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Special Issue - - Saturday, May 4, 2024 May is National Military Appreciation Month

'Liberty Tree' Planting, Ceremony Set for 2 p.m. Tomorrow is First To be Planted at a Georgia Post

The Piedmont Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution (SAR) will plant a six-toseven-foot tall elm tree at the Post at 2 p.m. tomorrow. The tree planting is part of a national SAR "Liberty Tree" campaign that seeks to plant 250 Liberty Trees throughout the nation prior to July 4, 2026, the 250th anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence.

Post 201's Liberty Tree will be planted on the berm along the third base side of the baseball field near the picnic tables. Members of the Piedmont Chapter of the SAR are expected to be wearing colonial garb as part of tomorrow's ceremony.

"It's an honor for our Post to be part of the Liberty Tree project," said Post Commander Tom Billings. "We hope many in the Post 201 Family will be able to attend the ceremony along with their children and grandchildren. It's an excellent opportunity to learn more about the American Revolution and the sacrifices that were made in the founding of our nation."

Ron Redner, Roswell resident and National Chairman of the SAR tree planting program said the Post's Liberty Tree is the first one to be planted at an American Legion Post Georgia. Although he could not confirm that the Post's 'tree' is the first at any Post in the nation, he was comfortable saying "it is among the first."

According to the SAR Liberty Tree web page, "The Liberty Tree (1646–1775) was a famous elm tree that stood in Boston near Boston Common, in the years before the American Revolution. In 1765, colonists in Boston staged the first act of defiance against the British government at the tree.

"The tree became a rallying point for the growing resistance to the rule of Britain over the American colonies, and the ground surrounding it became known as Liberty Hall. In 1775 the British had enough of these rebellious rallies at the Liberty Tree and had it cut down."

To date, 61 trees have been planted throughout the nation toward the SAR's goal to plant 250 trees. Sites where trees are planted include counties or cities named after a Patriot or in a location that serves as a tribute to veterans. Local area sites where Liberty Trees have been planted include Bulloch Hall, Milton City Hall, and Mimosa Hall.

Post 201 member Roger Wise sponsored tomorrow's Liberty Tree planting.

<u>Click here for more information</u> about the Liberty Tree program and who to contact for additional details on how to arrange for a Liberty Tree planting.

Upcoming Post 201, Other Veteran Related Activities

Sunday, May 5, Cinco de May Day at the Post. Click here for details.

Tuesday, May 7, 6 p.m. House Committee Meeting.

Thursday, May 9, 6:30 p.m. Finance Committee Meeting.

Tuesday, May 14, 6 p.m. Executive Committee Meeting.

Saturday, May 18. Armed Forces Day. Watch this space for event planning announcements.

Sunday, May 19, 2 p.m. 8-Ball Pool Tournament.

Tuesday, May 21, 7 p.m. General Membership Meeting and 24-25 Leadership Election. Free dinner served starting at 6 p.m.

Thursday, May 23, 6 p.m. Johns Creek Veterans Association meeting. Park Place at Newtown Park. Business meeting starts at 7 p.m.

Monday, May 27. Memorial Day. Planning is underway for a special Walk of Memories program that will be part of the Capital Campaign. The event will take place between 1 p.m. and 4 p.m. and will be open to the public. <u>Click here to see event flyer</u>.

Friday, May 31, 8 p.m. The Ed Sullivan Tribute Show. Reserved seat tickets are available only though online purchase. <u>Click this link</u> to purchase a reserved seat. Open seating tickets at tables located in the rear of the ballroom may be purchased at the Clubroom/Bar by those who don't want a reserved seat or do not (for personal reasons) desire to purchase tickets online. Online tickets cost will cost \$30 each plus a \$3.85 fee and \$2.62 sales tax which totals \$36.47 per ticket. Open seating tickets purchased at the Clubroom/Bar are \$30 per ticket with no fee or sales tax added. Tribute performers for the show include the Blues Brothers, Mick Jagger, Buddy Holly, The Big Bopper and Joe Cocker. Doors will open at 7 p.m. <u>Click here to see a two minute "trailer" of the performers</u>.

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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 - <u>Click here</u> for more information.

Post 201 Website - www.legion201.org.

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

Post 201 Facebook Page - Click here.

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 <u>steve.mason@safeamerica.org</u>.

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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