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Zazel Publishing, LLC is proud to announce the release of the debut novel by Phillip S. Roberts, *The Luckiest Fool on Earth: The Twisted Yarn of America's Greatest Flagpole Sitter, Alvin "Shipwreck" Kelly*. The work of historical fiction, charts the life of the most unlikely hero of the Roaring Twenties and Depression Era. Based on real-life events in New York City and beyond the five boroughs, the book is a great gift for adult readers who like a story that is a rollercoaster of ambition, deception, and redemption.

In a tumultuous time of daredevils and thrill-seekers, the former sailor, boxer, Hollywood stuntman, and steeplejack, set a short-lived world record — 49 days aloft over the Atlantic City boardwalk during the summer of 1930. *The Luckiest Fool on Earth* is an ambitious, unusual look at a fascinating human being who could boast a number of strange and spectacular feats but couldn't solve the more base problems of his own life.

Roberts previous collection of original photographs taken within Hawaii's tourist mecca, *Waikiki Tiki: Art, History, and Photographs* was published in 2010 by Bess Press.

The Luckiest Fool on Earth will be available October 1, 2025 in hardcover \$29.95 (ISBN 9798998504204), paperback \$17.95 (ISBN 9798998504211), and e-book \$9.99 (ISBN 9798998504228) formats through on-line retailers and select book stores worldwide. Distributed by Ingram Spark. Size — 6" x 9" — 302 Pages.

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