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### Paint Recycling Fundraiser Set for Saturday, Sept. 27

Scout Troop 51, which is sponsored by the Post, has scheduled their annual paint Recycling Fundraiser for Saturday, Sept. 27 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. They will be set up in the Post's parking lot and will be prepared to accept all latex and oil based paints regardless of size including pints, quarts, spray cans, etc.

Help support Troop 51 by bringing your leftover cans of latex and oil-based paints to be properly disposed of or re-used. Donated paint will be filtered and turned into quality, re-usable paint products and then donated back to non-profit groups in the community such as Habitat for Humanity, Salvation Army, and Boys & Girls Clubs. The donation cost is: 5 gallon cans - \$25 each; one gallon cans - \$5 each; quarts - \$2 each; pints - \$2 each; and spray cans - \$2 each.

Check out the "Featured Events" page on the Post's web site, [www.legion201.org](http://www.legion201.org), or [click here](#) for additional information.

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2025 Labor Day Attendance At Post Doubles Last Year

Aviation community legend Dick Rutan once noted that "A free ride and free food are two of the three things no pilot ever turns down." While we will not address the unspoken third "thing," it's clear that this past Monday's Labor Day celebration at the Post was certainly a testimony to the truth of his "free food" observation.

Turnout at the Post this year more that doubled the 2024 Labor Day participation. Perhaps the difference was the "hot dogs in 2024" compared to 2025's outstanding Bar-B-Que with all the trimmings (with the whole hog being smoked at

the Post's recently repaired and updated pit) along with more side dishes than could be consumed that afternoon - - - thanks to all those who brought something to share.

It was standing room only in the Clubroom, and those who chose to eat in the ballroom had live dance entertainment from a group of dancers who were rehearsing for a festival at Avalon later that afternoon. One of the children observed to her parents that, "it's like watching Dancing with the Stars."

While a hard head count of attendees was not attempted, estimates (based on business at the bar) suggests that more than 130 plus members of the Post 201 Family, along with friends, passed through the Post sometime Monday.

A little background for those interested: The U.S. Labor Day holiday is rooted in the late nineteenth century when labor activists pushed for a federal holiday to recognize the many contributions workers made to America's strength, prosperity, and well-being.

Canada, like the U.S., celebrates on the first Monday of September. However, more than 160 countries celebrate Labor Day with May 1 as the designated holiday. A few countries, including the UK and Ireland, have the first Monday after May 1 as their holiday. To learn more about the history of Labor Day in the U.S., [click here](#).

Editor's Note: Richard "Dick" Rutan (1938–2024) was a decorated American military aviator, record-setting test pilot. He is best known for piloting the Voyager aircraft on the first nonstop, non-refueled flight around the world in 1986. As a USAF fighter pilot during the Vietnam War, he flew 325 combat missions, including 105 as part of the elite "Misty" special unit. His military honors include the Silver Star, five Distinguished Flying Crosses, 16 Air Medals, and a Purple Heart. In 2002, Rutan was inducted into the National Aviation Hall of Fame. [Click here](#) for more information.

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Auxiliary's Aug. 7 Purple Heart Recognition Ceremony Draws Local Media Coverage

Auxiliary Unit 201's Aug. 7 evening ceremony honoring Purple Heart recipients at the Walk of Memories' Purple Heart Memorial plaza drew "featured" news coverage in Appen Media's *Alpharetta-Roswell Herald*.

Auxiliary President Ellen Terrell-Youngblood told reporter Sarah Coyne that, "In my mind, the veterans are honored on Memorial Day and Veterans Day, and other than that, not so much. . . . And I thought my focus as auxiliary president is community outreach and education."

[Click here](#) to read the story published on Appen's website.

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

**VIEW FEATURED
POST EVENTS**

Thursday, Sept. 4, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Lifeline Screening at Post. Get screened for stroke and cardiovascular disease risks. Special screening package for \$159. Includes: Carotid Artery Disease Screening, Atrial Fibrillation Screening, Peripheral Artery Disease Screening, Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm Screening, and free Hypertension Screening. Call 888-814-0466 for more info or to schedule an appointment. No information is available if they will accept walk-ins or not.

Thursday, Sept. 4, 6:30 p.m., Finance Committee Meeting.

Sunday, Sept. 7, 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. Shuffle Board Tournament in the Clubroom. A signup sheet is available in the Clubroom. The entry fee is \$10. See Patti Fredlund for details.

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

Sunday, Sept. 14, 2 p.m. BINGO in the Ballroom.

Tuesday, Sept. 16, 7 p.m. General Membership Meeting. Complimentary buffet meal served in the 6 p.m. time frame.

Friday, Sept. 19. ALPHA JAZZ is BACK. Dance the night away to Big Band favorites. Open dance starts at 8 p.m. Dance Lessons at 7:30 p.m. [Click here](#) for more information. Admission: \$12 per person cash or credit.

Saturday, Sept. 20, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. The Hero Games. Kickball fundraiser for the Manna Fund, which pays for the treatment of veterans' and first responders' mental health issues. [Click here](#) for details.

Sunday, Sept. 28, 2 p.m. BINGO in the Ballroom.

Wednesday, Oct. 15. 8th Annual Rick Gimpel Memorial Golf Tournament, at the Golf Club at Bradshaw Farm, 3030 Bradshaw Drive, Woodstock. A flyer is posted in the Clubroom with more information. [Click here](#) to see the online version.

Wednesday, Nov. 5. Metro-Atlanta Veterans Chamber of Commerce Golf Tournament. BridgeMill Athletic Club, Canton, Ga. [Click here](#) for details.

Saturday, Nov. 8, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. 9th Annual Cruz-In. [Click here to see](#) some of the cars on display last year. [Click here to read](#) about last year's event in the *Alpharetta-Roswell Herald*.

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**CLUB 201 DANCE -
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VETERANS RESOURCES

Visit the [Resource Page](#) at Post 201's website, 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

VA Telephone Hotline - 1-877-222-8387

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