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Rescue 471: A Paramedic's Stories





Synopsis

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powerful story of camaraderie, selflessness, and courage as paramedics try to stand tall and human through both defeat and victory.

Reading this. As a old rural emt it's fun to know that city life is pretty comperable to rural. Well maybe not hiking into 70 yr old with broken femur who had been out all night after horse accident all alone. He was tougher than we were btw

This is a great book! I have the pleasure of working EMS with peter canning (he's still a medic in the city btw) and a great one at that! Best part about this book is its all true! Great read for all people. If you liked this book I highly suggest his other book!

As someone who has always had an interest in Paramedicine, but does not as yet work in that field, I found this book to be quite an eye opener. Not so much in the way that Peter describes his experiences in the field, which he does extremely well, but the way in which he opens up about his personal feelings and at times self doubt about his abilities. It never occured to me that a paramedic would feel uneasy about seeing a broken bone. I think people just assume that they are oblivious to the sights that they encounter. The book itself is well written, and Peter's explanations on why they administer different drugs are concise, and give the reader a sense of understanding about why things are done. Does not try to glorify the profession by only telling the happy outcomes. Tells it like it is, that sometimes no matter what you do, you can't always save everyone.

I loved this book. I want to be a firefighter/ paramedic once I'm old enough (junior firefighter now) so this gave me some great insight into the world of city EMS v. Small town EMS. It's even cooler that I live in CT and know 5 or 6 Hartford firefighter/ paramedics. If you have any interest in medicine then read it!

Rescue 471 is a fantastic read. It steers away from a typical story following a persons every steps and instead is broken down into multiple short stories describing each call Peter went on. He details the events clearly and gives perspective to what it is like on a call as a paramedic. I love this book and it is a must read.

I thought PARAMEDIC was very good, but this book truly surpasses it, Canning develops a true wrting style that is hillarious at times, sad at others, but intense all the way through, if this is

Cannings last book, then its a hell of a great note to end on. What really sets it apart from his last work is that it offers a more complete picture of the inner life of a medic rather than a selection of memorable snapshots of performance. exceptional.

This is a great read $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A} = a - \tilde{A} \hat{A}$. however the book, in NEW condition, came with the first 7 pages missing $\tilde{A}f\hat{A}\phi\tilde{A} = a - \tilde{A} \hat{A}$. Has anyone seen anything like this?

I brought this book on vacation with me for an easy read. I really enjoyed it. You really feel for the paramedic, get excited with him, frustrated with him, grieve with him. It went by quickly and I would recommend it to anyone in health care.

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