

American Legion Auxiliary Winter Park Memorial Unit 112 General Meeting Minutes

March 11, 2014

The March general meeting of the American Legion Auxiliary Unit 112 was called to order at 7:06pm by President, Marge Berrios and opened according to ritual.

Members in attendance included:

Marge Berrios

Aunita Padgett

Nell Colbert

Debi Shannon

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.

Nell Colbert distributed hard copies of the minutes for review since they had not been emailed via the YahooGroup. Debi Shannon moved (seconded by Aunita Padgett) that the minutes be approved as written. Motion carried.

Nell Colbert gave the Treasurer's Report showing that we began the month with \$1752.25, received income of \$10.06 and had expenses of \$77.75, leaving us with a closing balance of \$1684.56 as of the end of the month. Nell reported that we received no additional income and had no expenses since the first of the month. Nell made hard copies available at the meeting for review because they had not been emailed via the YahooGroups. Debi Shannon moved (seconded by Aunita Padgett) that the Treasurer's Report be filed for audit. Motion carried.

Nell Colbert shared items of correspondence received this month including: our Girls State numbered applications and the newsletter from the Goldenrod Chamber of Commerce. Nell also reminded everyone that the most recent issue of the Department Communiqué has been posted to the Department website and noted that the link to the newsletter was emailed to everyone.

Nell noted that the only thing discussed at the Post Executive Committee meeting that concerned the Auxiliary was the Post Yard Sale coming later this month.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Marge called on the Committee Chairs to give their updates.

- **AEF:** Nell noted that our contribution needs to be sent to Department before April 30th.
- **Americanism:** Marge reminded everyone that our essay contest entries are due by 3/14. We will judge any entries received during the Yard Sale on the 22nd so they can be delivered to Department before April 1st.
- **Cavalcade of Memories:** No Report
- **Children and Youth:** Aunita reported that we have committed to help with the Post Easter Egg Hunt on 4/19. Nell noted that she continues to work with the Boy Scouts as an adult leader and Board member.
- **Community Service:** Marge and Aunita reported visiting nursing homes on Ash Wednesday and Nell continues to support the community activities sponsored by the Goldenrod Chamber.
- **Constitution and By-Laws:** No activity – our documents are up to date.
- **Education:** Nell reported that the Sea Cadets have pledged to become actively involved with our school supply drive in the fall and that our school supply drive collection boxes are still in place in both the Chamber and the Post.

- **Girls State:** Debi noted that the 6th District orientation is May 31st at Post 286 and that she has been in contact with both our delegate and alternate.
- **Juniors:** No report
- **Leadership:** For our leadership topic this month, Marge did a presentation on how to set up an attractive Poppy display booth.
- **Legislative:** Aunita reminded everyone to continue to bring her copies of any responses we get from our legislators.
- **Membership:** Nell reported that we are at 86% of goal (18 of 21.) We need three more members (new or renewals) to hit 100%. We have several members who paid for 2013 who have not renewed for 2014. Nell suggested that we make some phone calls to encourage these ladies to not just renew but to also participate.
- **National Security:** Marge reported that coupons continue to be dropped off at the Post so she is busy clipping coupons.
- **Past President's Parley:** Aunita reported that she has not been able to get into the VAMC to schedule another party.
- **Poppies:** Aunita reminded everyone that we have a Poppy booth scheduled for the Winn Dixie on University at Goldenrod on May 24th from 9:30am – 3pm. Nell offered to check on the Dunkin Donuts on University near Costco.
- **Public Relations:** No activity
- **Veterans Affairs and Rehab:** Aunita noted that she regularly transports a Veteran to various locations and will be placing flags in the cemeteries for Memorial Day.

OLD BUSINESS:

- None

NEW BUSINESS:

- Nell reminded the group that we need to establish our Nominating Committee so that the slate can be presented at the April meeting and the vote can be held at our May meeting.
- Nell reported that she heard recently from Johanna's daughter who reported that Johanna is being treated for breast cancer. Debi will send a card.

REMINDERS:

- 6th District Meeting – Post 347, Lady Lake on 3/15 beginning at 9am for registration
- Post Yard Sale – 3/22 – 8am – 3pm

After everyone made their contributions to the AEF piggy bank, Debi Shannon offered the benediction and Marge Berrios adjourned the meeting at 7:45pm.

Respectfully submitted



Nell Colbert
Secretary-Treasurer

Minutes approved _____

Nell Colbert, Secretary _____

Marge Berrios, President _____