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Veterans Fêted This Weekend For Their Service to the Nation

Tomorrow is going to be a good start for Post 201 members to enjoy a couple of "Thank You for Your Service" eating opportunities. The food will be tasty, the price will be right (free), and if you time it correctly, you can have a solid morning breakfast, and early evening meal of burgers and hot dogs with all the trimmings - - - neither of which is probably on a doctor's list for healthy eating.

The three-day weekend kicks off at 7 a.m. tomorrow with Realtor Melissa Morgan hosting her 6th Annual Veteran's Day Celebration Breakfast at the Maple Street Biscuit Company, 50 Canton Street, downtown Alpharetta. But don't wait too late to show up - - - 10 a.m. is the stop time.

However, knowing Melissa, if you are standing in line at 10 a.m. she will make sure you're served. To-go orders and curbside pickup are also available. No RSVP's are needed. Just show up and enjoy the morning. For more information, visit the "Events" page of www.legion201.org.

Melissa says she hosts this annual breakfast "to honor the many who served," but there is a special place in her heart for her grandfather: retired Lt. Col. A. E. Peterson who, as a member of the U.S. Army Air Corp flew B-17's and B-24's out of England during World War II. During the Korean War he was based in Japan, flying B-29's over Korea. He retired from the USAF just prior to the beginning of the Vietnam Conflict.

After satiating yourself with a good solid breakfast, drop by the Post's Clubroom/Bar in the 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. time frame tomorrow afternoon. There you'll find Vision Warriors hosting a hot dog and burgers cook out for members of the Post as well as for those vets who took the Roswell Rotary Club hosted trip to Fort Moore (formerly Fort Benning) earlier during the day.

This will be the second time in recent months Vision Warriors has been at the Post. On Sunday, Oct. 15 they hosted a "WarOn Addictions" event which was open to the public. That day's activity included live music, a Jeep show, and a series of speakers on various topics related to veterans, recovery, and mental health.

Other "Thank You for Your Service" Opportunities

Various publications have produced list of merchants providing discounts or other specials to honor veterans this weekend. While the following is not all inclusive, it's a broad overview of

opportunities veterans may be able to take advantage of. In the opinion of this writer, the Military.com produced lists are the most comprehensive. To view three of several produced by the publication, click on each of the following links.

[2023 Veterans Day Retail Deals and Discounts published by Military.com](#)

[2023 Veterans Day Free Meals and Restaurant Deals and Discounts published by Military.com](#)

[2023 Veterans Day Deals, Discounts and Freebies published by Military.com](#)

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~ News Notes ~ Veterans Day Activities this Weekend

Events will be held throughout the metro Atlanta area this weekend to honor those who served or who are currently serving. The source for the list that follows is the Atlanta Journal-Constitution. It was prepared by the AJC's Alexis Stevens and was published on Tuesday, Nov. 7.

(Newsletter Editorial Comment: Readers may note with interest that the only event listed for the City of Alpharetta this weekend is the Nov. 12 Cruz-In at Post 201. However, in the interest of full disclosure, Post Commander Tom Billings and Roger Wise, the Post's 'ambassador' were presented a special proclamation honoring veterans by the Alpharetta City Council this past Monday night. [Click here to see Appen Media coverage of the event.](#))

Friday

Cumming: The city and American Legion Post 307 will host an 11 a.m. ceremony at the [City Center Lou Sobh Amphitheater](#), 423 Canton Road.

Decatur: [The Joseph Maxwell Cleland Atlanta VA Medical Center](#) will host an event from 9 a.m. until noon featuring speakers and a display of classic cars and motorcycles. The center is located at 1670 Clairmont Road.

Kennesaw: [A complimentary lunch will be offered at noon](#) for past and current service members at the Ben Robertson Community Center. A short program will follow including remarks by Mayor Derek Easterling and a presentation of colors by the North Cobb-Harrison NJROTC Unit.

Sandy Springs: The city's [14th Annual Veteran's Day Tribute](#) will be held at 11 a.m. in the Byers Theatre located at City Springs, adjacent to City Hall. Returning as emcee for the event is U.S. Army Veteran, Sandy Springs resident, and former WSB anchor John Pruitt.

Saturday

Acworth: [A Veterans Day Ceremony](#) will be held at 2 p.m. at the Veterans Memorial at Cauble Park.

Atlanta: The 42nd Annual Georgia Veterans Day Parade will be held in Midtown at 11 a.m. The parade will be on Peachtree Street south from 15th Street to 5th Street. Find more information at www.GVDA.org. Prior to the parade, a ceremony will be held at 9:30 a.m. at the Woodruff Arts Center.

Canton: [An 11 a.m. parade will be held downtown](#) at 11 a.m. and is sponsored by the American Legion Post 45.

Douglasville: [A parade will kick off at 11 a.m.](#) at Douglas County High School and will head downtown.

Dunwoody: The 10 a.m. ceremony will be held at Brook Run Park, [4770 North Peachtree Road](#). It will feature musical performances and guest speakers.

Fayetteville: A tribute to all veterans will be held at City Center Park from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. The celebration will begin with a formal program and continue with live music, food trucks, dozens of retail vendors, community organization booths, and giveaways.

Johns Creek: A 9 a.m. ceremony will be held at Newtown Park's Johns Creek Veterans Memorial Walk. The park is located at 3150 Old Alabama Road. Post 201 member and JCVA president Mike Mizell will be the Master of Ceremonies for the event.

Lawrenceville: The ceremony will be held at 11 a.m. at the Gwinnett Fallen Heroes Memorial on the grounds of the Gwinnett Justice and Administration Center. The Gwinnett County Board of Commissioners and County officials will provide remarks, and Army veteran and Superior Court Judge Angela Duncan will give a keynote address. The ceremony will stream live on Facebook @GwinnettGov

Marietta: The city and the Horace Orr Post 29 of the American Legion will host the 19th Annual Veterans Day Parade at 11 a.m. on the Square. A ceremony will follow at noon.

Milton: The city will host an annual breakfast for local veterans and their families from 8-9 a.m. Those interested in attending should email RSVP@miltonga.gov.

Norcross: A ceremony will be held at 10 a.m. at Veterans Park, located at the corner of S. Peachtree Street and N. Norcross Tucker Road.

Peachtree Corners: An 11 a.m. ceremony will be held at the Peachtree Corners Veterans Monument located at 5140 Town Center Boulevard.

Powder Springs: An 11 a.m. ceremony will be held at the Veterans Memorial at the Powder Springs Library, located at 4181 Atlanta Street.

Roswell: A celebration is planned for 9-10 a.m. at Roswell Area Park, 10495 Woodstock Road. This Veterans Day event will include an Honor Walk at 9 a.m. and a ceremony at 9:15 a.m.

Sugar Hill: A 10:30 a.m. ceremony will be held downtown and will include music from The Broad Street Concert Band, a flag raising and remarks from local veterans.

Woodstock: A 7 p.m. ceremony will be held at The Chambers at City Center, located at 8534 Main Street. A coffee and donut social will follow.

Sunday

Alpharetta: American Legion Post 201 will host the Annual Veterans Day Cruz-In from 11 a.m. until 3 p.m. at 201 Wills Road. The family event will feature a variety of vehicles, including classics, vintage, off-road, muscle, modern, motorcycle and military.

Atlanta: The Atlanta History Center will offer free admission for veterans, active service members, and their families for all-day events, including curator chats, walking tours of Veterans Park, a special line-up of veterans history project interviews, and veterans-related short films.

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Upcoming Post 201 & Other Veterans Related Activities

Friday, Nov. 10, 17th Annual Freedom Fighters Open Golf Tournament. Held at BridgeMill Athletic Club in Canton. The format is a 4-person scramble with a shotgun start. The cost per golfer is \$175. The tournament is limited to 128 golfers. Click here to register. For more information contact Jim Davis at davis1824@comcast.net or 770-235-4858.

Saturday, Nov. 11, 11 a.m. - 4 p.m. Veterans Day Blood Drive. Hosted by Post 239 at their facility, 132 Legion Road, Dahlonega.

Saturday, Nov. 11. Veterans Day at Post 201. No special events are planned (as of publication deadline) for the Clubroom/Bar.

Sunday, Nov. 12, 11 a.m. - 3 p.m. Post 201 Annual Cruz-In. Free to participants and the public. Sponsored by Ferrari Maserati of Atlanta. Visit the "Events" page at www.legion201.org for more information.

Monday, Nov. 13, 10 a.m. Golf Ball Drop Fundraiser at Brookfield Country Club, Roswell. Sponsored by the Piedmont Chapter Sons of the American Revolution to support women veterans through the Atlanta VA Medical Center. Open this link for details: <https://youtu.be/YWPqTgKUX6g> .

Monday, Nov. 13, 6 p.m. Johns Creek Veterans Association meeting at Bridges Brewery, 11455 Lakefield Dr. #300, Johns Creek.

Monday, Nov. 13, 5 p.m. to close. Golden Corral's Military Appreciation Night. For more information [click here](#).

Tuesday, Nov. 14, 6 p.m. Post 201 Executive Committee Meeting.

Thursday, Nov. 16, 7 p.m. Order of the Purple Heart. Meets 3rd Thursday each month.

Saturday, Nov. 18, 8 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. Benefit to Support the Cherokee County Homeless Veteran Project, Big Easy BBQ - Hickory Flat, 2864 E Cherokee Drive, Suite A, Canton. Visit the "Events" page at www.legion201.org for details.

Tuesday, Nov. 21, 7 p.m. Post 201 General Membership Meeting. Dinner served starting in the 6 p.m. time frame.

Thursday, Nov. 24. Thanksgiving Day. Clubroom/Bar plans TBA.

Monday, Nov. 27, 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.

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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 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 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

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

Emory Healthcare Veterans Program - [888-514-5345](tel:888-514-5345) or [click here](#) for more info.

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

