

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

April 8, 2014

The April general meeting of the American Legion Auxiliary Unit 112 was called to order at 7:24pm by President, Marge Berrios and opened according to ritual. Marge welcomed our newest member, Kim Sullivan, to our Unit.

Members in attendance included:

Marge Berrios
Nell Colbert

Aunita Padgett
Kimberly Sullivan

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 reported that the minutes from the last meeting were emailed to all members. The minutes were also posted on the Unit's YahooGroups site and placed on our unit website. Nell had hard copies of the minutes available at the meeting for review by those who had not received them via email. Aunita Padgett moved (seconded by Kim Sullivan) that the minutes be approved as written. Motion carried.

Nell Colbert gave the Treasurer's Report showing that we began the month with \$1,684.56, received income of \$70.07 and had expenses of \$41.50, leaving us with a closing balance of \$1713.13 as of the end of the month. Nell reported that we received no additional income but paid out \$61.25 on April 7th for our corporation report. Nell reported that the Treasurer's Report was emailed via the Unit's YahooGroups and was posted on the YahooGroups site. Nell also made hard copies available at the meeting for review by those who had not received the Treasurer's Report via email. Aunita Padgett moved (seconded by Kim Sullivan) that the Treasurer's Report be filed for audit. Motion carried.

Nell Colbert shared items of correspondence received this month including: dues and officers forms for 2015 that need to be completed and returned to the department. Nell also reminded everyone that the most recent issue of the Department Communiqué has been posted to the Department website.

Nell Colbert attended the Post Executive Committee meeting and reminded everyone that the Post would like our help at the annual Easter Egg Hunt on 4/19.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Marge called on the Committee Chairs to give their updates. As the reports were given, each chair made a point to explain briefly their program to help Kim understand more about the Auxiliary.

- **AEF:** Nell noted that we will need to send in our check for what has been collected this year before 4/30 so that it will count for 2014.

- **Americanism:** Marge noted that she will be putting out flags in the cemeteries to assist Post 243 and Nita will also be putting out flags in the cemeteries just before Memorial Day. Marge reviewed the year-end report to collect missing data.
- **Cavalcade of Memories:** Nita reported that she has the scrapbook and it is just about up to date.
- **Children and Youth:** Marge reviewed the year-end report to gather input.
- **Community Service:** Marge passed around our community service log so everyone could log their hours and activities.
- **Constitution and By-Laws:** Nell noted that our documents are up to date but as soon as Department has the new information in place about the changes adopted by national, we will need to revise our documents.
- **Education:** Debi did the report for the District and gave a copy to Marge. Nell noted that we have distributed information to the three elementary schools about the Scholastic Achievement Award.
- **Girls State:** Marge reported that our alternate notified us that she cannot attend due to being awarded another outstanding opportunity that has a time conflict with Girls State. After contacting Department regarding our ability to replace her, Marge contacted our third choice who accepted our offer. Marge will be dropping off the paperwork at Department after she meets with the new alternate this week.
- **Juniors:** No report
- **Leadership:** Nell noted that she has our report ready to submit.
- **Legislative:** Nita continues to participate in the Tea Party activities and reminded everyone to continue to send her copies of the responses received from any legislators we contact.
- **Membership:** Nell reported that we need two more paid members to reach 100%. Kim offered to make calls to our current members who have not yet paid for 2014. Kim also took applications for her two daughters and will send the paperwork to Nell ASAP.
- **National Security:** Marge reported that she is still clipping coupons and sending them to Okinawa.
- **Past President's Parley:** Nita noted no activity.
- **Poppies:** Nita reported that we are set for a booth at the Winn Dixie on University at Goldenrod on May 24th from 10am – 3pm. Nell is working to get another booth scheduled for the Dunkin Donuts on University at Forsyth along with one at the BankFIRST on Aloma at SR417. Nell also noted that left over posies from 2013 will be delivered later this week to the three elementary schools along with invitations to participate in our annual Poppy Poster Contest.
- **Public Relations:** No chair but Nell will do the annual report to show our participation in the Goldenrod Chamber and our presentations for the Orange County East Rotary.
- **Veterans Affairs and Rehab:** Marge noted that our only VA&R activity besides our holiday gift basket project was the Bingo party we did at the VA at Christmas.

LEADERSHIP SEGMENT: We held no formal leadership segment this month in that time was taken throughout the meeting to briefly explain our programs to Kim.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Nominating Committee Report – The Nominating committee moved to keep the same officers as last year with the exception of replacing Johanna who has moved to Jacksonville. Kim Sullivan was nominated to fill the Sgt-at-Arms position. Motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS:

- None

REMINDERS:

- Post Easter Egg Hunt – 4/19 from 2-5pm
- 6th District Constitutional Conference – 5/10 at Post 53 from 10am – 3pm (check-in begins at 9am)

After everyone made their contributions to the AEF piggy bank, the members stripped the tags off of the outdated poppies so that Nell can deliver them to the elementary schools.

Marge Berrios offered the benediction and then adjourned the meeting at 8:30pm.

Respectfully submitted



Nell Colbert
Secretary-Treasurer

Minutes approved _____

Nell Colbert, Secretary _____

Marge Berrios, President _____