



# Every Veteran Has a Story. What's Yours?<sup>®</sup>

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## What is the Veterans Breakfast Club?

The Veterans Breakfast Club is a non-profit founded by Dan Cavanaugh and Todd DePastino who believe **storytelling connects us all**. There are no membership dues or requirements, and you don't have to be a veteran to attend.

### Our Mission

The mission of the Veterans Breakfast Club is to create communities of listening around veterans and their stories. We accomplish this through regular breakfasts and other events, such as outreach sessions and bus trips to historic sites, designed to promote reflection, fellowship, and storytelling. Our current initiative focuses on veterans of World War II and Korea, but our mission is to reach veterans of every generation.

We believe that telling and listening to stories can nourish us and help build a more compassionate nation. Veterans' stories--whether they be entertaining, instructive, commemorative, or healing--remind us that history is built one story at a time.

Our monthly breakfasts have been featured in the *Pittsburgh Post-Gazette*, the *Pittsburgh Tribune-Review*, the *Almanac*, and *Caregivers Magazine*. If you haven't attended one of our events, please give us a try.

If you have any questions or want more information, please call us at **412-623-9029**. Dan or Todd will call you back.

[VeteransBreakfastClub.com](http://VeteransBreakfastClub.com)

## Our 2010 Schedule

All breakfasts begin at 8:30am

Full Breakfast \$10

Coffee and Danish \$6

Just to attend is FREE

Please RSVP at 412-623-9029

### South Hills

Crowne Plaza • 164 Fort Couch Rd  
All breakfasts on Tuesday unless indicated.

August 10 • September 14  
October 12 • November 6 (Sat)  
December 14

### Penn Hills

Comfort Inn • 699 Rodi Rd  
All breakfasts are on Friday.

August 27 • September 24  
October 22 • December 3

### North Hills

The Chadwick • 10545 Perry Hwy  
All breakfasts are on Wednesday.

August 25 <sup>NEW</sup> <sub>DATE!</sub> • October 6  
November 3 • December 8

### Moon/Beaver

NEW BREAKFAST!

Crowne Plaza Airport  
1160 Thorn Run Rd  
Coraopolis

Thursday, November 18



# TOUR the WWII VINTAGE LST 325 during its port of call in Pittsburgh!



Sponsored by the Veterans Breakfast Club and John F. Slater Funeral Home: Thursday, September 2nd, 9:00 am-2:00 pm • \$45 per person • Price includes transportation, LST 325 tour, and lunch at the Spaghetti Warehouse (\$25 per person for tour and lunch only). Pickup locations in South Hills, Penn Hills and North Hills. Space is limited! RSVP by August 23rd by calling Chris Crompton at (412) 881-4100. Please make checks payable to John F. Slater Funeral Home. John F. Slater Funeral Home, c/o Chris Crompton 4201 Brownsville Road, Pittsburgh, PA 15227

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Dave, Dan, and Todd invite you to join them at a future breakfast with some of our regulars or at a future event or bus trip!  
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# Breakfast News

## SPECIAL SATURDAY BREAKFAST ON NOV. 6th:

Bring your families, children, and grandchildren to this special Veterans Breakfast Club event in honor of Veterans Day. We invite those from all locations to attend. When: November 6, 9-11:30am.

Where: Crowne Plaza Hotel, 164 Fort Couch Rd.

## NEW LOCATION: MOON/BEAVER COUNTY:

We're launching a new breakfast location for those who live in the Moon/Beaver County areas.

When: Thursday, November 18, 8:30-11:00am.

Where: Crowne Plaza Airport, 1160 Thorn Run Rd

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## Storytelling connects us all.

Crowne Plaza South: 8/10 • 9/14 • 10/12 • 11/6 • 12/14  
Chadwick Wexford: 8/25 • 10/6 • 11/3 • 12/8  
Comfort Inn Penn Hills: 8/27 • 9/24 • 10/22 • 12/3  
Crowne Plaza Airport: 11/18  
LST Day Trip in Pittsburgh: 9/2  
Smithsonian Air and Space & Gettysburg: 9/28-29

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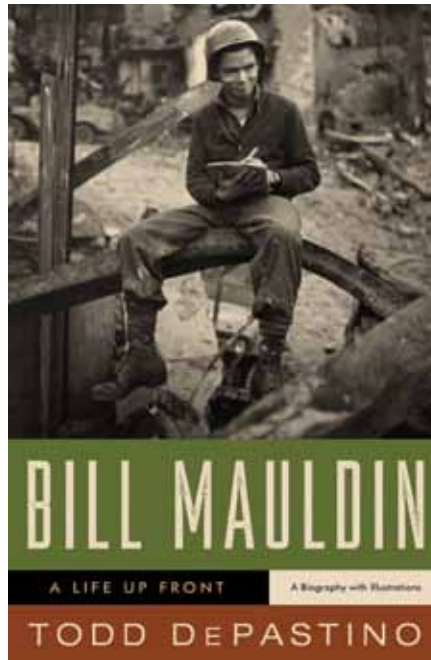
Please cut this calendar out and put it in your wallet or purse for a quick reference on dates

## Here's a way to Support the VBC -100% of book sales donated!

Many of you have asked how you can support our efforts to keep the Veterans Breakfast Club going. Todd has offered to sell discounted copies of his award-winning biography, *Bill Mauldin: A Life Up Front*, and donate all proceeds to the Veterans Breakfast Club.

This is a deluxe hardback edition filled with Mauldin's great cartoons. Todd will personally autograph the book and provide a custom inscription. If you'd like to give it as a gift, he'll even ship it to the recipient's address with a note from you. The cost is only \$20, which is over 25% off the retail price. Shipping is \$4 extra. 100% of the proceeds will go to the Veterans Breakfast Club. You can buy the book at a breakfast or order by calling 412-623-9029.

Make checks payable the Veterans Breakfast Club, 200 Magnolia Place, Pgh, PA 15228.



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Do you know these people? They're some of our regulars!



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## All-Inclusive Overnight Trip to the Smithsonian Air & Space Museum and Gettysburg!



**Where:** Smithsonian Air & Space Museum at Dulles Airport outside of Washington, D.C. & Gettysburg.  
**When:** Tuesday, September 28 - Wednesday, September 29. **How much:** \$259 per person.  
**What's included:** motorcoach transportation, overnight accommodations at the Days Inn Gettysburg, all meals (including two banquet dinners in historic Gettysburg and Bedford), museum and tour fees, on board entertainment and presentations. Space is limited. Please make your reservations by August 28.