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Aaron's Books Hosts Newspaper Columnist and Author Larry Alexander

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Aaron's Books will host World War II historian and local newspaper columnist Larry Alexander for a discussion about the Alamo Scouts on Saturday, February 20 at 3pm, to mark the paperback release of his bestseller **Shadow in the Jungle**.

Mr. Alexander will offer insights into his research about the famed Alamo Scouts of the Pacific operations during WWII. Determined to retake the Philippines ever since his ignominious flight from the islands in 1942, General Douglas MacArthur organized a first-rate intelligence-gathering unit called the Alamo Scouts. Alexander's book follows the men who made up this elite recon unit that served as General MacArthur's eyes and ears in the Pacific. Drawing from personal interviews and testimonies from Scout veterans, Alexander weaves together the stories of different Scouts, who often spent weeks at a time behind enemy lines to complete their missions. Now, more than sixty years after the war, the story of the Alamo Scouts will finally be told.

Larry Alexander has been a journalist and columnist for the *Intelligencer Journal* newspaper in Lancaster for more than a decade, winning numerous awards for excellence in journalism. He grew up on the same street in the same town as Major Dick Winters, leader of the acclaimed "Band of Brothers", three decades later. Mr. Alexander wrote of Major Winter's life in his previous bestselling work **Biggest Brother**.

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