

## Unit Year End Report 2021 – 2022

District # \_\_\_\_\_ Unit Name \_\_\_\_\_

Here is what we did from \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/2021 to \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/2022

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

Hours volunteered \_\_\_\_\_

Brief description of service \_\_\_\_\_

Dollars spent \_\_\_\_\_

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

Hours volunteered \_\_\_\_\_

Brief description of 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 \_\_\_\_\_

**Year End reports are due to your District Chairman by April 1, 2022**



## **Auxiliary Emergency Fund Unit Year End Report**

Due to District Chairman by April 1, 2022

### **Unit Information**

Unit Number \_\_\_\_\_ Chairman Name \_\_\_\_\_

Chairman Email Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

### **Reporting**

What does your Unit do to educate your members about the Auxiliary Emergency Fund?

How many members have participated in the AEF Program?

How much money has been collected for the AEF Program during the 2021-2022 year?

What has your Unit done to raise funds for AEF?

On a separate sheet of paper, please submit a narrative about significant events that have occurred regarding A.E.F. (Please make sure to include your Unit and District information).

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**UNIT CHAPLAIN – YEAR END REPORT 2021/2022**

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 for Memorial Scholarship Fund to Department Chaplain they should be sent to Department Headquarters. (1912 A Lee Road, Orlando, FL 32810)

1. Did you open and close all Meetings with a Prayer? Yes x No       
Did you use the Home Front Reflection Page? Yes      No x  
Were you called upon to deliver a prayer other than at meetings? Yes x No
- Describe: Pray was said during an ALA Member's funeral
2. How many Sympathy Cards did you send? 5
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      No x  
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 Yes 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

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

District Chaplains - Send one (1) copies of your 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@ALAF1.org](mailto:Chaplain@ALAF1.org) and I will respond as quickly as I can, or call me at 727-744-3672 and leave a message.

**Department Chaplain address: Ruth Burgess 5023 Bridgeport Dr., Safety Harbor, FL 34695**

# American Legion Auxiliary

Winter Park Memorial Unit 112

P O Box 2246, Goldenrod, FL 32773

4490 North Goldenrod Road, Winter Park, FL 32792



## PRAYER FOR GREAT RESULTS

Glorious God, You promise to open doors of blessing and abundance for Your people. We ask that You work mightily in us today. Come upon us and cause us to have a productive meeting. Lead each one of us so that we can make fruitful contributions at this time. Enable us to think and strategize in ways that will achieve great results. Purify our thoughts and motives so that each one of us will enter this meeting desiring the good of others and the pleasure of your names. Amen

# Children & Youth 2021-2022

## Unit Year-End Report

Unit Name & Number \_\_\_\_\_ District \_\_\_\_\_  
Unit Chairman \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

**Did your Unit have a special meeting or event recognizing April as “Children & Youth” month? Please Give Details.**

\_\_\_\_\_

**How did your Unit support, assist, recognize or donate to military children? Please Give Details.**

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 veterans? Please Give Details.**

Homeless or in-need families with children? \_\_\_\_\_

Did your Unit purchase Klinger, a Story of Hope & Honor or participate in TAPS?

\_\_\_\_\_

**How did your Unit support, assist or recognize children in your local community? Please Give Details.**

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? Please Give Details.**

\_\_\_\_\_

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

### Special Focus Projects

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 \_\_\_\_\_

Ronald McDonald House Charities: In-kind \_\_\_\_\_ volunteer \_\_\_\_\_ soda tabs \_\_\_\_\_ lbs.

**Activities, events, or donations not covered in the questionnaire please continue on the back of sheet.**  
**Include pictures separately in JPEG format.**

**Please include a narrative and pictures. Pictures must be separate and in JPEG format not imbedded in report.**

**Please mail or email 1 copy of the Unit report to your District Children and Youth Chairman by April 1, 2022.**



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March 26, 2022

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 100 hours in service to youth through the Boy Scout program.

In total, our members have donated more than 500 hours assisting various Children and Youth programs outside of the Auxiliary.

For our support of the Eastbrook Food Pantry backpack project, we spent \$500.00 and spent an additional 16 hours shopping for food, delivering food to the school.



Pictures from our shopping trip and delivery of the food items to the school and the staff members who helped us unload.

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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**Community Service  
Year-End Unit Report  
2021 – 2022**

Full Unit Name & Number Winter Park Memorial Unit 112

Unit Location 4490 North Goldenrod, Winter Park FL 32792

District # 6

Marge Lewis  
President Signature

Marge Lewis  
Community Service Chair Signature

How many members volunteered during the past year? 4

How many volunteer hours were reported? 255

How much money was spent? 0

Total dollar value for "in-kind" donations? \$1900

Please add a narrative (who, why, where, etc.) describing what the units reported for Community Service.

## 2021-2022 End of Year Report Community Service Unit112

We are a small unit with only 4 active members that work the community service program. The following are some of their activities. One member provided 200 hours of service by helping a local HOA and a SAL Squadron. She assisted both weekly and monthly by helping with their financials, updating QuickBooks, making deposits, paying bills and daily Post Office runs. She set up Zoom meeting for HOA and posted to Facebook Newsletters for the Hoa .

One member provided free counseling service worth \$400. She also donated \$100 for school supplies for an elementary school.

Another member provided \$100 worth of books for the Book Sale at her Church Fall Festival.

One member runs races some 5k, 10k, Half-Marathon, and Marathon throughout the year for different charities. She recently ran for Kellsies hope foundation and collected \$950. She has run for Make-A-Wish, Special Olympics to name a few. This year she collected \$1500 and ran over 50 hours.

We are a small unit but work to help our communities.

Sunmitted Marge Berrios Unit 112 Winter Park

**Constitution & Bylaws**  
**2021-2022**  
**Unit Year-End Report**  
**Due to the District Chairman by April 1, 2022**

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 revise your Constitution, Bylaws and/or Standing Rules (indicate which if not all)?

\_\_\_\_\_

3. Did you Unit review your governing documents to make changes or to stay informed on their content?

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

4. Has your Unit sponsored any Constitution & Bylaws activities such as preparing and submitting a resolution, a Question & Answer session? If so, what were those activities?

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

5. Did your Unit participate in a web based or Conference Call Constitutional & Bylaws activity? If so. was it helpful?

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

## DEPARTMENT OF FLORIDA EDUCATION CHAIR

### EDUCATION UNIT 2021-2022

Unit #: \_\_\_\_\_

Unit Chairman's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

#### **Did your Unit participate in Give 10 to Education?**

Dollars spent: \_\_\_\_\_

Value of in-kind donations: \_\_\_\_\_ **Veterans**

#### **in the Community Schools:**

Hours volunteered: \_\_\_\_\_

Dollars spent: \_\_\_\_\_

Value of in-kind donations: \_\_\_\_\_ Number

of Veterans in the Community Schools presentations \_\_\_\_\_

Our Unit actively supports veterans' associations on campus:

Hours volunteered: \_\_\_\_\_ Dollars

Spent: \_\_\_\_\_ **Scholarships**

#### **our Unit presented:**

Dollar amount of local scholarships: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of scholarships awarded: \_\_\_\_\_

Dollar amount donated to Department scholarships: \_\_\_\_\_

Number or Dept./Nat'l scholarships presented/awarded: \_\_\_\_\_

Helping a needy student: Hours volunteered \_\_\_\_\_ Dollars spent: \_\_\_\_\_

Value of in-kind donations: \_\_\_\_\_

# of children assisted: \_\_\_\_\_

**Juniors service to schools:** Hours volunteered: \_\_\_\_\_

Dollars spent: \_\_\_\_\_

Value of in-kind donations: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of children assisted \_\_\_\_\_

**Please send to your District Chairman. All reports must include a narrative. Please include pictures if possible. Due April 1<sup>st</sup> to Unit Education Chair**

### **Unit Chairman**

Your stories, pictures, and other ALA mission-related activities are important. Please provide a narrative on any other activities that were accomplished this year on a separate sheet of paper. As part of your Narrative Report, please include answers to the following questions:

- Did members/Unit participate in Teacher Appreciation Week? How?
- Did members/Unit participate in American Education Week? How?
- Describe how “Veterans in Community Schools” programs were presented.
- If your Unit actively support veterans’ associations on campus, describe their activities.
- What types of help did you Unit give a needy student?
- How did your Unit recognize scholarship winners?
- How many scholarship applications were received for National Scholarships?

**Please note that this report is due to your District Education Chairman by April 15<sup>th</sup> 2022(not mailed on April 15, 2022 )**

**Please include narratives and pictures.**

**We are looking for 100% of our Units to send a report. Please contact Units that haven't sent in a report as a follow up.**

**Please note that you are not expected to submit a mid-year report. Therefore, it is imperative that your reports are submitted within the time boundaries.**

**Please include copies of Units' Member Impact Forms, Units' Impact Forms and District Impact form with your report to all the Chairman below. This is something new that National has added.**

Thank you for all that you do to support



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March 26, 2022

## 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 5<sup>th</sup> grade young lady and one young man at each of eight different elementary schools. Unfortunately, with schools closed to outside visitors for 2021, these awards were not presented in person. However, recipients for 2021 were selected and we delivered medals to the schools so they could be sent home with the students. We have already begun contacting eight elementary schools to get the names of one girl and one boy for the 2022 Scholastic Achievement Awards and we are looking forward to presenting medals in person at the end of the year ceremonies in May 2022.
- Each year, we usually recognize the teachers and staff at one elementary school with a huge goody basket of fruits and breakfast pastries during National Teacher Appreciation Week. Even though the schools were not allowing outside visitors to enter the school, we were able to drop off a large goody basket to Eastbrook Elementary. Since the Covid rules have been relaxed this year, we expect to deliver and set up the goody basket in the teachers' lounge at the school in early May, 2022.
- In the past, we collected school supplies for three elementary schools, but several 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 in need of extra help. These are the families identified by the school to receive a backpack full of food each Friday afternoon to carry the family over the weekend; many of these families are active duty or veteran families. This project is also shown under our Children and Youth program since it could be either Education or Children and Youth. This year we spent about \$500 and had about 16 service hours dedicated to shopping for the food items, delivering and unloading the food in the food pantry.

- 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, including ESOL classes, in the community and spent more than 600 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 <sup>2021-</sup>2022

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

Chairman Marge Berrios

Address: 205 Tavestock Loop  
Winter Springs, FL 32708

Phone# 407 376 8962

Email mberr3@yahoo.com

1. How many girls are you sending to Girls State 2022 Session? 1
2. If none, then 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.** Visiting 6 local Highschools asking teachers and Guidance to Pass on information to interested girls. This year we interviewed 5 girls at the Post. Each was interviewed separately. We then selected our Delegate and alternate.
5. Total number of volunteers spent on 2022 Girls State Session? 3  
Total number of hours? 50
6. Number of volunteers that will be attending the 2022 Girls State Session?  
0

unit 112 Girls State





## Unit Leadership Year-End Program Reporting

2021 - 2022

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 were the Unit members educated on the Auxiliary programs and the duties of the Unit chairmen and officers.?

Members are educated in the monthly meetings. If we do obtain new members we provide them with the New Member Kit and information regarding the National American Legion Auxiliary website and the Florida American Legion Auxiliary website

How many members completed the online Senior Basic Leadership Course? 0

Did any member do the online ALA Academy? If so, how many? Yes 1

Did the Unit start a mentoring program? 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?

Our Unit President and our Unit Secretary/Treasure have attended district trainings through Zoom meetings

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

During every unit meeting we usually have a leadership segment. The followings segments have been conducted since the midwinter report. We discussed our State President's choice for charities. In October a brief synopsis of all the scholarships available through the ALA was provide. We have discussed the importance of mental health services to our Veterans and how NAMI has launched a new program to help.

3. Did Unit members do anything special to enhance the leadership program

We are a very small unit and only a handful of unit members are active in our service projects.

We actively discuss the ALA and the benefits of belonging to this awesome organization.

Our Secretary/Treasure actively recruits at the Chamber of Commerce meetings

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she attends, our Unit President actively talks to a Post that does not have an Auxiliary, and we sing our praises during our Girls State interviews.

*If any of the above questions require additional space for answers, please attach a separate sheet to this report.*

**This year end report is due to the District Chairman NO LATER than April 01, 2022**



**American Legion Auxiliary  
Legislative Service Report and Award Cover Sheet**

Please note, your report will also be viewed as an award entry if this cover sheet is attached.  
**Complete the following if you are applying for a member award.**

Unit #: \_\_\_\_\_ Full official unit name: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of state where you are a member: \_\_\_\_\_

Member's Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_ ALA member ID#: \_\_\_\_\_

Nominating Member (if different from above): \_\_\_\_\_

Nominator's Phone number: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Nominator's Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

National committee sponsoring award: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of the award you are applying for: \_\_\_\_\_

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**For a unit award or to submit a year-end unit narrative report, please complete this section.**

Be sure to give the complete name of your unit. The award certificate will be prepared using the information you include below.

Unit #: 112 Full official unit name: NO ACTIVITY Winter Park Memorial

Name of department: Florida

Unit president/chairman (circle one) name: MARGE BERRIOS

Above listed person's ALA member ID#: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone number: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: Mber3@yahoo.com

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**For a department award or to submit a year-end department narrative report, please complete this section:**

Name of department: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of department chairman: \_\_\_\_\_

Chairman's phone number: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ ALA member ID#: \_\_\_\_\_

Chairman's email address: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please see instructions on previous page about where to send this form.**

## NATIONAL SECURITY PROGRAM

DEPARTMENT OF FLORIDA, Unit Year-End Report, 2021-2022

**Please feel free to use additional sheets of paper for explanations, if necessary**

Unit Name: Winter Park Memorial Unit Number: 112 District: 6 Group \_\_\_\_\_  
Unit President: Marge Berrios Email: Mberr3@yahoo.com Phone # 4073768962  
Unit Chairman: Marge Berrios Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # 407376-8962

**This is what our Unit did from April 1, 2021, to March 31, 2022**

1. Coupons: Vol Hours: 40 Postage: \$ 8.95 Value: \$ 4100

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: N/A Donations: \$ 0 In-Kind Donations: \$ 0

4. Operation Homefront: Vol Hours: N/A Donations: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ In-Kind Donations: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

5. YRRP: Vol Hours: N/A Donations: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ In-Kind Donations: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

6. Blue Star Mothers: Vol Hours: N/A Banners: \_\_\_\_\_ Donations: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ In-Kind Donations: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

7. Gold Star Mothers: Vol Hours: N/A Banners: \_\_\_\_\_ Donations: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ In-Kind Donations: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

8. Military Spouses: Vol Hours: N/A Donations: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ In-Kind Donations: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

9. Military Families: Vol Hours: N/A Donations: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ In-Kind Donations: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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

11. Homeland Security: Vol Hours: N/A Donations: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ In Kind Donations: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

12. CERT/FEMA: Vol Hours: N/A Donation/Cost: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Number Certified: \_\_\_\_\_

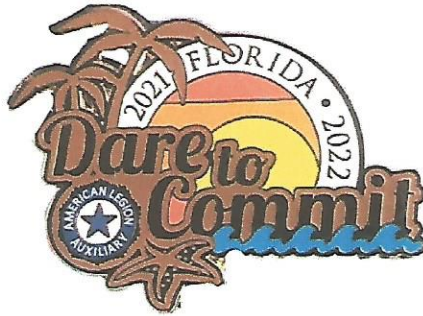
13. JROTC: Vol Hours: N/A Donation/Cost: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Number of Medals: \_\_\_\_\_

14. Blood Drives: Vol Hours: N/A 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

2021-2022

### Unit Reporting End of Year

Unit 112

District 6

Chairman Marge Berrios

Chairman Contact 407-376-8962

#### Year-End Reports:

Units to District is due April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022

Annual reports reflect the program work of units. Each Unit Poppy Chairman is required to submit a narrative report to the District Poppy Chairman. Please use the following questions to help that narrative:

1. How did your unit members promote the Poppy Program?
2. Did your Poppy Ambassador(chairman) create and wear a Poppy Sash?
3. What events did your ambassador attend?
4. How did your unit's members increase poppy revenue?
5. How did unit promote the Poppy Poster Contest?
6. What are the numbers of poppies or poppy items distributed?
7. What were the dollars raised in the unit from Poppies?

1. End of Year Poppy Report 2021-2022 Unit 112 Winter Park  
We are a small unit with few active members but in May we were able to run Three Poppy Booths in different locations. This increased our distribution so we were able to distribute 250 poppies and collect \$267 in donations. Due to COVID and the death of one of our active members were not able to distribute any poppies in Nov.

We do not have any activities in regards to the following

1. Poppy Sash 2. Little Miss Poppy 3 . Poppy Poster contest.
- Submitted by Marge Berrios Unit112 Poppy Chair

UNIT PUBLIC RELATIONS REPORT FORM 2021-2022  
Reporting Date April 1, 2022

UNIT NAME \_\_\_\_\_

Unit Number/District \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Person Reporting \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_ Home# \_\_\_\_\_ Cell# \_\_\_\_\_

Total Minutes of Broadcasting (Radio/TV) Time \_\_\_\_\_

Total Number of Social Media Postings (Twitter, Instagram, Facebook, etc) \_\_\_\_\_

Total Number of Social Media Followers \_\_\_\_\_

Please describe activities/projects carried out in your unit. Additional paper or the back of this form may be used.

\_\_\_\_\_ # Interviews \_\_\_\_\_ # Print Advertising \_\_\_\_\_ # Pictures \_\_\_\_\_ # Letters \_\_\_\_\_ # Articles  
\_\_\_\_\_ # Editorial Letters \_\_\_\_\_ # Junior Press Releases \_\_\_\_\_ # Dept. President Project Articles

\_\_\_\_\_ # of Articles sent to Dept Newsletter \_\_\_\_\_ # of posts shared to Dept of FI ALA Social Media Pages

Total of all of the above \_\_\_\_\_

Does your Unit have a Website \_\_\_\_\_ Facebook Page \_\_\_\_\_ Does your Unit publish a Newsletter  
\_\_\_\_\_ Post Family Newsletter \_\_\_\_\_ E-Bulletin \_\_\_\_\_ E-Newsletter \_\_\_\_\_

Total miles driven \_\_\_\_\_ Volunteer value \$27.20 per hour \_\_\_\_\_ Total Number of Hours

Reminder: attach 2 copies of print media. As part of your Narrative Report, please include the answers to the following questions: Please use the back of this form.

- How has your unit social media pages inspired unit members to share content from your social media pages, How has your social media sites grown over this year in number, ect?
- Has unit been mentioned in local media about the promotion of mission related Activities? What type of promotions have they received?
- Were Press releases distributed by your unit and what type of response did you receive?
- How does your unit keep an active and updated media contact list? How has this list impacted the unit?
- Have there been specific social media events sponsored by the unit that broadly spread the brand of the ALA?
- How does your unit support ALA Branding and the ALA Academy courses?

SEND THIS REPORT TO YOUR DISTRICT PUBLIC RELATIONS CHAIRMAN

# 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

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## COMMANDER'S MINUTE

Greetings fellow Legionaries of Post 112:

I hope by now that most everyone has received your vaccination shots. This is a stressful and struggling time, but with patience and perseverance we will get through this mess. Again, 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. We are starting to get more active at the Post; however, we still must be cautious. By the time you read this, we will have had our first in-person meeting in April and also was attended on ZOOM. Those attending received BOTH vaccination shots, which was one requirement to attend.

The Sea Cadets are still using the Post for training using all the CDC guidelines to safely conduct their mandatory training. It was my pleasure to provide 3 autographed paperback books to them that was provided by Rick Campbell, who writes thrilling Submarine adventure stories. He has 6 books out and more on the way.

Your Post will have an Annual Memorial Day Ceremony on the 31<sup>st</sup> at 10:00 AM, so if you feel comfortable about attending, please do so. This will be held in our pavilion, but the main building will be open as well. As with the meeting, both vaccination shots are required for attendance.

We are at the point of elections, so please step-up if you are able, but we also still need to push for membership. If we all pull together, the going is not a strain on the few. 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.

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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### IMPORTANT NOTICE

As of December 15th, Yahoo discontinued their YahooGroups email reflector. To continue getting Post 112 family emails, please send Bob Colbert ([bcolbert@usa.net](mailto:bcolbert@usa.net)) your correct email

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## Phishing and Tech Support Scams

The article below was provided by Russell Colbert, one of our S.A.L. members, to help keep our members safe from phishing and tech support scams.

In an effort to further enhance your cyber defenses, we want to highlight a couple of prominent attacks that everyone should be aware of – phishing and tech support scams. These are active threats you or someone you know have likely been exposed to recently.

**"Phishing"** is the most common type of cyber attack that affects both normal everyday people and businesses like yours. Phishing attacks can take many forms, but they all share a common goal – getting you to share sensitive information such as login credentials, credit card information, or bank account details. In this type of attack, hackers impersonate a real company to obtain your login credentials. You may receive an e-mail asking you to verify your account details with a link that takes you to an imposter login screen that delivers your information directly to the attackers.

**"Tech Support Scams"** are when someone comes across an issue and is prompted to call a number for support. It could be a pop-up message while browsing the internet, or even something you searched for and thought you were reaching out to a reputable company. The malicious (and fake) "repair tech" is given access to your system, where they can gain entry into the network, including stored passwords, email activity, and banking details. These attacks have recently become more sophisticated in that they can blank the user's screen after being given remote access. Once connected, they may try to log into various sites like Amazon, eBay, banks, or gift card sites and purchase things without your knowledge. They may even try to collect payment information from you or ask you to complete a webform with sensitive details.

Although we maintain controls to help protect your networks and computers from cyber threats, increasing awareness is a critical component in combating these costly attacks.

If you do happen to find yourself in a situation with a pop-up, or someone you suspect logged into your computer with deceitful intentions, please power down your computer immediately and reach out to us so we can help you assess.

### What You Can Do

To avoid these schemes, we suggest the following practices:

- Do not click on links or attachments from senders that you do not recognize.
- Be cautious when clicking links in emails that you do recognize and closely examine the address before clicking (hover your mouse over the link before clicking to see where it will go). Many scammers can craft emails that have logos and appear legitimate, but the link address that shows will usually look abnormal.
- Do not provide sensitive personal information (like usernames, passwords, social security numbers, or bank/credit cards) over email.
- Watch for email senders that use suspicious or misleading domain names. Closely inspect the "From" address for typos.
- Inspect website addresses carefully to make sure they're legitimate and not imposter sites before trying to login.
- Be especially cautious when opening attachments or clicking links if you receive an email containing a warning banner indicating that it originated from an external source.

Thanks again for helping to keep yourselves, your data, and your company safe from these cyber threats.



## Notes From the Adjutant's Desk

WOW! What a year! COVID did not do us any favors, did it? But things may be starting to open up. The Post General meeting was held at the Post with LIVE PEOPLE! In March, the Executive Board approved the decision to try holding the meetings at the Post and still continue the ZOOM connection for those who haven't had their complete vaccinations or do not wish to travel to the Post. Those who have had their complete series, either both Pfizer or Moderna or the single J & J vaccination, are welcome to return to the Post. We do ask that you continue to wear a mask for now. Hopefully, that can change soon.

As the Commander mentioned, it is election time. Nominations will be held at the May meeting and the election will be at the June meeting. Per the By Laws, nominations are completed at the May meeting. Ted Costello is the chair of the nominating committee if you are interested in any of the positions. The elected positions in the Post are: Commander, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Commander (Membership), 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Commander (Facilities & Program), Finance Officer, Sgt At Arms, Chaplain, Historian and up to three Trustees. The various chairpersons and Judge Advocate serve at the pleasure of the Commander and the Executive Board. The Service Officer(s) must be certified by Department annually and are not elected. I am certain that Commander Middlekauff would appreciate some help in these positions. You can contact me for the actual job descriptions – I can email them to you.

The Department of Florida American Legion Con-

vention will be held at the Orlando World Center Marriott near Disney on July 1 – 4, 2021. The Commander and I will be there. We have "openings" for up to three "Alternates" as we have our three "Delegates." As there is no actual charge for any Legionnaire to attend. Except for parking, the only actual expense may be lunch. The program is still in the works, but there is a Service Officer's recertification and other miscellaneous classes in addition to the General Sessions and the Election of Department Officers on Saturday. Parking is \$5/day. The Delegates and Alternates are the only members who are permitted into the hall during the election, but otherwise, almost all classes and meetings are open to all attendees. There is plenty to learn if you are interested.

Don't forget that you have a voice in the Post! We need your input for the coming year and what programs you would like to see the Post implement. From Guest Speakers at the meetings (suggest some) to possible activities like picnics, dinners, etc. Remember that all of these things would help to bring in new members and rejuvenate the existing ones after a year of COVID conditions. You can send the ideas to me at [bcolbert@usa.net](mailto:bcolbert@usa.net) or call the Commander or myself directly. It is your Post and we really want to see you come around now that conditions have improved. You may be surprised at the things that have been done around the Post, too.

Until next issue. Bob Colbert, Adjutant

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## Our Happenin' Auxiliary—Nell Colbert

Boy do we have a lot of information to share in this newsletter!

At the end of February, our Unit conducted our annual Girls State interviews. We had seven very talented young ladies participate, from which we selected our delegate and our alternate.



Unfortunately, our alternate gave up her slot because she had another opportunity become available to her. Our third choice gladly accepted the alternate position.

Both girls completed all their paperwork and attended the orientation last month. We recently learned that our alternate was selected to go as a delegate for a Unit in the Tampa area that was not able to interview this year.

Also in February, we submitted our grant application to the Orange County East Rotary Club and we were recently notified that our grant application will be funded for 2021. We will make a presentation at a club breakfast meeting in July.

We submitted five Americanism essays to Department for judging. We will find out if any of our

students won at the Department Convention coming in early July.

We have also contacted seven elementary schools to select their recipients for our Scholastic Achievement Awards. We will present medals and certificates to a 5th grade boy and a girl at the school's end of the year 5th grade awards ceremonies. We'll be looking for help from our members to assist with these presentations.

During May, we will celebrate National Teacher Appreciation Week with the faculty at Eastbrook Elementary. We will deliver a breakfast goody basket during the week as a thank you to the teachers for all their hard work this year.

Our Post will be celebrating Memorial Day on 5/31 with a service at the Post and our Unit will have a part in the program. Please mark your calendar for 10am on May 31st and join us at the Post for this always inspirational service to honor our fallen heroes. Even though the service will be outside under the pavilion, you will need to wear a mask.

The 6th District Constitutional Conference will be held at Post 53 in Sanford on May 8th. Check-in begins at 8:30am and the meeting begins at 9am. Masks are required. The election of our 6th District President for 2021-2022 will be held and Units must be present to vote. Election of the 6th District delegates to the national convention will also be held. As we get more information

about both the District meeting and the Department Convention, it will be shared with Unit members via email.

Several very important things took place at our April meeting. First, this was our first hybrid meeting in almost a year and we had great attendance both in-person and on Zoom. Not only did we set up our Nominating Committee to assemble a slate of officers for our elections in June, but we also agreed that we would begin streaming our regular business meetings to Facebook live. We will still have Zoom available and this will be the preferred remote access to the meeting, but members will also be able to participate in the meeting via Facebook. Watch our Facebook page on May 18th beginning at 7pm.

Have a wonderful Mothers Day, Fathers Day and Flag Day and remember our fallen on Memorial Day! Please wear your Poppy on Memorial Day.



**We welcome new Veteran spouses along with the mothers, sisters, grandmothers and granddaughters who would like to actively support our military, our youth and our community through our community service projects. To become involved, please call Nell at 321.303.7445.**

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**to see what we've been doing.**



## Notes from Our Service Officer

National Parks, wildlife refuges and other federal lands will all be free for veterans and Gold Star family members to use starting [Veterans Day](#), Interior Department officials announced. The change extends to veterans and Gold Star families the existing free admission policy already in play for active-duty troops and their families, as well as Guard and Reserve members. Free entrance for Gold Star family members is limited to those designated as "Gold Star" by law. To meet the definition, families must be the "next of kin of a member of the United States Armed Forces who lost his or her life in a 'qualifying situation,' such as a war, an international terrorist attack, or a military operation outside of the United States while serving with the United States Armed Forces," according to the release.

Retirees, as well as their dependents can be buried in any [VA National Cemetery](#), [Arlington National Cemetery](#), and most [State Veterans Cemeteries](#) for free. While VA and Arlington National Cemeteries charge no fees for a veteran to be buried there, they may charge a fee for a veteran's spouse to be buried with the veteran. Most State Veterans Cemeteries have residency requirements, and some charge a small fee for the burial of dependents. The VA will also provide a [free headstone or marker](#) for the retiree's remains at any cemetery in the world.

Florida has nine National Cemeteries (Barrancas National Cemetery in Pensacola, Bay Pines National Cemetery in St. Petersburg, Cape Canaveral National Cemetery in Mims, Florida National Cemetery in Bushnell, Jacksonville, Sarasota, South Florida National Cemetery in Lake Worth, St. Augustine and Tallahassee). The U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs provides honorably discharged veterans, spouses and dependents with burial in a National Cemetery at no cost. Cremated remains are also accepted. Eligible spouses and dependents may be buried if they predecease the

Veteran. The VA does not make funeral arrangements. To make burial arrangements at any open VA national cemetery at the time of need, call the National Cemetery Scheduling Office toll free at (800) 535-1117.

**Starting April 12, 2021, FEMA** began providing financial assistance for funeral expenses incurred after Jan. 20, 2020 for deaths related to coronavirus (COVID-19) to help ease some of the financial stress and burden caused by the pandemic. To apply, please call the dedicated toll-free phone number 844-684-6333. Applicants are encouraged to start gathering the following documentation:

- An official death certificate that attributes the death to COVID-19 and shows that the death occurred in the United States. The death certificate must indicate the death "may have been caused by" or "was likely the result of" COVID-19 or COVID-19-like symptoms.
- Funeral expense documents (receipts, funeral home contract, etc.) that include the applicant's name, the deceased individual's name, the amount of funeral expenses and dates the funeral expenses were incurred.
- Proof of funds received from other sources specifically for use toward funeral costs. *This assistance is limited to a maximum financial amount of \$9,000 per funeral and a maximum of \$35,500 per application.*

**Next month**, the Korean War Veterans Memorial on the National Mall will have a remembrance wall featuring the names of approximately 36,574 Americans who died supporting the war and more than 7,200 Koreans who died while augmenting the Army.

Recently separated service members who believe they were unjustly or erroneously discharged or dismissed from the military, or want to upgrade how their discharge was characterized,

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now have one new last chance at appeal. The Pentagon on 7 APR announced it has created a new route for service members who separated on or after Dec. 20, 2019, to appeal their separation.

**POW/MIA update:** 1 New Identification and 1 New Burial – Both Navy from USS Oklahoma.

**TRICARE:** Military retirees and their family members' catastrophic cap depends on their group and, for Group A, the Tricare plan they use -- see below.

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- You're in Group B if your sponsor's initial enlistment or appointment was on or after Jan. 1, 2018.

Tricare Reserve Select and their family members always use Group B rates, so their 2021 catastrophic cap is \$1,058.

Tricare Retired Reserve and their family members always use Group B rates, so their 2021 catastrophic cap is \$3,703 per year.

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## Son's of the of the Legion: Jim Carten

After what seemed like an especially long winter, spring is finally here! While things around the Post are calm, your Sons are ramping up for what we hope will be a strong summer and fall. We will be participating in both the District Constitutional Conference in May and the Detachment Convention in July. With everyone getting vaccinated we hope that we will be able to restart the Saturday Breakfasts and reconnect with our friends at the VA.

In the meantime, we can continue to do our Buddy Checks to check on those who protected us. Also, sign up for the 100 Miles for Hope. It's a great opportunity for anyone to get up and get moving. Even an armchair jockey like me can do a 100 of something.



Until next time, be well and stay safe.

For God and Country  
Jim Carten, Commander  
Squadron 112





## Snipe Signs—More Than Just a Nuisance!

What are they? Why are they there? Where can I find some? Who can put them up? Who can get rid of them?

Snipe signs are the little, and sometimes not so little signs, that are stuck in the “right of way” or fastened to light poles along the streets and roads. Some of them may be informative, but generally they are advertising someone’s business. And, as a rule, the owner of the sign did not ask permission to place it where you see it.

Finding them is not hard. They are everywhere! Just look along the streets and roads of the community, especially near intersections. Recently, we found them popping up inside neighborhoods advertising roofing companies after the recent hailstorm.

As a homeowner who services the “right of way” along your property, you could put up a sign temporarily, such as a “Yard Sale” announcement, something for sale or things along those lines. You would also be able to “advertise” a service that you have procured,

such as a roofing company that is doing work on your property. Just remember, it is YOUR CHOICE to put the sign in place and someone who happens to see a good space for his or her advertisement would need to ask your permission to put it in your yard.

As the person who maintains the “right of way” on your property, you are free to remove such items that appear on your property. You may call the owner of the sign to let them know that you have taken it down, if you wish, but you are not required to do so. You can also make a complaint to “Code Enforcement” and they may be able to send someone to pick up the sign, but that could take longer than you like. Calling Code Enforcement is still an option. It would be stretching the ordinance a bit to call these signs littering and since an officer did not see them being placed, not much could be done other than removing them.

The challenge with many snipe signs, especially the ones that

magically appear right after hailstorms or hurricanes offering roof repairs are not from legitimate companies; many times these are scammers who want to get into your pocketbook to take a large “deposit” to cover the cost of materials and who never show back up to do the work you paid them to do.

Maybe this clears some things up for you with the recent rash of roofing company signs that have appeared throughout our neighborhoods. If everyone that had them appear in their yards without permission were to just remove them and trash them, the owners of the signs would find someplace else to put them. These signs cost the sign owners money to print and often the people who placed them were paid to do it, too.

Please be careful if you choose to call the number you see on a snipe sign. Check out the company carefully to be sure they are legitimate and licensed in Florida before you part with your hard earned money!





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## Boys State—Bob Colbert

I think that everyone knows that Boy's State for 2020 was cancelled. If you didn't, it was cancelled, and the money was moved forward to pay for our four youth for 2021. It was indeed unfortunate for the youth who had been selected to go, and they have missed an extraordinary experience. We were very sorry to hear of the cancellation but in keeping the youth safe, it was the only choice.

I want to take a minute to thank one of Boy's State's greatest supporters! Ted Costello has been our Boy's State Chair for as long as I can remember. This past year, Ted had asked to be able to step down and I offered to take it on from him. We have had a Boy's State program at this Post for many, many years and we owe it all to Ted. He has contacted the schools and "vetted" the candidates prior to our actual selection in February. The Post and those boys who have attended Boy's State in the past thank you for your dedication over these past years. WELL DONE!

We can select four candidates and four alternates to attend. As a rule, all eight of the youth will be offered a chance to attend. There are many Posts who do not have a selection process for candidates and notify Department. These Posts have also paid for the youth to attend Boy's State and the Department will select "alternates" from other Posts to attend for them. The bottom line is that we select up to eight boys to attend while the top four will be attending for us.

Selection has been done at the February meeting in the past. This year, with COVID limitations, we held the interviews ONLINE. We also did it on a Saturday which reduced the pressure of holding the selection on a school night. It went well, and we made the selection.

As a quick review for those who have never been involved, Boy's State and Girl's State are American Legion and Auxiliary events where high school Juniors going into Senior year are able to spend a week in Tallahassee at the Post Family's expense to become immersed in State and Local Government. The candidates become City Council members, County Commissioners, State Representatives, members of the State Supreme Court and even Governor and Lt Governor for the time. Each is asked to come to Tallahassee with a "bill" prepared to present and be able to argue it. Should the "bill" be passed and signed by the "Governor" it will be passed on to the actual Legislature for action. Over the years, several of these "bills" have become actual laws of the State of Florida. It is a busy week starting early and ending late and there is little or no time for sightseeing or leisure time. The candidates come back home with a much better idea of how government works. Two candidates will be selected out of the entire Boy's or Girl's State participants to go on to Boy's or Girl's Nation in Washington, DC. Our Auxiliary has had the honor of having one of their Girl's State delegates go on to Girl's Nation and from that experience has chosen to become an attorney now practicing in Washington DC. It is a "life changing" experience for many and everyone has come home with friends they will keep for life!

We will begin in the Fall to contact the schools to begin preparations for the February 2022 selection. More on this to follow in coming newsletters. Please mark your calendar NOW for the 2022 Boys State Interviews on February 26, 2022, so that you can attend and show these young men your support. The interviews will begin at 2 PM and we need help in setting up so members should arrive around 1 PM.



# HAPPY FATHERS DAY





## Happy Birthday to YOU!

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Happy Birthday to you!  
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## CALENDAR

### May

- 4 S A L Meeting - 7 PM - Post & ZOOM
- 9 Mother's Day
- 11 Executive Board Meeting - 7 PM
- 11 Post General Meeting - 7 PM - Post & ZOOM
- 18 Auxiliary Unit Meeting - 7 PM - Post & ZOOM
- 31 Memorial Day Ceremony - 10 AM

### June

- 1 S A L Meeting - 7 PM - Post & ZOOM
- 8 Executive Board Meeting - 7 PM
- 8 Post General Meeting - 7 PM - Post & ZOOM
- 15 Auxiliary Unit Meeting - 7 PM - Post & ZOOM
- 20 Father's Day

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

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## COMMANDER'S MINUTE

Greetings fellow Legionaries of Post 112:

By now, I would think that most everyone has received your vaccination shots and hopefully with no side effects. It is a good feeling to feel somewhat safe again; however, I understand some reluctance to rid yourself of wearing a mask. By now, it is kind of like putting on your seat belt in the car! We have been having "blended" meetings now, with some at the Post and others still on ZOOM and is working well. We will continue with this until further notice.

It was a GREAT showing at the Posts' Memorial Day Ceremony, and I thank all those that took the time to come out and pay respects to all the military Veterans who have served but are not with us now. The Centurion Battalion Sea Cadets also did an outstanding job of assisting with the ceremony set-up/tear down and Color Guard duties. Our Auxiliary also helped with decorating, and special thanks to Marge Berrios, Auxiliary President, for reading the poem "In Flanders Field" as part of our ceremony. It was unfortunate that the wrong time was sent out by another organization in a mass e-mail of events; and even though a correction was sent out, there were still people showing up after our ceremony was over. Even though the Mayor of the City of Winter Park was not able to make it due to an accident, I have heard from several that it was a very meaningful ceremony. We can only get better at doing these!

I was thinking of having a Post 4<sup>th</sup> of July picnic on Independence Day, but with the convention and families with other plans we will pass for this year. This is the annual celebration of nationhood, commemorating the passage of the Declaration of Independence by the Continental Congress on July 4, 1776. Perhaps later in the Fall we can have a get-together when the temperatures are also more favorable to be outside. I hope you all have a great Summer and can enjoy some of the Florida activities, even with the heat of summer. Keep hydrated outside-even at the beach **Continued on Page 2**

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## Our Happenin' Auxiliary—Nell Colbert

Boy what a year this has been! And we're ready to kick off our new program year and the 2022 Membership year. To get a jump on our 2022 membership drive, please bring your check for \$36 for Seniors or \$12 for Juniors to our July meeting, or drop your check in the mail to the Unit's PO Box, Box 2246, Goldenrod, FL 32733-2246. Or, if you'd prefer, you can pay by credit card online by logging in to your account on the national website: <https://www.legion-aux.org/>

Since our last newsletter, your Auxiliary members have been very busy.

In May, we delivered our traditional breakfast basket to Eastbrook Elementary to recognize the faculty and staff during National Teacher Appreciation Week.



Towards the end of May we delivered certificates and medals to three elementary schools and one high school to recognize students who participated in our Americanism Essay Contest. The winning essay from

each grade level at each school received a certificate and Americanism Essay medal was submitted to the Department Americanism Chair to be included in the Department essay contest. This year, we received about thirty-five entries.

We also presented one boy and one girl at seven elementary schools with the Scholastic Achievement medal and certificate. There were no in-person ceremonies at the schools this year so we have no pictures of smiling student and parent faces to show. All the schools have indicated that they should be allowed to have in-person ceremonies next May.

We also elected our officers for 2021-2022 and for the first time in several years, we have a full slate for installation in July. Our officers for next year will be: President—Marge Berrios Vice President—Cathy Diehl Secretary-Treasurer—Nell Colbert Chaplain—Debi Shannon Historian—Terry Berrios Sgt-at-Arms—Madelda Thompson

In June we elected our delegates to the Department Convention 7/1-7/4, reviewed our budget for 2021-2022, solidified our committee chairs for 2021-2022, and did the first reading of our newly revised Constitution and By-Laws. There were

some edits to both the proposed budget and our governing documents. After the edits were made, new documents were emailed to all members for review. Please email Nell ASAP if you see anything that needs to be changed. We will hold a regular meeting on July 20th via Zoom and Facebook live (no in person meeting) to approve the budget and the Constitution and By-Laws.

We are looking forward to the Department Convention coming July 1-4 and our installation of officers at the Post on July 13th beginning at 7pm. The installation will be in-person as well as on Zoom; watch your email for the Zoom link. We will also be streaming the entire installation for the Auxiliary, Legion and Sons of the Legion to Facebook live. Hope to see everyone on July 13th.



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## Notes from Our Service Officer

### Operation VetCare is Here to Help

Operation VetCare, a project of the Enlisted Association of the National Guard of the United States (EANGUS), is here to help Veterans, service members, and their families who are facing special challenges as a result of their military service.

Open to all branches of the Armed Forces, VetCare may be able to help you with emergency home or car repairs. You could even receive gift cards to purchase food, clothing, and other necessary items!

### How to Get a Virtual Appeal Hearing

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### COVID-19 Funeral Assistance Available

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) is providing [financial assistance for coronavirus-related funeral costs](#) incurred after Jan. 20, 2020.

### VA Benefits for PTSD

[Posttraumatic stress disorder \(PTSD\)](#) can occur after exposure to extreme stress, such as combat, an assault, or a disaster. If you're living with PTSD caused by military service, you may be entitled to VA disability benefits and compensation.

### Homeowner's Guide to Hurricane Season

Do you know how to protect your home during hurricane season? Find out how to get help if you have a [VA-backed home loan or VA housing grant](#) and your house is damaged by a hurricane, flood, or another [natural disaster](#).

## Boys State—Bob Colbert

We did it! The Department of Florida American Legion was actually able to hold the Boys State event this year! After having to skip it last year due to the Covid-19 pandemic, there was some concern, almost to the last minute, about whether the event would be held. The program is still taking place as this article is being written so we should be getting some feedback from our attendees at the August meeting. We sent four young men to the 2021 Boys State.

The reports that have come back over the years is that it could be a life altering event. Some of the participants have gone on to Boys or Girls Nation and beyond.

We are looking forward to hearing what the delegates have to say.

*Picture compliments of the Department of Florida American Legion Boys State.*





## Memorial Day Service

May 31, 2021 was a bright and sunny day; it was warm, but there was a nice breeze ... a perfect day for our annual Memorial Day service. Please enjoy some of the photos from the day.



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## Son's of the of the Legion: Jim Carten

At our meeting in June, we elected our officers for 2021-2022. The following men will be installed at the Legion Family installation on July 13<sup>th</sup> beginning at 7pm at the Post. The installation will also be available on Zoom and our "Happenin' Auxiliary" will stream the ceremony to their Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/ALA112FL>

Commander – Jim Carten  
Vice Commander – Jim Midlekauff  
Vice Commander – Chester Azurin

Adjutant/Finance – Bob Colbert

We still need to fill the Chaplain and Historian positions; if you are interested, please contact Commander Carten at [architectjim3@yahoo.com](mailto:architectjim3@yahoo.com)

We are still meeting monthly on the first Tuesday of each month at 7pm via Zoom. Our Adjutant emails the Zoom link to all members the weekend before the meeting so please watch your email and if you do not get the link, please contact Bob at [bcolbert@usa.net](mailto:bcolbert@usa.net). **NOTE – Since our installation of offic-**

**ers is on the 13<sup>th</sup>, there will be NO SAL MEETING on July 6<sup>th</sup>.**

Once the VA Nursing Home can send some veterans to the Post for the pancake breakfast, we plan to resume them. The breakfasts are open to everyone, and we do ask that you let us know PRIOR to the breakfast if you plan to attend as we have it catered and do not want to "short-change" anyone. More on that as the time approaches.

Hope to see everyone at our installation on 7/13.

## The Chaplain's Prayers : Billy Dover

As I set here in Panama City training Sea Cadets it is my desire to increase their knowledge of themselves. This includes self confidence in making a decision, "right or wrong", knowing that there are Veterans who were willing to give their life for you and the freedom we have.

### Leviticus 16.2

*The Lord said to Moses, "Warn your brother, Aaron, not to enter the Most Holy Place behind the inner curtain whenever he*

*chooses; if he does, he will die. For the Ark's cover – the place of atonement – is there, and I, myself, am present in the cloud above the atonement cover.*

So, the question is are you listening to the LORD or to your own advice? We have the ability to ask God to watch over us and guide us just he talked Moses and his brother Aaron.

My prayer is that we listen to what God is telling us and to give all understanding to HIM.

That God protects our Nation and its leaders, our service men and women, as well as their families. Protect our first responders and their families. Protect our great American Legion that we may maintain the four pillars of this great organization. This is our prayer in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, AMEN.

God Bless US and Protect our Nation.  
FOR GOD AND COUNTRY.  
Billy Dover

**Installation of Officers  
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Usually, the 2nd Vice Commander compiles a list of needed repairs and either manages a team of volunteers to make things happen or they meet with contractors and solicit bids for the big projects, the cost of which is bourn by the Post after approval of the expenditures by the Executive Board. Because we do not currently have a 2nd Vice, our Commander, Jim Middlekauff, has been filling this position in addition to his duties as our Commander. Over the last 18 months, we have had our septic tanks cleaned and other plumbing issues handled, we have replaced the roof and most recently, we’ve had new flooring installed in our main hall. We also had new steps and a railing installed on what is now our main entrance. Jim has also handled the contractors for replacing windows at the post, air conditioning service, and the annual maintenance of our alarm system. Before Covid, we had regular “Work Days” where volunteers came to the Post to work on minor projects like inventorying the Quartermaster Store, cleaning counter tops and shelves, etc. Most recently, to get the Post ready for our Memorial Day service. Jim led a team of volunteers to pressure wash the outside of the building and the patio. Volunteers also assisted with trimming the palm tree beside our wheelchair ramp, and they cleaned painted the grill box on the patio. Our team at work ...



Grill Box  
Before



And  
After



If you can help with simple projects like these or you would consider becoming our 2nd Vice, please contact Commander Jim!



## Happy Birthday to YOU!

*Happy Birthday to YOU!*  
*Happy Birthday to you!*  
*Happy Birthday dear \_\_\_\_\_.*  
*Happy Birthday to YOU!*

### JULY

3 Yost, Thomas  
5 Fonseca, David E  
7 Mays, Deborah  
8 Middlekauff, Byron J  
10 Berry, Peter B  
10 Garceau, John  
12 Furbush, Alan R  
14 McCollum, Bill  
19 Velkavrh, Joseph  
21 Settles, Ronald Dan  
24 Pinter, Rene A  
27 Evans, Douglas M  
28 Brown, Terrance

28 Wartell, Lawrence  
29 Colado, Guy D

### AUGUST

5 Colbert, Ryan M  
6 Diehl, Caylen A Jr  
6 Kauffman, Russell W  
8 Belcher, Charles R  
17 Singleton, Leon  
19 Knapp, John M  
19 Leimer, Sharon  
20 Klinger, Staci  
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# THE AMERICAN LEGION



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## CALENDAR

July	Event
1-4	Department Convention
4	Happy Independence Day
6	SAL—NO MEETING
13	Post, Auxiliary, & SAL- Installation - Post, ZOOM & Facebook - 7pm
20	Auxiliary Meeting - 7 PM - ZOOM & Facebook only
August	Event
3	SAL Meeting - 7 PM - Post & ZOOM
10	Post General Meeting - 7 PM - Post & ZOOM
17	Auxiliary Meeting - 7 PM - Post, ZOOM & Facebook

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## COMMANDER'S MINUTE

Greetings fellow Legionnaires of Post 112:

Well, here we go again. Just when we thought things were going well and some-what back to a "normal" life, we get smacked down with the Covid virus that just does not seem to be going away any time soon. I pray that everyone is doing due diligence in staying safe until this is really under control. It is sad that Florida is one of the highest numbers of cases. Much to my displeasure, I did catch the virus from going to Kennedy Space Center. My wife (Clare) caught it also but had different symptoms than I did. We are both almost done with all the symptoms of cold/flu issues and trust me-even with being totally vaccinated, it is NOT anything you want to experience! Nuff of that, just be careful.

On another note, this month (August) we did a total Zoom meeting and hopefully next month we can be back in the Post with a blended meeting.

We will have a September 11<sup>th</sup> ceremony (Saturday @ 10 AM) at the Post. My plan is to have it in the pavilion (weather permitting) with Zoom also and anyone wanting to attend at the Post is of course always welcome if you feel comfortable in doing so. This is the 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the attack on the US and I have an awesome guest speaker coming. Our speaker is: Reverend Dr. Chuck Robertson, who is the Cannon to the Bishop of the Episcopal Church and was at ground zero. This will be a very meaningful ceremony for sure. The Post is looking great and still making improvements, so come on out.

Don't forget September 17<sup>th</sup> which is National POW/MIA Day. Thanks to the efforts of the Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency, we are bringing our Veterans home for proper burials as they so deserve.

I want to thank Steve Miglionico for stepping up as our 1<sup>st</sup> Vice, I really appreciate his efforts and look forward to possible new members. Talk to other Veterans about us. *"Anyone who has served honorably in the US Armed Forces since December 7, 1941 are now eligible to join, including Active Duty"* so bring them to a meeting and check out our awesome Post.

Have a Spooktacular Halloween!

Until next time, take care and God Bless.

For God and Country,  
Jim Middlekauff, Commander, Post 112

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## Our Happenin' Auxiliary—Nell Colbert

We kicked off the new program year by participating in the Department Convention in early July. Our 2021-2022 Department President, Wanda Brandt, has chosen as her theme



We learned a lot and came home enthused about the upcoming year.

We also held our Installation of Officers on July 13th. The installation was a hybrid event; we had officers installed via Zoom and we streamed the event to our Facebook page. Paula Fox,



6th District President, presented Marge with our 100% membership ribbon for 2020.



Our Post and SAL Officers were installed, too.

In late July, we received some devastating news—our beloved Auxiliary sister and Unit Vice President, Cathy Diehl, went home to be with the Lord. Cathy was such an instrumental part of not just our Unit but also our Post and SAL Squadron. Cathy was always there to support the Legion's Holiday Angels shopping trip as well as supporting her grandson's in their activities with SAL, in particular helping with the Veterans Pancake breakfast every other month. For the Unit, one of Cathy's loves was the Poppy program and she would set up a distribution booth at the cemetery for Memorial Day. Cathy also loved our Education, Children & Youth, and VA&R programs and was always available to shop for the Veterans holiday food baskets for

Christmas and our Thanksgiving baskets for the Eastbrook food pantry. Our Legion family was well represented at Cathy's funeral in August where our Chaplain, Debi, offered a prayer during the service. Cathy will be dearly missed.



Our August meeting featured updates from our Girls State delegates, Olivia and Alyssa. Oh, what stories they shared!



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First, I want to Thank the members who showed up at our 9-11 ceremony that we have not seen for a long time, it was great to see and talk to them again. I just hope that we can see more members showing up at the Post in the future. The future is so "up-in-the-air" it seems and puts everyone on edge as to what we feel comfortable doing as well as where we can go safely. So as the year comes to a close, I can only hope everyone can enjoy the next few months celebrating with family and welcome the New Year with hope.

At our October meeting, we discussed the possibility of a Christmas get-together/dinner as we have had in the past. Our reservations have been made—please see the flyer on page 10 on how to RSVP. Space is limited so call soon. Although there are no guarantees, I keep the Post as clean as possible so everyone can feel somewhat comfortable while inside. The Sea Cadets have been using our Post and have had no issues thankfully.

The Annual Veterans Day parade in downtown Orlando is scheduled on November 13<sup>th</sup> and hope the weather cooperates for that, as well as a good turn-out. The Post does not participate in the parade itself, but each in his/her own way can celebrate the service to our country that was given. Perhaps next year we can have a membership party at the Post on Veterans Day or that weekend.

With Thanksgiving coming, we will work with our Awesome Auxiliary to help provide food baskets as we have in the past. We will also participate in the VA's Christmas Tree Angel program again and provide a Veteran and family with Christmas gifts. I'm sure the SONS Squadron 112 will be involved also.

I wish everyone a Blessed Thanksgiving, a Merry Christmas as well as a Happy and safe New Year.

Talk to other Veterans about us, the Legion is going strong. *"Anyone who has served honorably in the US Armed Forces since December 7, 1941 is now eligible to join, including Active Duty"* so bring them to a meeting and check out our awesome Post.

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For God and Country, Jim Middlekauff

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## Our Happenin' Auxiliary—Nell Colbert



Our membership drive for 2022 is going strong. Our goal for 2022 is 24 members and as of this writing, we have 20 paid members. We need to recruit two new members and we have a couple of members who have not yet renewed for 2022. Please check the list below and if your name is NOT listed, please send in your check for \$36 ASAP. You can mail your check to our mailing address:  
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We have also kicked off our fall programs and will be soon providing Thanksgiving non-perishable food items for our Thanksgiving Eastbrook Elementary food pantry project. Shopping will take place in early November and the goodies will be delivered to the school by mid-November.

Our second fall project is our Christmas food baskets for Veteran families in need. We will again deliver our baskets to the VA at Lake Baldwin so they can be given out as part of the Legion's Angel tree project.

We recently learned that the annual Veterans Day program at Eastbrook will be coming back this year. Watch your email for details as we get them. We always have so much fun greeting the Veterans and their families as we distribute American flags and promote our Legion family programs.

The Department of FL Fall Con-

ference is coming 11/5—11/6 at the Renaissance Orlando at Sea World resort. The conference is open to all Auxiliary members and there are lots of classes to help us learn more about the Auxiliary and how to carry out our duties.

As you'll see elsewhere in this newsletter, the Post is planning to hold its annual Christmas party at Perkins on December 3rd beginning at 6pm. The FUN, but OPTIONAL gift exchange will also be returning. Space will be limited as we practice social distancing in the banquet room so please follow the instructions in the flyer on page 10 and be sure to RSVP as quickly as possible.

# Happy Holidays!

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## COMMANDER'S MINUTE

Greetings fellow Legionnaires of Post 112:

Well, here we go again with another Covid issue. I hope everyone has participated in the Booster program. We need to be as safe as possible. I was not able to participate in our annual Christmas Dinner at Perkins, so I hope everyone enjoyed the time spent there. As a result (and as published) we did not have a regular monthly meeting for December.

First, the pavilion is finally done and will be water proof now if we are in the pavilion and it starts raining. The Sea Cadets said they will miss dodging the leaks! The Post had a Blood Drive for the first time in many moons and did not go well. We had planned on at least eleven donations and we ended up with only four, of which I was one. The other three were from the apartment complex. This was a great day weather wise, but it seems like it



was just bad timing for the drive.

The New Year is going to be a new start and hope it will be not as challenging as the past year has been. January will be a time that we can re-group and move forward however we can. The Post has nothing scheduled for January as of now, but the Four Chaplains Ceremony is normally in February. I am not sure we will conduct this again, it is a lot of work for me and very few participate.

With the assistance of Past Commander Costello and the ladies of the Auxiliary, we provided a needy Veteran with Christmas gifts and food. It was a great feeling being able to do this for a fellow Veteran and family.

I wish everyone a Merry Christmas as possible as well as a Happy and safe New Year.

Talk to other Veterans about us, the Legion is going strong. *"Anyone who has served honorably in the US Armed Forces since December 7, 1941 are now eligible to join, including Active Duty"* so bring them to a meeting and check out our awesome Post.

Until next time, take care and God Bless.  
For God and Country, Jim Middlekauff

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## Our Happenin' Auxiliary—Nell Colbert

Our membership drive for 2022 has had a great response. As of 12/17, we have two members yet to pay 2022 dues and we need to recruit one additional new member to reach our 100% membership goal. Our goal for 2022 is 24 members and as of this writing, we have 21 paid members. We welcomed our newest member, Claudia Caruso, in early November—Welcome Claudia. If you are one of the two who haven't paid your 2022 dues yet, please send in your check for \$36 ASAP. You can mail your check to our mailing address:

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November was extremely busy for our Unit. In addition to attending the Department's Fall Conference, we participated in the Eastbrook Veteran's Day program where we

gave out American flags and Poppies to all the Veterans who attended their recognition breakfast, we shopped for and delivered all the non-perishable fixin's for a



complete Thanksgiving dinner to the Eastbrook food pantry for the students who take home backpacks filled with food each weekend, we assisted the Legion with the shopping for their VA Giving



Tree (Angel Tree) family, and we shopped for and delivered to the Lake Baldwin VA our usual holiday



food baskets for Veteran families in need.



**WOW!  
What a  
busy  
month!**

We weren't quite as busy in December but we did enjoy food and fellowship at Perkins as the Legion family gathered together to celebrate the Christmas holiday season. It was great seeing everyone in person and we enjoyed a fun gift exchange.

Lots of things coming after the New Year like Girls State delegate selection, the Americanism Essay contest, and school awards.

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I hope everyone is doing well by now, it seems as though life's issue with Covid are improving somewhat. We will continue with our "blended" meetings for now and our Post Adjutant (Bob) does an outstanding job of working the technology end of the meetings for us. If you have not checked out our updated website, please do as it is a great piece of work also thanks to Bob.

The Post is looking great, but not much action going on for now. We did have a Celebration of Life ceremony for one of our members we recently lost (also available on our website) and was well received. The family greatly appreciated the effort to celebrate his life, he will be missed for sure. We do conduct our Legion Post Everlasting in May and November each year during meeting nights.

As some of you are aware, the POW/MIA project is near and dear to my heart. Thanks to Commander Doug Evans from the Sea Cadets, the large sea van is now gone from our back yard. It is going to be a storage area for a very worthwhile project including John Marsack (SCPO ret), a Navy Diver. He, along with many other organizations are participating in *Project Recover*. This is a 21<sup>st</sup> century program to find and repatriate Americans missing in action all over the world. For more information, it can be viewed on line or on YouTube.

Thanks again to the Chairman of Boys State competition (Bob), we will be doing the interviewing and selection of candidates going to Tallahassee. This is a very worthwhile educational program the American Legion has. Our awesome Auxiliary also conducts and sponsors Girl State candidates.

I wish everyone a Happy Easter and a healthy New Year.

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We are sooooo close to achieving our 100% membership goal! Our goal for 2022 is 24 members and as of this writing, we have 23 paid members, giving us 96%. We welcomed our newest member, Linda Miglionico, in January — Welcome Linda! Linda is the wife of our Post Vice Commander Stephen Miglionico.

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We have begun receiving Americanism essays from our schools. So far, we have entries from Cheney and Dommerich Elementary schools and we've been promised entries from students at Winter Park High School. Copies of the essays from the elementary schools were emailed to our members. Please review them and send the names of your top three essay writers per school to Nell as quickly as possible. Email Nell at

necolbert@usa.net. Our essay judging will take place after our Girls State interviews on 2/27 and having your choices before then will make our selection process go more smoothly.

And speaking about Girls State, as of the writing of this article, we have five candidates to interview, two from Haggarty High and three from Winter Park. Our interviews will be conducted in person at the Post on Sunday, 2/27 beginning at 2pm. Unit members should arrive by 1pm to help set up the room and the pavilion. This is always an exciting time of the year for our Unit as the candidates we interview are always top notch and deciding on our delegate and alternate is never an easy task. Look for pictures in the next newsletter as this one will be printed before our interviews are conducted.

It seems hard to believe that we are quickly coming to the end of our 2022 program year! Beginning in late March we will be contacting our elementary schools about naming students to receive our Auxiliary Scholastic Achievement Awards. We present certificates and medals to one young lady and one young man at each of the seven elementary schools we serve during their 5th grade awards ceremonies at the end of the school year. This year, these award ceremonies will be conducted in person so we will need help from our members to get the medals presented. The schools tend to select the last two or three days of school for the awards ceremonies and due to the distance and travel time between the schools, it is very difficult for any one person to

cover more than two schools on the same day. Please contact either Marge or Nell if you can help with these presentations. These are very easy and lots of fun to do and we have a script already prepared.

And because it is the end of the program year, we must begin to think about the 2023 program year and our officers for 2023. The Department convention is June 16-19 which means that our elections must be conducted between April 18 and June 2nd and we must elect our Nominating Committee at our March meeting to be in compliance with our governing documents. If you would like to serve on the Nominating Committee, please send an email to Nell, and if you would like to try your hand at a leadership position in our Unit, please contact either Marge or Nell so your name can be forwarded to the Nominating Committee.



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## VETERANS AFFAIRS & REHABILITATION 2021 – 2022 UNIT YEAR-END REPORT

Annual reports express the program activities of the Unit and could result in a national award for your Unit if all the requirements are met. Please use the National cover awards sheet for all narratives. As Department Chairman, I am required to submit a narrative report to the Division VA & R Chairman on the great works that the Units and Districts have accomplished for our veterans and their families this year. Please help me and be as detailed as possible. **As part of your narrative, please include answers to the following questions and anything I may not have covered.**

1. How did your Unit participate in or distribute the caregiver support programs?
2. How did your Unit assist, support or recognize caregivers of veterans?
3. Describe your activities members made in earning Service to Veterans hours.
4. Did your Unit donate or volunteer at a standdown? How did you assist homeless veterans?
5. How did your Unit assist, support or recognize hospitalized or nursing home veterans?
6. How did your Unit assist transitioning veterans and military families in your community?
7. Did Your Unit participate in a job fair?
8. How did your Unit assist, support or recognize veterans/legionnaires in your community?
9. Did your Unit participate in any Welcome Home celebrations?
10. How did your Unit assist, support or recognize female veterans?
11. Please describe any activities, events or projects that made a difference in the lives of veterans and military and their families not covered on this report.

**2 copies of the Unit year-end report are due to the District VA&R chairman by April 1, 2022.**

**Thank you for all you do. Always Remember our Veterans! Dee Bell VA&R Dept. Chairman**



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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.
- Several of our members assist the Post members when they shop for their VA Giving Tree family each Christmas.
- One of our members whose husband is a member of another American Legion Post is very active with the DAR and her husband's Post and gives service to Veterans through these activities.
- One of our members is the newsletter editor for the Legion Family newsletter that is published six 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.

In total, our members provided about 375 hours of service to Veterans and more than \$400 in goods to Veterans.

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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