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See & Hear True WWII Saga at the Ocean County Library Manchester Branch

MANCHESTER TOWNSHIP – A U.S. Army Air Force crew in World War II faces mortal peril when their B-17 is attacked and plummets into occupied France. It is up to them to avoid capture. A movie plot? No, it's all true. Join us for "Escape from Behind Enemy Lines" at the Ocean County Library Manchester Branch, 7 PM Monday, August 5.

History teacher and lecturer <u>Rick Feingold</u> will provide the gripping account of the desperation his father, Lieutenant Louis Feingold, and his comrades endured when their bomber was attacked and shot down by seven German fighter planes.

The junior officer, who flew 21 bombing missions for the USAAF, was the navigator aboard the ill-fated aircraft. Rick will re-create his father's arduous journey to safety using letters, maps, photos and the Lieutenant's original false identification documents.

During the program you will become familiar with the Shelburne Line, the French Resistance network that located, hid and engineered the transport of 136 downed airmen to England in 1943-44.

Please register at https://tinyurl.com/OclMaEscape for this free program sponsored by the Friends of the Manchester Branch.

The Friends are volunteers who support the Library through programs, fundraising and advocacy. New members are always welcome. Application forms are available at all Library branches and reading centers and at https://theoceancountylibrary.org/oclfriends.

For more information, stop by the OCL Manchester Branch, 21 Colonial Drive, call (732) 657-7600 or visit https://theoceancountylibrary.org/events.

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Top Row (L-R): Larry Kerr, Pilot; John Murphy, Co-Pilot; Ed Hearty, Bombardier; Louis Feingold, Navigator. Bottom Row (L-R): John Sweeney, Radio Operator; Clayton Seymour, Bottom Turret Gunner

Photo Courtesy of Rick Feingold

