

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

**November 15, 2022**

The November 2022 general meeting of the American Legion Auxiliary Unit 112 was called to order at 7:07pm by President, Marge Berrios. The meeting was opened according to ritual.

Members in attendance included:

Marge Berrios  
Terry Berrios

Nell Colbert  
Debi Shannon

Guests in attendance were:

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 Terry Berrios) that the minutes be approved as written. Motion carried.

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

Nell Colbert shared items of correspondence received this month including:

- Department *The Florida Canvas* newsletter
- Unit Membership Credit Report – now being send via email – showing \$31 credit
- Girls State registration packet
- Solicitors Permit renewal paperwork

Bob Colbert reported on the Post Executive Committee meeting:

- Legion Family Christmas party is 12/9 at Perkins beginning at 6pm. Optional gift exchange will take place, too.
- The Post will be chartering two ScoutsBSA troops beginning in January 2023.
- The Post will be doing the Giving Tree project for the Lake Baldwin VA. We are waiting on information about our family and Jim will notify us about the shopping date after he gets the info about the family from Ted Costello.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Marge called on the Committee Chairs to give their updates if there was activity during the month.

- **Community Service:** Marge donated 50 books to the Nativity Catholic Church Book Nook. Terry has run several 5K and 10K races that benefit Orlando area food pantries; about \$150 raised. Staci Shannon-Klinger is working with Cub Scouts in Venice.
- **Education:** The shopping for the Eastbrook Thanksgiving backpack project has been completed and the food was delivered to the school. The school is thrilled.
- **Membership:** We are still at 80% - we need three members to renew for 2023 and we need to recruit two new members. Nell sent personal letters to the three members who have not renewed but no response. Marge will call these ladies. Debi spoke with Department about inviting the folded Unit 53 members to join us and as told that most transferred to Unit 400.

- **Poppies:** We did not hold any Poppy booths for Veterans Day.
- **VA & R:** The shopping for our annual Holiday Food Basket project has been completed. The baskets will be delivered to the Lake Baldwin VA along with the Posts Giving Tree family items.

**LEADERSHIP SEGMENT:**

Debi shared information about an article in the Legion Link newsletter about our very own Dyke Shannon, who 40 years ago was at the groundbreaking for the Vietnam Wall Museum.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

- Standing Rules Amendment – Debi Shannon moved (seconded by Marge Berrios) that our proposed dues increase item be approved. Motion carried.
- Eastbrook Backpack project – food was delivered 11/16.
- Holiday Veterans Gift Baskets – shopping was completed 11/15.
- Giving Tree – no information yet on date for shopping.
- Veterans Day program at Eastbrook – The event was cancelled due to Hurricane Ian and was rescheduled for 12/6. Our set up will be at 8:30am, Veteran breakfast begins at 9am and the program starts at 10am.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- Per Diem for Fall Conference – There was a discussion about the costs associated with the upcoming Department Conference like increased parking and food costs. Noting that we had approved \$25 per day per diem per participant, Debi Shannon moved (seconded by Terry Berrios) to increase our Per Diem for this conference to \$50 per day. Motion carried.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REMINDERS:**

- Marge reminded everyone to send in their written service hour logs to both Nell and herself.

Debi Shannon offered the benediction and Marge Berrios adjourned the meeting at 7:45pm.

Respectfully submitted

*Nell Colbert*

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Secretary-Treasurer

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

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

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