



M.G. Crisci shares his controversial views about the future of Russian-American relations on Russian Radio Station WSNR



Why was radio host moved to tears by the emotional story of 19 year-old Russian female flying ace, Lilya Litvyak?

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What Lilya Litvyak did as a teenager in a man's world was nothing short of astounding!



Imagine a beautiful spit of a girl completing 268 successful missions, registering 15 solo kills, training some 40 male pilots, and, in her spare time, falling madly in love with her Captain.



When I discovered Lilya's story was virtually unknown outside of Russia, and with the passage of time, unknown to Russia's younger generation, I knew I had stumbled into a first-ever opportunity.



Going from concept to a 400 page book was no small feat for an American with no Russian ancestry, who spoke no Russian, and had no Russian friends, either in America or in Russia.



In the end, this first book, and all my succeeding books, blogs and editorials could not have been done with the love, and support of a number of Russians and Ukrainians (she perished over Eastern Ukraine in 1943) who decided to trust someone they had been programmed to distrust.



When I found all of Lilya's memorabilia neatly stored in a tiny museum nobody has ever heard of in the back of School No.1 in Krasny Luckh, it was hitting the super-jackpot in Las Vegas.



Collaborating on the book, meeting so many kind people, living in their homes, and sharing their hopes, dreams and wishes, has changed my view of Russian-American relations forever.



My dream to political leaders everywhere is quite simple. Let's cut the crap, and start working together to make the world a little better place for everybody. If I can try, so can you!