



# Alpharetta Post 201

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## **FY 23-24 Proposed Budget; New, Departing Commanders Comments to Highlight 7 p.m. Tuesday Post General Membership Meeting**

This coming Tuesday's General Membership meeting will be the first time members of the Post will get a full look at the proposed FY 23-24 budget. Dinner will be served at 6 p.m. or so prior to the meeting's 7 p.m. start time.

A special Executive Committee meeting has been scheduled for 4 p.m. Monday (June 19) at which time the budget will get a detailed review before it goes to the membership the next evening. Given this schedule, members can expect to vote on the proposed budget at the Post's July 18 General Membership meeting.

Although no formal agenda for the meeting was developed by publication deadline, the next year's budget along with comments by departing Post Commander Fred Mahony and new Commander Tom Billings appear to be the major agenda items this month.

### *Committee Chairs Announced*

At the Executive Committee meeting Billings also announced his committee chairs for the year. They are: House – Ralph Fike; Baseball – Alan Dudley; Entertainment (which includes hall rentals) – Dave Kirchner; Bar/Canteen Manager – Bob Moye; Sargent-at-Arms – John Dowd; Post Service Officer – Tina Johnson; Chaplain – Danny Philpot; Oratorical Contest – David Cunnold; and Post liaison with SAL – Paul Sheridan.

Boys State and Scholarship committee chairs have not been filled. Anyone interested in volunteering should contact Billings. Also, Harry Hollingsworth will continue to chair the Finance Committee until a replacement is named.

A second special executive committee meeting was also approved at Tuesday's meeting. Scheduled for 6:30 p.m. Thursday, June 22, that meeting will discuss Tom Richardson's in depth review of expenditures-to-date associated with the \$22,571.14 Home Depot Grant the Post was awarded late last year. At present, \$5,446.87 of the grant remains to be spent.

### *Other Meeting Highlights*

- The Executive Committee voted unanimously to change the start time of future meetings from 7 p.m. to 6 p.m. on the second Tuesday of the month.
- SAL membership now stands at 252.
- All engineering drawings needed to start replacement work on the stove hood in the kitchen were scheduled to be delivered to the City of Alpharetta Code Enforcement Department yesterday. Their approval is needed before work can commence.
- Baseball concession stand gross income to date is approaching \$5,000. This will enable the concession operation to reimburse the Post treasury for the funds advanced to make improvements that were needed at the facility in order to open and sell food and beverages.
- Discussion of a planned Saturday, Sept. 30 *Laughter at the Legion* comedy show was tabled to be carried forward to the next regular meeting.

Also:

- U.S. Army Recruiters will be meeting at the Post tomorrow between 8 a.m. and 2 p.m.
- The planned June 22 Harley-Davidson event at the Post has been cancelled.
- The vacant one-year executive committee member position discussion was tabled for a future meeting. Anyone interested in being considered to fill the position should get in touch with the Post Commander.
- Upcoming events which are in the early planning stages include July 4<sup>th</sup>, Old Soldiers Day on Saturday, Aug. 5, Veterans Day on Saturday, Nov. 11; and the annual Cruz-In Car Show currently planned for Sunday, Nov. 12.
- Volunteers are need to help park cars on July 4. Contact Fred Mahony if you can help.
- A District Revitalization meeting at the Post is scheduled for Friday and Saturday, July 21 and 22.

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

**New Online VA Travel Reimbursement Program Is Failing Veterans, IG Finds**  
[Click here to read.](#)

**VA Claims Backlog Expected to Grow to 400K, Largely Due to the PACT Act**  
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**Arlington National Cemetery Horse-Drawn Funeral Operations Suspended**  
[Click here to read.](#)

**Marine Corps in 'Civil War' with Group of Senior Retired Officers**  
[Click here to read.](#)

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## **Upcoming Post 201 & Other Veterans Related Activities**

**Click here to see the most current baseball schedule for the Post's field..**

Volunteers are needed to work at the concession stand. A signup sheet is posted on Clubroom bulletin board, or contact a member of the Baseball Committee.

**Thursday, June 15, 6:30 p.m. Finance Committee Meeting.** Rescheduled from a cancelled June 8 meeting.

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

**Friday, June 16, 8 a.m. - 2 p.m. U.S. Army Recruiters Meeting at Post.**

**Saturday, June 17, 10 a.m. Alpharetta Lions Club** Cornhole Benefit Tournament will be played at the Post. [Click here](#) for more information.

**Saturday, June 17. Atlanta World War II Round Table.** Social hour - 10:30 a.m.; Lunch - 11:30 a.m. Dunwoody United Methodist Church. 1548 Mount Vernon Road, Dunwoody. \$20 per person. WW II Vets are free. Cash or check accepted at the door. Guest speaker: [Brigadier General Mark D. Gelhardt, Sr.](#), "Military Support to The White House - a behind the scenes look." For more information contact Bill LeCount at 404-886-7383, or email [atlantaww2roundtable@gmail.com](mailto:atlantaww2roundtable@gmail.com).

**Monday, June 19, 4 p.m. Special Executive Committee Meeting** to review the proposed FY 23-24 Budget for the Post.

**Tuesday, June 20. 7 p.m. General Membership Meeting.** Dinner served starting in the 6 p.m. time frame.

**Thursday, June 22, 6:30 p.m. Special Executive Committee Meeting** to review Home Depot Grant expenditures to date.

**Monday, June 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).

**Saturday, July 1, 8 a.m. First Saturday Informal Pot Luck Breakfast** for members. Cooking generally starts around 7:30 a.m. - 8 a.m. Meal served in 9 a.m. time frame. Be sure to bring something to share. First responders who attend are exempt from the 'bring something to share' expectation. For more info contact John Dowd, 770-366-1284, or email [jedowd3@gmail.com](mailto:jedowd3@gmail.com).

**Tuesday, July 4. Independence Day.** Activities at Post TBD.

**Wednesday, July 5, 6:30 p.m. House Committee Meeting.** Rescheduled because first Tuesday of the month is July 4th.

**Tuesday, July 11, 6 p.m. Executive Committee.**

**Tuesday, July 18, 7 p.m. General Membership Meeting.** Installation of Officers.

**Friday, July 28, 7 p.m. - 10 p.m. Scotch and Cigar Night.** *SAVE THE DATE* and plan to attend. Tickets, which may be purchased at the Clubroom/Bar, are \$40 per person until July 14. \$50 per ticket after that. [Click here](#) for more information.

**Thursday, Sept. 28 - Sunday, Oct. 1.** Georgia Military Officers Association of America State Conference. University of North Georgia, Dahlonega. [www.gmcmoaa.org](http://www.gmcmoaa.org)

**Wednesday, Oct. 11. SAL's 6th Annual Rick Gimpel Memorial Golf Tournament** at The Golf Club at Bradshaw Farm in Woodstock. [Click here](#) for more information on corporate sponsorship. Or contact either Derek Garmon 770-294-4259 or Kevin Solik, 404-483-3230 for more information.

**Sunday, Nov. 12, 11 a.m. - 3 p.m. Annual Cruz-In.** Planning Lead: Tommy Youngblood.  
Email - [youngbloodtom@att.net](mailto:youngbloodtom@att.net). Mobile: 678-462-9023. Leave message if no answer.

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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.

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

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

**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** - 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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