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## Post 201 Membership to Vote on FY 22-23 Budget at Next Tuesday's 7 p.m. Meeting

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### Post FY 22-23 Budget on Agenda For Membership Vote at Upcoming General Meeting, 7 p.m., Sept. 20

Post 201's Fiscal Year 2022-2023 proposed budget is the major item on next Tuesday night's general membership meeting which is scheduled to start at 7 p.m. The Post's annual fiscal year is July 1, 2022 - June 30, 2023. Currently the Post is operating under last year's approved budget pending approval of the proposed budget. To review the proposed budget, [click here](#).

Although the meeting agenda was not available at publication deadline, membership can expect to hear updates on the Post's planned 75th Anniversary "Black Tie" Gala scheduled for Saturday night, Nov. 12.

At this past Tuesday night's executive committee meeting, House Committee Chair Jeff Rahn said planning was well underway for the Gala. Tickets for the evening are \$50 per person for open seating. The only reserved seating would be for those who purchase a table. However, the number of seats at a table has not yet been established.

Rahn also noted that tickets will be available for purchase at the Clubroom/Bar starting tomorrow (Friday, Sept. 16) and would be available for online purchase within the next week. In addition he said the Post would be closed for business on Saturday, Nov. 12, to facilitate setting up for the evening's event.

The executive committee also approved a donation of \$1,500 to the Muscular Dystrophy Association based on net income raised from the Laughter at the Legion comedy show ticket sales and the associated silent auction.

In other activity, Adjutant Tom Billings reports that at Sept. 13 the Post has achieved 50 per cent of its 2003 membership renewal goal with 350 members renewed of a 700 goal. This

puts the Post in 9th place among the 21 Posts in the District. Only two Posts in the District have equal or larger goals. They are Sugar Hill with a goal of 700 (currently in 10th place with 348 renewals) and Duluth with a goal of 850 (currently in 13th place with 330 renewals).

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## **Tomorrow is POW/MIA Day; 82,500 Still Unaccounted For**

This Friday, Sept. 16, is National POW/MIA Recognition Day. It is held each year on the third Friday of September. According to the Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency, 82,500 service members are unaccounted for from the period of World War II to the present day.

The American Legion remains committed to achieving a full accounting of all U.S. service members from all war eras who are either imprisoned or listed as missing in action. For more information visit the American Legion POW/MIA site by [clicking here](#). To read an excellent story titled, "4 Things to Know About POW/MIA Recognition Day," published by Military.com [click here](#).

Legion family members are encouraged to share how they observe POW/MIA Recognition Day by posting stories on the popular Legiontown website, [www.legiontown.org](http://www.legiontown.org).

In 2021, members of Post 110 of Virginia Beach, Va., observed POW/MIA Recognition Day by laying a memorial wreath at the POW/MIA Flame of Hope Memorial near Naval Air Station Oceana; meanwhile, the Florida American Legion Riders held their first POW/MIA Remembrance Ride the next day. Around 160 motorcycles and more than 200 participants took part in the ride.

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## **Virtual Town Hall on 'Burn Pit' Veterans Benefits Set for Today**

Post member Tina Johnson has learned of a veterans Virtual Town Hall conducted by the VA to discuss PACT Act of 2022, that is scheduled today between 10 a.m. and 11:30 a.m.

The PACT Act is the historic new law which expands VA health care and benefits for Veterans exposed to burn pits and other toxic substances. Discussion during the town hall will include an overview of the PACT Act, how it will help the VA serve Veterans, the new and expanded health care and benefits options outlined in the law, and an opportunity to answer questions veterans may have.

To participate using Microsoft Teams go to <https://bit.ly/3B3Jtm8>; or for more information visit [www.va.gov/PACT](http://www.va.gov/PACT). Tina can be contacted at [tjohnson534@gmail.com](mailto:tjohnson534@gmail.com) for additional information.

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## **~ ~ Military- Veterans Related News ~ ~ (Not likely to be published locally in other media.)**

### **American Legion Launches 'Be the One' Vet Suicide Prevention Program**

In the last 20 years, more than 120,000 veterans have died by suicide. However, The American Legion is focusing on a single number — one. A new campaign, called "Be the

One,” aims to change the conversation, reduce the stigma of asking for help with mental health and empower everyone to help save the life of one veteran. [Click here](#) to learn more about the Be the One campaign. Also, the September issue of The American Legion Magazine highlights the campaign.

**Can't Go Home, Can't Enter the U.S. - - Thousands of Afghans Remain Stuck in Between** [Click here to read.](#)

**B-21 Raider: The Air Force's New Stealth Bomber Russia and China Fear**  
[Click here to read.](#)

**American Legion, VFW Posts Work to Keep Doors Open, Connect With New Generation of Veterans** [Click here to read.](#)

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## Upcoming Post 201 & Other Veterans Related Activities

**Thursday, Sept. 15, 12 noon. Georgia Mountain Chapter, MOAA.** Golden Corral, [2025 Market Place Blvd., Cumming](#). No host lunch starts at 11:30 a.m.

**Thursday, Sept 15, 7 p.m., Order of the Purple Heart.** Meets 3rd Thursday of every month.

**Friday, Sept. 16, 7 p.m. to 10 p.m., Bourbon & Cigar Night.** Tickets are \$50 per person and can be purchased at the Clubroom/Bar. To see a flyer visit the events page at the Post's website, [www.legion201.org](http://www.legion201.org). Only 50 tickets will be sold.

**Saturday, Sept. 17, 7:30 p.m. Karaoke in the Clubroom.**

**Sunday, Sept. 18, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Concealed Carry/Home Defense Course.**  
[Click here to register](#) for the course or contact Jeff Rahn at [jrahn@sheepdogia.org](mailto:jrahn@sheepdogia.org), for more information. This course, which is open to the public, is free for members of the Post. Others attending will be charged \$100, which is still well below market rate in the area.

The course covers: Legal Use of Force; Developing a Protection Plan; Self-Defense Firearm Basics; Defensive Shooting Fundamentals; Deadly Encounters and the Aftermath; Gear and Gadgets; Basic and Advanced Skills; Range Safety; SIRT Pistol Drills; and, Obtaining a Georgia Weapons License.

Participants should not plan on bringing a weapon with them. According to the Post's Code of Conduct, "Absolutely no firearms or weapons of any kind will be allowed in Post 201 buildings and structures, to include the deck adjacent to the Club Room, at any time."

**Sunday, Sept. 18, 2 p.m. 8-Ball Pool Tournament.**

**Tuesday, Sept. 20, 7 p.m. General Membership Meeting.** Membership approval of the proposed FY 2022-2023 Post budget will be on the agenda. [Click here to review.](#)

**Thursday, Sept. 22, 6 p.m. Johns Creek Veterans Association Meeting,** Park Place at Newtown Park, Johns Creek.

**Saturday, Sept. 24, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Boy Scout Troop 51 Paint Recycling Fundraiser.** Post 201 parking lot.

**Monday, Sept. 26, 7 p.m., VFW Post 12002.** Meets 4th Monday of every month. For more information contact Ron Cowan, 404-509-1700, [roncowan@bellsouth.net](mailto:roncowan@bellsouth.net) or Jim Davis, 770-235-4858, [jim.davis@comcast.net](mailto:jim.davis@comcast.net).

**Wednesday, Oct. 12. 5th Annual Rick Gimpel Memorial Golf Tournament.** The Golf Club at Bradshaw Farm, 3030 Bradshaw Dr., Woodstock. 8 a.m., registration. 9:30 a.m., shot gun start. \$150 per player. Contact Kevin Solik, 404-483-3202 or Derek Garmon, 770-294-4259 for more information, or [click here to download](#) either of two flyers, one for player registration, one for corporate sponsors.

**Thursday, Nov. 10, 7 p.m. Roswell High School Wind Ensemble** concert to honor veterans. Roswell High School Auditorium. A reception will follow the concert.

## SAVE THE DATE

### Post 201's 75th Anniversary "Black Tie" Gala Saturday Evening, Nov. 12, 2022

*Tickets are \$50 per person and may be purchased at the Clubroom/ Bar starting Friday, Sept. 16. Only reserved seating available will be with the purchase of a complete table. Gun raffle winners of the Glock G19 and the VR80 shotgun will be drawn during this event.*

**Sunday, Nov. 13, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Cruz-In Car Show.**

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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 201Walk of Memories** - [Click here](#) for more information.

**Past Issues of Post 201 E-Newsletter** - Visit [www.legion201.org](http://www.legion201.org) and click on the "Weekly eNewsletters" box at the top right of the landing page.

**Post 201 Website** - [www.legion201.org](http://www.legion201.org).

**VA Telephone Hotline** - 877-222-8387

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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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