

**PARADE VOLUNTEERS, THANK YOU!**

**AS OF MAY 12<sup>th</sup>: VOLUNTEER COUNT IS 260 OF 260**

**(So no more volunteers are needed)**

Attention Preregistered Parade Volunteers,

**Arrive in the staging area by no later than 0900**, and then go to the FHOG tables located under the Hebron Baptist Church 'Worship Center' sign. At the tables volunteers will receive one ticket per volunteer that will be exchanged for one sign per ticket. Volunteers will receive the same number of tickets as was requested by the volunteer when registering to carry a sign, and a list of volunteers is at the bottom of this message. Tickets are given out early so that we know enough volunteers are in attendance.

**At 0930**, volunteers will be given baby wipes to clean hands free of makeup and oils that can damage the signs. Tickets will be exchanged for signs following the hand cleaning. After receiving a sign, do not set the signs on the ground, drop or handle improperly.

**At 0945** volunteers will start being assigned already marked staging positions. Family members of the Fallen will lead the parade, and others will fill in behind. Four vehicles will be mixed in with the parade volunteers, so be aware of your surroundings. Working 260 volunteers into one staging area will require patience on everyone's part, so thank you in advance for your help in this matter.

**Very important,** spacing of rows while on the parade route will be much greater than in the staging area. The middle volunteer in every row will lead that individual row by making sure that row maintain proper spacing forward and back as well as side to side.

**At 0950** announcements and additional volunteer direction will be given. While in staging avoid placing your hands directly on the image on the front of the sign.

**At 1000** the parade begins, and by 1005-1015 our group will be exiting our staging location. As volunteers exit our staging area and before entering the roadway, direction will be given to each individual row to keep proper spacing between rows. While on the route, please maintain 5 paces between rows and 2 paces side to side between each individual row volunteer.

**Clothing:**

- Dress weather appropriate, closed toe shoes preferred (**no flip flops due to the noise they create while on the parade route** ). Fallen Heroes of Georgia 5K tees, military uniforms, Fallen Soldier tees, and patriotic shirts are all certainly welcome.

**Weather:**

- The parade will be held rain or shine. Our organization is only one of the participants in this parade, so in an event of a weather related concern our organization has no say as to the operations related to the parade.

**Parking:**

- Kroger parking area located across from Hebron Baptist Church: [CLICK HERE](#)
- Publix parking area located west of Hebron Baptist Church: [CLICK HERE](#)
- Overflow lot located east of Hebron Baptist Church: [CLICK HERE](#)

### Maps:

- Parade Map: [CLICK HERE](#)
- Church parking map: [CLICK HERE](#)
- 5K route map: [CLICK HERE](#) (This is done so that volunteers know which closed roadways to avoid while driving to the event).

- Parade Plan & Line Up Map: [CLICK HERE](#) (This map has most needed event information related to the staging prior to the start of the parade).

### Event Details:

- Location: In Dacula Georgia which is east of Lawrenceville.
- Date: Memorial Day- Monday, May 29th, 2017
- Time: Arrive at the staging by no later than 9:00am, parade starts at 10:00am, and finished by 11:00am or so.
- Parking: Parade volunteers will direct drivers to the overflow parking area of Hebron Baptist Church, or volunteers can park in any nearby lot.
- Staging: All parade participants will stage in the [Hebron Baptist Church](#) parking lot.
- Meeting Spot: Located to the right of the front covered entrance leading into Hebron Baptist Church worship center.

- Recommended Attire: Weather appropriate, dress like you are representing a fallen soldier.
- Age & Ability: The weather will be warm & humid, and the parade route is one mile long. So to avoid meltdowns no kids less than 12 years old, and ***no one of questionable health should participate***.
- Course Route: Begins at Hebron Baptist Church, goes toward downtown Dacula, and finishes near Dacula High School. ***There is a ¾ of a mile walk back to the church for parade participants following the parade.***
- [CLICK HERE](#): For the Parade's website.
- [CLICK HERE](#): For the Fallen Heroes of Georgia website.

Volunteers listed by first name, last initial, and a partial email address: [CLICK HERE](#)

Fallen Heroes of Georgia 5K

**Saturday, March 18, 2017 at 8:00am**

Join us at Lanier Islands in Buford as we honor and remember Georgia's Fallen Soldiers who have been lost while fighting in the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan. As always all race proceeds benefit charities created in memory of a Fallen Georgia Soldier.

[Click Here for a List of Registered Participants](#)

### **RACE RESULTS:**

o Live Results Link: [CLICK HERE](#)

o After Race Results: [CLICK HERE](#)

*RACE REGISTRATION AVAILABLE!*

- Jan 11th - March 1st: \$30.00
- March 2nd - March 15th at 6:00pm: \$ 35.00
- Race Day: \$40.00
- Tee shirts for race day registrants will be available while supplies last.
- Starting Time: 8:00am

IMPORTANT PRERACE INFORMATION:

1. Weather & Clothing
2. Directions
3. Arrival Time
4. Gate Fee

5. Carpool, Carpool, Carpool
6. Parking Areas
7. Prerace Bib & Tee Pick Up
8. Picking Up A Friend's Bib?
9. Race Day Bib / Tee Shirt Pick Up
10. Opening Ceremony
11. All Participants Must Register & Stroller Restrictions
12. Supporters & Family of Participants

1. WEATHER & CLOTHING:

- The race will be held rain or shine!
- Wear needed weather related, AND *BRIGHT AND OR REFLECTIVE* clothing while participating.

- Keep your children close and on an adult's right hand side for safety.

## 2. DIRECTIONS:

- The race will be held at [Lanier Islands](#) , located at 7000 Lanier Islands Parkway (formerly Holiday Road), Buford, GA 30518.
- I-85N to Exit 113 I-985N, to Exit 8 Lanier Islands Pkwy/Friendship Road, TURN LEFT, and Lanier Islands is 4.5 miles straight ahead. Once in the Resort, please follow the signs and the volunteer's instructions.

## 3. ARRIVAL TIME:

- We recommend that all registrants arrive at the Resort a minimum of 1 - 1 ¼ hours before the start of the race. This is due to the delays that **WILL** occur when entering the Resort, paying the \$5.00 parking fee at the gate with possible volume related delays, parking, race bib and shirt pick up, walking back and forth to your vehicle to drop off race tee, brief opening ceremony, and lastly to be in place for a timely start of the race.

## 4. GATE FEE:

- **There is NO LONGER a gate pass for free gate entry**, starting this year each vehicle entering the Resort on race day will pay the \$5.00 gate fee. Unless the vehicle has an annual Lanier Islands gate pass. Lanier Islands annual gate pass can be purchased any time prior to the race at the Island's gate for \$75.00.
- This policy change was posted starting on the first day (Jan 1st) of the 2017 registration process.
- To best keep the lanes at the gates moving on race day, please bring exact change for the gate fee of \$5.00.
- Carpool & Save!

#### 5. CARPOOL, CARPOOL, CARPOOL:

- There may be as many as 600 vehicles entering the Resort just for this race. So please consider carpooling to reduce a potential back up at the gate.

Possible meeting places to then carpool:

- [Cross Point Church](#) : (formerly New Bethany Baptist Church): Located about ½ mile from the entrance to the Resort.
- [Publix Shopping Center](#) : Located at I-985 and Lanier Islands Parkway, about 4 miles

away from the entrance to the Resort.

6. PARKING AREAS:

- Enter the resort, pass bridge over Lake Lanier, go left around the 'Clock Tower' roundabout, in .4 miles turn left on Camellia, and the parking areas will be down and on the right in the Grand Hall Pavilion Lot.
- Well placed signs will mark each turn.

7. PRERACE PACKET PICK UP:

- **DAY 1:** Thursday, March 16th from 11:00am- 4:00pm at [Hamilton Mill Christian Church](#) , 3809 Sardis Church Rd, Buford, GA 30518
- **DAY 2:** Friday, March 17th from 11:00am-4:00pm at [Big Peach Running Co.](#) , 320 Towne Center Avenue, Suwanee 30024 Ph. 678.869.5012
- **DAY 3:** Morning of the Race at Lanier Islands

8. PICKING UP A RACE PACK FOR A FRIEND AT PRERACE PACKET PICK UP:

- Participants are welcome to pick up bibs for other registered participants.
- Just please ask them to text a photo of their driver's license.
- Please have the photo pulled up and ready to view when requesting the race bib and race tee.
- DO NOT forget the race bibs on the day of the race.

9. RACE DAY BIB/ TEE SHIRT PICK UP:

- Bib and tee shirt pick up times: 6:30AM – 7:50AM
- Bib & tee pick up is in Upper Beach Lot which is located up the hill and across the street from the parking area.
- Signs will also direct participants to the location of the bib and tee shirt tent.

10. OPENING CEREMONY:

- Begins at 7:40am, so please arrive early to hear Pastor Bob Mahan's message from Hamilton Mill Christian Church. Then Pat Felt's perfect rendition of the National Anthem.
- If weather permits, we'll have something cool as Pat finishes our Anthem.
- Again, please arrive at the Resort early to allow for delays at the gate, parking, and race bib / tee pick up.

11. ALL PARTICIPANTS MUST REGISTER & STROLLER LIMITATIONS:

- All participants must register for the run, unless it is a child young enough to be pushed & remain in a stroller. **All kids who are walking or running must register!**
- All strollers must start in the rear of the 6th race corral, and then have only use a walking pace while on the race course. Any participant found to be running the course while pushing a stroller will be disqualified, and asked to stop participating in the race. This is for the safety of other participants, and for the safety of the child in the stroller. The roads are too narrow to weave around and run alongside other runners during the race.

12. SUPPORTERS & FAMILY OF PARTICIPANTS:

- Please stay within the marked areas around the start & finish area during the race.
- Only registered runners will be allowed on the race course.
- Enjoy your evening and THANK YOU all for your cooperation!

**3 WAYS TO REGISTER TODAY:**

1. On-Line at [RunSignUp.com](http://RunSignUp.com) : Thru March 12th
2. In-Store Registration [Big Peach Running Co.](http://BigPeachRunningCo.com) in Suwanee Only: Thru March 8th
3. Mail-In Form: Postmarked by March 8th, ( [LOCATED IN THE RIGHT MARGIN OF THE HOME PAGE](#) )

**FACEBOOK HELPS US GET THE WORD OUT:**

1. First go to our [Fallen Heroes of Georgia](#) site on Facebook, and
2. Then click on the 'Like' & 'Follow' tabs.
3. Then scroll down and click 'Upcoming Events', and then click on 'Share' to invite your friends and family on Facebook.

4. THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR HELP AND CONTINUED SUPPORT!

**SPONSORS NEEDED:**

- Please contact us at [fallenheroesofgeorgia@gmail.com](mailto:fallenheroesofgeorgia@gmail.com)

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### **RACE BENEFITS:**

- Fallen Heroes of Georgia, Inc.- Is a nonprofit that raises funds to support charities created in memory of a Fallen Georgia Soldier, and NO members of Run for the Fallen are paid for their time or efforts.
- [Benefiting Charities](#) : Evan Marshall Memorial Scholarship Fund, Matthew Freeman Project, Noah Harris Fund, Ashley Henderson Huff Memorial Scholarship, Whitlock Foundation, EOD1 Joseph A. McSween Scholarship Fund, LT Helton Memorial Foundation, Sgt Paul Saylor Bremen Scholarship Fund & the Mike Stokely Fund

### **DONATE -OR- BECOME A FUNDRAISER: :**

- Thank you for your Donation: [CLICK HERE](#)
- Become a Fundraiser: [CLICK HERE](#)

### **AWARDS:**

- Cash Prizes for Overall Winners:
- 1st Place M/F- \$150, 2nd Place M/F \$75, 3rd Place M/F \$50
- Awards to Overall M/F, Masters 40+ M/F & Grand Masters 50+ M/F.
- Awards to the TOP 3 M/F in each age group category: 9 and under, 10-14, 15-19, 20-24, 25-29, 30-34, 35-39, 40-44, 45-49, 50-54, 55-59, 60-64, 65-69, 70+.
- Fallen Heroes of Georgia challenge coins to the Top 10% of race finishers.

### **RACE COURSE MAP:**

