Turn the pages from A to Z to discover this animal ABC! Turn the pages to discover the wonderful world of animals while learning ABCs! In My First Animal ABC by award-winning illustrator Maurice Pledger, kids are introduced to animals from all over the world with letters that start from A to Z. Fold-out pages are included on every page, allowing for even more exploration and discovery. After reaching the letter Z, kids can pin up the included poster for even more animal ABC fun!

The Forgotten Hero of My LaiThe Hugh Thompson StoryAcadian House Publishing

She emerged as innocent as any newborn. The party of starbursts and sparkles came to a standstill. In awe, millions of heavenly beings paused. Shine Star, Princess of the Universe, was the most precious and rare of all creations. As an expression of perfect happiness, thus was the king's daughter born. A magical love story unfolds in Vikrant Malhotra's wondrous debut, The Stories of Goom'pa: Book One. Meet Goom'pa. He is a Poofy, a small furry creature who resides on Earth in a place called Palidon, on the edge of the Miron National Forest. His world is a quiet one-until he spies Shine Star, a glorious star in the sky and the daughter of Prime Ray, the king of the universe. Enchanted by her elegance, Goom'pa knows he is willing to do anything to win the love of this celestial beauty. As the two meet and fall in love, Shine Star's father worries about his only daughter. Exploiting that concern is the Star Lord, Rath, who wants nothing more than to wrestle control of the universe away from Prime Ray. Will Goom'pa and Shine Star find a way to be together? Or will Rath's evil plan doom them all? The true story of Folke Bernadotte's heroic rescue of 30,000 prisoners during WWII In one of the most amazing rescues of WWII, the Swedish head of the Red Cross rescued more than 30,000 people from concentration camps in the last three months of the war. Folke Bernadotte did so by negotiating with the enemy shaking hands with Heinrich Himmler, the head of the Gestapo. Time was of the essence, as Hitler had ordered the destruction of all camps and everyone in them. A Forgotten Hero chronicles Folke's life and extraordinary journey, from his family history and early years to saving thousands of lives during WWII and his untimely assassination in 1948. A straightforward and compelling narrative, A Forgotten Hero sheds light on this important and heroic historical figure. Forgotten Hero details the life of Silver Star recipient Calvin Heath - D Co., 3/187th Infantry, 101st Airborne. Heath was seriously wounded in 1968 during a vicious battle near the jungles of Phuoc Vinh, Vietnam. He returned home to a military system unprepared to care for its wounded warriors and a country with little tolerance for those who fought. It would take Heath more than 30 years to restore his stolen honor and his benefits.

World War II was the defining event of the twentieth century. For everyone it was

a time of confusion, fear, destruction, and death on a scale never before seen. Much has been written of the generals, campaigns, and battles of the war, but it was young, ordinary American kids who held our freedom in their hands as they fought for liberty across the globe. Forgotten Heroes of World War II offers a personal understanding of what was demanded of these young heroes through the stories of rank-and-file individuals who served in the navy, marines, army, air corps, and merchant marine in all theaters of the war. Their tales are told without pretense or apology. At the time, each thought himself no different from those around him, for they were all young, scared, and miserable. They were the ordinary, the extraordinary—the forgotten.

With so much conflict and uncertainty in the world, it's time for Zandrael to step in... Andrea is quiet and does her best to stay under the radar. When she finds out who she really is, it's no longer an option. As she struggles with issues alive in our world today, she learns what it really means to be human. Then she has to decide, will she help save the humans, or save the earth from humankind? Zandrael: Being Human Is Overrated is an incredibly thought-provoking and exhilarating story, one that will make you question everything you thought you knew about being human. "Introverts and dreamers of all kinds will be able to relate to Andrea. She's bored, feels like a misfit, and would rather observe than perform. But she relishes the world of her dreams, teeming with life and colors more vivid than her waking eyes know. If you've ever longed to step over the threshold into that richer inner world, follow Andrea to the realm of ZANDRAEL. Discover how a misfit fits when her true identity and purpose is revealed." -Laurie Helgoe, PhD, author of Introvert Power: Why Your Inner Life Is Your Hidden Strength

Story of Earl J (Jesse) Crawford and his experiences during World Ward II in Europe.

Spot the difference is an amazing activity that boosts your child's fine-ground perception. Fine-ground perception is the skill that would allow children to see inbetween the negative spaces. This makes it possible to locate hidden objects, which is an important element to learning math and reading. Don't forget to checkout with a copy of this activity book today!

The compelling tale of Rima, a strange, birdlike girl of the jungle, and Abel, the European explorer who falls in love with her. Richly colored narrative, steeped in mystery and romance.

A Soldier's Journey...A Daughter's Hero was written to share the life of Julius "Jerry" D. Weber—my Dad and Hero. He was a Vietnam Veteran who struggled with Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) throughout the rest of his life upon returning home from the war. He served in the U.S. Army from March 1968–October 1970. He was sent to Vietnam as a Light Equipment Engineer with the 557th Engineer Company in August 1968. A Daughter's Hero was written to raise awareness about the effects of war and shares the unconditional love and compassion between a daughter and her father.

George Murray Levick was the physician on Robert Falcon Scott's tragic Antarctic expedition of 1910. Marooned for an Antarctic winter, Levick passed the time by becoming the first man to study penguins up close. His findings were so shocking to Victorian morals that they were quickly suppressed and seemingly lost to history. A century later, Lloyd Spencer Davis rediscovers Levick and his findings during the course of his own scientific adventures in Antarctica. Levick's long-suppressed manuscript reveals not only an incredible survival story, but one that will change our understanding of an entire species. A Polar Affair reveals the last untold tale from the Heroic Age of Antarctic Exploration. It is perhaps the greatest of all of those stories—but why was it hidden to begin with? The everfascinating and charming penguin holds the key. Moving deftly between both Levick's and Davis's explorations, observations, and comparisons in biology over the course of a century, A Polar Affair reveals cutting-edge findings about ornithology, in which the sex lives of penguins are the jumping-off point for major new insights into the underpinnings of evolutionary biology itself.

The author, Audie W. Starkey was inspired by his daughter, Mandy Starkey's determination and strength while fighting cancer at 11 years old. Mandy was a St. Jude patient for 10 years, and he kept a daily journal on her life before and while she was a St. Jude patient. While writing this book it evolved into being more than solely about Mandy. Audie felt obligated to write about his father and his father's military career. He also wanted to include his very influential high school coach who is still to this day a very special friend in Audie's life. He feels very blessed and lucky that God gave him 3 heroes to shape him into the person he is today, and he felt a huge need to share their journeys.

Since its founding more than two hundred years ago, the United States Coast Guard has rescued over a million people. On any given day, "Coasties" respond to 125 distress calls and save over a dozen lives. Yet despite having more than 50,000 active-duty and reserve members on every ocean and on our nation's coasts, great lakes, and rivers, most of us know very little about this often neglected but crucial branch of the military. In Rescue Warriors, award-winning journalist David Helvarg brings us into the daily lives of Coasties, filled with a salty maritime mix of altruism and adrenaline, as well as dozens of death-defying rescues at sea and on hurricane-ravaged shores. Helvarg spent two years with the men and women of the Coast Guard, from the halls of their academy in New London, Connecticut, to the frigid, storm-tossed waters of Alaska's Bering Sea, to the northern Persian Gulf, where they currently guard Iraqi oil terminals. The result is a masterpiece of adventure reporting---the definitive book on America's "forgotten heroes."

My Overdue Book: Too many stories not to tell: spells out the varied episodes in the life of a man who spent decades working in Hollywood. He began as a little boy in Cincinnati impressed early on by the broadcasting magic of radio and then TV in the middle of twentieth century America. His drive to get into broadcasting culminates in an early success that gets interrupted by an unexpected sidebar in

The US Army and a subsequent tour as an Infantryman in Vietnam in the late 1960's. His yearlong excursion in "Fun City East," with its repeated life and death experiences, had lifelong effects on this soldier-of-media. Following his wanderings through the jungles of Vietnam, Bright's interactions with many of America's top public figures throughout his decades in radio and television come to life with intriguing stories that are personal, professional, positive and negative. It's life without a filter! Readers across generations will share and co-experience numerous real life feelings and emotions with writer Bright as his winding trail of life opens in front of them. book endorsement for peter bright; i always thought that peter bright and i had many things in common; we both grew up in ohio, we both had careers in the live event and variety side of television, and the few times we had times to talk i thought we shared a mutual philosophy toward the ups and downs of life. but it wasn't until i read his "overdue" book that i realized just what a rich and storied life peter has had and how much more deeply he had experienced the highs and lows, particularly during his years in the military, than i ever could have imagined. it really amazes me just how little we know about people we think we know, and just how much more we appreciate who they are when we are fortunate enough to have that background filled in by someone as articulate and able to express both facts and feelings as peter has in this book. when i started to read it, i thought all of those common events that we shared would be an interesting parallel track to my life and as such i would have a great frame of reference, but as i read on, i realized just what an amazing story peter has to tell and just how well he tells it. ken ehrlich, executive producer, the grammy awards

Traces the life of the U.S. Army helicopter pilot who tried to stop the infamous My Lai Massacre during the Vietnam War.

GOLIATH'S HEAD tells of a search for courage and hope amidst crushing oppression. Avi Schneider is a Jewish boy growing up in Russia on the eve of early-twentieth-century revolution. He is nine years old when he meets his own personal devil, Viktor Askinov, a brutal youngster who relishes tormenting Jews. In the following years, Avi is the object of his tormentor's obsession. Fourteen years later in 1905 the Tsar instigates riots - pogroms - against the poor, teeming Jewish villages. Now a husband and father, Avi takes to the barricades to defend his village from the mob coming to kill the men, rape the women, and burn down his village. Armed, he again faces Viktor Askinov, who is leading the mob. But he has been warned that if he kills Viktor Askinov, he puts his beautiful young wife Sara and newborn son Itzhak in deadly peril. Avi must decide this night what he stands for. Is it survival at any cost, for himself and those he loves? Or is it righteous vengeance for his people?

In a world where heroes were forced into retirement in the aftermath of a nuclear attack on America Michael Sanders must rise to the occasion and discover what it means to live and rise up from underneath The Long Shadow.

An insidious parasite is working its way through the suburbs of Washington, D.C.

NITS follows the trail of a virulent outbreak of head lice as it wreaks havoc on the lives of a social climbing mother of a scholarship student, a buff young Latin teacher and a controlling do-gooder who is so consumed with exterminating the pest, people start calling her the "Lice Nazi." A social satire with bite, NITS explores the themes of class, ambition, and the unavoidable interconnectedness of modern life.

This Chinese mythology-inspired middle-grade fantasy series continues as heroine Faryn Liu embarks on a quest to save her brother and defeat the demons--perfect for fans of the Aru Shah and Kiranmala and the Kingdom Beyond books. Faryn Liu thought she was the Heaven Breaker, a warrior destined to wield the all-powerful spear Fenghuang, command dragons, and defeat demons. But a conniving goddess was manipulating her all along . . . and her beloved younger brother, Alex, has betrayed her and taken over as the Heaven Breaker instead. Alex never forgave the people who treated him and Faryn like outcasts, and now he wants to wipe out both the demons and most of humanity. Determined to prevent a war and bring Alex back to her side, Faryn and her half-dragon friend Ren join the New Order, a group of warriors based out of Manhattan's Chinatown. She learns that one weapon can stand against Fenghuang--the Ruyi Jingu Bang. Only problem? It belongs to an infamous trickster, the Monkey King. Faryn sets off on a daring quest to convince the Monkey King to join forces with her, one that will take her to new places--including Diyu, otherwise known as the underworld--where she'll run into new dangers and more than one familiar face. Can she complete her mission and save the brother she loves, no matter the cost? This richly woven middle-grade fantasy series, full of humor, magic, and heart, will appeal to readers who love Roshani Chokshi and Sayantani DasGupta.

A Irish Love Story Annie Foster stays in Ireland after boarding school to nanny a widower's infant daughter. Five years later, the widower proposes. Her first love Chad Jones, whom she believes abandoned her, arrives weeks before the wedding on an undercover assignment probing her fiance's connection with IRA terrorists. Chad's determined to change Annie's mind and her heart because he's never stopped loving her. Which man will claim Annie's heart? In this long overdue and affectionate salute, celebrated comedy historian Robert Ross pays tribute to some of the finest, funniest and most fascinating names in comedy from both sides of the Atlantic. Monty Python's Terry Jones wrote the foreword. With the passionate input of such comics as Tim Brooke-Taylor, Hattie Hayridge, Roy Hudd, Michael Palin, Ross Noble, Chris Addison and Bernard Cribbins, Ross honours these legends of humor who, for a variety of reasons, didn't quite reach the heady heights of stardom or, once they had, couldn't cope with the pressures. Whether it is a favorite from the distant smoke- and alestained world of the Music Hall like the great George Robey, or the downbeat poetry of Hovis Presley, who dropped disenchanted bombs on the late 1990s, Forgotten Heroes of Comedy will finally elevate them to the Hall of Fame where

they belong. Forgotten, no longer. UK Joe Baker UK Eric Barker UK Alfie Bass UK Michael Bates India (to English parents) David Battley UK Michael Bentine UK Harold Berens UK Wilie Best USA Alec Bregonzi UK Michael Ward UK Douglas Byng UK Marti Caine UK Esma Cannon Australia (but moved to UK) Patrick Cargill UK Jimmy Clitheroe UK Danny Ross UK Billy Dainty UK Janet Davies UK Florence Desmond UK Jerry Desmonde UK Eddie Leslie UK Maidie Dickson UK Charlie Drake UK Jimmy Edwards UK Gus Elen UK Ray Ellington UK Dick Emery UK Pierre Etaix France Barry Evans UK Mario Fabrizi UK Doug Fisher UK Ronald Frankau UK Leslie Fuller UK Dustin Gee UK Peter Glaze UK Tommy Godfrey UK Harry Locke UK Ken Goodwin UK Bernard Gorcey Russia (died USA) Bert Gordon USA Monsewer' Eddie Gray UK Raymond Griffith USA Deryck Guyler UK Brian Hall UK Lloyd Hamilton USA Arthur Haynes UK Richard Hearne UK Dickie Henderson UK Gerard Hoffnung Germany (died UK) Shemp Howard USA Nat Jackley UK Rex Jameson UK Spike Jones USA John Junkin UK Dave King UK Roy Kinnear UK Dennis Kirkland UK Patsy Knox USA Debbie Linden UK Hugh Lloyd UK Malcolm McFee UK Moore Marriott UK Graham Moffatt UK Ray Martine UK Zeppo Marx USA Glenn Melvyn UK Eric Merriman UK Christopher Mitchell UK Albert Modley UK Robert Moreton UK Gladys Morgan UK Lily Morris UK Richard Murdoch UK Tom E. Murray USA David Nixon UK Larry Noble UK Ole Olsen USA Chic Johnson USA Ken Platt UK Sandy Powell UK Vince Powell UK Hovis Presley UK Cardew Robinson UK Joe E. Ross USA Patsy Rowlands UK Derek Roy UK Derek Royle UK Leslie Sarony UK Larry Semon USA Ronald Shiner UK Johnnie Silver USA Dennis Spicer UK Larry Stephens UK Jake Thackray UK Thelma Todd USA Jack Train UK Karl Valentin Germany Liesl Karlstadt Germany Norman Vaughan UK Tom Walls UK Ralph Lynn UK Elsie and Doris Waters UK Rita Webb UK John Wells UK George and Kenneth Western UK Gordon Wharmby UK Bert Wheeler USA Robert Woolsey USA Albert Whelan Australia (died UK) Robb Wilton UK Mike and Bernie Winters UK Georgie Wood UK Dolly Harmer UK Harry Worth UK Mario Zampi Italy (died UK)

Nearly everyone who played a significant role in the Watergate saga has been scrutinized except one key participant: night watchman Frank Wills. On the evening of June 17, 1972, in Washington D.C, the twenty-four-year-old security guard was on duty at the Watergate Office Building when he detected a break-in. A high school dropout with only a few hours of formal guard training, Wills alerted the police who caught five burglars, ultimately igniting a national political scandal that ended with the resignation of President Richard Nixon. The only African American identified with the Watergate affair, Frank Wills enjoyed a brief moment in the limelight, but was unable to cope with his newfound fame, living the remainder of his life in obscurity and poverty. Through exhaustive research and numerous interviews, the story of America's most famous night watchman finally has been told.

This book tackles the mesy details, reclaims disregarded heroes, and sets the

record straight. It also explains why July 4th isn't really Independence Day. The pages of the past are full of characters who remind us that history depends upon the great deeds of men and women, whether famous or humble. Where would America be without George Washington, or Daniel Boone, or Sojourner Truth, or Babe Ruth? Where would we be without so many characters who are less well remembered today? Historians and biographers regularly come across stories of little-known or forgotten heroes, and this book provides a chance to rescue some of the best of them. In Forgotten Heroes, thirty-five of the country's leading historians recount their favorite stories of underappreciated Americans. From Stephen Jay Gould on deaf baseball player Dummy Hoy; to William Leuchtenburg on the truth behind the legendary Johnny Appleseed; to Christine Stansell on Margaret Anderson, who published James Joyce's Ulysses; these portraits can be read equally for delight, instruction, and inspiration Taken together, however, the whole is much more than the sum of its parts. Every culture needs heroes who lead by example and uplift us all in the process. Too often lately, historians have been more intent on picking apart the reputations of previously revered Americans. At times it has seemed as if the academy were on the attack against much of its own culture, denying its past greatness while making heroes only of its dissidents and doubters. Yet as this collection vividly demonstrates, heroes come in many shapes and sizes, and we all gain when we remember and celebrate them. Forgotten Heroes includes nearly as many women as men, and nearly as many people from before 1900 as after. It expands the traditional definition of hero to encompass not only military figures and politicians who took risks for great causes, but also educators, religious leaders, reformers, labor leaders, publishers, athletes, and even a man who started a record company. Many of them were heroes of conscience -- men and women who insisted on doing the right thing, no matter how unpopular or risky, commanding respect even from those who disagreed. Some were famous in their day and have since been forgotten, or remembered only in caricature. Others were littleknown even when alive -- yet they all deserve to be remembered today, especially at the gifted hands of the authors of this book.

On the early morning of March 16, 1968, American soldiers from three platoons of Charlie Company (1st Battalion, 20th Infantry Regiment, 11th Brigade, 23rd Infantry Division), entered a group of hamlets located in the Son Tinh district of South Vietnam, located near the Demilitarized Zone and known as "Pinkville" because of the high level of Vietcong infiltration. The soldiers, many still teenagers who had been in the country for three months, were on a "search and destroy" mission. The Tet Offensive had occurred only weeks earlier and in the same area and had made them jittery; so had mounting losses from booby traps and a seemingly invisible enemy. Three hours after the GIs entered the hamlets, more than five hundred unarmed villagers lay dead, killed in cold blood. The atrocity took its name from one of the hamlets, known by the Americans as My Lai 4. Military authorities attempted to suppress the news of My Lai, until some who had been there, in particular a helicopter pilot named Hugh Thompson and a door gunner named Lawrence Colburn, spoke up about what they had seen. The official line was that the villagers had been killed by artillery and gunship fire rather than by small arms. That line soon began to fray. Lieutenant William Calley, one of the platoon leaders, admitted to shooting the villagers but insisted that he had acted upon orders. An exposé of the massacre and cover-up by journalist Seymour Hersh, followed by graphic photographs, incited international outrage, and Congressional and U.S. Army inquiries began. Calley and nearly thirty other officers were charged with war crimes, though Calley alone was convicted and would serve three and a half years under house arrest before being paroled in 1974. My Lai polarized American sentiment. Many saw Calley as a scapegoat, the victim of a doomed strategy in an unwinnable war. Others saw a war criminal. President Nixon was poised to offer a presidential pardon. The atrocity intensified opposition to the war, devastating any pretense of American moral superiority. Its effect on military morale and policy was profound and

enduring. The Army implemented reforms and began enforcing adherence to the Hague and Geneva conventions. Before launching an offensive during Desert Storm in 1991, one general warned his brigade commanders, "No My Lais in this division--do you hear me?" Compelling, comprehensive, and haunting, based on both exhaustive archival research and extensive interviews, Howard Jones's My Lai will stand as the definitive book on one of the most devastating events in American military history.

An account of My Lai, Vietnam incident Includes interviews with survivors, background information on the investigation, and the aftermath.

Our lives are spent watching the clock. We go to sleep by it. Wake up to it. Rely on it. Race it.It's easy to forget that we're only given so much.We ignore it because we're convinced we'll always have more. I am proof that we aren't promised anything. The clock owes us nothing. I know this because not only was Time my name, I wasn't given enough of it. Sure I had challenges but I vowed to make the most of it, of my young life. My limitations wouldn't hold me back. Time was on my side. Then I was told otherwise. Now the clock was working against me. I would face this disease alone. Then he walked in and changed everything. He gave me a reason to fight. He helped me prepare. Like others before me, when time slowed I wasn't ready. I begged for more. But the clock, it stopped for no one. On the day my world went black, I refused to take him with me. Only he didn't listen. I was a doctor. A bringer of bad news. I read the chart. She was fucked. My hands, they were tied. I was a doctor who could not heal what was beyond that door. I had no hope to offer her. But I wanted this over with. The sooner the better. I walked in, looked up and saw color. Not one. All of them. They surrounded her. She was a patient. You did not cross that line. I would not cross that line. I should have kept my eyes closed.Life was easier when you didn't see.But they were open now.They saw her.They saw everything. Suddenly invisible lines ceased to matter. For me, Time mattered. How far would you go to make sure the one you loved had enough of it? Would you challenge the clock? Help them prepare?Could you watch them suffer?Could you accept a life without them in it?Or, would you follow them into the darkness? I did. This is our story.

They claw at me in my sleep. My constant companions, haunting me at every turn. Their whispers shiver down my neck. Secrets that could destroy my only chance at love. I was born with a curse. And now ... my curse could lead me to my death. Ronnie has spent her life hiding in plain sight. Ridiculed as a child, she learned quickly not to trust anyone with the knowledge of her gift. Until one persistent spirit in need of help won't take no for an answer. Embarking on a search for the ghost's brother, she's forced to open up to friendship and love. Unfortunately, she is exposed to grave danger in the process. Will she be able to stop a madman in time, or will she become his next victim? After suffering unimaginable loss, Brad takes a nosedive into the bottom of a bottle. Reckless and out of control, he's in danger of skidding into oblivion until a brush with a stranger inspires him to drag himself out of his hell hole. In a stroke of luck, he gets closer to his dark, beautiful stranger than he could've imagined. But the forces that drew them together are also threatening to pull them apart. Dark secrets lay buried, waiting to snuff out his happiness. Will he be able to save her in time? *WARNING: this book is intended for mature audiences due to adult themes and situations. *

Perfect book to record and save important addresses and birthdays. As time goes by and the fullness and complexity of the days increase, this is more and more important. You can keep these addresses and birthdays from family, friends, business partners etc. for many years. From his childhood in Rhode Island to his living his final years with his daughter in New Jersey, George Sears Greene had contributed a vital role in the health and welfare of America. He applied his West Point education to building railroads and reservoirs (as a Civil Engineer), meeting the growing demands of the New England and Mid-Atlantic States. Greene commanded troops during the Civil War at Cedar Mountain, Antietam, Chancellorsville, Gettysburg, and Wauhatchie. Disobeying orders to leave his position on July 2nd at Culp's Hill

(Gettysburg), Greene's actions preserved the Union, the turning point of the war. "This is the story of Job Maseko, a true South African hero of the Second World War ... Job worked on the mines, but left to join the South African army ... Job is sent to Tobruk in North Africa ... he is captured by the enemy and held in a prisoner of war camp"--Back cover. In his own words, as transcribed by R.J. Kluba, from the hand-written journal of the 35 courageous missions flown in World War II by B-17 ball turret gunner Sgt. Michael Botsko and his valiant crew members of the U.S. 8th Air Force's 305th Bombardment Group in the European Theater of Operations from October 1944 to March 1945.*** In tribute to Mike Botsko's many years of service to fellow veterans, a portion of the proceeds from every book sale is donated to V.F.W. Post 1563 in Merrillville, Indiana.

Why should your little one study anatomy? Because it's a prerequisite in life that body parts are identified, along with their uses. The purpose of this coloring book is to encourage understanding of anatomy while improving memory in every stroke. Coloring has the power to make that possible because it is a unique hands-on activity that creates imprints in the brain. Secure a copy now!

"Boots Thomas is the epitome of a national hero." - Lt. General Lawrence Snowden, USMC, WWII Call Me No Hero is the true story of Ernest "Boots" Thomas and his friend Jim Sledge, two young boys whose lives were dramatically changed by the arrival of the Second World War. Born and raised in rural Florida during the days of the Great Depression, Ernest and Jim's boyhood dreams and aspirations were quickly forgotten when their nation entered World War Two. Jim entered the Air Corps after graduating high school while young Ernest enlisted in the Marine Corps, pledging to do his part in protecting his family and his home. During the American drive against the Japanese in the Pacific, Ernest found himself catapulted into national fame as he and his platoon landed on the volcanic shores of Iwo Jima and raised a flag that would be seen around the world. With the use of letters, journals, and first-hand accounts, Call Me No Hero brings to life this captivating tale of valor, self-sacrifice, and the solemn duty of honoring those who have fallen.

Growing up in a small farming community near the Oregon coast, Ken Reusser saw a 1920s barnstormer and dreamed of becoming a military pilot. Coming of age during the Great Depression, he overcame many obstacles and learned to fly in the pre-war Civilian Pilot Training program (CPT). Enlisting in the Naval Reserve, Reusser completed naval flight training as an enlisted Aviation Cadet and accepted a commission in the Marine Corps upon graduation. After that, it was off to war. Ken Reusser's twenty-seven year military career included two combat tours as a fighter pilot in the Pacific during World War Two, a deployment as a carrier-based pilot aboard U.S.S. Sicily (CVE-118) during the Korean War, and a period commanding Marine Air group 16 during the helicopter air war in Vietnam. Known as an aggressive combat leader, he was officially credited with shooting down 1.5 enemy aircraft in WW II, and was awarded a Navy Cross for a daring, high altitude intercept mission over Okinawa. Flying an F4U off Sicily near Inchon, South Korea, he was awarded another Navy Cross for leading an audacious attack on a tank repair factory and then destroying a concealed tanker at anchors. But his bold exploits and long list of medals came at a steep price. Reusser was shot down five times: twice in WW II, twice in Korea, and once more in Vietnam, and suffered serious wounds in all three wars. The Forgotten

Hero is more than the true story of a celebrated Marine Corps pilot. This long awaited biography reveals Ken Reusser's entire life story, including both triumphs and tragedies, and provides a testament to the power of one man's faith, determination and courage. Leader quotes: "This biography goes well beyond the retelling of brave deeds and fearless exploits. Every aspect of Col. Reusser's remarkable life is covered with meticulous detail that left this reader in absolute awe. It is not often that one man's life can cover the sweep of history, but here is a compelling narrative that does so with style, momentum and depth. It should not be missed." - Peter A. Young, a former Naval Flight Officer, flew the Grumman A-6A Intruder as a bombardier/navigator over South and North Vietnam and Laos. "Colonel Ken Reusser is an American hero whose service and sacrifice represent true valor. From flying the skies over Guadalcanal, to serving with the legendary Black Sheep squadron in Korea, to surviving the harrowing crash of his helicopter in Vietnam, Col. Ken Reusser is a Marine who should be recalled with the top aviators of all time." "Meticulously researched and vividly written, The Forgotten Hero is amazingly detailed and a must read chronicle of a highly decorated aviator whose story deserves to be remembered." - Kevin Bennett, general manager of the American Heroes Channel. "Colonel Kenneth Reusser was an amazing man and an amazing Marine. This book provides insight into his commitment to get the job done in combat-very specific details are provided. His commitment to serve our nation in time of war is a great example of why America wins wars-our military people who do more than is required of them. Reusser is an example of why America is great." - Lt. Col. Denny Gillem, U.S. Army (ret), is a West Point graduate, and a highly decorated airborne infantry officer and war planner. For many years Col. Gillem has hosted the nationally syndicated radio program Frontlines of Freedom. "The Forgotten Hero contains everything you should know about his life and the dangerous combat missions Ken Reusser flew in World War II, the Korean War and Vietnam." - Col. Warren MacQuarrie (ret), was a Marine Corps pilot who flew PBJ (B-25) Mitchell bombers during WW II and F4U Corsairs in Korea. Like Ken, Col. MacQuarrie also had a tour commanding Marine Air Group 16 in Vietnam, where the unit operated UH-1E, CH-46 and CH-53 helicopters.

In the second installment of this richly imagined fantasy adventure series, a new threat from within the Library could destroy those who depend upon it the most. The Library of the Unwritten in Hell was saved from total devastation, but hundreds of potential books were destroyed. Former librarian Claire and Brevity the muse feel the loss of those stories, and are trying to adjust to their new roles within the Arcane Wing and Library, respectively. But when the remains of those books begin to leak a strange ink, Claire realizes that the Library has kept secrets from Hell--and from its own librarians. Claire and Brevity are immediately at odds in their approach to the ink, and the potential power that it represents has not gone unnoticed. When a representative from the Muses Corps arrives at the Library to advise Brevity, the angel Rami and the erstwhile Hero hunt for answers in other realms. The true nature of the ink could fundamentally alter the afterlife for good or ill, but it entirely depends on who is left to hold the pen. In the year 2040, America faces divide. Terrorist assaults, racial conflicts and political opportunists threaten its very survival. A riveting, thought-provoking tale, Melting Point 2040 explores the human costs of an America growing apart - following intertwined lives of a young Mexican immigrant, a disconnected survival gaming fanatic, a

University professor and others competing to resolve disputes on their terms. It's a different world. America's economic supremacy has been surpassed. Computer programs drive cars that shape around passengers. English is no longer the primary language in several of 52 states. With a second Great Depression embedded in the nation's mindset and many issues unresolved for generations, America's most divisive challenge since the Civil War is coming to full boil. America's future may depend on a reluctant hero.

The injustices of 1940s Jim Crow America are brought to life in this extraordinary blend of military and social history—a story that pays tribute to the valor of an all-black battalion whose crucial contributions at D-Day have gone unrecognized to this day. In the early hours of June 6, 1944, the 320th Barrage Balloon Battalion, a unit of African-American soldiers, landed on the beaches of France. Their orders were to man a curtain of armed balloons meant to deter enemy aircraft. One member of the 320th would be nominated for the Medal of Honor, an award he would never receive. The nation's highest decoration was not given to black soldiers in World War II. Drawing on newly uncovered military records and dozens of original interviews with surviving members of the 320th and their families, Linda Hervieux tells the story of these heroic men charged with an extraordinary mission, whose contributions to one of the most celebrated events in modern history have been overlooked. Members of the 320th—Wilson Monk, a jack-of-all-trades from Atlantic City; Henry Parham, the son of sharecroppers from rural Virginia; William Dabney, an eager 17-year-old from Roanoke, Virginia; Samuel Mattison, a charming romantic from Columbus, Ohio—and thousands of other African Americans were sent abroad to fight for liberties denied them at home. In England and Europe, these soldiers discovered freedom they had not known in a homeland that treated them as second-class citizens—experiences they carried back to America, fueling the budding civil rights movement. In telling the story of the 320th Barrage Balloon Battalion, Hervieux offers a vivid account of the tension between racial politics and national service in wartime America, and a moving narrative of human bravery and perseverance in the face of injustice.

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