



## Alpharetta Post 201

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### Labor Day Activities At Post Start at 1 p.m.

*Save a Dollar on All Domestic Beer;  
Fix a Hot Dog or Two to Your Taste*

As Labor Day approaches, the weather forecast for Monday afternoon is looking a little sucky - - - temps in the high 80s; mostly cloudy, with a good chance of rain. But the lousy forecast shouldn't dampen the spirits of members and friends who visit the Clubroom/Bar that afternoon since they can enjoy the cool, air-conditioned, indoor comfort of the Post.

The Clubroom/Bar will open at 1 p.m. (two hours earlier than normal for a Monday) and all domestic beers will be sold for \$1 less than their regular price. The Post will also host a "Hot Dog Bar" with chili and all the other condiments needed for hot dogs starting at 4 p.m. Members of the Post Family are also asked to bring a side dish they'd like to share to add to the afternoon's enjoyment.

So whether your 'dog of choice' is the classic chili & slaw Varsity dog, the famous scrambled dog (a chopped up, grilled dog covered with chili, onions, pickles, mustard, and ketchup which was first served at the Dinglewood Pharmacy in Columbus, Ga., more than half-a-century ago), or one of many other regional varieties of hot dogs, stop by the Post Monday to see if all the fixin's for your favorite dog are there.

If not, then just check out this link: [\*A Field Guide to 8 Regional Hot Dog Styles\*](#) for some more options you might consider making. That is if the fixin's you need are on the table! If not, then create a new taste and name it yourself.

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## District 9 Commander Issues 'Call to Action'

Although the U.S. Congress is still on recess, the clock is ticking on a \$3 billion shortfall at the Department of Veterans Affairs which is threatening to delay veterans' compensation in October, according to the national office of the American Legion.

Georgia's District 9 Commander, Mike Merritt, advised all Posts in the District, via an email yesterday, that the national office has set up a "Call to Action" auto generated letter which can be addressed to Georgia's senators and representatives. The letter asks the senators and representative to fix the VA funding shortfall.

"The National Commander has asked for our help to flood Congress with our thoughts on this," Merritt said. "We need to tell Congress they need to fund the VA so the debt to our Veterans can be paid," he added.

[Click here to read the details on the national website and to generate a letter](#) which will carry your name.

"The power of the Legion is our reputation and you, our members and our numbers. So if each one of us submit this letter to our Congressman, we can say we did our part to protect our benefits," Merritt said.

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## Upcoming Post 201, Other Veteran Related Activities

**Every Sunday at 7 p.m. - - Karaoke in the Clubroom/Bar.**

Lots of Laughs, Good Times, and even Greater People.

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**Friday, Aug. 30. Veterans Bowl Varsity Football** game between Centennial High School and Johns Creek High School. Game Time: 7:30 p.m. at Centennial High School, [9310 Scott Rd, Roswell](#). Veterans will be admitted to the game at no cost according to Post 201 Ambassador Roger Wise. Veterans will be recognized before the game and after each quarter. Roger recommends that Veterans planning to attend should be at the field by 6 p.m.

**Monday, Sept. 2. Labor Day.** Clubroom/Bar opens at 1 p.m.

**Tuesday, Sept. 3, 11 a.m. Atlanta Vietnam Veterans Business Association** monthly luncheon. Location: the Fellowship Hall of the Dunwoody United Methodist Church, [1548 Mount Vernon Road, Dunwoody](#). This month's guest speaker will be U.S. Air Force Colonel (Ret) Clyde Romero. He will present an unclassified briefing about the air defenses protecting Washington, DC. Anyone interested in registering for this luncheon should contact Jim Dickson, phone 770-500-6794.

**Tuesday, Sept 3, 6 p.m. House Committee meeting.**

**Thursday, Sept. 5, 6:30 p.m. Finance Committee meeting.** Primary agenda item at this meeting will be a discussion of drink prices at the bar and the impact of rising wholesale costs of liquor and associated increases in sales taxes the Post has to pay.

**Friday, Sept. 6, 7:30 p.m. Military Appreciation Night**, Atlanta Dream vs. Dallas Wings. [Click here](#) to purchase tickets.

**Tuesday, Sept. 10, 6 p.m. Executive Committee meeting.**

**Friday, Sept. 13, 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. Bourbon and Cigar Night.** Tickets are \$50 per person for a flight of bourbon, a cigar and hors d'oeuvres. They may be purchased at the Clubroom/Bar or [online by clicking here](#).

**Saturday, Sept. 14. Georgia Tech Military Appreciation Day.** The Georgia Tech vs Virginia Military Institute football game on Saturday, Sept. 14 will be the school's military appreciation game. Kickoff time is 3:30 p.m. Watch this space for special ticket pricing information.

**Tuesday, Sept. 17. 7 p.m. General Membership meeting.** Dinner served at 6 p.m.

**Wednesday, Oct. 16. 7th Annual Rick Gimpel Memorial Golf Tournament.** The Golf Club at Bradshaw Farm, 3030 Bradshaw Drive, Woodstock. 9:30 a.m Shotgun start. 8 a.m. Registration. For more information contact Derek Garmon, 770-294-4259, [derekgarmon@yahoo.com](mailto:derekgarmon@yahoo.com) or Bruce Hay, 309-657-8528, [hayville@att.net](mailto:hayville@att.net).

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## ***Club 201 Dance Activities***

Visit both [www.club201dance.com](http://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.

**Post 201 Website** - [www.legion201.org](http://www.legion201.org). Visit the "Resource Page" for a more complete list of resources available for veterans.

**Past Issues of Post 201 E-Newsletter** - [Click here](#).

**Survivor Assistance Checklist** - [Click this link](#).

**Benefits for Georgia Veterans** - [Click this link](#).

**Burial at Sea Information** - [Click here](#).

**Veteran's License Plates Form** - [Click here](#).

**Emergency Housing Information Guide** - [Click here](#).

**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

**VET/Trans** - Free metro Atlanta area transportation (Monday –Friday) for Vets to medical appointments as well as other social service appointments such as going to a housing provider, a job program or a social security office. Availability depends on the location along with the day and time. At least 48 hours advance notice needed. Contact Safe America at 770-973-7233 or email Steve Mason at [steve.mason@safeamerica.org](mailto:steve.mason@safeamerica.org).

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



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