

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

November 17, 2020

The November 2020 general meeting of the American Legion Auxiliary Unit 112 was called to order at 7:08pm by President, Marge Berrios. The meeting was not opened according to ritual. Marge offered the invocation.

Members in attendance included:

Marge Berrios

Nell Colbert

Cathy Diehl

Guests in attendance were:

Jim Middlekauff, Post 112 Commander

Bob Colbert, Post 112 Adjutant

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.

The minutes from the last meeting were emailed to all members. Marge Berrios moved (seconded by Cathy Diehl) that the minutes be approved as written. Motion carried.

Nell Colbert gave the Treasurer's Report. Marge Berrios moved (seconded by Cathy Diehl) that the Treasurer's Report be filed for audit. Motion carried.

Nell Colbert shared items of correspondence received this month including:

- Department *Mail Call* newsletter
- Unit membership Credit Report – now being send via email
- Girls State paperwork from Department

Jim Middlekauff and Bob Colbert reported on the Post Executive Committee meeting:

- Jim has completed the virtual Service Office training
- Due to the pandemic, the Legion has cancelled the annual Legion family holiday party at Perkins in December
- Jim is working with the contractor to have new gutters installed at the Post
- The plumber is finishing up the work to make the Cadet bathroom operational.
- The shopping for the Veteran Angel Tree project is 11/18. We will meet at Target at 9:30am. Cathy, Marge, and Nell plan to assist.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Marge called on the Committee Chairs to give their updates if there was activity during the month. Marge reminded everyone to send in their written service hour logs.

- **Children and Youth:** The grocery shopping for the Eastbrook Thanksgiving Backpack project was done yesterday, 11/16, and the food was delivered to the school earlier today. The school's administration is thrilled with our annual project and they thanked us for our continued support.
- **Education:** Nell delivered the \$250 check to the teacher at Eastbrook who is participating in the Scholastic Books for Students project. She was most appreciative.
- **Girls State:** Nell reported that she filled out and mailed to Department our paperwork for the 2021 Girls State program; we are guaranteed a spot since department is holding our payment for 2020. Marge reported that our Unit and the

Girls State program were again mentioned in the Oviedo magazine so we may get some calls from girls interested in participating. Nell noted that she saw on Twitter a post from Winter Springs High School that our 2020 Girls State delegate has received the 2020 DAR award for the school.

- **Membership:** We need three more paid memberships to reach 100%. We have only two members who have not renewed for 2021 as of this date and we need one new member to reach our goal.
- **Poppies:** Marge and Cathy reported that their Poppy booths this year were non-productive, raising only \$36.
- **VA & R:** The shopping for our Veterans holiday food gift baskets was completed yesterday, 11/16. It was agreed that all three baskets will go to the VA for the Angel Tree project; one will go to the family for whom the Post is shopping, and the other two recipient families will be determined by the VA at Lake Baldwin.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Mid-Year Reports – Marge reminded everyone that mid-year reports are due by 12/1 to the 6th District Chairs; our committee leads should complete the reports for their programs and send them to both Marge and the District Chair for their program. If anyone has additional service hours, please get your logs to Marge ASAP.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Auxiliary Holiday Party – There was a brief discussion as to whether we should have a Unit holiday party at the Post for just our members. No one would be asked to bring home-made goodies; the Unit would purchase packaged snacks. Members would be asked to bring their own drinks. It was agreed that since only three members were in attendance, Nell would poll the membership to get their feelings on holding a holiday get-together. Input would be needed by 12/1 and we will let those voting make the final decision.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REMINDERS:

- Please send your service hour logs to Marge ASAP.

Marge offered the benediction and adjourned the meeting at 7:32pm.

Respectfully submitted



Nell Colbert
Secretary-Treasurer

Minutes approved _____

Nell Colbert, Secretary _____

Marge Berrios, President _____