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### **Community Spirits Soar At Post Easter Egg Hunt**

An air of excitement filled the grounds of the Post 201 this past Saturday as families and their children gathered for the annual Easter egg hunt. Under a pleasant, but cloudy spring sky, children 12 years-old-and-younger eagerly hunted for brightly colored eggs nestled within the grounds of the Post's front yard.

One member of the Auxiliary's volunteer team noted that the event brings everyone together. It's the perfect mix of community spirit and family fun," she said.

The Auxiliary's Egg Hunt always has a dedicated team of volunteers, said organizer Ellen Terrell-Youngblood. "Seeing the smiles on the kids' faces makes all the planning worthwhile. It's a day we all look forward to."

The Merchant family, husband Faisal and wife Michelle, along with their son and first-time egg hunter Reza, noted that "The warmth here in this community is amazing." While the youngsters

eagerly and relatively quickly filled their baskets with the more than 1,000 plastic eggs containing various candy treats, parents could be heard reminiscing about their own childhood Easter traditions.

Other than hunting for the eggs themselves, the highlight of the day for the children seemed to be the arrival of the Auxiliary's "Easter Bunny Squad." Their appearance drew cheers and laughter from the everyone.

In addition to posing for pictures with the children, and when requested their parents, the Bunny's primary role seemed to be somewhat like that of a "good" Pied Piper as they led their age group of children to the appropriate 'hunting grounds' so they could start filling their baskets with Easter Eggs and looking for one of the Golden Eggs! - - *By William Galloway.*

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### **Auxiliary's Egg Hunt Earns Front Page Coverage in Local Weekly Newspaper**

Appen Media Group's news reporter Jon Wilcox stopped by the Post this past Saturday morning to report on this year's Easter Egg Hunt. His story and accompanying photography appeared on the front page of the April 3, 2025 edition of the Alpharetta-Roswell Herald and included a "jump" to an inside page with addition coverage and photography. His story was also published online and can be read by [clicking here](#).

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### **Clubroom's Weekend Meals Continue to Draw Interest**

Ravioli, pork and chicken are the three main course offering for the informal evening meals this weekend in the Clubroom. Here's the full meal menu for each evening:

Friday - - Cheese Ravioli and salad.

Saturday - - Pork in red wine, couscous, peas and salad.

Sunday - - Baked chicken, rice and butter beans.

Please keep in mind that the \$\$ contribution basket is on the table for a reason. Be sure to feed it something.

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### **Easter Egg Hunt 2025 Donations and Volunteers**

*Editor's Note: Sometimes a simple question doesn't result in a simple answer. "Volunteering" is what makes Post 201 really function. Our question of Easter Egg Hunt chair Ellen Terrell-Youngblood was, we thought, a simple question: Can you provide us a list of volunteers who made the Easter Egg Hunt happen? Her answer was far more informative and detailed than anticipated. But it deserves to be published. Here's a big shout out and a "Thank You" to all those on her list. - hdh*

Golden Egg Basket Donations: 0-2 years old, Terry Brown (2); 3-4 years old, Jan Ingersoll (2); 5-6 years old, Lee Harrison, Karen Hicks; 7-8 years old, Judy Lively, Selina Kent; 9-10 years old, Barbara Philpot, Teri Morris; and 11-12 years old, Ellen Terrell-Youngblood, Barbara Philpot.

Cash Contribution: Teri Morris - \$40. Setting Up Age Group Hunting Areas: Tom Youngblood.

Candy Donations: Gina Dawson, Selina Kent, Jane Turner Ellen, Terrell-Youngblood Cheiri Lowrey, Cheryl Guenther, Karen Hicks, Jan Ingersoll and Mimi Griffith.

Egg Donations: Cheryl Guenther, Judy Lively and Mimi Griffith.

Stuffing Eggs: Jane Turner, Selina Kent, Ellen Terrell-Youngblood, Patti Fredlund, Cheiri Lowrey, Jan Bauer, Cheryl Guenther, Jan Ingersoll, Mimi Griffith, Julie Westbrooks, Lee Harrison, Karen Hicks and Elaine VanCamp.

Egg Hunt: Cheiri Lowrey, Mimi Griffith, Selina Kent, Ellen Terrell-Youngblood, Terry Brown, Cheryl Guenther, Serena Martin, Karen Hicks, Lee Harrison, Dina Bauer, Gina Dawson, Elaine VanCamp, Patti Fredlund, Jan Bauer, Olga Fingerman and Jan Ingersoll.

Clean Up: Matt and Angela Thompson.

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## **Deadlines Approaching Fast For High School Scholarships, Boys/Girls State Admission**

**Georgia Boys State** will be held June 8-14, 2025 at Valdosta State University. [Click here](#) to download an application. For additional information visit <https://www.dogboysstate.org/>. The deadline to apply is Tuesday, Apr. 15, 2025. Do NOT send applications to Georgia Boys State, Inc. as stated on the application document. Applications and all supporting documents should be submitted to Post 201 who will select the participants, assure all requirements are met, pay the tuition, and submit to the Boys State Director. Mail or drop off applications at: Alpharetta American Legion Post 201, [201 Wills Road, Alpharetta, GA 30009](#), ATTN: Boys State Chair Tom Billings.

**Girls State in Georgia** this year is scheduled for June 8-13, 2025, also at Valdosta State University. The website <https://www.georgiagirlsstate.org> can provide individuals interested in the program with forms and additional information. For additional information from the auxiliary, if needed, contact Auxiliary President Lee Harrison at [leeharrison.1954@gmail.com](mailto:leeharrison.1954@gmail.com).

**Legion Scholarships** - - Applications are now available for the Legion's annual awards to graduating high school seniors. Forms are available in the Clubroom, or may be downloaded by [clicking here](#). April 15 is the deadline to apply. The value of each Legion scholarship to be awarded this year is \$1,500, with plans to award at least four. For more information about the Legion scholarships contact the Post's Immediate Past Commander Tom Billings, Email: [tombill03@comcast.net](mailto:tombill03@comcast.net).

**Auxiliary Scholarships** - - In addition to scholarships awarded by the Legion, Auxiliary Unit 201 also plans to award two scholarships, valued at \$1,000 each, to graduating high school seniors. [Click here](#) to download the Auxiliary Scholarship Application. The deadline to apply is April 15. For more information about the Auxiliary scholarship contact Ellen Terrell-Youngblood, 678-462-9003, [eftot57@gmail.com](mailto:eftot57@gmail.com).

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## **Upcoming Post 201, Other**

# Veteran Related Activities

**Every Sunday at 7 p.m. - - Karaoke in the Clubroom/Bar.**  
*Lots of Laughs, Good Times, and even Greater People.*  
*Libations at a much better price than downtown!*

**9-Ball Pool Tournament, 2 p.m.**  
**Every 3rd Sunday in the Clubroom/Bar**

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**Thursday, Apr. 3, 6:30 p.m. Finance Committee Meeting.**

**Friday Apr. 4. Gold Standard Band** returns to Post Ballroom. East Coast Swing dance lessons at 7:30 p.m. Gold Standard takes the stage at 8 p.m. \$12 per person cash or credit card for admission. [Click here](#) for more information.

**Saturday, Apr. 5, 7:30 p.m. Georgia Swarm Lacrosse "Hero's Night" Game.** Up to four complimentary tickets to see the Georgia Swarm play the Philadelphia Wings at Gas South Arena, 6400 Sugarloaf Pkwy., Duluth. [Click here](#) for details.

**Tuesday, Apr. 8, 6 p.m. Executive Committee Meeting.**

**Wednesday, Apr. 9. Roswell Rotary "Honor Air"** trip to Washington, D.C. for World War II, Korea, and Vietnam veterans. [Click here](#) for more information on the trip, and to download a veteran application to participate or a guardian application. For additional information on donations [click here](#) or contact Alicia Hughes at 678-283-7098, or email [ahughes@wsnielsen.com](mailto:ahughes@wsnielsen.com).

**Friday Apr. 11, 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. Veteran Benefit and Resource Expo.** Newnan Centre, 1515 Lower Fayetteville Road, Newnan, Ga. 30265. For more information and to register to attend, [click this link](#). Walk-ins are welcome, but registering in advance for this free event will be helpful for the Expo planners.

**Sunday, Apr. 13, 2 p.m. Bingo in the Ballroom. \$1,000 Jackpot.**

**Tuesday, Apr. 15, 7 p.m. General Membership Meeting.** Complimentary dinner served at 6 p.m. (more or less).

**Friday, Apr. 18. Highway 9 Band** plays at Post Ballroom. Hustle dance lessons at 7:30 p.m. The band takes the stage at 8 p.m. \$12 per person cash or credit card for admission. [Click here](#) to see band's flyer.

**Sunday, Apr. 20. Post Closed for Easter Sunday.** Clubroom/Bar reopens Monday, Apr. 21 at 3 p.m.

**Sunday, Apr. 27, 2 p.m. Bingo in the Ballroom. \$1,000 Jackpot.**

**Saturday, May 17, 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Rally Point Grille Veteran Block Party** and Business Expo. [10009 Hwy 92, Woodstock. Click here](#) for details.

**Saturday, May 17, 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. SAL Saturday Night Dinner.** The SAL will be cooking and selling dinners to members of the Post 201 Family and dancers. The menu includes: Porterhouse T-Bone dinner - \$25 per meal; regular T-Bone dinner - \$20 per meal; and chicken and pork chop dinners - \$15 each. A sign-up sheet to order your meal will be posted in the Clubroom two weeks prior to the event.

**Saturday, June 9, 11 a.m. America 250 Commemorative Marker Dedication.** Lou Sobh Amphitheater, [450 Vision Drive, Cumming. Click here for details.](#)

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CLUB 201 DANCE - LEARN MORE

## VETERANS RESOURCES

Visit the [Resource Page](#) at Post 201's website, [www.legion201.org](http://www.legion201.org) for a significant amount of information concerning various resources available for veterans. You'll find a Survivor Assistance Checklist, Benefits for Georgia Veterans, Burial at Sea Information, Veteran's License Plates Information, Emergency Housing Information Guide and many other resources.

Past Issues of the Post's E-newsletter - [Click here.](#)

### Veterans Crisis Line

Call 988 and Press 1 or Text 838255

Visit [www.veteranscrisisline.net](http://www.veteranscrisisline.net)

VA Telephone Hotline - 1-877-222-8387

Post 201 Service Officer Hotline for Vets-at-Risk - 631-720-6022

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