



American Legion Post 201

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Post to Celebrate 'Wild Turkey Day' Wednesday, Nov. 27

Wild Turkey Day, a holiday that is celebrated annually on the day after the Thanksgiving holiday is going to be pushed forward by two days at the Post this year. And “yes,” Wild Turkey Bourbon will be part of the afternoon and evening celebration which gets started when the Clubroom/Bar opens at 3 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 27, the day before Thanksgiving Day.

Turkey and ham (compliments of the Post) will be served starting around 4 p.m. Members of the Post Family who participate are asked to bring a pot-luck dish to share. Wild Turkey Bourbon shots (\$5 per shot) will be the featured drink of the day, along with Karaoke (although a set time for the music was not available by publishing deadline).

Wild Turkey Day, or WTD actually occurs each year on the same day as Black Friday. The idea being that WTD offers a healthy alternative to Black Friday by giving people more time to spend with friends, and avoid both shopping and complaining about shopping.

But the Post is providing its Family members the opportunity to do both by celebrating WTD two days earlier than the 'official' holiday - - which leaves time for shopping on Black Friday!

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12 New Members Welcomed At Tuesday Membership Meet

At Tuesday night's General Membership meeting, nine new members and three transfers were welcomed into the Post.

The new members are Jennifer Sarver, U.S. Navy, Lebanon/Grenada; Bruce C. Hayes, U.S. Army, Vietnam; Joshua Purcell, U.S. Marine Corps, GWOT; Russell Tinsley, U.S. Army, Vietnam; Shantel Murat, U.S. Marine Corps, Other Conflicts; Ken Bauer, U.S. Army, Vietnam; Melissa Stell, U.S. Army, GWOT; and Patrick McLeod, U.S. Navy, GWOT; and, Jodie Crews, U.S. Army, Vietnam.

The transfers are Frank Ramsdell, Sr., U.S. Navy, Vietnam, from Post 78, Montana; Sam Howard, U.S. Navy, GWOT, from Post 635, Illinois; and Robert Lomba, U.S. Navy, Vietnam, from Post 274, Florida.

Other significant items covered during the meeting:

- The membership, by a unanimous vote, cancelled the December General Membership Meeting. This action carries forward the tradition of not holding December meetings. The Auxiliary, in its meeting last Tuesday night, also said they will not hold a December meeting.
- Again this year the Post will be a Toys for Tots drop off location. Boxes are already available in the Clubroom and the Ballroom for donations, with a collection deadline currently set for either December 21 or 22. As in past years a selection of toys will be available at the bar starting the day before Thanksgiving. Members may purchase them and then put them in the donation boxes. Also, members are reminded that since the Post is a drop off location, members of the surrounding community may be bringing their donations to Post to put in our drop boxes. Be sure to welcome them and thank them for their participation.
- The Post will be closed on Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day but open on the day before Thanksgiving and also Christmas Eve.
- Pearl Harbor Day this year (Saturday Dec. 7) is also a college football championship game day. The SAL plans to provide 'heavy' appetizers (wings, sandwiches and other finger foods) in the Clubroom/Bar that afternoon starting around 4 p.m. SAL Commander Derek Garmon says a 50/50 raffle is also on the afternoon's entertainment list. And he suggested that some members of the Post family may want to bring a pot-luck dish to compliment the hors d'oeuvres being provided by the SAL. Post Commander Bob Byrd said a special drink would be identified for the day.

- The U.S. Space Force celebrates its birthday on Wednesday, Dec. 20. A special drink will be identified for that day in keeping with the developing tradition at the Post to have a special drink (sold at a slightly reduced price) so all veterans, whether a member of the Post or not, as well as any active duty members who might be in the Clubroom/Bar that day can toast their sister service with one or more celebratory drinks.
- Post Judge Advocate Jim Davis announced that a Document Committee has been formed to review various standing documents. The Code of Conduct has been identified as the priority document needing review. In addition to Jim, other members of the committee currently include Penny Kumpf and Tom Richardson. Jim said if any members of the Post have suggestions for changes to the Code of Conduct email him at davis1824@comcast.net.

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~ News Notes ~

Volunteers Needed for Toys for Tot Mission - - Ralph Jordan is looking for a team of volunteers to help move 100 bicycles from the Walmart Super Center on Windward Drive to the Post on Friday morning Dec. 6. during a 9 a.m. to 12 noon window. The bikes are being donated to Toys for Tots by Gina Watson and Mike McElroy. In addition to volunteers, Ralph is also looking for pickup trucks or trailers to help with the transport. He hopes those who helped last year will be available again this year. If you can help, let Ralph know. His email is zulubravo6@aol.com.

Documentary Aims to Change Narrative on Vietnam War - - Post 201 member Jim Dickson, who is also the secretary of the Atlanta Vietnam Veterans Business Association (AVVBA) Foundation, discussed the film “Truths and Myths of the Vietnam War,” which was produced by the AVVBA, with Matt Grills, Editor of the American Legion Magazine. [Click here to read](#) the story online. Also, a more in depth piece is schedule for an upcoming issue of the magazine.

Club 201 New Year’s Eve Celebration Tickets Available Online - - Individual tickets and tables reservations are available [by clicking here](#).

Wreaths Across America - - [Click here to purchase](#) a wreath which will be placed on a veteran’s grave at one of 10 cemeteries in the North Fulton area by the Patriots of Liberty Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution on Saturday, Dec. 14. For more information contact Jennifer Boren at jfboren52@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!***

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

VIEW FEATURED POST EVENTS

Thursday, Nov. 28, Thanksgiving Day. The Post will be closed.

Friday & Saturday, Nov. 29 & 30. Stand-Up for Veterans Comedy Show. Sponsored by About-Face USA. [Click here for details and to purchase tickets.](#) Tickets may also be purchased at the door the evening of the show.

Tuesday, Dec. 3, 6 p.m. House Committee Meeting.

Thursday, Dec. 5, 6:30 p.m. Finance Committee Meeting.

Saturday, Dec. 7, Pearl Harbor Day. The SAL also plans to provide snacks and other finger food in the Clubroom/Bar during the afternoon since the day also is a major college football day.

Sunday, Dec. 8, 2 p.m. Bingo in the Ballroom. \$1,000 Jackpot.

Tuesday, Dec. 10, 6 p.m. Executive Committee Meeting.

Friday, Dec. 20. U.S. Space Force Birthday. A special drink (as yet to be announced) will be available for veterans, whether they are members of the Post or not, and active duty service members so they can toast the Space Force.

Wednesday, Dec. 25, Christmas Day. The Post will be closed.

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CLUB 201 DANCE - LEARN MORE

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.](#)

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

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