



Alpharetta Post 201

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Membership Approval Needed for \$5K Proposal to Replace Baseball Seats

Vote Set for 7 p.m. Tuesday General Membership Meet

At this past Tuesday's Executive Committee meeting, leadership took a major step to begin the process to replace some 300 well-used as well as numerous damaged and broken or missing baseball stadium seats. The committee, by unanimous vote, approved a recommendation from the Baseball Committee to allocated \$5,000 of Post funds to begin replacing the seats on both the first and third base lines.

The \$5,000 set aside is contingent upon the Baseball Committee raising an additional \$20,000 from donations, and the sale of advertising and concessions.

The membership will be asked to approve the executive committee's action at next Tuesday's general membership meeting which is scheduled to start at 7 p.m. in the Post's ballroom. The evening meeting will include dinner prior to the meeting. See the meetings list below for more details about food service plans.

The baseball seat repair activities come on the heels of extensive, multi-week in-house renovations on the concession stand and restrooms in the same building. Ralph Fike, Paul Sheridan, "Big" Mike Carroll and Dave Kirchner are the driving force on making the repairs which cost in the range of \$3,000 for materials only. The work should be completed within the next week or two according to Kirchner.

Other Executive Committee meeting highlights include:

- Roger Wise provided an update on a planned 75th Anniversary of the Post recognition day-long event that will be hosted by Carl Black Buick GMC on Saturday, Jan. 21. While specific details are still being developed, a midday recognition ceremony with local area politicians and members of the Post, which includes presentations of resolutions citing the Post's commitment to the community, is being contemplated. However no other specific details about the day's activities were available from the dealership at publication deadline.

- Wise also said the Appen Media Group assigned a staff writer Amber Perry to produce a 75th anniversary-related feature story. That story appeared in the media group's online publication yesterday, and should be in some of the print editions published today. [Click here to read](#) the story. Appen's five weekly newspapers, with a combined circulation of 105,000 copies, are distributed in Alpharetta, Dunwoody, Roswell, Johns Creek, Milton, Sandy Springs and south Forsythe County.
- Forty-two tickets have been sold to the Saturday night, Feb. 11 Valentine "Laughter at the Legion" show. Post Finance Officer Ralph Jordan said that 87 tickets need to be sold to break even. Check the event list elsewhere in this publication for more information and ticket purchase details.
- Engineering drawing are being prepared for the duct work and hood replacement over the kitchen stove in the main building. Once the engineering drawings are filed and approved by the Alpharetta fire marshal's office, that work can get started. Ralph Jordan said he hopes the work can be completed by early Spring.
- The next stage of repairs using the Home Depot Foundation grant will start this Saturday. The clubroom will be closed Saturday morning, but the floor work should be completed by the normal 1 p.m. Saturday opening time for the clubroom and bar. Jeff Rahn is looking for volunteers, so let him know if you can help.
- The executive committee approved funding four scholarships at \$1,500 each to be awarded to area senior high school students who will be attending college this coming fall. The Post supported the same number of scholarships last year at \$1,000 per student.
- At least four students will be participating in the 10 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 21 Oratorical Contest which will be held at the Post. Each participant will speak twice during the competition. The first will be an 8-to-10 minute presentation on the U.S. Constitution. The second will be a 3-to-5 minute presentation on one of the Amendments. A brief reception is scheduled to follow the formal presentation and awards to the winners.

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Upcoming Post 201 & Other Veterans Related Activities

Thursday & Friday, Jan. 12 & 13, 9 a.m. to 12 noon. Department of Georgia Legionnaires are staging a revitalization and veteran outreach effort at Joseph T. Harris American Legion Post 163, 1633 Atlanta Highway Southeast, Statham, Ga. Veterans in the area are invited to learn about American Legion programs, the Legion's lobbying efforts and potential veterans benefits. A department veterans service officer will be available to assist with Department of Veterans Affairs-related issues and other veterans benefits-related

questions, including PACT Act assistance.

Saturday, Jan. 14, Morning Start Time TBD. Second Home Depot Foundation Grant work day. Contact Jeff Rahn at jrahn@sheepdogia.org for details and to volunteer.

Sunday, Jan. 15, 2 p.m. 8-Ball Pool Tournament in the Clubroom.

Tuesday, Jan. 17, 7 p.m. General Membership Meeting. Chicken, pasta, cheeseburger casserole and a salad prepared by Paul Sheridan will be served prior to the meeting. In addition a Commander's Chili Cookoff contest is being planned. Cash prizes of \$50 (1st place), \$30 (2nd place), and \$20 (3rd place) will be awarded. The winners will be determined by members attending the meeting.

Thursday, Jan 19, 7 p.m. Order of the Purple Heart. Meets 3rd Thursday of every month.

Saturday, Jan. 21, 10 a.m. Post 201 Oratorical Contest in the Ballroom. This is the first one Post 201 has conducted in five years. Four contestants are currently registered to speak. The annual American Legion Oratorical Contest seeks to develop deeper knowledge and appreciation for the U.S. Constitution among high school students.

Saturday, Jan 21, Atlanta WW II Roundtable Monthly Meeting. 10:45 a.m., Social period & brief meeting. 11:15 a.m., Lunch meeting (\$20 per person cash or check accepted at the door) with 100-year-old WWII veteran Bill Norberg as the guest speaker. Norberg was on the bridge of the USS Enterprise during the entire war. The Enterprise fought more major actions than any other U.S. ship. Reservation are required. Contact Bill LeCount, 404-886-7383, by close of business, Tuesday, Jan. 17 to RSVP. Meeting location: Dunwoody United Methodist Church, 1548 Mt. Vernon Rd., Dunwoody.

Monday, Jan. 23, 7 p.m., VFW Post 12002. Meets 4th Monday of every month. For more information contact Ron Cowan, 404-509-1700, roncowan@bellsouth.net or Jim Davis, 770-235-4858, jim.davis@comcast.net.

Friday, Jan. 27, 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. Bourbon and Cigar Night. \$50 includes a flight of three bourbon tastings, a cigar and hors d'oeuvres. Purchase tickets at the Clubroom/Bar.

Sunday, Feb. 5, 3 p.m. Atlanta Gladiators Military and First Responders Day. The Atlanta Gladiators invite all American Legion members, friends, family and supporters out to cheer on the Atlanta Gladiators as they take on the Savannah Ghost Pirates on Military and First Responders Day. As part of the pre-game action, select members of the American Legion will be our official game starters, by performing the traditional "Let's Play Hockey." [Click here for more details.](#)

Saturday, Feb. 11, 8 p.m. Laughter at the Legion, III - - a Valentine's Day Sweetheart Special. Doors open at 6 p.m. Individual non-reserved seats are \$40 each and can be purchased online [by clicking here](#), or they may be purchased at the Clubroom/Bar. Tables (6 seats) are \$240 each. Tables should be purchased through the Clubroom/Bar when the bar is open for service.

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Club 201 Dance Activities

Visit both www.club201dance.com
and the [Club 201 Dance FaceBook Page](#)
for detailed information about
all dance activities and schedules.

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Resource Links

Post 201Walk of Memories - [Click here](#) for more information.

Past Issues of Post 201 E-Newsletter - Visit www.legion201.org and click on the
"Weekly eNewsletters" box at the top right of the landing page.

Post 201 Website - www.legion201.org.

VA Telephone Hotline - 1-877-222-8387

Veterans Crisis Line - 1-800-273-8255 Press 1

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