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Rotary Holds First Breakfast Meeting At Post; Clubroom Drink Prices Hiked; Both to Take Place Tomorrow, Nov. 1

Tomorrow's going to be a "really busy day" around the Post. The day will kick start at 7 a.m. with the Rotary Club of Alpharetta's first weekly breakfast meeting at Post. Moving their weekly breakfast meetings to the Post from a downtown Alpharetta location is the second piece of the recent memorandum of understanding (MOU) between the Post and the civic club.

To prepare for the move, the Rotary Club funded some \$77,000 for the repairs and upgrades to the ballroom, entrance foyer, vestibule and the two bathrooms adjacent to the ballroom that are nearing completion. Some 125 plus members of the club are expected to gather in the Post ballroom tomorrow for their weekly Friday meeting.

The meeting should conclude in the 8:30 a.m. time frame although some members may "hang around" the ballroom for period of time to hold smaller working meetings. However, the Ballroom should be cleared and ready for the regularly-scheduled 10 a.m. Friday Beginning Line Dancing

class, and the 11 a.m. Improver/Intermediate Level Line Dancing class, both of which are taught by Jean Maggio.

Drink Price Hike Friday Afternoon

The previously announced hike in drink prices also takes place tomorrow afternoon when the Post's Clubroom/Bar opens at 3 p.m. The cost of beer, wine and liquor will be increased for members of the Post Family by 50 cents per drink. Non-member prices will be increased by \$1 per drink.

The increase is designed to cover the continuing rise in the cost of buying beer, wine and liquor from distributors as well as covering the increased state taxes the Post must pay which accompanies the increased price of alcohol.

In looking at the cost increase, the Executive Committee considered the idea of just adding sales tax to every purchase made at the bar, but rejected the idea since it would place a significant additional burden on the bar staff who would have to deal with pennies, nickels, dimes and quarters for those who pay cash, as well as assuring that local tax was added to every credit card bill.

Gold Standard Band Friday Night

Friday night will see the return of The Gold Standard Band in the Ballroom. Intermediate and beginning East Coast Swing dance lessons will get started at 7:30 p.m., the Open Dance to the music of Gold Standard gets started at 8:30 p.m. with last dance set for the 11:30 p.m. time frame. The cost for the evening, which includes the dance lessons, is \$12 per person cash or credit.

Flag Retirement Ceremony

On Sunday (and don't forget the 1 hour 'spring back time change) Scouts from Post-sponsored Troop 51 will be retiring between 1,500 and 2,000 U.S. Flags between 4 p.m. and 5:30 p.m. The ceremonies, which are open to the public, will take place on the grassy field behind the Post. The United States Flag Code states: "The flag, when it is in such condition that it is no longer a fitting emblem for display, should be destroyed in a dignified way, preferably by burning."

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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.
Libations at a much better price than downtown!***

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***9-Ball Pool Tournament, 2 p.m.
Every 3rd Tuesday in the Clubroom/Bar***

VIEW FEATURED POST EVENTS

Thursday, Oct. 31 - Sunday, Nov. 3. The Wall That Heals at UNG. The Vietnam Veterans Memorial Replica and a Mobile Education Center are open to the public on the University of North Georgia Campus in Dahlonega. The closing ceremony is scheduled for 1:30 p.m. Sunday. The

exhibit is located on the Promenade Field between the Drill Field and the Library in front of Memorial Hall. Parking is available in the lot behind Memorial Hall and the lot behind the Library.

Friday & Saturday, Nov. 1 & 2. We CARE Vet Fair - - United We Care (www.unitedmilitarycare.org), an East Cobb County-based veterans service organization is hosting We CARE Vet Fair at the Cobb County Civic Center, [548 S. Marietta Pkwy., Marietta](#). For more information on this event [click here](#).

Tuesday, Nov. 5, 6 p.m. House Committee Meeting.

Thursday, Nov. 7, 6:30 p.m. Finance Committee Meeting.

Friday, Nov. 8. 7 a.m. - 10 a.m. 7th Annual Veteran's Day Breakfast Celebration hosted by Realtor Melissa Morgan at Maple Street Biscuit Company, [50 Canton Street](#), downtown Alpharetta. To-go orders and curbside pickup are also available. No RSVP's are needed. Just show up and enjoy the morning with fellow veterans. For more information, [click here](#) or check out one of the several posters displayed in the Post's Clubroom/Bar.

Melissa 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. He was a member of the U.S. Army Air Corp who 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.

Friday night, Nov. 8. Club 201 Annual Fall Showcase. This benefit dance event gives students and their instructors in the area an opportunity to show off their skills for all to see. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. The showcase starts at 7:30 p.m. Following the approximately one hour showcase the dance floor will be open for social dancing for the remainder of the evening. Admission for the evening is \$12 per person cash or credit card. Funds raised benefit Post 201.

Saturday, Nov. 9, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. 8th Annual Cruz-In. In addition to the cars themselves, there will be a couple of bouncy houses on the property for children to play in. Another event has been added to this year's Cruz-In activities - - - the "1st Annual Stars and Stripes - American Legion Baseball Game." The Aviator Nation (Stars) will square off against the Georgia Jackets (Stripes) to play a full 9-inning ballgame starting at 11:30 a.m. on the Post's field. Food will also be available for sale. [Click here](#) for more information.

Sunday, Nov. 10. United States Marine Corps Birthday. The Marine Corps was established on November 10, 1775, to augment naval forces in the Revolutionary War. The recruiting headquarters was set up by Capt. Samuel Nicholas in the Tun Tavern on Water Street in Philadelphia, *which is considered to be the birthplace of the Marines.*

The \$1 off special on all domestic beer sold at the Post's Clubroom/Bar on Nov. 10 is absolutely in keeping with the founding location of the Marine Corps. The beer special is available to all veterans of any service (as well as any active duty members who might pass through), whether they are members of Post 201 or not. So take advantage of the domestic beer special, and wish your Marine buddies "Happy Birthday."

Sunday, Nov. 10, 2 p.m. Bingo sponsored by Auxiliary Unit 201. \$1,000 Jackpot.

Monday, Nov. 11. Veterans Day. Clubroom/Bar Opens at 1 p.m. At 5 p.m. Georgia Public Television will air the documentary “Truths and Myths About the Vietnam War”. The film, with introduction by actor Sam Elliott, features several prominent historians. Produced by the Atlanta Vietnam Veterans Business Association Foundation, many veterans consider this film to be the best documentary ever made about the war. The film can also be viewed online by [clicking here](#).

Tuesday, Nov. 12, 6 p.m. Executive Committee Meeting.

Tuesday, Nov. 19, 7 p.m. General Membership Meeting. Dinner served at 6 p.m.

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CLUB 201 DANCE - LEARN MORE

VETERANS RESOURCES

Visit the [Resource Page](#) at Post 201's website, www.legion201.org for a significant amount of information concerning various resources available for veterans. You'll find a Survivor Assistance Checklist, Benefits for Georgia Veterans, Burial at Sea Information, Veteran's License Plates Information, Emergency Housing Information Guide and many other resources.

Past Issues of the Post's E-newsletter - [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

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