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# Wild Turkey' Pot-Luck Dinner Scheduled for 5 p.m. Sunday

Between 1976 and 2009 when he died, Paul Harvey's *The Rest of the Story* was a popular, long-running radio program. The program always presented a story which had a surprising or ironic twist, at which point Harvey would deliver his signature catchphrase: "And now you know... the rest of the story".

Perhaps that phrase can be applied at the Post this year. The previously announced, then cancelled, Thanksgiving Dinner for the Post 201 Family is back on the schedule again - - - and it's still set for this Sunday, starting at 5 p.m.

Now for the rest of the story. - - - The Post's often-held in past years "Wild Turkey Wednesday," which took place the day before Thanksgiving, will be "Wild Turkey Sunday" this year! Scheduled to start at 5 p.m. the Clubroom team is a holding a pot-luck dinner for the Post 201 Family. In addition to the dinner, Wild Turkey shots and Wild Turkey with Honey shots will be on sale at the bar for \$5 per shot.

The pot-luck food will be available until the bar closes or until all the 'pot lucks' are consumed. In addition to the food and the 'shots', members may also vote for this year's "Turkey" for \$1 per vote. Click here to see event flyer.

Early on there was some discussion that the dollars 'voted' would be used to purchase a TV set for the Clubroom. But the Executive Committee needs to weigh-in on those kinds of decisions, and that has yet to be done. However the finance office is certainly prepared to track the dollars raised and report, as appropriate, on how the funds were applied.

#### Other Clubroom News Notes

In addition to Sunday's pot-luck Thanksgiving meal, bar food will also been on sale in the Clubroom tonight between

4 p.m. and 8 p.m., and again on Saturday from 3 p.m. to 8 p.m. The food is being prepared by Halfway Tree, the same catering company who was selling food in the Clubroom last week.

And Post 201 Family members should keep in mind that the Clubroom will close at 7 p.m. this coming Wednesday (Thanksgiving Eve) and the Post will be closed Thanksgiving Day. Normal business hours and service in the Clubroom Bar will resume on Friday, Nov. 28.

## **Cruz-In Nets Over \$5,600 To Support Post Activities**

Although there may be a small expense or two hanging somewhere that hasn't cleared the Post's books yet, current figures say this year's Cruz-In netted \$5,626.70 to support Post activities.

Cruz-In chair Tommy Youngblood said the car show's strategic goals were "to support our Veterans programs, grow membership, and introduce Post 201 to our Alpharetta neighbors and the surrounding community - - - and once again we met those goals."

"I'd like the Post Family to know we have been told by visitors, participants and volunteers that it was a 'Fantastic Car Show'. We set records in the highest food and beverage sales, and the highest in number of raffle gifts donated and given away," he added.

The list of volunteers who helped make Cruz-In happen this year included (with apologies to those whose names may not have been captured):

Ed Holben, Phil Kulp, John VanCamp, Julie Westbrooks, David Anderson, Cheiri Lowery, Carolyn Winters, Dina Bauer, Ariel Lewis, Matt Gill, James Grimball, Betty Wilkinson, Karen Hicks, Fred Mahony, Jan Ingersoll, Calvin Bennett, Robert Lomba, Ken Bauer, James Timcoe, Kristen Govantes, Jan Bauer, Carter Jarrett, Dennis McLeroy, Carly McSween and Algie Allen.

Also, DiAna Casale, Terry Brown, Brook Sutherland, Peter Fredlund, Patti Fredlund, Scott Childress, Mark Iannacone, Tom Richardson, Robert Davis, Bruce Hay, Roger Wise, Sheri Anastasio, Aaron Dunn, Leah Dunn, Elaine VanCamp, Charles Carrera, Ellen Terrell-Youngblood, Steve Currier, Parker Currier, Scouts from Troop 51, and the Forsyth County Civil Air Patrol Cadet Squadron Honor and Color Guard.

Tommy also observed what he described as a generally un-noticed, but significant accomplishment associated with the Cruz-In that has developed over the years.

"Since the ending of the annual Old Soldiers Day parade the Cruz-In has become the Post's largest on campus gathering of volunteerism and member fellowship. And that's something to be really excited about," he said.

**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!

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

### VIEW FEATURED POST EVENTS

**Support Wreaths Across America** - - The Patriots of Liberty Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution are seeking support to sponsor remembrance wreaths to be placed on vet's graves in the Alpharetta area. To support them and sponsor a wreath, or to purchase one for your personal use, <u>click here</u> to visit the DAR Chapter's web page to place an order.

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Sunday, Nov. 23, 2 p.m. BINGO at the Post. \$1,000 Jackpot.

Wednesday, Nov. 26, 7 p.m. Post will close in preparation for Thanksgiving Day.

Thursday, Nov. 27. Thanksgiving Day. The Post will be closed.

Thursday, Dec. 18, 8;30 a.m. - 5 p.m. LifeLine Screening at Post. Click here for details.

**Tuesday, Dec. 2, 6:30 p.m. Finance Committee Meeting.** The meeting was rescheduled from Thursday, Dec. 4 to accommodate prior commitments of some key committee members.

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

**Wednesday, Dec. 31, New Year's Eve Gala.** Reserved seat tickets for the Post's annual New Year's Eve Gala are on sale, online now. <u>Click here</u> for more details and to purchase your reserved seats. And keep in mind - - - tickets are available only through an online purchase.

Tuesday, Jan. 27, 2025, 6:30 p.m. SAL Membership Meeting. <u>Special Note: There will be no SAL</u> membership meetings in November or December according to SAL Commander Derek Garmon.

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#### **VETERANS RESOURCES**

Visit the <u>Resource Page</u> at Post 201's website, <u>www.legion201.org</u> 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 <a href="https://www.veteranscrisisline.net">www.veteranscrisisline.net</a>
VA Telephone Hotline - 1-877-222-8387

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