy.



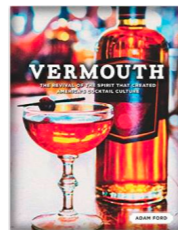
► *The History of the Hudson River Valley*, Vernon Benjamin’s magisterial new history, shows that the region has been a place of contradictions since its first settlement by Europeans. Discovered by an Englishman who claimed it for the Dutch, the valley soon became home to the most vibrant trading outpost for the New World colonies—the Island of Manhattan—even as the rest of it retained the native beauty that would inspire artists from James Fenimore Cooper to Thomas Cole.

“THOROUGHLY INFORMATIVE, APPROACHABLE . . . A MODEL FOR HOW TO ENLIVEN GEOGRAPHY, ANTHROPOLOGY AND BIOGRAPHY AND WEAVE THEM INTO A MICROCOSMIC ACCOUNT OF AMERICA.” – *THE NEW YORK TIMES*



In ► *Right of Boom*, national security specialist Benjamin Schwartz looks at what could happen after a nuclear explosion takes place in the United States, the event that Presidents Obama and Bush, as well as would-be Presidents Mitt Romney and Hillary Clinton, have acknowledged as the greatest single national security threat we face. a provocative, exquisitely crafted investigation into what it means to be human.

“THIS IS A BOOK EVERY AMERICAN CAN AND SHOULD READ.” - *PRESIDENT OF THE FOREIGN POLICY RESEARCH INSTITUTE*



Previously fallen from grace, vermouth is once again the next big thing in spirits. Over the years, vermouth has fallen from grace, but the truth is, without vermouth, your martini is merely an iced vodka or gin. Now, once again, vermouth is being touted as the hottest trend in spirits. It is showing up in copious amounts on the best cocktail menus in the best cocktail lounges around the country. Vermouth has a rich history, deeply intertwined with that of America, and ► *Vermouth* offers the first-ever detailed look into the background of this aromatized, fortified wine, as well as vermouth’s rise, fall, and comeback in America.