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**All gave some, some gave all**

 On the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month, the American Legion Dexter Allen Post 90, along with the Averitt Center for the Arts and Joiner-Anderson Funeral Home, will pay tribute to the men and women, living or deceased, who served in any branch of the United States Armed Forces in the Emma Kelly Theater.

 The annual **Veterans’ Day Celebration** was cancelled last year due to COVID-19 but was videotaped by Robert Faller of the Averitt Center and produced by the Statesboro Herald. This year’s ceremony will be conducted as normal.

 At presstime, plans had not been finalized for this free community event.

 Later that afternoon, **Bridget Conn**, an assistant professor of art at the Armstrong campus of Georgia Southern University, brings her photography and experimental darkroom processes exhibition to the Averitt Center Main Gallery.

 No experience is necessary for the monthly **Paint-n-Party** on Nov. 12 at the Roxie Remley Center for Fine Arts on Vine Street behind Statesboro City Hall.
 The $35 price includes a 16 x 20 canvas and art supplies that you will use to create your very own masterpiece. Erika Busbee will guide you through the steps to paint your version of the painting-of-the-month. Just come and have fun with friends and your favorite drink! (21+ to drink). BoroTakeout.com is the sponsor of the event and provides free food.

 The dancers of Cotton Rose Dance Studio at the Averitt Center and the Statesboro Youth Ballet will bring the holiday classic, the **Nutcracker Ballet**, to the EKT stage on Nov. 18-21.

 Sponsored by **Morris Bank** and **Jim & Betsy Nichols**, the Nutcracker Ballet tells the story of Clara as she and the Nutcracker, which was given to her by Godfather Drosselmeyer, battle the Mouse King. Upon defeating the mice army, the Nutcracker turns into a handsome little prince and both he and Clara are entertained by the Sugarplum Fairy as they travel through the Land of Sweets.

 Rebekah Harville Carlisle, the Averitt’s director of dance, has choreographed a fantastic show using the local talent below.

 Mr. & Mrs. Stahlbaum: Emily and Brian Dowis

 Party Parents: Kristin Leonard, Danielle Adams, Brooks Adams, Nichole Deal, John Parcels, Jan Meinhardt, Ben Hammett, Anastasia Brown, John Wiggins

 Maids: Rebekah Carlisle, Darien Adams, Laural Boyles, Rebecca Nessmith

 Godfather Drosselmeyer: Jason Evans

 Clara: Tessa Salter - Understudy: Anna Kate Croft

 Little Nutcracker Prince: Kyler Williams

 Fritz: Kyler Williams

 Odette and Odile Swan Dolls: Anne, Emma Lummus

 Party Girl: Annabelle Carlisle, Addison Smith, Giovanna Spivey, Amaya Moore

 Party Boy: Liley Ries Simonin, Chloe Weaver, Vasilisa Apanaskevich, Ava Cliett

 Butler: Luke Wiggins
 Baker: Brandon Adams

 Rat King/Queen: Annie O’Neill - Understudy: Ana Grace Evans

 Mice: Maybrie Leonard, Stella Salter, Rose Deal, Marley Tootle, Amastin Beggs, Anastasia Wilson, Ashley Beasley, Everley Skrine, Malcom Couillou

 Rats: Emily Noel, Mason Meinhardt, Nadilie Olson, Maria Yanochik, Raegan Green, Rose Thompson, Cindy Rodriguez

 The Nutcracker: Rebekah Carlisle

 Soldiers: Annabelle Carlisle, Addison Smith, Liley Ries Simonin, Chloe Weaver, Amaya Moore, Giovanna Spivey, Ava Cliett, Vasilisa Apanaskevich, Gayle Hammett

 Angels: Maybrie Leonard, Stella Salter, Rose Deal, Marley Tootle, Amastin Beggs, Anastasia Wilson, Ashley Beasley, Everley Skrine, Malcom Couillou

 Soldier: Hadassa Spivey

 Spanish Solo: Sarah Rawlins - Understudy: Abbie Gunder

 Bulls: Annabelle Carlisle, Addison Smith

 Arabian: Abbie Gunder (Peacock), Anna Kate Croft, Ana Grace Evans - Understudies: Sarah Rawlins, Annie O’Neil, Katherine Warner

 Chinese: Emily Noel, Mason Meinhardt, Nadilie Olson, Maria Yanochik, Raegan Green, Rose Thompson, Cindy Rodriguez

 Russian: Sarah Rawlins, Anna Grace Evans, Annie O’Neill - Understudies: Anna Kate Croft, Katherine Warner, Abbie Gunder

 Marzipan: Anna Kate Croft, Katherine Warner, Abbie Gunder - Understudies: Sarah Rawlins, Anna Grace Evans, Annie O’Neill

 Bon Bons: Annabelle Carlisle, Addison Smith, Amaya Moore, Ava Cliett, Vasilisa Apanaskevich, Chloe Weaver, Iley Reis Simonin, Giovanna Spivey
 Mother Ginger; Kenneth Hoopaugh

 Dew Drop Fairy: Annie O’Neill - Understudy: Anna Grace Evans

 Flowers Corps: Anna Kate Croft, Sarah Rawlins, Abbie Gunder, Laural Boyles, Katherine Warner, Anna Grace Evans

 Reserved seat tickets are $25 for adults ($23 for Averitt members, members or veterans of the military, first responders, city and county employees) and $15 for students.

 To purchase tickets, simply visit the Box Office at the Averitt Center Main Gallery (open 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday through Friday), call 912-212-2787.