

Unit Year End Report 2019—2021

District # _____ Unit Name _____

Here is what we did from _____/_____/2019 to _____/_____/2021

1. Service for active duty military (examples include pocket flags and support of the amendment to protect the United States from desecration (HJ Res 8

Hours volunteered _____

Brief description of service _____

Dollars spent _____

2 Service for military families (examples health and housing).

Hours volunteered _____

Brief description service _____

Dollars spent _____

3 Promote the ALA's value of Americanism through the Americanism Essay Contest, community education about flag etiquette, respect in the support of our country, active duty military, and veterans.

Hours volunteered _____

Brief description of service _____

Dollars spent _____

4 Promote patriotism through Unit involvement in community events.

Hours volunteered _____

Brief description of service _____

Dollars spent _____

5 Promote Auxiliary participation in the American Legion Americanism Programs

Hours volunteered _____

Brief description of service _____

Dollars spent _____

Mid—Year Reports Due to District Chairman April 1, 2021

Auxiliary Emergency Fund Unit Year-End Report

Due to District Chairman by April 1, 2020



Unit Information

Unit Chairman

Unit Number

Department Florida

Questions

Does your Unit have an Auxiliary Emergency Fund?

If so, how many women requested helped?

How many women were helped?

Does your unit know how to start a Unit Auxiliary
Emergency Fund?

Does your unit understand how to help
a member apply for AEF? Eligibility,
Use of Funds, Documentation,
Investigate...

What is your unit doing to educate
members about Auxiliary Emergency
Fund?

**Did any members apply to the Department of
Florida for assistance?**

If so, how many?

Did any members apply to National for assistance?

If so, how many?

Donations

Did any units/members donate to the National Auxiliary emergency Fund?

If so, how many?

Did any of unit/members donate to the Department of Florida's Auxiliary emergency Fund?

If so, how many?

What fund raising did the units do?

Did your Unit donate \$1 for every member of the unit to Department AEF?

Comments:

Narrative Please explain how Department can help your unit support and utilize our AEF Program

AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY
UNIT CHAPLAIN – YEAR END REPORT 2020/2021

Name of Chaplain Deborah Shannon Unit # 112 District 6

Address 108 Jamaica Dr, Cocoa Beach, FL 32931 Phone 407-920-2344

Note: Please do not send checks to Department Chaplain they are to go to Department Headquarters. (PO Box 5479127, Orlando, FL 32854-7917)

1. Did you open and close all Meetings with a Prayer? Yes X No
Did you use the Home Front Reflection Page? Yes X No
Were you called upon to deliver a prayer other than at meetings? Yes No X
Describe:
2. How many Sympathy Cards did you send? 3
3. How many Get Well Cards did you send? 4
4. How many Thinking of You cards did you send? 1
5. How many Congratulations Cards did you send? 0
6. How many Birthday Cards did you send? 0
Did you visit the sick? Yes No X Number of Times
7. Did you drape the Unit Charter for deceased members? Yes No X How Many times?
Did you conduct a Memorial/Funeral Service? Yes No X How Many
Did the Unit make a donation to the Memorial Scholarship Fund in honor of a deceased member? Yes No X
8. Did you Participate in, or conduct a service for the Four Chaplains? Yes X No
Did your Unit contribute to the Chapel of the Four Chaplains? Yes No X
9. Did you use Grace Cards? no How Many?
Describe how:
10. Did your Unit participate in, or conduct a service on: Memorial Day Yes
Veterans Day Yes Wreaths Across America No POW/MIA No
Pearl Harbor Day No Flag Day No Others: List
11. Did you prepare a Prayer Book for the Unit President? No For Competition?
Did you submit any Prayers to Department Chaplain? Yes How Many? 1

Year End Reports

Units - Send two (2) copies of this report to the District Chaplain by April 1, 2021.

Districts - Send one (1) copies of Year End report to Department Chaplain by April 15, 2021.

Please remember, if your reports reach the District Chaplain after that date, your information will not be reported. If you have any questions, please email me at Chaplain@ALAFL.org and I will respond as quickly as I can, or call me at 407-728-5125 and leave a message.

Department Chaplain address: Lois Stachelrodt, 826 Orienta Ave, Apt. B, Altamonte Springs, FL 32701

Children & Youth 2020-2021

Unit/District Mid-Year and Year-End

Unit Name & number _____ District _____

Unit/District Chairman _____ Phone # _____

Address _____ -Email _____

Did your Unit have a special meeting or event recognizing April as "Children & Youth" month?

How did your Unit support, assist, recognize or donate to military children?

Kids of Deployed are Heroes 2 _____

Military Childs Table Ceremony _____

How did your Unit **Purple Up** & celebrate April "Month of the Military Child."

How did your Unit support, assist, identify or donate to children of veteran's.

Homeless or in-need families with children? _____

Did you purchase Klinger, a Story of Hope & Honor or participate in TAPS.

How did your Unit support, assist or recognize children in your local community?

Did your Unit nominate a child for the Youth Hero award? _____

Did your Unit nominate a child for the Good Deed award? _____

How did your Unit support, assist or recognize chronically ill children?

Did your Unit volunteer or donate to any of the following children's charities or special focus projects?

Special Focus Projects Camp Corral \$ _____ in-kind _____ volunteer _____

Camp Boggy Creek \$ _____ in-kind _____ volunteer _____

Children's charities American Legion Child Welfare Foundation _____

John's Hopkins All Children's \$ _____ in-kind _____ volunteer _____

Mailman Center \$ _____ in-kind _____ volunteer _____

Beads of Courage \$ _____ in-kind _____ Carry-a-Bead \$ _____

Ronald McDonald House Charities \$ _____ in-kind _____ volunteer _____ soda tabs _____ lbs.

COTA \$ _____

Activities, events or donations not covered in the questionnaire please continue on the back of sheet.

Please mail 2 copies of the Unit report to District Chairman by Dec. 1, 2020.

Please mail 1 copy of the Unit reports and the District report to the Dept. Chairman by Dec. 15, 2020

Department of Florida Chairman Dee Bell, 326 72nd Ave., St. Pete Beach, Fl. 33706



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March 26, 2021

Winter Park Memorial Unit 112 has several members who are involved in youth organizations in addition to their participation with the Auxiliary.

- One of our members is active with a Naval Sea Cadet Squadron and spent more than 400 hours since May 1, 2020 assisting with their youth programs.
- One of our members serves on the BSA Southern Region Board as well as on the President's Cabinet for the Central Florida Council Boy Scouts of America in addition to serving at the district level in Seminole County. This member has spent more than 150 hours in service to youth through the Boy Scout program.
- Another member supports her grandsons' Boy Scout troop and has spent more than 50 hours during this year supporting the troop program.

In total, our members have donated more than 600 hours assisting various Children and Youth programs outside of the Auxiliary.

For our support of the Eastbrook Food Pantry backpack project, we spent \$800.00 and spent an additional 15 hours shopping for food, delivering food to the school.

Auxiliary Unit 112 is recognized by the IRS as a 501-C19 non-profit corporation. Unit 112 also holds a valid permit from the State of Florida, Department of Agriculture number CH 33580 allowing us to solicit and collect donations.

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American Legion Auxiliary
Department of Florida

~~2019~~ - 2020 - 2021

Unit Year-End Report

Due to your District Community Service Chairman by April 1, 2020

Committee Chairman Name MARGE BERRIOS

Address & Phone Number 205 TAVESTOCK LOOP WINTER

SPRINGS, FL 32708 Unit Number & Location 112 - Winter Park

What types of Community Service activities and/or projects were done in your Unit?

Work with Chamber of Commerce, ITOA, S.A.L+Post, Counseling
service, make mask, RUN 5K, 10K, 15K For different charities
ex: Fisher House, Children's Miracle Network, Brain Cancer

What was the number of volunteers completing Community Service activities and/or projects? 5

What was the number of volunteer hours completed by members for Community Service activities and/or projects? 325

How much money was spent on Community Service activities and/or projects?

Members donated their own service and charity donations

Value of in-kind donations received for Community Service activities and/or projects?

\$630 counseling \$1020 Donations For Charity RUNS

Did members volunteer for or organize service projects for any ALA suggested National Days of Service? If so, please list which ones. ND

Please use additional sheet of paper as needed.

**Constitution & Bylaws
2019-2020
Unit Year-End Report
Due to the District Chairman by April 1, 2020**

Unit _____ District # _____

C&B Unit Chairman _____

C&B Chairman Phone # and email address _____

1. Have you done an annual review of your Constitution and Bylaws?

2. When did your Unit last review the Constitution, Bylaws and/or Standing Rules (indicate which if not all)?

3. Have you presented copies of your Constitution, Bylaws and Standing Rules to every new member?

4. Have you explained the importance of your Constitution, Bylaws and Standing Rules?

5. Has your Unit sponsored any Constitution & Bylaws activities? If so, what were those activities?

6. Did your Unit participate in a web based Constitutional & Bylaws activity? If so was it helpful?

DEPARTMENT OF FLORIDA
EDUCATION **UNIT REPORTING 2019-2020**

Year- End Reports

Reporting Important Due Dates:

Unit Reports—to District Chairman: April 1, 2020.

All reports require a narrative. Your stories, pictures, and other ALA mission-related activities are important. As a part of your Narrative Report, please include answers to the following questions:

1. How was Give 10 participation recognized in your Unit? _____

2. Describe how Veterans in the Community Schools were presented. _____

3. Did your unit actively support Veterans associations on campus, describe their activities. _____

4. Total number of “Veterans in Community Schools” presentations were facilitated. _____

5. Number of Scholarships presented. _____

6. Total dollar amount of Unit Scholarships. _____

7. Total dollar amount sent to Department Scholarships. _____

8. You may also include # of volunteer hours and money/in-kind donations. _____



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March 25, 2021

Unit 112 Year End Education Report

Our Unit usually supports Education in several ways:

- In May each year, we present Scholastic Achievement Awards to one 5th grade young lady at each of eight different elementary schools. Unfortunately, with schools closed in May 2020, these awards were not presented in person. However, recipients for 2020 were selected and we delivered medals to the schools so they could be sent home with the students. We have already begun contacting seven elementary schools to get the names of one girl and one boy for the 2021 Scholastic Achievement Awards and we are looking forward to presenting medals in person at the end of the year ceremonies in May 2021.
- Each year, we usually recognize the teachers and staff at three schools with huge goody baskets of fruits and breakfast pastries during National Teacher Appreciation Week. However, this program was put on hold since schools were not in session for in-person learning in May 2020. If we can gain access to the schools next month, we will again deliver the goody baskets to the schools.
- In the past, we collected school supplies for three elementary schools, but two years ago, we were asked to switch gears a bit because they each got more school supplies than needed and indicated that they could use other items. We have adopted the food pantry at one elementary school and just before Thanksgiving, we provided the non-perishable Thanksgiving dinner items (candied yams, marshmallows, stuffing, gravy, canned corn, canned green beans, cranberry sauce, and mashed potatoes) for the families identified as on free breakfast and lunch. Many of these families are active duty or veteran families. This year, because so many student families have chosen Seminole

Connect virtual school, we provided about \$500 in food items for the school's families.



- For Give Ten to Education this year, we adopted one classroom and participated in the Scholastic Books Classroom Book project. For \$10 per student, Scholastic Books will provide one book per month for each student in the classroom. We donated \$250 to provide each of 25 students with a book every month this school year.
- One of our members is also very active teaching various classes in the community and spent more than 130 hours preparing for her classes and teaching those classes.

Yours in service to God and Country

Nell Colbert
Secretary-Treasurer
Winter Park Memorial Unit 112

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ALA Department of Florida Girls State

Unit Year-End Report

This Report will just be for preparations and activities for the 2021 Girls State Session.

Unit# 112 Unit Name: Winter Park Memorial District # 6

Chairman MARGE BERRIOS

Address: 205 TAYLOR STOCK LOOP, WINTER SPRINGS FL 32708

Phone# 407 376-8962

Email MBERR3@yahoo.com

1. How many girls are you sending to Girls State 2021 Session? 1
2. If none, the write none and go no further. Send report to your District Girls State Chairman so she can have 100% units reporting.
3. How did your unit raise funds for The Girls State Program? (Bingo, Picnic, Bake Sales, etc.) **Please use additional paper if necessary.**

DONATIONS

4. How did your unit select Girls State Delegates? **Please use additional paper if necessary.** WE HAD 5 CANDIDATES FROM SCHOOLS IN OUR AREA AND 2 CANDIDATES FROM SCHOOLS THAT DID NOT HAVE UNITS PARTICIPATING IN GIRLS STATE THIS YEAR. WE INTERVIEWED THEM ALL AND SELECTED 1 DELEGATE AND 1 ALTERNATE.
5. Total number of volunteers spent on 2021 Girls State Session? 4
Total number of hours? 25





Unit Leadership Year-End Program Reporting 2019 - 2021

Florida ALA Strong!!!

Unit Chairman: Deborah Shannon

Unit # 112

Chairman's Address: 108 Jamaica Dr. Cocoa Beach, FL 32931

Phone: # 407-920-2344

E-mail Address: swdebi@aol.com

How many unit members attended National Mission Training?	0 _____
Did your Unit offer the National Junior Leadership Course?	NA
Did your unit distribute, explain & utilize the following "How to Sheets"?	
How to Utilize a Member Data Survey Form	NO _____
How to Conduct a Unit Meeting	NO _____
How to Lead a Small Unit	NO _____
How to Grow Leadership Capacity, Nurturing a Culture of Goodwill	NO _____
Did your unit follow basic parliamentary procedure during meetings?	Yes _____

Send this Unit Year-End Report form and narrative, to the District Chairman no later than April 1, 2021.

Narratives

1. Did unit members attend district trainings? Which trainings? How many members attended? Were the trainings implemented in your unit?

Our unit Secretary/Treasurer attended an online training session that was offered by the National Headquarters, but she has not yet shared it in a unit meeting due to Covid restrictions.

2. Did your unit hold additional training sessions? What were the topics? How many members attended?

The Auxiliary Mission Statement was read and discussed in September. Four members were in attendance.

We had a training session regarding how the flag is folded at military funerals. The symbolism of the folds was explained. There were 4 members in attendance.

At our May Zoom meeting, a general overview was provided regarding the free educational courses offered by the National headquarters and how they lead to a brighter Auxiliary future. Five members were in attendance.

We also participated in a Memorial Day Celebration on Zoom that was conducted by the Post. Two Auxiliary members were present at this event.

Information was provided about the VA expanding Caregiver Eligibility to Vietnam War Veterans

3. Did your unit hold a training on nurturing a culture of goodwill? How many attended? Was it well received? Please attach copy of training agenda.

During our October Zoom meeting, we did an informal sharing session on how Covid has affected all of us. It was led by Debi Shannon who is a licensed Clinical Social Worker. The members shared stories regarding their own personal experiences. Some of our member had lost friends due to Covid. Emotional support and encouragement were provided.

4. Did your unit work on grooming members to excel in their current roles while preparing to advance to higher levels within the organization, developing the leader within? If so, how was it done and what were the outcomes?

We are an exceedingly small unit and only have five members that are active in our service projects. We help each other with the different projects that we voted on to pursue. We have discussed the District and State positions but so far none of us have ventured outside the unit.

UNIT TO DISTRICT LEGISLATIVE REPORT FORM
END OF YEAR REPORTING 2020-2021

Unit Number 112

District Number 6

Name of Person Reporting MARGIE BERRIOS

Phone Number 407 376 8962 Email mberr3@yahoo.com

Check the activities that the units in your District completed. Please describe activities/projects carried out in the units.

LOCAL ELECTED OFFICIALS

SUBSCRIPTIONS

___ # of phone calls to

1 # of emails and letters sent to
___ # of personal visits to

___ # to Members signed up for Dept of Florida
FLALA Facebook Page

___ # to www.VOTERVOICE.com/legion
___ # American Legion Dispatch newsletter

STATE ELECTED OFFICIALS

___ # of phone calls to
___ # of emails and letters sent to
___ # of personal visits to

EVENTS

___ #Coordinate/Attend "Meet the Candidate"
___ # Coordinate/Attend "Town Hall Meeting"
___ # Attend Washington DC Conference

NATIONAL ELECTED OFFICIALS

___ # of phone calls to
___ # of emails and letters sent to
___ # of personal visits to

RESPONSE

Y N Did you receive a response from an
official?
if Yes, how many? ___
From Whom? ___

POST FAMILY MEMBERS

___ # of Post Family Functions shared leg. Issues
___ # of Post Events elected officials attend

SUMMARY QUESTIONS:

- Did your unit use the Congressional Meeting Report Form? No
- Did your unit nominate a member to the Legion Legislative Council? N/A
- How many hours were donated by your unit to the legislative program? (Please provide a number.) 46 hrs. How much money was spent on this program? N/A
- What Legislative issues has your unit has been focusing on?
one member wrote to Local Official Regarding Veteran causes.

A member worked 45 hours on political action causes

- What other legislative issues are veterans in your area concerned with?

N/A

- How did your unit inform members about the legislative issues promoted by The American Legion and how did your members employ those methods?

N/A

- How did members of your unit develop relationships with their elected officials? Please describe.

N/A

- Please describe how members of your unit were able to connect with their local and state officials and what were their successes.

N/A

- Did you find that the FL ALA Legislative Facebook Page was a helpful tool to promote and stay information with the Legislative Program? N/A

- What kind of information do you need from your Department Legislative committee that you feel would be beneficial to other units?

N/A

Please keep a copy for your records. Mail report to Department Legislative Chairman: Lisa Hoyland.
5302 Date Palm Place Tamarac, Fl 33319

NATIONAL SECURITY PROGRAM

DEPARTMENT OF FLORIDA, Unit Year-End Report, 2020-2021

Unit Name: Winter Park Memorial Unit Number: 112 District: 6 Group _____
Unit President: MARGE BERRIOS Email: Mberr3@yahoo Phone # 407 3768962
Unit Chairman: MARGE BERRIOS Email: _____^{com} Phone # _____

This is what our Unit did from April 1, 2020 to March 31, 2021

1. Coupons: Vol Hours: 20 Postage: \$ 7.95 Value: \$ 2000

2. Troop Boxes: Vol Hours: _____ Postage: \$ _____ In-Kind Donations: \$ _____ No of Boxes: _____

For the following questions, please give a description of how volunteer hours were used, and any special projects your unit has done for the year.

3. USO: Vol Hours: _____ Donations: \$ _____ In-Kind Donations: \$ _____

4. Operation Homefront: Vol Hours: _____ Donations: \$ _____ In-Kind Donations: \$ _____

5. YRRP: Vol Hours: _____ Donations: \$ _____ In-Kind Donations: \$ _____

6. Blue Star Mothers: Vol Hours: _____ Banners: _____ Donations: \$ _____ In-Kind Donations: \$ _____

7. Gold Star Mothers: Vol Hours: _____ Banners: _____ Donations: \$ _____ In-Kind Donations: \$ _____

8. Military Spouses: Vol Hours: _____ Donations: \$ _____ In-Kind Donations: \$ _____

9. Military Families: Vol Hours: _____ Donations: \$ _____ In-Kind Donations: \$ _____

10. Military Child: Volunteer Hours: _____ (Set-up military child's table for POW/MIA Ceremony)

11. Homeland Security: Vol Hours: _____ Donations: \$ _____ In Kind Donations: \$ _____

12. CERT/FEMA: Vol Hours: _____ Donation/Cost: \$ _____ Number Certified: _____

13. JROTC: Vol Hours: _____ Donation/Cost: \$ _____ Number of Medals: _____

14. Blood Drives: Vol Hours: _____ Number of Drives: _____ Pints Given: _____

Please submit for Chairman, Department and National Awards.

YOUR UNIT REPORT IS DUE TO YOUR DISTRICT CHAIRMAN

NO LATER THAN APRIL 1, 2021!

**Poppy Reporting
2020 - 2021
Unit Reporting Form End of Year**

Unit 112

District 6

Chairman Marge Berrios

Chairman Contact 4073768962

Year-End Reports:

Units to District is due April 1st

Annual reports reflect the program work of units. Each Unit Poppy chairman is required to submit a narrative report to the District Poppy Chairman.

1. How did your unit members promote the Poppy program? We ran Poppy Booths. We all wore Masks and were outside.

2. How did your unit members increase poppy revenue? WE increased to 3 locations

3. How did units promote the Poppy Poster Contest? n/a

4. How did units promote Little Miss Poppy? n/a

5. What are the numbers of poppies or poppy items distributed? 200

6. What were the dollars raised in the unit from poppies? \$205

Taking the time to share a favorite story about the positive impact you or someone you know has had on our mission is worth doing! It helps us tell the world who we are, what we do, and why we matter.

**Poppy Contest and Awards Deadlines and Submission Requirements:
Due at Year End Report Dates**

Please add additional pages, if needed, to expand your answers.

Poppies End Year Report 2021 Unit112

The program ran well in May. We were able to collect \$170 from two locations. In November we increased to three locations but because of Covid we only collected total \$35. Many people stated that they had to watch their expenses because of work issues. Hopefully, next year things will improve. Submitted by Marge Berrios Poppy chair Unit112

Public Relations End of Year Report

Send this along with a narrative of your favorite story

Due April 30, 2021

Chairman _____ Unit # 1/City _____

Phone # _____

1. # of interviews with reporters _____

2. # of articles published _____

(Attach copies to this report)

3. # of letters to the Editor _____

(Attach copies to this report)

4. # of TV aired programs/interviews/event coverage _____

(email copy to Department PR Chairman)

5. # of television community calendar announcements _____

List times and Dates: _____

6. # of public service announcements (PSA's) _____

7. # of printed advertisements _____

(attach copies to this report)

8. # of Social Media postings _____

Facebook page: Name _____

9. # of ALA Unit/TAL Family Newsletters _____

(Attach one copy)

10. # of Event Flyers _____

(Attach copies to this report)

11. # of Email Blasts _____

12. Did Unit create a media contact list? _____

13. Did Unit create a website or social media page? _____ If, yes, give information

Date Created _____ Name of website/social media page _____

14. Did Unit develop a Public Relations program for 2020-2021? _____

15. Did Unit contribute any articles to the Department Newsletter "*Mail Call*" _____

16. What and how did your Unit promote fundraising activities for

Dept. President Ann King Smith's special project Honor Flight (please send funds to Dept)

Attach copies

17. Did Unit submit to the ALA National magazine? _____

(Attach copies)

18. Did Unit share pictures or media on the Department Public Relations face book page? _____

(Attach copies)

19. Have your units joined FLALA Public Relations? _____ Please do.

20. Did you receive any proclamations this year? If so, how many _____

21. Attach a Narrative of your favorite story.

A narrative is nothing more than a story of connected events. You can make your narrative chronological, as in order of events by month, or simply highlight the public relations activities and events taking place in your Unit.

UNIT CHAIRMAN: PLEASE SUBMIT TWO COPIES REPORTs and Narratives of Unit's Public Relations activities to the District chairman no later than Mid-Year November 1st, 2020 Year-End Reports and Narratives no later than April 30, 2021.

FLORIDA STRONG

YOUR UNIT HAS A SECOND CHANCE ON CELEBRATING OUR 100TH ANNIVERSARY

It doesn't have to be a ball, dance or party. Be creative! It could be giving 100 donuts to the police department LOL. Or 100 backpacks to a school. How about \$100 to honor flight! Remember to mention our celebration.

Make sure to take a picture and place in the newspaper and mail call. Don't forget President's Ann special project!

The American Legion Winter Park Memorial Post 112 Family



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2020—2021 Officers

Commander
James Middlekauff

1st Vice
Commander
Benton Bonney

2nd Vice
Commander
James Middlekauff

Adjutant
Bob Colbert

Finance Officer
Bob Colbert

Sgt. at Arms
Russell Kraeger

Judge Advocate
OPEN

Asst. Judge Adv.
Terry Brown

Service Officer
Jim Middlekauff
Ted Costello

Chaplain
Donnie Jackson
Billy Dover, Asst.

Historian
OPEN

Sons of the Legion
Commander
Jim Carten

Auxiliary
President
Marge Berrios

Newsletter Editor
Nell Colbert

Website
[http://
www.wpflpost112.org](http://www.wpflpost112.org)

COMMANDER'S MINUTE

Greetings fellow Post 112 members:

By now I hope everyone can "venture out" safely, taking all the necessary precautions. We are not over this Pandemic by a long shot yet and am really concerned that so many are not taking this more seriously. We must keep the faith that this will be less concerning by the end of this year. If you need anything, please do NOT hesitate to call me or one of our officers for assistance. Please be safe.

On a happier note; your Post is now OPEN. We had our first face-to-face and ZOOM meeting on the 9th of June and it went well. I had the Post set-up for "Social Distancing" as they say and along with masks, everyone was comfortable sitting in the Post again. It was a great feeling and pleasure to see some of our members venture out and attend our live meeting, as well as those attending via ZOOM. We will continue to serve the membership in this manner until further notice and until the CDC restrictions have been lifted. No food was served at this time, just your favorite coffee and water. With time, we may again have "snacks" available at the meeting.

We are not planning any major or large social events currently as well. It would be really nice to have a 4th of July picnic and dedication of the really nice Four Chaplains monument by our flagpole. The Sons will be starting the Pancake Breakfast on the 25th of July, but more to follow on that from Commander Carten. Personally, I would like to do something in August, but time will tell whether that may come about. With so many events being canceled, it is just too difficult to plan anything at this point and time and I'm sure you all understand why.

Thanks to ScoutsBSA Troop 613 and Tim Crumbly, we also now have an awesome looking retired flag collection box on the front porch of the Post. This was his Eagle Scout project and he made three of them! Thank you so much for this Tim. We will of course invite the troop to our ceremony and picnic later this year if we will

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YAHOO! GROUPS

**See Bob to
sign up!**

Do you

YAHOO!

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Our Happenin' Auxiliary—Nell Colbert

We hope that everyone has been staying healthy and safe during this pandemic.

Even though our state has been under a Stay-at-Home order for the last couple of months, your Auxiliary Unit has still been busy. Our meetings switched from face-to-face meetings to Zoom video conference meetings. Now that the Post is open and we can have regular meetings again, we will continue to have Zoom available for those who can't attend in person.

We had a great speaker for our May meeting and our members got lots of valuable information from Dyke Shannon about the Legion LIT insurance program. We are working to bring in speakers at least once per quarter to talk about programs available in our community that are of interest to our members. **ALL Winter Park Legion family members are invited to attend our meetings whenever we have speakers.** The Seminole County Sheriff's Office, as part of their Elder Affairs office, has a program available where the county provides *Scent Preservation Kits* to families with vulnerable youth and adults—people with dementia or youth with Autism, for example—who might wander off. The scent kits are stored by the Sheriff's Office and can be used with the tracking dogs to help find missing individuals. **This program is confirmed for the Unit's August 18th meeting. See attached flyer.**

At our May meeting, we also confirmed that our 2019-2020 officers will hold their positions for another year. Our officers for 2020-2021

will be:

Marge Berrios, President
Cathy Diehl, Vice President
Nell Colbert, Secretary-Treasurer
Debi Shannon, Chaplain
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The Historian position is open. Please let Marge know if you would be interested in this vital position. We are also working on our committee leads for next year. If you have a passion for any of our programs, please let Marge know on which committees you'd like to serve.

We also held our annual Memorial Day Poppy drive and raised more than \$150 to support our Veterans holiday gift basket project. Special thanks to Brenda Brown, Marge Berrios, and Tijuana Flats for making this year's drive a success in spite of the COVID-19 pandemic.

And of course, it wouldn't be Memorial Day without helping the Post with the annual Memorial Day service. Nell streamed the service live to our Unit's Facebook page and also shared it with the Post's page. It was a moving service and while there were only four people participating at the Post, the service had many Facebook views and we also saw some of our members on Zoom.

We were notified in May that we were again awarded a grant by the Orange County East Rotary Club. The grant helps us fund Girls State and our many Children and Youth and Veterans projects throughout the year. While we usually receive the grant check at one of the regular Rotary meetings, this year the check was mailed to us since the club was not holding face-to-face meetings.

In mid-June Nell attended a Rotary meeting via Zoom to give the members an update on our Unit's activities.

We are anticipating that our installation of officers will be held in July in conjunction with the Legion and SAL installations on 7/14. We don't have a confirmed date as of this writing, so we do not know if the installation will be held face-to-face or be done via Zoom. We'll keep everyone posted as soon as the information is confirmed.

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JULY

- 4 Independence Day
- 7 Son's Meeting - 7 PM **ZOOM ONLY**
- 14 Executive Board Meeting - 6 PM **ZOOM ONLY**
- 14 Post General Meeting - 7 PM **ZOOM ONLY**
- 18 Fleet Reserve - 9:30 AM **ZOOM ONLY**
- 21 Auxiliary Meeting - 7 PM **ZOOM ONLY**
- 25 Breakfast at the Post 8 AM - 11 AM—**PENDING**

AUGUST

- 4 Son's Meeting - 7 PM & on ZOOM
- 11 Executive Board Meeting - 6 PM & on ZOOM
- 11 Post General Meeting - 7 PM & on ZOOM
- 15 Fleet Reserve - 9:30 AM & on ZOOM
- 15 Newsletter articles due
- 18 Primary Election Day
- 18 Auxiliary Meeting - 7 PM & on ZOOM

Please see our website for additional dates and more detailed info about each event.

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COMMANDER'S MINUTE

Greetings fellow Post 112 members:

I hope everyone is still taking all the necessary precautions, so no one gets ill. According to the news, it seems no one really knows when this will all end or even what our "new" normal will be. We ARE strong and will get through this as we have in the past with critical issues. We must keep the faith that this will be more under control by the end of the year, which seems to be an eternity away presently. Again, if you need anything, please do NOT hesitate to call me or one of our officers for assistance. Please be safe.

On a happier note; your Post is now OPEN, well-sort of. Obviously, I do not get over to the Post daily or sometimes even weekly and for the safety of all we do not have face to face meetings yet. I am however, still taking care of business that needs to be done to keep the Post in good working order. I thank the Post Adjutant for his assistance as well as the Past Commanders who give their input to what must be done and accomplished. We will continue to serve the membership as best we can until further notice and until the CDC restrictions are lifted. With time and a LOT of patience, we may again be able to get together by the end of this year. Try to call other members, they may be lonely and just need to hear a friendly voice.

We are not planning any major or large social events at this time as well. My plan as of now, is to have a virtual September 11th ceremony with just the Adjutant and I doing a live ZOOM ceremony from the Post. We must keep as much as we can to our "normal" schedule even though we cannot all be together. Friday, September 18th is also National POW/MIA Day and the Orlando Mayor will be doing a virtual ceremony in the rotunda of City Hall. This was created by the National League of Families and was proclaimed by the US Congress in 1998 and observed on the third Friday in September. As I get information concerning the connection, I will pass it on to

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Our Happenin' Auxiliary—Nell Colbert

We hope that everyone has been staying healthy and safe during this pandemic.

We had an outstanding speaker for our August meeting, Det. Rebecca Hamilton from the Seminole Sheriff's Office, who talked to us about Scent Preservation Kits, a project coordinated through the Elder Affairs Division of the SO. Everyone learned a lot about how these kits can assist law enforcement when they need to search for someone who has wandered away from their home, whether it be an adult suffering from dementia or an autistic child. We are working to bring in speakers at least once per quarter to talk about programs available in our community that are of interest to our members. ALL Winter Park Legion family members are always invited to attend our meetings whenever we have speakers. If you have an idea for a possible speaker, please send that information to either Marge or Nell and we will work to get the speaker scheduled. With elections right around the corner, we could consider holding a virtual meet the candidates night for some of our local races during our October meeting. Please email Nell or Marge with your thoughts.

Our 2020-2021 Membership Drive has begun and we had a tremendous response before the end of August. We currently have twelve paid members, including our Juniors:

- Sharon Brown
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- Braelyn Colbert
- Nell Colbert
- Victoria Colbert

- Christine Costello
- Mary Doyle
- Staci Klinger
- Cheryl Knapp
- JoAnne Russell
- Debi Shannon
- Madelda Thompson

This puts us at 55% of our goal. Thank you to everyone who has already sent in their dues for 2021. If you haven't sent in your dues for 2021, please mail your check payable to Auxiliary Unit 112 for \$36 to:

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Or you can go on-line to the national Auxiliary website and log-in to pay your dues. We would like to reach 100% by the end of September if at all possible.

As you read in the Commander's Minute, the Post is planning to host a streamed 911 ceremony. Like the Memorial Day ceremony, it will be streamed on Facebook Live and also via Zoom. As more information becomes available, we will share it via email.

Our Unit activities slowed over the summer months as we continue to deal with the pandemic. Once schools are open and things have settled down a bit, we'll be looking at again supporting the food pantry at Eastbrook. We need to determine whether it is more beneficial for them to get general food items now or wait until the holidays to do the Thanksgiving specific food items as we have done over the last several years.

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The Department Fall Conference is on the schedule for 11//5-11/8 at the Renaissance Orlando at Sea World. However, no decision has been made yet as to whether it will be held in person or virtually.

Stay safe and wear your mask!



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COMMANDER'S MINUTE

Greetings fellow Post 112 members:

I hope everyone is doing well under the present circumstances. Personally, I don't feel like playing Russian Roulette with my life and go out like nothing is happening like some places are doing. Subsequently, we are not very active at the Post; however, we ARE doing things. We are strong (even with health issues) and will get through this as we have in the past by being smart and praying that we can all see each other in 2021. It does not look too promising that the virus will be under control and have a vaccine by the end of the year, but I hope so. Again, if you need anything, please do NOT hesitate to call me or one of our officers for assistance. Please be safe.

On a happier note; your Post is looking good now that our new roof has been completed as well as our new sign by the roadway. Drive by and have a look sometime. Our Post Adjutant does an outstanding job of keeping the information on the sign current. Again, I do not get over to the Post daily or sometimes even weekly and for the safety of all we do not have face to face meetings yet. The Sea Cadets have been using our Post using all the CDC guideline safety measures. I will be attending an online Veteran Service Officer training this month and get the latest information to help our fellow Veterans as best that I can. Our National Commander has called on us to do the "Buddy Check" so please try to call other members; they may be lonely and just need to hear a friendly voice. We are all in this together.

We are not planning any major or large social events, which sadly includes our annual picnic and Christmas get-together at Perkins. We talked about these at our last Post Executive Board meeting and agreed that it is best that we pass on these things for this year. I would not be able to cope with it if anyone were to get COVID at either of these events, I hope you all understand. My plan as of now, is to have a **CONTINUED ON PAGE 2**

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Our Happenin' Auxiliary—Nell Colbert

Happy Thanksgiving, Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Our 2020-2021 Membership Drive is in full swing and we currently have the highest percentage of paid memberships in the 6th District! We currently have 18 paid members, including our Juniors:

- Marge Berrios
- Theresa Berrios
- Brenda Brown
- Sharon Brown
- Aurora Colbert
- Braelyn Colbert
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- Victoria Colbert
- Christine Costello
- Cathy Diehl
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This puts us at 78% of our goal of 23 members for 2021. Thank you to everyone who has already sent in their dues for 2021. If you are not listed above, your 2021 dues were not received by the Unit before October 17th when this newsletter was prepared. Please mail your check payable to Auxiliary Unit 112 for \$36 to:

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year.

We also need to recruit at least one or two NEW members for 2021, so if you have a friend who is eligible to join the Auxiliary, please encourage them to participate in our Zoom meetings so we can get an application to them.

As you read in the Commander's Minute, the Post will not be having its annual holiday party at Perkins this year due to the pandemic. We will consider having a small Auxiliary only get together at the Post in December, depending on the feelings of our members attending our October and November Zoom meetings.

We are now gearing up to support the food pantry at Eastbrook for Thanksgiving. The school would like us to do the Thanksgiving specific food items as we have done over the last several years. Both our SAL Squadron and the Post have pledged financial support for this activity.

We will also be supporting the Legion with it's Angel Tree project in early December along with our traditional Veteran Holiday food baskets for Christmas. We will be looking for three to four Veteran families in need who would appreciate receiving a food basket this Christmas. Please share your candidates for these baskets at an upcoming Unit meeting.

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The Department Fall Conference has been cancelled for November 2020 but there is some consideration being given to holding some classes virtually. As we get more information from the Department of Florida Auxiliary, we will send an email with the specifics..

Stay safe, wear your mask and have an awesome holiday season!



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COMMANDER'S MINUTE

Greetings fellow Legionaries of Post 112:

Happy New Year to all and Best Wishes in 2021! Time will tell as to what our "new normal" is going to be. The roll out of the vaccine will pretty much determine our activities in the near future, but thankfully there is a light at the end of the tunnel. Obviously, we are not very active at the Post for now; however, there is some activity going on. I pray that we can all see each other again soon in 2021. Please try to call other members, they may be lonely and just need to hear a friendly voice. We are all in this together. I am still reaching out to everyone - if you are in need of anything, please do NOT hesitate to call me or one of our officers for assistance and remain safe.

On a happier note - your Post is looking good and just needs us to safely return to use it as we remember in the past. Along with the Post looking great and operative in all respects, we need to push for membership. I know it is difficult presently, but we need to beat the bushes and find new members to join us. This is something all members should be talking to other Veterans about. *"Anyone who has served honorably in the US Armed Forces since December 7, 1941 are now eligible to join, including Active Duty"* so let's get the word spreading.

The Sea Cadets have been using our Post using all the CDC guideline safety measures.

I have completed an online Veteran Service Officer training so I can assist with questions and concerns, but not actually process a claim. In order to be "accredited" I would need to be working for the State or County and attend a week-long training seminar, which obviously I am not able to do.

Thanks to Past Commander Costello, we provided Christmas gifts to a single father with 3 children (VA Angel Tree project). The Auxiliary provided food baskets as well and assisted with the Angel Tree shopping.

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Our Happenin' Auxiliary—Nell Colbert



WE DID IT!

For the first time in our Unit's history, we achieved 100% membership before the end of the year! Thank you, ladies, for helping us get this done. By now, everyone should have their 2021 membership card. If you haven't received yours, please let Nell know so she can mail you a replacement. If you know of someone eligible for the Auxiliary, please encourage them to join our Unit.

Even though the Post building has been closed and our meetings have been done via Zoom, our November and December were very busy. Marge, Cathy, and Nell shopped for our annual Eastbrook Thanksgiving Backpack project and all the Thanksgiving food items were delivered to the school in mid-November. Marge, Cathy, and Nell also shopped for our an-



nual Christmas Veterans Food Basket project and we joined Legion and SAL members to shop for the now annual VA Giving Tree project. The Post sponsored one Veteran family, a father with three children. Once the shopping was done for all the goodies, our three food baskets for Veteran families in need were delivered to the VA



at Lake Baldwin along with the Giving Tree items. Both the school and the VA were very appreciative of our efforts.

Late November saw our committee chairs preparing and submitting our mid-year reports to the 6th District. All total, we reported thousands of service hours for the

work that we've done to support Veterans, Children & Youth, Education, and our other community service efforts. If you are performing community service for your church or any other organization for which you volunteer, please be sure to send your service hours to Marge every month. Our projects are reported to the District and each District reports their activities to the Department Chairs who, in turn submit their reports to the national organization. All the service hours and funds donated are then reported to Congress annually. We may be a small unit but our thousands of hours get included in the millions of hours reported as part of the Auxiliary report to the nation. The dollar value placed on the services provided by Auxiliary members nationwide to our communities amounts to billions of dollars each year!

We're looking forward to a great new year with Girls State, our annual Americanism Essay contest and Scholastic Achievement medals presentations this spring.

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COMMANDER'S MINUTE

Greetings fellow Legionaries of Post 112:

I hope by now that most or at least some of you have received your vaccination or maybe like me, both shots. This is a stressful and struggling time, but with patience and perseverance we will get through this mess. I am working on a "call list" to see how everyone is doing, but before that happens you can feel free to call any of our officers for assistance or to just chat. Again, the roll out of the vaccine will pretty much determine our activities in the future, but thankfully there is a light at the end of the tunnel. We are still not very active at the Post; however, there is some activity going on. I pray that we can all see each other again soon in 2021. As for now, the Sea Cadets are only using the Post for training and using all the CDC guidelines to safely conduct their mandatory training.

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My plan as of now, is to continue with our monthly ZOOM meetings until further notice. We did conduct our annual Four Chaplains Ceremony on February 4th via zoom from the Post. No other ceremonies are planned for now. With that, please stay safe and take care until we can meet again.

For God and Country.
Jim Middlekauff
Commander, Post 112



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Our Happenin' Auxiliary—Nell Colbert

Happy Pi Day, Happy St. Patrick's Day, Happy April Fool's Day, Happy Easter and "Happy" all the other holidays that fall in March and April!

As with the other parts of our Legion Family, our Unit has continued to meet via Zoom due to the pandemic. **AND, our participation has increased!** We now have members who live in other parts of the country join us for our meetings and because our Constitution and By-Laws allow this, these members can fully participate just like they were sitting in a meeting room with us. Even though we will eventually start meeting in person again soon (we hope,) we will keep making Zoom available.

Even though we are meeting remotely, we are still busy carrying out the programs of the Auxiliary. All of our schools have been contacted about the Americanism Essay Contest and Girls State and we will be contacting our elementary schools about the Scholastic Achievement Awards in early April.

Our Girls State interviews were held socially distanced in-person at the Post on Sunday afternoon, February 28th. As of the writing of this article, we have seven outstanding candidates from five different high schools, some from as far away

as Avalon Park and Winter Garden because their local Units were not sending anyone to Girls State this year. Because this newsletter was prepared before our interviews were held, our selected delegates and a few pictures will be posted in the May-June newsletter.

Our March meeting will feature the judging of the Americanism Essay contest entries. We have been notified by a few schools that they have students who will enter the contest this year. All entries received will be scanned and emailed to all members so that you have time to read them and chose your favorites before our meeting on March 16th.

Awards presentations at our schools will be done a little differently this year due to the pandemic. Even though our schools have been open for face-to-face learning, the schools will not be holding their traditional end of the year assemblies with all 5th grade students and their families in attendance. Instead, the schools will be video taping the presentations and our certificates and medals will be dropped off at the schools prior to the end of the year so they can be included in the packets sent home with the students. Even students who are still doing distance learning from home will be considered for the Scholas-

tic Achievement medals and these students can also submit essays for the Americanism Essay contest.

The 6th District meeting was held at Mount Dora Post 35 on February 20th. For the first time since the pandemic began, the District Auxiliary held their meeting both in-person and via Zoom. This is the first meeting in almost a year that was attended by Unit 112 members and we were well represented. Before the pandemic, our Unit always had a few members attend these meetings so we do hope that in the future, all 6th District meetings will have a remote option.

We learned just prior to publication that our Post Commander lost his Brother-in-Law due to a massive heart attack. Please keep Jim, Clare and the entire Middlekauff family in your prayers as they deal with this loss.

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2019-2021

Unit # _____ Unit Name _____

Unit Chairman's Name _____ Phone # _____

❖ How many members participated in Caregiver Support Program? _____

❖ What activities were performed?

❖ How many members participated in Service to Veterans? _____

❖ How many hours were earned? _____

❖ What activities were performed?

❖ Did your Unit participate or organize a Stand Down? _____

❖ What activities were performed?

❖ How many Veterans were Served? _____

*Each Unit VA&R Chairman is required to submit a
Report to District VA&R Chairman by December 1, 2020*



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Even through the pandemic and with our Post home closed all year, our little Unit has been able to continue to support Veterans in our community. We have several major projects that we do each year that fall under VA & R:

- For Christmas each year, our members shop for traditional Christmas dinner non-perishable food items that are placed in three huge baskets to be given to Veteran families in need. The baskets have at least \$100 in food items each plus each one has a \$25 Publix gift card that allows the family to shop for meats and other perishable items they need for their holiday dinner. This year, our three food baskets were delivered to the Lake Baldwin VA and given to Giving Tree families. Total amount spent for Christmas 2020 was \$375.00.
- Our members assist the Post members when they shop for their VA Giving Tree family each Christmas.
- One of our members is a caregiver to one of the Post members. She visits him regularly just to keep him company since he has no family in the area. While she visits, she does his laundry, cooks his meals, and cleans his apartment. She also goes his grocery shopping and transports him to doctor's appointments.
- One of our members is the newsletter editor for the Legion Family newsletter that is published 6 times per year. She also provides photography services for the Post for their scrapbook since the Post no longer has a Historian.
- One member provides bookkeeping services for the Post and the SAL Squadron, making daily Post Office runs, paying bills, maintaining QuickBooks, and making regular bank deposits.
- One member maintains the Post's Facebook page and group and provides technical support so the Post can stream various programs like Veterans Day, Memorial Day, and the Four Chaplains service to Facebook live.

Auxiliary Unit 112 is recognized by the IRS as a 501-C19 non-profit corporation. Unit 112 also holds a valid permit from the State of Florida, Department of Agriculture number CH 33580 allowing us to solicit and collect donations.

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