American Legion Auxiliary Unit 372 – Mandarin 4280 Oldfield Crossing Dr, Jacksonville, FL 32223 Facebook: American Legion Auxiliary Unit 372, Mandarin, FL. Monthly meetings are held on the 4th Thursday of each month at 7pm. We begin social hour at 6pm.

Hello All!

Happy New Year! We are excited for what 2022 has to bring and we are already off to a great start this year.

First, we want to officially welcome Allane Strode as our newest Auxiliary member. We are excited to have you a part of our Unit finally and look forward to our continued growth together. We are currently sitting at 26 members and are truly thankful for each and every one of you!

January was our first monthly meeting for 2022 and we covered a variety of topics to get us started! Our quarterly box for the beginning of the year is for the local food pantry at FSCJ - H.O.P.E. This is an anonymous pantry that helps to provide food for students in need. The flyer of the preapproved items we are collecting is on Facebook, our website, and has been sent out through email numerous times so please keep a lookout! If you can donate, but cannot physically make it to the post to drop items off, do not hesitate to reach out at <u>auxunit372@alpost372fl.org</u> we are more than happy to coordinate with you!

Also, we have rescheduled our TopGun Movie night to March 19, 2022, this will be in conjunction with the monthly Fireside Chat for March. If you originally volunteered to provide an item Robin will be reaching out later in the month as a reminder of what you signed up for. If anyone who did not originally volunteer would like to now, please feel free to reach out to Robin Maltese as well.

A few important dates for February!

- The District meeting will be Feb 13, in Middleburg at Post 250 @ 2pm
- Feb. 19, Fireside Chat with all 372 families
- Feb. 26 ABC Auxiliary Basic Concept Instruction Saturday, February 26th, it will be at Post 316, registration is at 10 am

As always if you have any questions or need anything please do not hesitate to reach out to us.

All the best, Caitlin Bailey <u>auxunit372@alpost372fl.org</u>

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