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JCVA Launches New Final Stages of Life Help for Vets

The Johns Creek Veterans Association (JCVA) has formed a new outreach service for veterans, the 11th Hour Squadron, to serve as an extension of a veteran's family during the final stages of life.

Volunteers will provide assistance at the pleasure of the family and work as an extension of the family, not the medical team, to be present with the veteran when family members cannot be present, or may be getting some much-needed rest for themselves.

The new service grew out of last year's death of Post 201 and JCVA member "Submarine Mike" Kotler. He died alone, at midnight, in a local rehabilitation center.

JCVA president Mike Mizell, who is also a Post 201 member, noted that "in the quiet of the night memories are shared that only another veteran can understand. In Mike's honor we will do our best to ensure no one is left alone."

11th Hour Squadron volunteers primarily serve between 9 p.m. and 9 a.m. during the final week of life. Services are available for patients in hospitals, hospice centers, assisted living facilities and rehabilitation centers within a 20-mile radius of Johns Creek. They do not serve in private homes. Priority is given to members of the JCVA and VetBuds.

Emory Johns Creek Hospital is listed as a Squadron sponsor. For more information contact Joanne Melear, jgmelear@gmail.com or Karri Mangum at karrimangum@yahoo.com.

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A Super Bowl LVIII Party - - Perhaps?

Clubroom/Bar Manager Bob Moyer is trying to determine if there is enough interest to warrant a Super Bowl LVIII potluck party starting at 5 p.m. Sunday, Feb 11. As he says, "if we get enough participation for food and interest."

A sign up sheet will be posted in the clubroom for members to indicate their interest level and if they will bring a dish. Based on that, a go or no-go decision will be made.

Moyer is planning to offer beer specials that day - - \$2 each on PBR and Modelo. Kick off for the game is scheduled for 6:30 p.m.

If you want to participate, put your name on the sheet “soonest.” And if you have any concerns about what you might want to bring as your pot luck to the party check out this link, [29 Super Bowl Snack Ideas](#) that will please a game day crowd.

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Chili Cook Off Rewards Those Attending with Outstanding Food

At the end of the day Penny Kumpf took home an extra \$50 as her crock pot of chili was judged the best among 13 entries at this past Sunday’s Chili Cookoff competition.

While the wiring diagram to provide 13 electrical outlets for the 13 pots of chili might have looked more like a rats nest than a well-conceived plan, it did work - - - and the fire marshal didn’t shut it down. Why the breaker didn’t pop is another unanswered question.

More than 70 Post members and friends dined on a cornucopia of chili options along with a side bar of offerings that included lasagna, hot dogs, pigs-in-a-blanket, cheese tater tots, cheese biscuits, potato salad, four varieties of corn bread, mixed salad, corn casserole, cherry chocolate and brownies.

The judges awarded second and third place recognition to Sal Taguba and Elaine Van Camp respectively. The judges were Tom Billings, Dennis McLeroy and Barbara Philpot.

According to one judge who preferred to remain unidentified, Penny’s chili took the first place prize due to a superior combination of sweetness and tartness as well as an excellent aftertaste that sat on the palate for several seconds.

What happened to the leftovers?

Some salad and potato salad was stored in the refrigerator - - - let’s hope with dates on each dish to meet Safe Serve rules. Those who brought chili took their own left overs home. Almost all the the sides were consumed with what little that was left going home with those that brought them.

Although some think that technically this was the Post’s Second Annual Chili Cook Off - - - others ask, "whose really counting?" Of greater importance: those who were there enjoyed the afternoon so much that the real question may be: “Why wait another year to do it again?”

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Upcoming Post 201 & Other Veteran Related Activities

Thursday, Jan. 25, JCVA Monthly Meeting. 6 p.m. Dinner, 7 p.m. Business, Park Place at Newtown Park.

Tuesday, Feb. 6, 6 p.m. House Committee meeting.

Saturday, Feb. 10, 2024, 6 p.m. A “Valentine Martini Night.” Tickets for the Auxiliary-hosted martini night will be available starting in January 2024. The evening’s entry fee, which includes one regular martini will be \$20. Additional martinis can be purchased for \$10 each or you can try out the ‘flight’ of three mini-martinis of your choice from a menu of six alcoholic offerings and three non-alcoholic drinks for \$15.

Tuesday, Feb. 13, 6 p.m. Executive Committee meeting.

Tuesday, Feb. 20, 7 p.m. General Membership meeting. Dinner service begins at 6 p.m.

Monday, Feb. 26, 7 p.m., VFW Post 12002. Meets the 4th Monday of every month. For more information contact Ron Cowan, 404-509-1700, roncowan@bellsouth.net or Jim Davis, 770-235-4858, jim.davis@comcast.net.

Friday, March 15, 8 p.m. "Sinatra and Friends." Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Show starts at 8 p.m. General admission non-refundable tickets are \$20 each. They may be purchased online by [clicking here](#), or at the Clubroom/Bar.

Sunday, March 17, 5 p.m. SAL Liquor Basket Raffle Drawing. Tickets available at Clubroom/Bar: 1 ticket for \$5; 3 tickets for \$10; 10 tickets for \$20.

Saturday, April 27, 2024, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. VFW Post 12002 Life Member Recognition Luncheon. This event includes a social hour, luncheon, and a formal recognition program. It will be followed immediately by a Post Meeting dedicated to the Election of Officers for the 2024-2025 year. For more information contact Jim Davis, 770-235-4858, davis1824@comcast.net

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Club 201 Dance Activities

Visit both www.club201dance.com
and the [Club 201 Dance FaceBook Page](#)
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 - www.legion201.org.

Past Issues of Post 201 E-Newsletter - [Click here](#).

Post 201 Facebook Page - [Click here](#).

VA Survivor's Pension & Eligibility for Veterans Pension - [Click here](#) to read.

Survivor Assistance Checklist - [Click this link](#).

Benefits for Georgia Veterans - [Click this link](#).

Burial at Sea Information - [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

Emory Healthcare Veterans Program - 888-514-5345 or [click here](#) for more info.

United Military Care - [Click this link](#).

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It's the price you paid to be eligible."*

