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Post General Membership Meeting, 7 p.m. Tuesday

The November General Membership meeting scheduled for 7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 17 will be last one for Calendar Year 2026, assuming the Post's tradition of not having a December membership meeting continues again this year,

And for those who always ask, the Post's "cooking team" has announced the menu for the November meeting will be ham, sweet potatoes, corn casserole, salad, and peach cobbler with ice cream. Complimentary buffet dinner service will start in the 6 p.m. time frame with the General Membership meeting starting at 7 p.m.

For the Post to officially carry forward the "no meeting in December" tradition, a member of the Post will need to make a motion to cancel the December 2026 meeting, which this year would take place on Tuesday, Dec. 15.

Upon making the motion *Robert's Rules of Order* - - which is celebrating its 150th anniversary this year - - will take over and guide the decision making process. Known as America's definitive guide to parliamentary procedure it was first published in 1876 by U.S. Army engineer Henry Martyn Robert.

The manual was born from an embarrassing experience in 1863. When asked to preside over a chaotic New Bedford meeting, Robert found himself completely unprepared to manage the unruly crowd. Recognizing that organizations suffered from conflicting local customs, he saw the need for a universal standard to keep assemblies fair and efficient.

Robert adapted the U.S. House of Representatives' parliamentary rules into a simplified format for everyday civic groups. After publishers rejected the idea, he self-published the original *Pocket Manual of Rules of Order for Deliberative Assemblies*. Today, his descendants maintain the guide

through the Robert's Rules of Order Association. Now in its 12th edition, the text has evolved to meet modern needs, featuring formal rules for electronic voting and virtual conventions.

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WABE Investigative Series Examines Women Vet Issues

Georgia has one of the largest and most diverse populations of women military veterans nationwide. It is only expected to grow. Public media outlet WABE has released an investigative feature series titled *Invisible Scars*, which examines the post-service experiences of Georgia's growing population of women military veterans.

The multi-part series combines data-driven reporting with personal interviews to highlight systemic issues affecting women after their military service. Key topics covered in the reporting include gaps in specialized healthcare, maternal health risks, post-traumatic stress disorder, and military sexual trauma.

In addition to documenting these challenges, the series reports on local resources and community-led support networks across the metro area. Featured initiatives include specialized programming within the Atlanta VA Health Care System and peer-support groups such as the Atlanta "Aunties."

Click here to learn more about the series.

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Ribbon Cutting for Crisis Care Center at Post 201 Set for 9 a.m. Tomorrow

The official opening and ribbon cutting ceremony for the Alpharetta area's Crisis Care Center facility located at Post 201 is scheduled for 9 a.m. tomorrow, immediately after the Rotary Club of Alpharetta regular Friday meeting in the Post Ballroom.

The Crisis Care Center is a 24/7 accessible supply station which provides first responders access to "stop gap" supplies to extend care to residents in immediate need, including homebound seniors, those who've lost homes to fire or natural disaster, homeless neighbors, individuals and families escaping domestic violence, and other issues.

Community Care partners involved with the project include the Alpharetta Fire and Safety and My Watch, North Fulton Community Charities, Innovation Academy-Roteract Club, the Rotary Foundation of Alpharetta, and American Legion Post 201.

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Vet Benefit, Resource Expo At Gwinnett Tech Tomorrow

Local veterans and their families are invited to connect directly with benefits specialists and community support organizations during a free Veteran Benefits & Resource Expo tomorrow (Friday, Nov. 13).

Hosted by The Warrior Alliance, in partnership with the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs and the Georgia Department of Veterans Service, the event will run from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. in Building G at Gwinnett Technical College, 5150 Sugarloaf Parkway.

Attendees will have the opportunity to meet one-on-one with accredited claims representatives to file new PACT Act or disability compensation claims and check the status of existing filings. Representatives from multiple VA departments including the Staff Sergeant Parker Gordon Fox Suicide Prevention Grant Program and the Suicide Prevention Grant Program will also be on-site to share vital resources.

Free food will be provided to guests. Organizers encourage veterans to bring a government-issued ID, their DD-214, and any pertinent medical records. Admission is free, and advance registration is available online through The Warrior Alliance.

Click here for more information and to register online.

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Free DAV Veterans Information Seminar Set in Lawrenceville, Wednesday, Nov. 18

Local veterans, military families, and caregivers will have an opportunity to receive free assistance with Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) claims and learn about vital support programs during an upcoming Disabled American Veterans (DAV) Veterans Information Seminar next Wednesday, Nov. 18, 2026.

Hosted by DAV Chapter 90 Gwinnett Georgia, the outreach event will take place at Rhodes Jordan Park, accessible via the park entrance at 100 East Crogan Street in Lawrenceville. The day will be divided into two sessions designed to educate attendees and provide hands-on support:

Benefits Seminar (8 a.m. – 10 a.m.): Certified DAV National Service Officers and veteran benefits advocates will lead informational sessions covering VA benefits, the DAV employment program, and DAV Caregivers Support resources.

Claims Assistance (10 a.m. – 4 p.m.): Advocates will be on-site to offer one-on-one counseling and direct assistance with filing or reviewing VA disability claims.

All services offered during the event are completely free, and attendees do not need to be DAV members to participate. Those planning to take advantage of the afternoon claims assistance are encouraged to bring relevant documentation to help advocates process or review their files more efficiently. Recommended items include discharge papers (such as a DD Form 214), service or private medical records, prior VA rating decisions or correspondence, and dependency documents like marriage or birth certificates.

For additional details or specific questions ahead of the seminar, community members can contact DAV Chapter 90 Gwinnett directly at (678) 677-1312 or via email at ga90dav@gmail.com. Inquiries may also be directed to the DAV National Service Office contact, Albert Hughes, at (404) 929-5956 or dav.vbaatg@va.gov.

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College Football Hall of Fame - - Active-duty military members and veterans can enjoy free admission for themselves and up to three guests to the Chick-fil-A College Football Hall of Fame,250 Marietta St NW, downtown Atlanta, from now until Sunday, Nov. 15. **Click here for details.**

Law Firm Survey of Vets - - CCK Law, a national veterans disability law firm with VA-accredited attorneys and advocates, is conducting original survey research to better understand veterans' experiences with VA disability benefits. Building on the firm's commitment to providing accessible educational articles, videos, and research, they intend to publish a report highlighting key findings, trends, and challenges identified through veterans' firsthand perspectives.

The firm is seeking input from all veterans, regardless of whether they have applied for or received VA disability benefits. Hearing from veterans across different backgrounds, geographic regions, and periods of service will help CCK Law better understand the range of experiences within the veteran community.

The survey is anonymous, takes approximately 5–8 minutes to complete, and closes Nov. 16, 2026. No personally identifiable information is collected. **Click here to open and complete the survey**.

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Upcoming Post 201, Other Veteran Related Activities

Monday Madness in the Clubroom
Every Monday - - 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.
1st Drink - $1 Off the Regular Price for any Brand

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

VIEW FEATURED POST EVENTS

Tuesday, Nov. 17, 5:30 p.m. House and Grounds Committee Meeting.

Tuesday, Nov. 17, 7 p.m. General Membership Meeting. Complimentary buffeet dinner served prior to the meeting starting in the 6 p.m. time frame.

Sunday, Nov. 22, 2 p.m. BINGO in the Ballroom. $1,000 Jackpot.

Monday, Nov, 23, 7 p.m. VFW Post 12002 Month-End Meeting. The VFW's month-end meeting at Post 201 is scheduled for 7 p.m. on the 4th Monday of every month. The mid-month meeting is scheduled for 11:30 a.m. on the 2nd Wednesday of every month at Brimstone Restaurant & Tavern, 10595 Old Alabama Connector Road, Alpharetta.

Thursday, Nov. 26, Thanksgiving Day. Post is Closed.

Tuesday, Dec. 1, 6:30 p.m. SAL General Membership Meeting.

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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.

Veterans Crisis Line
Call 988 and Press 1 or Text 838255
Visit www.veteranscrisisline.net
VA Telephone Hotline - 1-877-222-8387

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

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It's the price you paid to be eligible."

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