

**American Legion Auxiliary Winter Park Memorial Unit 112
General Meeting Minutes**

April 10, 2018

The April general meeting of the American Legion Auxiliary Unit 112 was called to order at 7:05pm by President, Marge Berrios and opened according to ritual.

Members in attendance included:

Marge Berrios
Nell Colbert
Cathy Diehl
Mary Doyle

Nell confirmed that we have a quorum for this meeting and Marge was granted permission to deviate from the printed agenda should the need arise.

Marge introduced Mary Doyle as our newest member. Mary recently transferred to us from another 6th District Unit.

Nell Colbert noted that the minutes from the last meeting were emailed to all members. Hard copies of the minutes were available at the meeting for review by those who had not received them via email. Cathy Diehl moved (seconded by Mary Doyle) that the minutes be approved as written. Motion carried.

Nell Colbert gave the Finance Report and made hard copies available at the meeting for review. Mary Doyle moved (seconded by Cathy Diehl) that the Finance Report be filed for audit. Motion carried.

Nell Colbert shared items of correspondence received this month including:

- Dine to Donate flyer
- Flag catalog (Emblem sales)
- Annual convention info shared by the Legion

Nell also reminded everyone that the most recent issue of *The Kaleidoscope* Department Communiqué has been posted to the Department website.

Nell reported on the Post Executive Committee meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Marge explained our activity log book and passed it around so everyone could log their activities for the past month. Marge called on the Committee Chairs to give their updates if there was activity during the month.

- **AEF:** Nell explained our AEF piggy.
- **Americanism:** Nell noted that we received a few entries for our Essay contest and that the winning essay we selected was sent to Department.
- **Children and Youth:** Cathy reported that she finally was able to contact the Second Harvest Food Bank and was told that they cannot allow us to “go shopping” at their facility for the Eastbrook food pantry. They suggested that we give them a check to be deposited in the school’s account so the school can pick up items they want. Before we give a check to Second Harvest, we would need to confirm with the school that this is something that they could use since someone from the school would have to go to their food bank to pick up items. It was agreed that we would probably continue to do the shopping at Costco and Publix as we have in the past.
- **Education:** Nell reported that she will be delivering the Scholastic Achievement Medal information to our seven elementary schools before the end of the month.

- **Girls State:** Marge reported that the paperwork for both of our girls has been accepted and both girls are set to attend the orientation next month.
- **Poppies:** Marge reported that Post 243 wants 50 Poppies and Nell noted that Raytheon wants 150 Poppies. As of today, there are no actual Poppy booths set but Nell will arrange to place a Poppy basket at our bank and we will make Poppies available at the Post's Memorial Day program.
- **Public Relations:** Nell and Marge will accept a grant from the Rotary Club later this week where they will make a brief presentation about the Auxiliary and what we do.
- **Veterans Affairs and Rehab:** Marge reminded everyone to bring in their coupons.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Shower Shopping – Marge, Nell, and anyone else available is invited to go shopping for the baby shower for female Veterans at Costco on 4/17 at 1:30pm. Last month we agreed on a budget of \$100 for our donation. Nell will contact Ted Costello about delivering our donation.
- 6th District Picnic – The picnic supports transportation for Girls State and Boys State and will be held at Post 173 on 4/21.

NEW BUSINESS:

- May meeting – Nell explained the Project Vet Relief fundraiser. After a brief discussion Cathy moved (seconded by Mary) that we should shift our May meeting to Thursday, May 17th at the Perkins on University near Costco beginning at 6pm. Motion carried.
- To be in compliance with our Constitution and By-Laws, Nell reminded the members that we need to elect our Nominating Committee members tonight so that we can hold our elections during our June meeting. It was suggested that Cathy, Mary, and Nell be elected to serve as our Nominating Committee.
- Flag Draping – We discussed formally recognizing Thelma's passing and agreed to conduct a flag draping at our June meeting. Nell will contact Thelma's daughter to invite her to the ceremony.
- Constitutional Convention – It was recently announced that the original date for the May meeting is outside of the accepted dates for this event. The meeting has been shifted to May 6th at Fruitland Park Post 219 so that the 6th District will be in compliance with the Department Constitution and By-Laws. Marge is not available on 5/6; Nell will be one of our delegates and Cathy may be able to attend. **NOTE – MAY 6TH IS STILL OUT OF COMPLIANCE SO THE MEETING WAS MOVED TO JUNE 2ND AT POST 347, LADY LAKE.**

After everyone made their contributions to the AEF piggy bank, Marge Berrios offered the benediction and then adjourned the meeting at 7:53pm.

Respectfully submitted

Nell Colbert

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Secretary-Treasurer

Minutes approved _____

Nell Colbert, Secretary _____

Marge Berrios, President _____