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### **Alpharetta Rotary Club To Provide Meal Service For Tuesday's General Membership Meeting**

Members of the Post can look forward to a special treat at next Tuesday's General Membership Meeting. The Alpharetta Rotary Club will be preparing the evening meal served prior to the meeting.

In addition to the meal prep, there will also be a social meet-and-greet in the Clubroom starting at 5 p.m. so members of Post can meet members of the Rotary Club. The Rotarians are also preparing appetizers which will be available during the social hour.

Before the Post's phone line is overwhelmed with calls wanting to know what will be on the dinner menu, here's the advance information provided to the Post by Rotarian Donna Murphy: four separate appetizers, pulled pork and chicken for the main course, four side dishes as yet to be named, salad, and four dessert choices (two chocolate and two non-chocolate).

There are no "burning matters" on Tuesday night's meeting agenda, however members can expect to be updated on plans for Labor Day at the Post, Monday, Sept. 1 and take action on the routine business matters that normally come before the membership.

#### ***Labor Day Plans at Post***

Based on discussions at Tuesday night's executive committee meeting the general outline for Labor Day at the Post this year assumes the following:

- The Post's Cubroom/Bar will open at 1 p.m. rather than the normal 3 p.m. opening time for Mondays.
- Activities will be focused on members of the Post 201 Family and guests whom they might want to invite to accompany them to the Post. Unlike some prior years, the Post will not hold a general "Open House" for members of the local community.
- Post Commander Bob Byrd plans to purchase a '100-pound whole hog' which will be bar-b-cued at the Post and served southern style. For those not in the know, that's a pig pickin' (also known as rolling a pig, pig pull, hog roast, pig roast or, among the Cajun set, "cochon de lait").
- Bob has also announced he'll prepare the accompanying coleslaw "the Eastern North Carolina way." [Check out this recipe](#) if you've never heard of Eastern North Carolina coleslaw. And "yes" it is different than Western North Carolina coleslaw.
- There will be no charge for the Labor Day meal. However, if members of the Post Family would like to bring side dishes to enhance the offerings you're more than welcome to do so.
- Food service is expected to start in the 3 p.m. time frame.
- Last, but certainly not least, members of the Post Family will be able to pay their 2026 membership dues during a 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. (more or less) window of time. And guests interested in joining the Post 201 Family may also pick up and complete the appropriate application forms.

Now, there is **ONE BIG CATCH** to the Post's Labor Day plans. **Volunteers are needed to help make the day happen.**

Specifically volunteers are needed to help with pig smoking as well as all the other assorted details which include cooking and kitchen support, labor to put up and take down tables at the beginning end of the day, and of course the absolutely necessary 'clean up' crew (those who are willing to continue working when everybody else starts disappearing!).

Get in touch with Bob and let him know how you want to help. His phone number is 404-918-8508, email is [bobbyrd947@gmail.com](mailto:bobbyrd947@gmail.com).

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## ~ News Notes ~

**New Catholic Veterans Post** - - A new Catholic War Veterans Post and Auxiliary in the Atlanta area has recently been established according to Jerry Tiarsmith, the post commander. The Fr. Joseph M. Peek Post 1984 and Auxiliary meets on the third Tuesday of each month at Mary Our Queen Catholic Church (St. Joseph Hall), 6260 The Corners Parkway, Peachtree Corners, 30092.

Their Facebook page is "Catholic War Veterans of Atlanta". The website is [www.cwvatl.org](http://www.cwvatl.org). Membership is open to any Catholic veteran who is honorably discharged with 90+ days of active duty as well as Active/Guard/Reserve personnel. Combat service is not a requirement. The Auxiliary is open to Catholic family members within two degrees of separation from a qualifying veteran, living or deceased. This includes grandparents, parents, aunts, uncles, children, siblings, nieces, nephews, and adult grandchildren.

For more information contact Jerry Tiarsmith at [info@cwvatl.org](mailto:info@cwvatl.org) or phone 404 -217-3521

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**Kabul 13 Ceremony** - - The Johns Creek Veterans Association and the St Brigid Knights of Columbus will hold a ceremony marking the 4th Anniversary of the death of 13 military personnel at the Gates of Kabul on Saturday, Aug. 23 at 9 a.m. It will take place at the Afghan War Plaza in Veterans Memorial Walk, Newtown Park, 3125 Old Alabama Rd, Johns Creek. [Click here](#) for more information.

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**Post 201 Parking Policy** - - The Post's Parking Policy took effect on Aug. 1. A copy of the policy should be posted on the Clubroom/Bar bulletin board. The policy defines the rules and restrictions for all parking areas, both marked and unmarked and outlines procedures under which vehicles left on the property for extended periods could be towed at the owners expense. Recently the Post has needed to address issues of unidentified vehicles being left on Post property for an extended period.

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**More on Tennessee Post Closure** - - In the July 24 edition of this e-newsletter, we reported on the operating suspension of American Legion Post 95 in East Ridge, Tenn. for a minimum of six months. [Click here](#) to read that story in that issue of the e-newsletter.

Earlier this week, a member of Post 95 wrote an article titled "In Defense of American Legion Post 95" which was published on the opinion page of the Monday, Aug. 11 edition of *Chattanooga.com*. For those interested in following the story, here's a [link to the response](#).

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**Shuffle Board Tournament** - - Another Shuffle Board Tournament has been scheduled in the Post's Clubroom on Sunday, Sept. 7 between 2 p.m. and 5 p.m. A signup sheet is available in the Clubroom. The entry fee is \$10. See Patti Fredlund for details.

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**BINGO Attendance Record Set** - - The Auxiliary's Sunday, Aug. 10 BINGO competition set a new attendance record with 121 players. Can that record be bested on Sunday, Aug. 24? Who knows. But you can be sure somebody from the Auxiliary will be counting heads!

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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!*

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

**VIEW FEATURED**

## POST EVENTS

**Tuesday, Aug. 19, 7 p.m. General Membership Meeting.** Complimentary dinner served starting in the 6 p.m. time frame. Social hour begins at 5 p.m.

**Saturday, Aug. 23, 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. SAL Spaghetti Dinner.** The SAL will be preparing and selling Spaghetti Dinner Boxes (at \$15 per box). The meal includes spaghetti, meat sauce, meatballs, salad, and garlic bread. No word from the SAL yet on whether a signup sheet will be posted in advance, or if they're just going to be ready to dish-it-out to all who show up and order it that evening.

**Sunday, Aug. 24, 2 p.m. BINGO in the Ballroom.**

**Friday, Aug. 29, 7:30 p.m. to 11:30 p.m. Club 201 Dance Retro Night.** [Click here](#) for more details.

**Monday, Sept. 1, Labor Day.** Post opens at 1 p.m. for Post 201 Family-focused activities.

**Wednesday, Oct. 15. 8th Annual Rick Gimpel Memorial Golf Tournament,** at the Golf Club at Bradshaw Farm, 3030 Bradshaw Drive, Woodstock. A flyer is posted in the Clubroom with more information. [Click here](#) to see the online version.

**Saturday, Nov. 8, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. 9th Annual Cruz-In.** [Click here to see](#) some of the cars on display last year. [Click here to read](#) about last year's event in the *Alpharetta-Roswell Herald*.

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## CLUB 201 DANCE - LEARN MORE

## VETERANS RESOURCES

Visit the [Resource Page](#) at Post 201's website, [www.legion201.org](http://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](#).

### Veterans Crisis Line

Call 988 and Press 1 or Text 838255

Visit [www.veteranscrisisline.net](http://www.veteranscrisisline.net)

VA Telephone Hotline - 1-877-222-8387

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