

Alpharetta Post 201

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Nomination Process Starts For Next Year's Leadership

Nominations for five officer and one member of the executive committee for the 2023–2024 Post leadership are now open and will be consider "official" at the Tuesday, Apr. 18 General Membership meeting.

At the conclusion of that meeting, nominations will be closed. This will give those nominated approximately one month to solicit support and encourage their supporters to attend the Tuesday, May 16 General Membership meeting - - - at which time next year's leadership will be elected.

Adjutant Tom Billings has posted a nomination form on the bulletin board in the Clubroom for write-in nominations prior to the Apr. 16 meeting. Nominations may also be made at that meeting.

Open officer positions for one-year terms include: Commander, Senior Vice Commander, Junior Vice Commander, Finance Officer, and Judge Advocate. Also one Executive Committee member slot is open which is a three-year term.

Billings says the position of Commander, which according to the Post By-Laws is normally a two year term, will be a for a one-year term this year in order to complete the unexpired term of the current Commander.

Fred Mahony announced at last month's membership meeting that he will not serve the second year of his two-year commitment due to personal plans which will routinely take him out of the area on an ad hoc basis. He plans to officially step down with the installation of next year's leadership which is scheduled take place at the June General Membership meeting.

To be a candidate or to nominate a candidate, and to vote in the election you must be a Post 201 Legionnaire in good standing and paid up for Calendar Year 2023. Billings also said that nominees must provide a copy of their DD-214 to be certified as eligible by the Credentials Committee prior to the election.

At publication deadline yesterday there were two nominations for the Commander's slot. They were Jeff Rahn, nominated by Calvin Bennett; and Dave Kirchner, nominated by Jim Nessia.

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Children's Easter Egg Hunt Set for 11 a.m. Saturday; Bar Service Also Opens at 11 a.m.

This year's Auxiliary-sponsored Easter Egg Hunt for the "little ones" is scheduled to take place at 11 a.m. Saturday on the Post's Walk of Memories grounds - - - and this IS NOT an April Fools joke!

Saturday's "Hunt" is the first one to be schedule during the past several years. Plans this year call for scattering some 1,000 eggs on the grounds for children 10-years-old and younger to find.

And while the children will be busy hunting for eggs, adults might be interested in 'finding' some liquid refreshment in the Clubroom/Bar. Clubroom/Bar Manager Bob Byrd announced last week that service is scheduled to start at 11 a.m. Saturday.

For the egg hunt itself, children will be divided into five age groups: 0-2; 2-4; 4-6; 6-8; and 8-10. Auxiliary President Joanna Garmon says about 200 plastic eggs stuffed with candy and other non-edible trinkets, will be set aside for each age group.

Volunteers are needed to help stuff the eggs tomorrow at the Post at two separate times, 11 a.m. and 5 p.m.

The stuffed eggs will be scatted around the grounds starting in the 9:30 a.m. time frame Saturday morning - - - after Ed Lively stakes out five separate "age group" hunting zones throughout the Walk of Memories area.

To make it all happens, both Garmon and Ellen Youngblood are asking for additional "volunteer" hands and arms to stuff eggs on Friday, scatter or hide the eggs Saturday morning, and help watch the little one during the hunt itself.

Please let either Joanna or Ellen know if you can help. Their email address are: Joanna, Joanna.garmon@yahoo.com; and Ellen, <u>eftot57@gmail.com</u>.

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

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Wisconsin SAL Squadron Donates \$40K to Help State's Veterans Outreach <u>Click here to read.</u>

American Legion Testifying Three Times this Week on Capitol Hill <u>Click here to read.</u> Here's Schedule for Army Bases to Shed Confederate Names Click here to read.

Military Quietly Stops Buying Ospreys; Aircraft Faces Uncertain Future Click here to read.

Army Pulls Recruiting Ads After Jonathan Majors' Arrest Click here to read.

Upcoming Post 201 & Other Veterans Related Activities

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King's Ridge Baseball at Post 201. Season schedules for the Varsity and JV teams are published on the Post's web site, <u>www.legion201.org.</u> Click on the "Baseball" link.

Friday, Mar. 31, 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. "Variety of Legends" Tribute Show starring Conner Lorre. Funds raised benefit American Legion Pickens Post 149. Doors open at 5 p.m. Check him out <u>by clicking here</u>. Regular admission: \$20 donation. Seniors (65+) and Veterans: \$15 donation. Chattahoochee Technical College Auditorium, 100 Campus Drive, Jasper. <u>Click here</u> to purchase tickets online.

Saturday, Apr. 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.

Saturday, Apr. 1, 11 a.m. Easter Egg Hunt on the Post grounds for children 10-yearsold and younger. Contact Joanna Garmon, <u>joanna.garmon@yahoo.com</u> or Ellen Youngblood, <u>eftot57@gmail.com</u> for more information.

Sunday, Apr. 2, 2 p.m. Shuffleboard Tournament - Singles. Signup starts 1:45 p.m.

Tuesday, Apr. 4, 6:30 p.m. House Committee Meeting.

Tuesday, Apr. 11, 7 p.m. Executive Committee Meeting.

Thursday, Apr. 13, 6:30 p.m. Finance Committee Meeting.

Tuesday, Apr. 18, 7 p.m. General Membership Meeting.

Thursday, Apr. 20, 11:30 a.m. Georgia Mountain Chapter - Military Officers Association of America monthly lunch meeting. Golden Corral, 2025 Market Place Blvd., Cumming. Meets on the 3rd Thursday of every month.

Thursday, Apr. 20, 7 p.m. Order of the Purple Heart. Meets 3rd Thursday of every month.

Monday, Apr. 24, 7 p.m., VFW Post 12002. Meets 4th Monday of every month. For more information contact Ron Cowan, 404-509-1700, <u>roncowan@bellsouth.net</u> or Jim Davis, 770-235-4858, <u>jim.davis@comcast.net</u>.

Friday, Apr. 28, 7 p.m. Bourbon and Cigar Night. Taste a flight of three bourbons, smoke of fine 'stogie,' and sample some outstanding hors d'oeuvres - - - all in the interest of raising funds to benefit veterans. Tickets for the 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. event are \$50 each if purchased at the Clubroom/Bar prior Friday, Apr. 21. After that the price jumps to \$60 per person.

Saturday, April 29, American Legion Family Day. The American Legion National Executive Committee unanimously passed a resolution at its meeting on Oct. 12 & 13, 2022 in Indianapolis which establishes American Legion Family Day to be observed annually on the last Saturday of April. It encourages Posts to open their doors to members of their community for a day and celebrate the accomplishments of Legionnaires, Sons of The American Legion members, and the American Legion Auxiliary. <u>Click here for more information</u>. Discussions are underway between members of the Legion and the Auxiliary concerning plans for the Post.

Saturday, Jun. 3, 8 a.m. Ride for Vets - - a motorcycle ride to support veterans with PTSD. Sponsored by the Johns Creek Veterans Association. \$50 entry fee per motorcycle. <u>Click here for more information</u>.

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Club 201 Dance Activities

Visit both <u>www.club201dance.com</u> and the <u>Club 201 Dance FaceBook Page</u> for detailed information about all dance activities and schedules.

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Resource Links

Scholarship Applications - Forms for the Post's annual scholarship program are available for download <u>by clicking here</u>. This year the Post raised the value of each scholarship from \$1,000 to \$1,500 Plans call for presenting four scholarships to graduating seniors. Applications must be received by Saturday, Apr. 1. Contact Tom Billings, Post adjutant, for more information.

Post 201 Walk of Memories - Click here for more information.

Past Issues of Post 201 E-Newsletter - Visit <u>www.legion201.org</u> and click on the "Weekly eNewsletters" box at the top right of the landing page.

Post 201 Website - 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

Benefits for Georgia Veterans - Click this link.

"It's not the price you pay to be a member, It's the price you paid to be eligible."

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Post 201 - Serving Vets for 75 Years November 26, 1947 - November 26, 2022

