

American Legion Auxiliary Winter Park Memorial Unit 112 General Meeting Minutes

April 21, 2026

The April 2026 general meeting of the American Legion Auxiliary Unit 112 was called to order at 7:04pm by President Marge Berrios. The meeting was held via Zoom and opened according to ritual.

Members in attendance included:

Marge Berrios

Nell Colbert

Maria Santiago

Terry Berrios-Guariglia

Mercedes Reedy

Guests in attendance were:

Bob Colbert, Post 112 Adjutant

Nell confirmed that we have a quorum for this meeting and Marge was granted permission to deviate from the printed agenda should the need arise.

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

Nell Colbert gave the Finance Report. Terry Berrios-Guariglia moved (seconded by Marge Berrios) that the Finance Report be filed for audit. Motion carried.

Nell Colbert shared items of correspondence received this month including:

- Department *The Florida Passionate Posts* newsletter
- Unit Membership Credit Report (MCR Report)
- DCC Unit Voting Strength & Delegate/Alternate List
- State Quarterly Sales Tax Filing Confirmation

Bob Colbert reported on the Post Executive Committee meeting:

- Post elections will be held at the May meeting.
- Commander Jim is presenting the ROTC medals at UCF.
- Bob Colbert is presenting the NJROTC medals at Lake Howell High School
- There will be no Memorial Day program at the Post – everyone is encouraged to attend ceremonies at local cemeteries.
- All Boys State Alternates have been placed as delegates representing other Posts.
- ScoutsBSA Girl Troop 4613 has had its 7th Eagle Scout.
- Troop 4613 is looking for adult female leadership.
- The Sea Cadets are participating in the Cyber Patriot competition.
- Our Boys State/Girls State delegates will give their updates at the Legion meeting in August (2nd Tuesday)

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

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

- **Americanism:** Please remember to report if you fly the American flag at your home, say the Pledge during any meetings, sing the National Anthem, or participate in any patriotic events or ceremonies as these activities go into our year-End reports.
- **Children and Youth:** We will be presenting two National Auxiliary Good Deed Awards at the Troop 613 Court of Honor on May 3rd at 7pm at Sts. Peter and Paul Catholic Church on Old Howell Branch Road, Winter Park. We have one nomination to submit for Troop 4613 and should get another packet from their newest Eagle soon.
- **Education:** We have honoree names and ceremony dates for all five elementary schools. We discussed who could present at which schools.
- **Girls State:** Marge sent reminders to all our girls about the upcoming mandatory orientation session, and all have confirmed that they will attend. It looks like our alternates stand a very good chance of being picked up by other Units.
- **Legislative:** Nell reminded everyone about the Grassroots Legislative Action program and shared that there will be a National webinar later in the month about the Legislative program.
- **Membership:** We are still at 103%.
- **Poppies:** Marge is waiting to hear back from post 243 about their plans for the program at the cemetery and if they will need Poppies.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- Nominating Committee report – Terry reported that the slate being proposed by the nominating Committee is:
 - President – Marge Berrios
 - Vice President – Terry Berrios-Guariglia
 - Secy-Treas – Nell Colbert
 - Chaplain – Debi Shannon
 - Sgt-at-Arms – Maria Santiago
- Nominations from the floor – None
- Year-End Reports recap – Nell noted that our unit filed Year-End Reports for every program and that our consolidated reports will be posted to our website soon.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Election of Delegates to the District Constitutional Conference – Nell gave a brief explanation of what happens at this annual conference and encouraged everyone to attend. Mercedes Reedy agreed to attend as our third delegate along with Marge and Nell.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REMINDERS:

- Send service hours to Marge, Nell, and wpfl.ala112@gmail.com. Please remember to include a brief description of what you did, not just the hours volunteered.
- Unit elections are during our May meeting. It is very important to have everyone attend on May 19th.
- The District Constitutional Conference will be held at St. Cloud post 80 on May 9. Registration begins at 9:30am and the meeting begins at 10am. All members are encouraged to attend.

Terry Berrios-Guariglia offered the Benediction, and Marge Berrios adjourned the meeting at 7:43pm

Respectfully submitted



Nell Colbert
Secretary-Treasurer

Minutes approved _____

Nell Colbert, Secretary _____

Marge Berrios, President _____