

# **Alpharetta Post 201**

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## Three North Fulton Cities Hold Memorial Day Events

## Post Clubroom/Bar Opens at 1 p.m.

Three of the five cities in North Fulton have 'official' events scheduled for the upcoming Memorial Day this Monday - - Alpharetta, Milton, and Johns Creek. No events are listed on the events calendar for either Sandy Springs or Johns Creek, although historically Johns Creek has a major event on Nov. 11 (Veterans Day) associated with the Wall that Heals at Newtown Park.

Here's the schedule for the three cities holding Memorial Day activities.

**Alpharetta -** - The City and the Rotary Club of Alpharetta will host a Memorial Day Tribute starting at 9:30 a.m. at Alpharetta City Hall, 2 Park Plaza. American Legion Post 201 will be represented again this year by Marty Ferrell, who has been a program participant and Post representative at this event since 2016. Music will be provided by the Alpharetta City Band.

At the end of the day the Alpharetta Symphony Orchestra along with Takosha Swan, the founder of The Veteran Anthem, will present a free Memorial Day concert starting at 7 p.m. at Brooke Street Park, 2 Park Plaza,

**Milton** - - The City's annual ceremony starts at 10 a.m. at The Green at Crabapple Market, 12650 Crabapple Rd. This past weekend, volunteers from the <u>Milton Veterans Memorial Markers</u> installed 823 rememberance markers throughout downtown Crabapple and in the Georgia Highway 9 /Webb Road area. Each marker honors a late veteran with a Milton connection. Some date back to the Revolutionary War. Others have ties to more recent conflict.

To look at the names of those honored and find the location of a specific marker, go to <u>https://miltonveterans.org/findamarker/</u>.

**Roswell** - - For the past 23 years, area residents have joined the Rotary Club of Roswell and the City of Roswell to honor the men and women who gave the ultimate sacrifice in the defense of the U.S.A. This year's ceremony is scheduled for 11 a.m. at Roswell City Hall, 38 Hill Street. The grounds will open at 10 a.m. with displays and music. Following the ceremony, food trucks from Tres Jardines, Eggroll Boyz, and Patty Wagon will on the grounds selling food to attendees.

It should be noted that all three morning ceremonies are scheduled to end with sufficient time for members of the Post family attend a ceremony and then drop by the clubroom/bar which will open at 1 p.m. on Monday.

### Clubroom Furniture Rearrangement Leads to Time Capsule in Pool Table

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There's a new look in the Clubroom - - and it comes with the new floor that was laid this past Monday and Tuesday. The pool table has been turned by 90 degrees and pushed closer to the far wall from the bar. The smaller tables, which have been rearranged, gives the room more of club/bar feeling and makes much better use of the existing floor space.

While all this work was being done, one of the work crew volunteers saw an opportunity - - create a time capsule in one of the hollow legs of the pool table since the table had to be taken apart and moved out of the room so the new flooring could be laid.

So the "time capsule creative team" got to work. First, a note to explain to the future, why one leg is full of what might best be described as "stuff." The note reads:

"This time capsule was created Tuesday, May 23, 2023. Jeff Rahn, as House Committee Chairman, acquired a grant from Home Depot for several upgrades in renovations including bathrooms, paint, and flooring as well as closing in the deck with doors to make it warmer for winter. The flooring was installed May 22, 2023. Paint Dec. 3, 2022. The pool table was moved for the process and replaced in this new position to make more room for activities."

Along with this note was as second note with an addendum which read, "Written in cursive and yet they no longer teach it in school."

Before the pool table was reassemble, the following items were placed into the time capsule table leg: a photo of the Rat Pack Plaque that is on the deck - - Fred Mahony's 2023 membership card - - Jeff Rahn's 2022 membership card - - an empty Yuengling bottle in Barge's coozie - - an empty Bud Light in Matt's 'Trans Light' coozie - - a June 10, 2023 Laughter at the Legion poster - - an extra cigar from the most recent Bourbon and Cigar night - - the dance schedule for the week of May 21, 2023 - - a few of the no longer used plastic drink chips.

Also one complete copy of the May 18, 2023 *Alpharetta-Roswell Herald* - - a 'psychotic' bartender t-shirt donated by Kat, and a female undergarment donated by Ariel - - the 75th Anniversary of the Post t-shirt - - last year's car show t-shirt - - current bar price list for beer - - one each personal note from Kat and Ariel (text not shared) - - a copy of the upcoming SAL golf tournament flyer - - a hair scrunchie from DiAna - Old Glory rules and a 'wing and a prayer' from Coach.

Members of the "Time Capsule Creative Team" included Bob Byrd, Tommy Youngblood, David Pate, Ariel Lewis, Jeff Rahn, Katrina Rahn, Matt Gill and Michael Allen. <u>Click here</u> and scroll down to see a team photo.

Clean Up Day at Post Covers Lots of Ground

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Thanks to all who turned out for Clean Up Day this past Saturday. Volunteers included Robert Buczek, Bob Byrd, Tommy and Ellen Youngblood, James Barker, Alan Dudley, Ralph Fike, Mike Roman, Bill Fogarty, some 20 scouts from Troop 51, and three young ladies from the Chattahoochee High School Beta Club.

The Chattahoochee HS crew, Alexis Ko, Osinachi Ozumba and Lekhya Chintakuntla, drew a special note of appreciation from Dudley, who coordinated their participation.

Dudley reported that "these three ladies worked tirelessly on several projects" which including moving some 100 or more clay compound bags (which weigh 50 pounds each) from the parking lot to Sam Hardin's work shed.

"They also cleaned the concession stand and did a deep scrub of the concession stand floor that had red clay stains from rain water that had previously intruded into the room;" a problem that is now fixed, Dudley said.

The Youngblood's hard work on cleaning up the grounds and Walk of Memories did not go unnoticed. And Bill Fogarty's truck and trailer were a significant addition to removing brush and limbs from the trimming work performed by the Scouts.

# Upcoming Post 201 & Other Veterans Related Activities

Thursday, May 25, 6 p.m. JCVA Monthly Meeting. Park Place at Newtown Park. Guest speaker, Brandon Watt, founder, CEO and President of Operation Rallypoint.

Monday, May 29. Memorial Day. <u>Clubroom/Bar Opens at 1 p.m.</u>

**Saturday, June 3, 8 a.m. First Saturday Informal Pot Luck Breakfast** for members. Cooking generally starts around 7:30 a.m. - 8 a.m. Meal served in 9 a.m. time frame. Be sure to bring something to share. First responders who attend are exempt from the 'bring something to share' expectation. For more info contact John Dowd, 770-366-1284, or email jedowd3@gmail.com.

Saturday, Jun. 3, 8 a.m. Ride for Vets and 10 a.m. - 2 p.m., PACT Act Claims Filing and More. Park Place, Newtown Park, Johns Creek. <u>Click here for details</u> on both events.

Tuesday, June 6, Tuesday, June 6, 6:30 p.m. House Committee.

Thursday, June 8, 6:30 p.m. Finance Committee Meeting.

**Saturday, June 10, 8 p.m. Laughter at the Legion** featuring Atlanta-based comedians Lace Larrabee and Nick Murphy. <u>Click here for more information</u> and to purchase tickets online, or tickets may be purchased at the Clubroom/Bar during regular operating hours.

Tuesday, June 13, 7 p.m. Executive Committee.

Thursday, June 15, 7 p.m. Order of the Purple Heart. Meets 3rd Thursday of every month.

#### Tuesday, June 20. 7 p.m. General Membership Meeting.

**Thursday, June 22, 6:30 p.m. - 9 p.m. Harley-Davidson Killer Creek Night** at the Post. SAL members will be cooking. Anticipated menu: hamburgers, hot dogs, pulled pork, and chicken quarters. Event coordinator: Jeff Rahn.

**Monday, June 26, 7 p.m., VFW Post 12002.** Meets 4th Monday of every month. For more information contact Ron Cowan, 404-509-1700, <u>roncowan@bellsouth.net</u> or Jim Davis, 770-235-4858, <u>jim.davis@comcast.net</u>.

**Thursday, Sept. 28 - Sunday, Oct. 1.** Georgia Military Officers Association of America State Conference. University of North Georgia, Dahlonega. <u>www.gmcmoaa.org</u>

**Wednesday, Oct. 11. SAL's 6th Annual Rick Gimpel Memorial Golf Tournament** at The Golf Club at Bradshaw Farm in Woodstock. <u>Click here</u> for more information on corporate sponsorship. Or contact either Derek Garmon 770-294-4259 or Kevin Solik, 404-483-3230 for more information.

Sunday, Nov. 12, 11 a.m. - 3 p.m. Annual Cruz-In. Planning Lead: Tommy Youngblood. Email - <u>youngbloodtom@att.net</u>. Mobile: 678-462-9023. Leave message if no answer. # # # # #

## **Club 201 Dance Activities**

Visit both <u>www.club201dance.com</u> and the <u>Club 201 Dance FaceBook Page</u> for detailed information about all dance activities and schedules. # # # # #

## **Resource Links**

Post 201 Walk of Memories - Click here for more information.

Survivor Assistance Checklist - Click this link.

Benefits for Georgia Veterans - Click this link.

**Past Issues of Post 201 E-Newsletter -** Visit <u>www.legion201.org</u> 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

Post 201 Service Officer Hotline for Vets-at-Risk - 631-720-6022

## "It's not the price you pay to be a member, It's the price you paid to be eligible."

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