

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

**August 18, 2020**

The August 2020 general meeting of the American Legion Auxiliary Unit 112 was called to order at 7:10pm by President, Marge Berrios via Zoom. The meeting was opened according to ritual. 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.

Members in attendance included:

Marge Berrios  
Nell Colbert  
Lucy Loveitt

Debi Shannon  
Madelda Thompson

Guests included:

Rebecca Hamilton, SCSO  
Jim Middlekauff, Post 112 Commander  
Bob Colbert, Post 112 Adjutant

Marge welcomed everyone and introduced our guest speaker, Detective Rebecca Hamilton from the Elder Affairs Division at the Seminole Sheriff's Office.

Det. Hamilton spoke about K-9 Scent Preservation Kits which is part of the Bringing the Lost Home project. The SCSO is part of a pilot program in Florida and is the only county in Central Florida participating. The kits are FREE and are stored at the person's home so if the person goes missing, the K-9 units are dispatched immediately and have quick access to the missing person's scent. The flyer from the presentation will be included in the emailed version of the Post newsletter.

At the conclusion of Det. Hamilton's presentation, our guests left the meeting and we resumed following the usual agenda.

The minutes from the last meeting were emailed to all members. Debi Shannon moved (seconded by Madelda Thompson) that the minutes be approved as written. Motion carried.

Nell Colbert gave the Finance Report. Debi Shannon moved (seconded by Madelda Thompson) that the Finance Report be filed for audit. Motion carried.

Nell Colbert shared items of correspondence received this month including:

- Department *Mail Call* newsletter

Nell Colbert reported on the Post Executive Committee meeting:

- The SAL breakfast for September has been cancelled due to COVID
- The Post will have a new roof installed at the end of the month.
- The Post is getting estimates for new gutters and new flooring.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Marge called on the Committee Chairs to give their updates if there was activity during the month. Since we can't pass around the service hours logbook, Marge explained that we have a new way of recording service hours. Nell will email out a spreadsheet that is broken into pages per month and has all of our usual programs listed so all we need to

do is type in the field under the appropriate program on the date we performed the service and submit the report to Marge each month. The spreadsheet is set up to automatically total the number of hours in each project area.

- **Membership:** As of this meeting, we are at 55% of our membership goal.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

- Speaker Updates – There was a brief discussion about having a “Meet the Candidates” for our October Zoom meeting. It was decided that we would not try this event since we got such poor attendance for this meeting with a speaker.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- Debi introduced the 100 Mile Challenge, a fundraising project of The American Legion national organization. Everyone is encouraged to sign up if possible, committing to walk, run, bike, swim, canoe or motorcycle at least 100 miles between now and Veterans Day in November. There is a donation of \$30 and you receive a special 100 Mile Challenge T-shirt when you register (go to Emblem Sales to register.) After completing your 100 miles, you can fill out the form and receive your certificate.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REMINDERS:**

- The next 6<sup>th</sup> District meeting is scheduled for 9/12 at Post 63 in Winter Garden. There is no word yet as to whether Zoom will be available.

Debi Shannon offered the benediction and Marge Berrios adjourned the meeting at 8:10pm.

Respectfully submitted



Nell Colbert  
Secretary-Treasurer

Minutes approved \_\_\_\_\_

Nell Colbert, Secretary \_\_\_\_\_

Marge Berrios, President \_\_\_\_\_