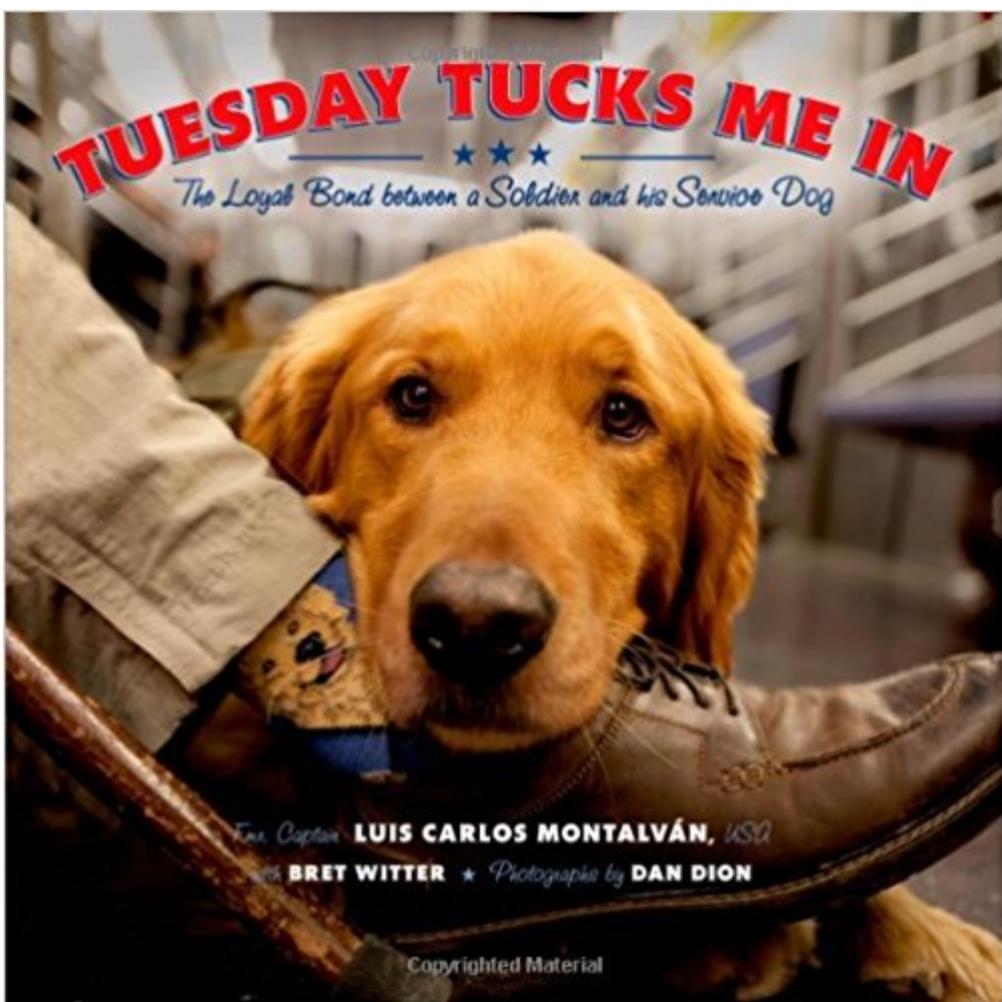


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# Tuesday Tucks Me In: The Loyal Bond Between A Soldier And His Service Dog



## Synopsis

As narrated by Tuesday, "Tuesday Tucks Me In" is a day in the life of this service dog extraordinaire and tail-wagging ambassador for all things positive and uplifting in the world. The book takes us through a typical day of adventures, starting with Tuesday waking Luis in the morning and greeting him with dog breath in the face, and then ending with Tuesday cuddling up to Luis on their bed, the last moment they spend together before sleep.

## Book Information

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## Customer Reviews

K-Gr 4 •Tuesday is a service dog for Montalván, who has post-traumatic stress disorder, among other disabilities, and knows exactly how and when to soothe him. Tuesday is always with his owner, supporting him as he goes down stairs or riding with him in cabs. The book is told from the dog's point of view and narrated in a calm, easy-to-understand tone ("I even sleep with him, which helps control his nightmares"). The book is humorous but also portrays the sometimes-depressing reality of Montalván's life. It documents their daily activities, including going to the veteran's hospital. There are special treats, too, such as an ice-cream cone at Coney Island. Readers see the close bond between the two and how they care for each other. Crisp, full-page, full-color photographs make evident this strong bond and show their busy life in New York City. The book concludes with an informational note from Montalván that explains more about

his disabilities and how much freedom Tuesday has given him. He also talks briefly about the organization that trained Tuesday. A well-written, informative book for both school and public libraries.  •Susan E. Murray, formerly at Glendale Public Library, AZ

MontalvÃƒÃ¡n, the best-selling author of the adult memoir Until Tuesday: A Wounded Warrior and the Golden Retriever Who Saved Him (2011), is a 17-year army veteran and advocate for veterans with disabilities. Yet this is not his story but that of his golden retriever service dog, Tuesday. The sweet tale follows one perfect day in Tuesday's life, from the time he wakes MontalvÃƒÃ¡n, to his helping his owner navigate the crowded streets and subways of New York City, to a fun trip to an amusement park and playtime with his friends. Tuesday himself relates how he was assigned to assist with the wounds MontalvÃƒÃ¡n received during his two tours of duty in Iraq. The reciprocal loyalty and love between dog and owner is palpable and endearing, and photographs of Tuesday resting his head on his master's feet or taking a cab ride will delight dog lovers. Tuesday typifies the unbreakable bond between humans and canines and in a kid-friendly way, manages to dispel some of the stigma of posttraumatic stress disorder and invisible war wounds. Grades K-3.

--Erin Anderson

As an elementary school teacher, my students have usually put working dogs into two categories: guide dogs for the blind and police dogs. In Tuesday Tucks Me In, Tuesday introduces himself as a different kind of service dog. Children can make connections with Tuesday's routines that are similar to other dogs', and they can expand their understanding as Tuesday describes his responsibilities as a service dog for Luis, a veteran with disabilities. This story is a wonderful bridge to conversations about "invisible" disabilities, the sacrifices of our veterans, and the mutual devotion between humans and dogs. Additionally, Luis and Tuesday's story helps us talk to children about the reality of stress and anxiety. Sadly, even young children have stress and anxiety, and many of them do not yet know how to put those thoughts and feelings into words. This book gives us a great way to have a dialogue about those feelings and the importance of asking for and accepting help. I enjoyed Capt. Montalvan's bestseller Until Tuesday, and now it's great to hear Tuesday's side of the story! The story and illustrations are so precious - there's no way you won't love this book!

I just read this wonderful book today and it is a great story about a service dog and his veteran. Tuesday, his service dog that helps him is a wonderful story for children to read about service dogs and how they help people with disabilities, especially our wounded veterans coming home from war.

So if you want to honor any of our coming home veterans and so many other people with disabilities and people who have children then this the perfect book to buy for them to cherish forever. The pictures in the book are an amazing part of the story and they touched my soul as I looked into the eyes of Tuesday and Luis. Both of them have imprinted my heart with warmth and admiration for sharing their story with me and so many others.

"Tuesday Tucks Me In" is creative and artistic...gently sharing with the reader valuable information, not only about the benefit of service dogs for all types of disabilities, but also about acceptance and love. Luis has brilliantly blended education and whimsy through the narrative voice and beautiful images of his extraordinary best friend and service dog - "Tuesday." "Tuesday Tucks Me In" is an exceptional balance of soft golden retriever warm fuzzy, tug at that spot in your heart that makes you say "AW" right out loud and practical, necessary, delicately delivered facts that carefully awaken awareness. I cannot end this review without commenting on the images of Luis and Tuesday, living their lives, and sharing their story. Using photographs, rather than illustrations allows the reader...of any age, to connect with Luis and Tuesday, creating a reading experience that is honest and intimate. Children will especially benefit from the visuals, because the images of this real soldier and his real service dog make this book more than just a story...

Our favorite service dog team is back in a delightful, well-written, and easy to understand new children's book. Former U.S. Army Captain Luis Carlos Montalván and his extraordinary Golden Retriever service dog named Tuesday, whom we first were introduced to in the adult best seller, "Until Tuesday: A Wounded Warrior and the Golden Retriever Who Saved Him," return to tell about a typical day in their life together. This time it is Tuesday telling the story, enhanced by spectacular color photos of the two of them. Children ages four to eight (and adults, too!) will enjoy reading and learning about what service dogs are and how greatly they help their people every minute of every day. And what a full and often fun day this is! Hard-working Tuesday has a very important job to do, and the heart of the story is Luis and Tuesday's bond of trust and mutual love and devotion. I highly recommend this entertaining and heartwarming story for children of all ages!

A book for children, Tuesday Tucks Me In is written with a bit of humor and a lot of education. The beautiful photographs will draw people of all ages into the pages. Children as well as adults, often wonder what a service dog does. This enjoyable book explains the importance of a service dog's work and the bond between the dog and disabled person. The photographs and words perfectly

convey the love between Tuesday and Luis.I highly recommend Tuesday Tucks Me In.Judi Knispel

This book delivered exactly what I expected. A touching, heartfelt story from a service dog's perspective. Beautiful color photos and an easy to understand story suitable for all ages. Fmr. Capt. Luis Carlos Montalvan's previous book, "Until Tuesday" opened my eyes and my heart in a way no other book has done. I have been eagerly anticipating the arrival of "Tuesday Tucks Me In" and I was not disappointed. Purchase multiple copies and share them with your local libraries, offer to read it to a class at school or give it as a birthday or Christmas Gift. Invite this incredibly gifted young man and his service dog to your community to raise awareness for all those who have disabilities of any kind. This book will aid in teaching young children understanding those who benefit from a service dog. Any time a child learns compassion and understanding, it is a good thing. After reading this book, please find a way to give back and spread the word. I am honored to have a copy of both his books in my home. God bless you, Luis and Tuesday for all you do.

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