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101 Finish Lines - Dr. Peter Nieman 2021-04-30

The book is not just about what it took to complete over 100 marathons before age 60, but it shares stories about lessons learned along the way. It is filled with inspirational stories about places visited, people met and about the mindset cultivated along this amazing quest.

[The Real Win](#) - Colt McCoy 2013

Examines the idea of success in the modern culture of manhood through a Christian lens, providing biblical answers to the common problems of life.

Don't go there. It's not safe. You'll die. And other more >> rational advice for overlanding Mexico & Central America - 2012

Your complete guide for overlanding in Mexico and Central America. This book provides detailed and up-to-date information by country. It also includes 11 chapters of information for planning and preparing your trip and 9 chapters on what to expect while driving through Mexico and Central America. Completed by the authors of LifeRemotely.com this is the most comprehensive guide for driving the Pan American yet!

The Last Supper on the Moon - Levi Lusko 2022-01-11

If there are places in your heart and corners of your mind that feel just as deep and dark and inaccessible as outer space, this book is for you. Fight as you may, unearthing the happiness and fulfillment you long for can feel nearly impossible. In Psalm 8 David urges us to consider the heavens, to look up at the night sky. Doing so will help you discover fundamental truths about God. Namely, that—even though his love for you is as beyond comprehension as the farthest corners of the universe—through his Son, you can grab hold of it, and it has the power to transform your inner space. Bestselling author Levi Lusko shares how you can: learn that life is not about “finding yourself” but discovering who Jesus is believe that God’s love and forgiveness is grander than even your greatest failure buck the mundane of everyday life and start dreaming again Embark on an adventure tracing the words and wonders of Jesus on his trek to the cross. Let The Last Supper on the Moon compel you to live with a more profound sense of purpose and a grander view of Jesus, and set you on a trajectory to life, and life more abundantly.

Touching the Void - Joe Simpson 2012-12-12

The 25th Anniversary ebook, now with more than 50 images. 'Touching the Void' is the tale of two mountaineer’s harrowing ordeal in the Peruvian Andes. In the summer of 1985, two young, headstrong mountaineers set off to conquer an unclimbed route. They had triumphantly reached the summit, when a horrific accident mid-descent forced one friend to leave another for dead. Ambition, morality, fear and camaraderie are explored in this electronic edition of the mountaineering classic, with never before seen colour photographs taken during the trip itself.

[The Heart of Arcrea](#) - Nicole Sager 2012-09-01

Hoping to free his father from an unjust imprisonment, Druet the blacksmith sets out on a quest that will solve an ancient riddle and crown a man as Arcrea's first king. A host of memorable characters join Druet on his mission of justice, but opposition quickly rises to test their level of commitment and their faith in God. Will the dangerous wilds of Arcrea and her seven oppressive lords succeed in bringing an end to Druet's quest? Will they crush forever the kingdom's hopes for a just king?

The Writers Directory - 2013

Stone Song - Win Blevins 2006-04-04

A Spur Award-winning retelling of the Battle of the Big Horn finds Lakota Sioux leader Crazy Horse endeavoring to reconcile his own beliefs with the wisdom of his tribe and leading his people into a conflict against General Custer and the U.S. Army. Reprint. 15,000 first printing.

A Knight for All Time - Kyle Williamson

Caught inside a realm totally unlike Earth, eighteen-year-old Micah Knight has traveled from his home on Earth in the 1990s to an ancient forest, where he must lead a few followers to save his younger sister. Wiped clean of the memory of his girlfriend, who was also captured, he must also save her. Calca, an all-powerful tyrant who is threatening Earth, is holding them hostage. He sends his forces to thwart Micah’s journey to find his sister and girlfriend. Calca needs something Micah has within him, but Micah must give it to him willingly. Obstacles, enemies, and even friends stand in the path of the weary travelers. Micah discovers through his travels that someone is training him for a higher calling. Micah Knight is a stubborn, arrogant, self-made young man with both skills and character flaws. A petty thief, street racer, womanizer, and protector of his sister, he is proficient at Taekwondo, meditation, and street fighting. Micah is A Knight for All Time: King Arthur’s Choice.

[The Know-It-All](#) - A. J. Jacobs 2004-10-01

33,000 pages 44 million words 10 billion years of history 1 obsessed man Part memoir and part education (or lack thereof), The Know-It-All chronicles NPR contributor A.J. Jacobs's hilarious, enlightening, and seemingly impossible quest to read the Encyclopaedia Britannica from A to Z. To fill the ever-widening gaps in his Ivy League education, A.J. Jacobs sets for himself the daunting task of reading all thirty-two volumes of the Encyclopaedia Britannica. His wife, Julie, tells him it's a waste of time, his friends believe he is losing his mind, and his father, a brilliant attorney who had once attempted the same feat and quit somewhere around Borneo, is encouraging but, shall we say, unconvinced. With self-deprecating wit and a disarming frankness, The Know-It-All recounts the unexpected and comically disruptive effects Operation Encyclopedia has on every part of Jacobs's life -- from his newly minted marriage to his complicated relationship with his father and the rest of his charmingly eccentric New York family to his day job as an editor at Esquire. Jacobs's project tests the outer limits of his stamina and forces him to explore the real meaning of intelligence as he endeavors to join Mensa, win a spot on Jeopardy!, and absorb 33,000 pages of learning. On his journey he stumbles upon some of the strangest, funniest, and most profound facts about every topic under the sun, all while battling fatigue, ridicule, and the paralyzing fear that attends his first real-life responsibility -- the impending birth of his first child. The Know-It-All is an ingenious, mightily entertaining memoir of one man's intellect, neuroses, and obsessions and a soul-searching, ultimately touching struggle between the all-consuming quest for factual knowledge and the undeniable gift of hard-won wisdom.

Live the Best Story of Your Life - Bob Litwin 2016-06-21

CHANGE CAN BE EASY. CHANGE CAN BE FAST. Do you want a new story? Most of us do. We are all looking to shift the stories in our lives. But the question remains: How? This book is the how. A result of thousands of hours of research from the best minds in the field of human potential, Live the Best Story of Your Life harnesses the power of your personal story and provides a guide to creating positive shifts in any area of your life. Bob Litwin, a leading performance coach on Wall Street and a World Champion tennis

player, brings you 33 personalized coaching sessions that will help you reach new levels of success on every level of your life. Where therapy fails, his brand of storytelling is a faster, more effective way to lasting change. Live the Best Story of Your Life does not shift what we do, it shifts who we are. It will also show you how to:

- Get clear on your old stories and learn to leave them in the past.
- Discover the excitement and energy of your new story.
- Access the 33 strategies followed by people who always seem to win at life.

Are you on the cusp of a brand new story? If you can feel change brewing, if you want that change to be painless and almost instantaneous, Live the Best Story of Your Life is your hand to hold, your private coach, the map you've been waiting for to live the best story of your life.

The Literary Gazette - 1825

The British National Bibliography - Arthur James Wells 2009

Father of Lions - Louise Callaghan 2020-01-14

Father of Lions is the powerful true story of the evacuation of the Mosul Zoo, featuring Abu Laith the zookeeper, Simba the lion cub, Lula the bear, and countless others, faithfully depicted by acclaimed, award-winning journalist Louise Callaghan in her trade publishing debut. Combining a true-to-life narrative of humanity in the wake of war with the heartstring-tugging account of rescued animals, Father of Lions will appeal to audiences of bestsellers like *The Zookeeper's Wife* and *The Bookseller of Kabul* as well as fans of true animal stories such as *A Streetcat Named Bob*, *Marley and Me*, and *Finding Atticus*. "An unexpectedly funny and moving book. ... Through the story of a man who loves both lions and life, Louise Callaghan shows how humour and defiance can counter cruelty, and why both humans and animals crave freedom." -- Lindsey Hilsum, International Editor, Channel 4 News and author of *In Extremis: the life of war correspondent Marie Colvin*. At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied.

The Puzzler - A.J. Jacobs 2022-04-26

The New York Times bestselling author of *The Year of Living Biblically* goes on a rollicking journey to understand the enduring power of puzzles: why we love them, what they do to our brains, and how they can improve our world. "Even though I've never attempted the New York Times crossword puzzle or solved the Rubik's Cube, I couldn't put down *The Puzzler*."—Gretchen Rubin, author of *The Happiness Project* and *Better Than Before* What makes puzzles—jigsaws, mazes, riddles, sudokus—so satisfying? Be it the formation of new cerebral pathways, their close link to insight and humor, or their community-building properties, they're among the fundamental elements that make us human. Convinced that puzzles have made him a better person, A.J. Jacobs—four-time New York Times bestselling author, master of immersion journalism, and nightly crossword—set out to determine their myriad benefits. And maybe, in the process, solve the puzzle of our very existence. Well, almost. In *The Puzzler*, Jacobs meets the most zealous devotees, enters (sometimes with his family in tow) any puzzle competition that will have him, unpacks the history of the most popular puzzles, and aims to solve the most impossible head-scratchers, from a mutant Rubik's Cube, to the hardest corn maze in America, to the most sadistic jigsaw. Chock-full of unforgettable adventures and original examples from around the world—including new work by Greg Pliska, one of America's top puzzle-makers, and a hidden, super-challenging but solvable puzzle that will earn the first reader to crack it a \$10,000 prize*—*The Puzzler* will open readers' eyes to the power of flexible thinking and concentration. Whether you're puzzle obsessed or puzzle hesitant, you'll walk away with real problem-solving strategies and pathways toward becoming a better thinker and decision maker—for these are certainly puzzling times. *NO PURCHASE NECESSARY. U.S. Residents, 18+. Ends May 3, 2023. Additional terms and conditions may apply. See book for details.

Pharmaceutical Outsourcing: Discovery and Preclinical Services - William C. Stevens Jr. 2011

One Man's Initiation—1917 - John Dos Passos 2019-11-27

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The Unreadable Shores of Love - Victoria Rowe Holbrook 1994

[Holbrook's] is one of the keenest and deepest critical minds in the field of Islamic literature. She provides for the reader (scholar and lay persona alike) fascinating insights into the genre, poetic functions, mystical allegory, narrative technique, audience response, etc. Many of her analyses are scintillating. . . . The Holbrook volume is a landmark in Ottoman literary scholarship. --MESA Bulletin . . . a major contribution to Ottoman and Turkish literary study--I frankly am at a loss to describe how major. . . . Dr. Holbrook's book will make its own category and subsequent publication in the field will be judged in relation to it. --Walter G. Andrews, professor of Near Eastern Languages and Civilization, University of Washington When the Ottoman Turkish Empire was divided into modern states after World War I, in Turkey a change of alphabet and radical linguistic reform aimed to free modern Turkish literature from intellectual ties to the East. Holbrook recuperates Ottoman debates on the existential status of language and social value of art with a poetics of Beauty and Love, the philosophical fairy tale in verse by Seyh Galib. Where does language come from? How does a poet conceive imagery? What rights to interpretive authority does Muslim law accord the individual when God's word is law? Holbrook's lively analysis ranges an intertext of genres in Arabic and Persian as well as Turkish. The romance of separated lovers is a paradigm of journeys that lead beyond discourse. A poet's quest for originality reveals an archaeology of modernism. Holbrook traces the revolutionary polemic and Orientalist philology that de-aestheticized Ottoman poetry, bringing the critique of Orientalism to bear upon the Ottoman center Orientalism suppressed.

Chivalry and Violence in Medieval Europe - Richard W. Kaeuper 2001

Includes evidence from chivalric literature, chivalric mythology, knights and hermits, the Church and governing power, war and violence, prowess/honor/piety/status, war and tournament, conduct of war, looting and destruction, loyalty, nobility, largesse, formal manners, male bonding, sexual violence, *Song of Aspremont*, *Crowning of Louis*, *Raoul de Cambrai*, *The Quest of the Holy Grail*, *The Death of King Arthur*, *Robert the Devil/Sir Gowther*, *The Romance of the Wings*, *The Book of the Order of Chivalry*, *L'Histoire de Guillaume le Marechal*, *Livre de chevalerie*, *Morte Darthur*, etc.

My Life as an Explorer - Roald Amundsen 2008-12-15

The true story of the first man to reach the South Pole. The first new edition of Amundsen's work in English since 1928. New foreword by Lt Cmdr E. C. Coleman RN, who has travelled in both Polar regions and has written the definitive history of the Royal Navy in Polar Exploration.

Drop Dead Healthy - A. J. Jacobs 2012-04-10

From the bestselling author of *The Year of Living Biblically* and *The Know-It-All* comes the true and truly hilarious story of one person's quest to become the healthiest man in the world. Hospitalized with a freak case of tropical pneumonia, goaded by his wife telling him, "I don't want to be a widow at forty-five," and ashamed of a middle-aged body best described as "a python that swallowed a goat," A.J. Jacobs felt compelled to change his ways and get healthy. And he didn't want only to lose weight, or finish a triathlon, or lower his cholesterol. His ambitions were far greater: maximal health from head to toe. The task was epic. He consulted an army of experts—sleep consultants and sex clinicians, nutritionists and dermatologists. He subjected himself to dozens of different workouts—from Strollercize classes to Finger Fitness sessions, from bouldering with cavemen to a treadmill desk. And he took in a cartload of diets: raw foods, veganism, high protein, calorie restriction, extreme chewing, and dozens more. He bought gadgets and helmets, earphones and juicers. He poked and he pinched. He counted and he measured. The story of his transformation is not only brilliantly entertaining, but it just may be the healthiest book ever written. It will make you laugh until your sides split and endorphins flood your bloodstream. It will alter the contours of your brain, imprinting you with better habits of hygiene and diet. It will move you emotionally and get you moving physically in surprising ways. And it will give you occasion to reflect on the body's many mysteries and the ultimate pursuit of health: a well-lived life.

The Congregationalist and Advance - 1919

The London Literary Gazette and Journal of Belles Lettres, Arts, Sciences, Etc - 1825

Man's Quest for Political Knowledge - William Anderson 1964-01-01

Man's Quest for Political Knowledge was first published in 1964. Minnesota Archive Editions uses digital technology to make long-unavailable books once again accessible, and are published unaltered from the original University of Minnesota Press editions. Considering the importance of political science as an academic subject in our time, it is surprising that more attention has not been given, until now, to the history of political study and teaching. As Professor Anderson's book makes clear, an understanding of this history throws light on questions significantly related to basic problems of contemporary political science. By placing in their historical context pertinent developments in ancient times, Professor Anderson shows how the study and teaching of politics may flourish under certain conditions and falter or fail under others. Throughout the book he demonstrates the truth of what Aristotle said about the study of politics: "In this subject as in others the best method of investigation is to study things in the process of development from the beginning." In early chapters the author examines three literate societies of the ancient Near East—Mesopotamia, Egypt, and Israel. He then discusses, in the major section of the book, the accomplishments of the Greeks, who, with their many self-governing city-states and their secular attitude toward politics, opened up the study of politics in a realistic way. Here he gives Aristotle the most prominent role and finds Plato less important than most scholars might expect. Finally, he traces the decline of the political study and teaching in the Hellenistic period and in the time of the Roman Empire. The volume will be of particular interest not only to political scientists but to historians, philosophers, and classical scholars.

Die Trying - Bo Parfet 2009

In four years, Parfet accomplished what very few people had done before—he climbed the highest mountain on every continent. Here, he chronicles all of the exhilarating, often terrifying, climbs firsthand.

The Quest: Good versus Evil - Kyle Bowman 2012-05

This pair of two short stories weave all elements that make up creative, thought-provoking story-telling. In the first short, it has violence, action, horror to satisfy those who delve into a suspenseful tale. Set in a deserted Phoenix Arizona, a pot of gold can lead to untold riches, fueled with influence and power. However, power and influence can go in any direction, either good or evil. Maybe this pot of gold isn't as simple as it appears. On the other, the next genre is completely different. Titled *Only By Blood*, it depicts the action, drama and crime aspects of any story. It is about two brothers who are drastically different, searching for fulfillment, and purpose in life. However, these two men- born in a ideal town of Naveah Colorado will take two different avenues to live their lives.

The Standard - 1915

Atomic Fitness - Steve Michalik 2006

World-famous bodybuilder, Steve Michalik - Mr. America, Mr. USA, Mr. Universe - has put a lifetime of knowledge and skill into this powerful new book. His extensive background has led him to develop the concept for his Atomic Fitness System, which utilizes the basic theories of Physics - energy, matter, space, and time - to help people change their physiques in the shortest time possible.

Chronicles of Gabriel, In a quest for the truth - Miquel Àngel Lopezosa Criado 2018-08-16

After spending various centuries forming himself as a high sorcerer in a distant dimension and after the death of his teacher, Gabriel must return to Earth in search of a sign. That's how the prophecy dictated. In this return he must face the ghosts of his past and he will find himself involved in the eternal fight between Chaos and Order. Yet he won't be alone. His inseparable friend Hugo and a seasoned wizard named Alexa, will accompany him in a passionate adventure that will take them to get to know themselves. Mythical and legendary beings will complete the cast of characters that appear in this intriguing work of fiction, full of magic and unsolved enigmas. *The Chronicles of Gabriel*. In search of the truth is the first novel of an epic fantasy and historical trilogy, in which loyalty and conjures amalgamate, celestial dragons and ancient magic in a world stalked by Darkness. Egyptian gods, secret doors that lead you into remote worlds and the appearance of a lost manuscript will be the main ingredients of a novel that will keep the reader hooked on

a fast-paced story from beginning to end. Will Gabriel finally discover the truth?

The Heir of Malreward, Or, Restored - Emily Spender 1874

Beauty's Quest - C. S. Johnson 2016-06-27

"You want to be free," Theo told her. "But you don't even allow yourself to dream of it, even with small things, like singing a song." A new wave of anger, both at him and at herself, washed over her. "If I am free, I am free to refuse," she muttered. "It's not a matter of freedom, but fear." "I am not afraid!" "Aren't you?" Theo asked quietly. "No." Rose waited to hear Theo argue with her. But he said nothing. In order to defeat the sorceress Magdalena, and free herself from her curse, Rose, the Princess of Rhone, has set out to find dragon's blood. As she travels toward the Romani territory, where the Serpent's Garden resides, she is accompanied by her faithful group of friends, including their newest member, Prince Philip of Einish. But when the group ends up shipwrecked on the small island of Maltia, they find themselves trapped without supplies and a way off the island. With time, money, and new enemies working against them, Rose remains determined despite her despair to rise to each challenge. But can she face the growing fear—and longing—inside herself? Sweet, suspenseful, and full of surprises, *Beauty's Quest* is the second book in the *Once Upon a Princess* saga from C. S. Johnson. Enjoy Part II of this historical fantasy retelling of the *Sleeping Beauty* fairy tale!

One Man's Quest for Soul Redemption - Timothy Jackson 2018-08-27

One Man's Quest for Soul Redemption is a collection of poems written by Tim Jackson over the years. The poems are heart and soul felt and challenge the reader to self reflect. All poems are based on personal experiences that affected the author in some way. They are the thoughts, opinions, prayers and life philosophy of the author. It is definitely an easy read.

Total Eclipse Of Freedom - Burnice Russ

The Elephant in the Room - Tommy Tomlinson 2020-01-14

ONE OF NPR'S BEST BOOKS OF 2019 A "warm and funny and honest...genuinely unputdownable" (Curtis Sittenfeld) memoir chronicling what it's like to live in today's world as a fat man, from acclaimed journalist Tommy Tomlinson, who, as he neared the age of fifty, weighed 460 pounds and decided he had to change his life. When he was almost fifty years old, Tommy Tomlinson weighed an astonishing—and dangerous—460 pounds, at risk for heart disease, diabetes, and stroke, unable to climb a flight of stairs without having to catch his breath, or travel on an airplane without buying two seats. Raised in a family that loved food, he had been aware of the problem for years, seeing doctors and trying diets from the time he was a preteen. But nothing worked, and every time he tried to make a change, it didn't go the way he planned—in fact, he wasn't sure that he really wanted to change. In *The Elephant in the Room*, Tomlinson chronicles his lifelong battle with weight in a voice that combines the urgency of Roxane Gay's *Hunger* with the intimacy of Rick Bragg's *All Over but the Shoutin'*. He also hits the road to meet other members of the plus-sized tribe in an attempt to understand how, as a nation, we got to this point. From buying a Fitbit and setting exercise goals to contemplating the Heart Attack Grill in Las Vegas, America's "capital of food porn," and modifying his own diet, Tomlinson brings us along on a candid and sometimes brutal look at the everyday experience of being constantly aware of your size. Over the course of the book, he confronts these issues head-on and chronicles the practical steps he has to take to lose weight by the end. "What could have been a wallow in memoir self-pity is raised to art by Tomlinson's wit and prose" (Rolling Stone). Affecting and searingly honest, *The Elephant in the Room* is an "inspirational" (The New York Times) memoir that will resonate with anyone who has grappled with addiction, shame, or self-consciousness. "Add this to your reading list ASAP" (Charlotte Magazine).

The Hero in Contemporary American Fiction - S. Halldorson 2007-12-09

This book sets out to write nothing short of a new theory of the heroic for today's world. It delves into the "why" of the hero as a natural companion piece to the "how" of the hero as written by Northrop Frye and Joseph Campbell over half a century ago. The novels of Saul Bellow and Don DeLillo serve as an anchor to the theory as it challenges our notions of what is heroic about nymphomaniacs, Holocaust survivors, spurious academics, cult followers, terrorists, celebrities, photographers and writers of novels who all

attempt to claim the right to be "hero."

The American Adrenaline Narrative - Kristin J. Jacobson 2020

1. DESIRING NATURES -- 2. CONQUERING NATURES -- 3. SPIRITUAL NATURES -- 4. EROTIC NATURES -
- 5. RISKY NATURES -- 6. RESTORATIVE NATURES -- Appendix : List of Contemporary American
Adrenaline Narratives.

4th and Goal - Monte Burke 2012-09-18

In this "powerful and inspiring" true story, follow Joe Moglia's legendary career transition from head football coach at Coastal Carolina University to the CEO of TD Ameritrade, one of the country's most successful financial firms: "If you're a football fan, this is a book you must read" (Bill Cowher, former coach of the Pittsburgh Steelers). As a kid growing up in a rough-and-tumble neighborhood in New York City, Joe Moglia dreamed of someday becoming the head coach of a college football team-not of becoming a corporate titan. But sometimes, life gets in the way of our dreams. By the time Joe was in his early 30s, he had risen through the high school and college football ranks to become the defensive coordinator at Dartmouth. His dream was very much within reach. Problem was, Joe wasn't making enough money to support his growing family. Faced with the hard choice between chasing his lifelong dream and supporting his wife and four young kids, Joe did the honorable thing: He walked away from football and went to Wall Street to try to find a job that would foot the bills at home. Joe had no training in finance. He had no MBA. His resume reflected his coaching accomplishments and his teaching jobs. And yet, somehow, through grit and determination, he was able to land an entry-level position at Merrill Lynch. Fast forward 25 years later. Joe had reached the business world's mountaintop. He was the CEO of TD Ameritrade, one of the country's most successful financial firms. He was recognized as one of the most respected corporate chiefs in America. But over all those years, Joe never shook his passion for coaching football. In 2008, he made a fateful and stunning decision: He voluntarily walked away from his high-paying corporate job to do the one thing he'd left undone in his life. He decided to pursue his original passion for becoming a college football head coach. Getting hired as a college coach proved incredibly difficult. College athletic directors told him it was an impossible feat. He'd been out of football for nearly three decades. Undaunted, and at age 60, Joe became an unpaid intern with the University of Nebraska's football team in 2009 and 2010. In 2011, he was named the head coach of the Omaha Nighthawks of the United Football League, a professional league teetering on the brink of financial collapse. It was a risky proposition, but one he felt he needed to take to prove to his naysayers that he could coach a college team. Failure would mean the death of a dream that refused to die. As told by Forbes writer, Monte Burke, 4th And Goal is a detailed account of Joe Moglia's amazing and uplifting life story, his quest for his ultimate dream and its stunning conclusion. It's a tale of overcoming adversity...of never giving up...of never losing sight of one's true goals in life. It is a story, quite literally, of a dream deferred, but never forgotten.

Some Die Mad - Edward Beardshear 2003-05-28

Young Malcolm Ward's father dies and he is betrayed into Mid-State Hospital by a cruel and greedy uncle. Malcolm is imprisoned on the Acute Violent and Forensic Ward where he discovers both art and the art of

survival. Later, in the general hospital population, he fights to save a pretty young lady patient in his group therapy from a psychotic superintendent. This activates a system already clearly out to kill him. After he is blitzed by a series of unneeded shock treatments and sent to a back ward to die, he slowly recovers by painting and crafting sculpture. He falls in love with a devoted occupational therapist who reciprocates. And to make himself whole for her he escapes the hospital to find a new and truer life in a blazing finale of enlightened madness in New York's Greenwich Village.

Life or Death - Larry Verstraete 2014-02-01

More than 30 riveting - and true! - survival stories from Larry Verstraete, the master of adventure non-fiction. A slave in mid-1800s North Carolina squeezes into a 2' x 3' box and has friends mail him to Philadelphia . . . and freedom. A doctor injects 8000 Polish Jews with a substance that makes it appear they have typhus, getting them sent into quarantine instead of to death camps. Apollo 13 astronauts use duct tape, a hose, and other spare parts to fix failed machinery and bring their spacecraft safely home. Following the popularity of the award-winning *At the Edge: Daring Acts in Desperate Times*, winner of the Silver Birch Award for nonfiction, this new collection from Larry Verstraete features over 30 incredible true stories of survivors who found creative ways to beat impossible odds.

The Third Pole - Mark Synnott 2022-04-05

NPR Books We Love selection "If you're only going to read one Everest book this decade, make it *The Third Pole*. . . . A riveting adventure."—*Outside* Shivering, exhausted, gasping for oxygen, beyond doubt . . . A hundred-year mystery lured veteran climber Mark Synnott into an unlikely expedition up Mount Everest during the spring 2019 season that came to be known as "the Year Everest Broke." What he found was a gripping human story of impassioned characters from around the globe and a mountain that will consume your soul—and your life—if you let it. The mystery? On June 8, 1924, George Mallory and Sandy Irvine set out to stand on the roof of the world, where no one had stood before. They were last seen eight hundred feet shy of Everest's summit still "going strong" for the top. Could they have succeeded decades before Sir Edmund Hillary and Tenzing Norgay? Irvine is believed to have carried a Kodak camera with him to record their attempt, but it, along with his body, had never been found. Did the frozen film in that camera have a photograph of Mallory and Irvine on the summit before they disappeared into the clouds, never to be seen again? Kodak says the film might still be viable. . . . Mark Synnott made his own ascent up the infamous North Face along with his friend Renan Ozturk, a filmmaker using drones higher than any had previously flown. Readers witness first-hand how Synnott's quest led him from oxygen-deprivation training to archives and museums in England, to Kathmandu, the Tibetan high plateau, and up the North Face into a massive storm. The infamous traffic jams of climbers at the very summit immediately resulted in tragic deaths. Sherpas revolted. Chinese officials turned on Synnott's team. An Indian woman miraculously crawled her way to frostbitten survival. Synnott himself went off the safety rope—one slip and no one would have been able to save him—committed to solving the mystery. Eleven climbers died on Everest that season, all of them mesmerized by an irresistible magic. *The Third Pole* is a rapidly accelerating ride to the limitless joy and horror of human obsession.