

### **Alpharetta Post 201**

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# Happy July 4th!

Fireworks, bar-b-cue, and being with family and friends. All are important parts of how we celebrate our nation's Independence Day. But we wonder, just how much do we really know about the Declaration of Independence - - - our nation's founding document?

Many may have read the entire document. Most of us can recall with some ease the names of the well known signers. Some of us may even know the names of the signers from the state where we were born, or grew up - - - thanks to the "History of the State" courses we took in junior high, middle school, or high school.

But how many know the story about the only woman whose name appears on the Declaration of Independence? Her name was Mary Katherine Goddard, one of the nation's first woman publishers.

Not only did she play a significant role during the American Revolution, but in January 1777, Congress asked her to print copies of the Declaration of Independence and deliver them to the 13 colonies. At the bottom of each page she printed, she added "Baltimore, in Maryland: Printed by Mary Katharine Goddard." Check it out. Her name is there.

To read more about Mary Katherine Goddard here are two links worth visiting. <u>Click here</u> for National Park Service story. <u>Click here</u> for the *Smithsonian Magazine* story.

Also while cogitating one evening about the founding of our nation, somehow the subject of food and the role it plays in how we celebrate Independence Day today arose. That prompted a question: Wonder what did our founding fathers eat and drink as they started the American Revolution? We found an answer. Click here. It's worth the read. - hdh

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#### Weekend Schedule at the Post

(The Post is open to the General Public)

#### Thursday, July 4

- Clubroom/Bar Opens at 12 noon
- Hamburgers/Hotdogs for Sale at Concession stand starting at 4 p.m.
- Bounce House for Children
- Atlanta City Band Concert on the Grounds at 6 p.m.
- Budweiser Beer Truck with Draft Beer (fundraiser)
- Wills Park Fireworks approximately 9:15 p.m.
- Unobstructed View of Fireworks from Post Grounds
- Pot-Luck (bring a dish to share) in the Clubroom Late Afternoon

#### Friday, July 5

- Clubroom/Bar Opens at 3 p.m.
- Budweiser Beer Truck with Draft Beer (fundraiser)
- Bounce House for Children
- Gold Standard Band at 8:30 p.m. (\$12 per person entry fee)

#### Saturday, July 6

- Clubroom/Bar Opens at 11 a.m.
- Follow the Clydesdales Parade Downtown Alpharetta to Post
- Clydesdales Arrive at Post: Approximately 12:30 p.m.
- Budweiser Beer Truck with Draft Beer (fundraiser for Folds of Honor)
- Food Available for Sale
- Championship Baseball at Legion Field
- Bounce House for Children

#### Sunday, July 7

- Clubroom/Bar Opens at 1 p.m.
- Budweiser Beer Truck with Draft Beer (fundraiser)
- Championship Baseball at Legion Field

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## **Upcoming Post 201, Other Veteran Related Activities**

Tuesday, July 9, 6 p.m. Executive Committee Meeting.

Tuesday, July 16, 7 p.m. General Membership Meeting. Dinner served at 6 p.m.

**Monday, July 22, 7 p.m., VFW Post 12002.** Meets the 4th Monday of every month. For more information contact Lee Saffold, 404-667-0581, <u>eleesaffold@gmail.com</u> or Josh Cassan, 912-659-8785, <u>joshuacassan@gmail.com</u>.

**Saturday, July 27. Laughter at the Legion** featuring comedians Joseph Anthony and Jeff Norris. General admission tickets are \$45 per person (non refundable) which includes an Italian dinner prior to the show. Doors open at 6 p.m. for dinner with the show starting at 8 p.m. Tickets

may be <u>purchased online by clicking here</u>. They may also be purchased at the Post's Clubroom/Bar during operating hours.

**Saturday, August 13. Old Soldiers Day Honoring All Women Who Served.** Ceremony on Post Grounds at 10 a.m. Reception for Women who Served immediately after ceremony. Clubroom/Bar opens at 11 a.m. Special drink prices for all women vets all day.

**Monday, Aug. 5. 3rd Annual Nation's Heroes Golf Tournament** presented by the Salute Military Golf Associates of Georgia. Country Club of Roswell, 2500 Club Spring Drive. Registration - 8 a.m. Shotgun Start - 10 a.m. Foursome - \$700; one player - \$175. Points of contact: Email <a href="mailto:anthony.cunningham@smgageorgia.org">anthony.cunningham@smgageorgia.org</a> or phone Waldo Ikiriko at 673-925-9065.

**Saturday, Sept. 14. Georgia Tech Military Appreciation Day.** The Georgia Tech vs Virginia Military Institute football game on Saturday, Sept. 14 will be the school's military appreciation game. Kickoff time that day is still in the TBD category. Watch this space for special ticket pricing information.

Wednesday, Oct. 16. 7th Annual Rick Gimpel Memorial Golf Tournament. The Golf Club at Bradshaw Farm, 3030 Bradshaw Drive, Woodstock. 9:30 a.m Shotgun start. 8 a.m. Registration. For more information contact Derek Garmon, 770-294-4259 or Kevin Solik, 404-483-3202.

#### 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

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

**Post 201 Website** - <u>www.legion201.org</u>. Visit the "Resource Page" for a more complete list of resources available for veterans.

Past Issues of Post 201 E-Newsletter - Click here.

**Survivor Assistance Checklist -** Click this link.

**Benefits for Georgia Veterans** - Click this link.

Burial at Sea Information - Click here.

**Veteran's License Plates Form** - Click here.

**Emergency Housing Information Guide** - Click here.

**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

**VET/Trans** - Free metro Atlanta area transportation (Monday –Friday) for Vets to medical appointments as well as other social service appointments such as going to a housing provider, a job program or a social security office. Availability depends on the location along with the day and time. At least 48 hours advance notice needed. Contact Safe America at 770-973-7233 or email Steve Mason at steve.mason@safeamerica.org.

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