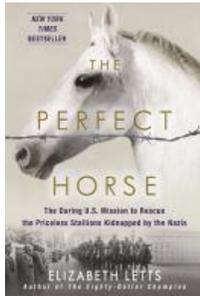
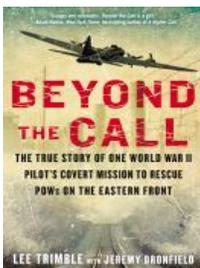


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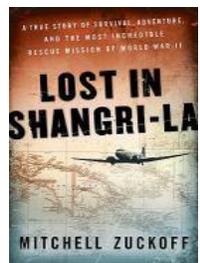
Elizabeth Letts - *The Perfect Horse: the daring U.S. mission to rescue the priceless stallions kidnapped by the Nazis* (940.5421 LET 2017)

In the chaotic last days of the war, a small troop of American soldiers captures a German spy and makes an astonishing find - Hitler has stockpiled the world's finest purebreds in order to breed an equine master race. But with the starving Russian army closing in, the animals are in imminent danger of being slaughtered. With hours to spare, one of the U.S. Army's last great cavalymen, Colonel Hank Reed, makes a decision to mount a covert rescue operation.



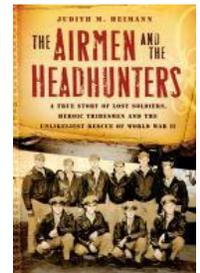
Lee Trimble - *Beyond the Call: the true story of one World War II pilot's covert mission to rescue POWs on the Eastern Front* (940.548 TRI 2015)

Near the end of World War II, thousands of Allied POWs were abandoned to wander the war-torn Eastern Front. As the Red Army advanced across Poland, the Nazi prison camps were liberated, yet the freed Allied prisoners were discarded without aid. In total secrecy, the OSS chose an obscure American air force detachment stationed at a Ukrainian airfield to rescue these POWs.



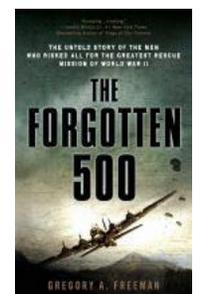
Mitchell Zuckhoff - *Lost in Shangri-La: a true story of survival . . . and the most incredible rescue mission of World War II* (940.548 ZUC)

The exhilarating, untold story of an extraordinary World War II rescue mission, where a plane crash in the South Pacific plunged a trio of U.S. military personnel into a land that time forgot. Zuckoff recounts the all-true story of danger, daring, determination, and discovery in jungle-clad New Guinea during the final days of WWII.



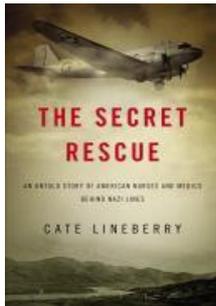
Judith Heimann - *The Airmen and the Headhunters* (940.54 HEI)

November 1944: Army airmen set out in a B-24 bomber on what should have been an easy mission off the Borneo coast. Instead they found themselves unexpectedly facing a Japanese fleet and were shot down. When they cut themselves loose from their parachutes, they were scattered across the island's mountainous interior. Then a group of loin-cloth-wearing natives silently materialized out of the jungle. Would these Dayak tribesmen turn the starving airmen over to the hostile Japanese occupiers?



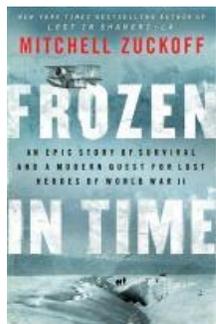
Gregory A. Freeman - *The Forgotten 500: the untold story of the men who risked all for the greatest rescue mission of World War II* (940.5421 FRE 2008)

In 1944 the OSS set out to recover more than 500 downed airmen trapped behind enemy lines in Yugoslavia. Classified for over half a century for political reasons, the full account of this unforgettable story of loyalty, self-sacrifice, and bravery is now being told for the first time.



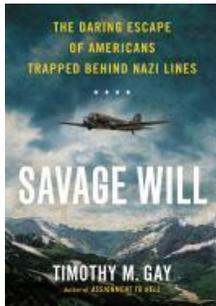
Cate Lineberry - *The Secret Rescue: an untold story of American nurses and medics behind Nazi lines* (940.5475 LIN 2013)

When 26 Army nurses and medics-part of the 807th Medical Air Evacuation Transport Squadron-boarded a cargo plane for transport in November 1943, they never anticipated the crash landing in Nazi-occupied Albania. The group and its flight crew dodged bullets and battled blinding winter storms as they climbed mountains and fought to survive, aided by courageous villagers who risked death at Nazi hands to help them.



Mitchell Zuckoff - *Frozen in Time: an epic story of survival and a modern quest for lost heroes of World War II* (940.5449 ZUC 2013)

On November 5, 1942, a US cargo plane slammed into the Greenland Ice Cap. Four days later, the B-17 assigned to the search-and-rescue mission became lost in a blinding storm and also crashed. Miraculously, all nine men on board survived, and the US military launched a second rescue operation. But after picking up one man, the amphibious plane flew into a severe storm and vanished. The men would endure 148 days of the brutal Arctic winter until rescue.



Timothy M. Gay - *Savage Will: the daring escape of Americans trapped behind Nazi lines* (940.5421 GAY 2013)

On a cold morning in war-ravaged Sicily in 1943, men and women of the 807th Medical Air Evacuation Squadron boarded a routine flight to the Italian mainland. En route, their plane became lost, drifted hundreds of miles off course, and crash-landed in remote mountainous Albania. Stranded without winter clothing or weapons, they were trapped hundreds of miles from Allied lines in a country torn apart by rival bands of pro- and anti-German guerrillas.



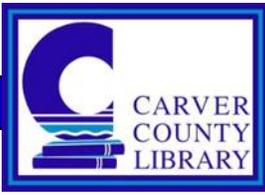
Seth Meyerowitz - *The Lost Airman a true story of escape from Nazi-occupied France* (940.5449 MEY 2016)

Bronx-born top turret-gunner Arthur Meyerowitz was on his second mission when he was shot down in 1943. After fleeing the wreck, Arthur knocked on the door of an isolated farmhouse, whose owners took him in. Fortunately, his hosts not only despised the Nazis but had a tight connection to a French resistance group and its founder, Marcel Taillandier. Arthur and Taillandier formed an improbable bond as the resistance leader arranged for Arthur's transfers among safe houses in southern France, shielding him from the Gestapo.



Brian Murphy - *81 Days Below Zero: the incredible survival story of a World War II pilot in Alaska's frozen wilderness* (940.5449 MUR 2015)

Shortly before Christmas in 1943, five Army aviators left Alaska's Ladd Field on a routine flight to test their retrofitted B-24 Liberator in harsh winter conditions. The mission ended in a crash that claimed all but one - Leon Crane, a city kid from Philadelphia with no wilderness experience. With little more than a parachute for cover and an old Boy Scout knife in his pocket, Crane now found himself alone in subzero temperatures.



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