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May/June 2007

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Acting Commander's Comments – Marco Manor

Commander Don has been through a lot over the past two months. He had improved a lot at Carson Tahoe Hospital and was moved to Life Care in Reno to start his physical therapy. In three short weeks, Life Care erased all of the good that Don had accomplished in Carson City to the point that he was rushed back to Carson Tahoe Hospital on April 24th in critical condition! It seems that Life Care's solution to medical treatment was to keep Don drugged up instead of trying to help him get well enough to go home. He is in room 205 and the telephone number at the hospital is 445-8000. I am sure that he would be happy to hear from you. He wants to thank all of you for your prayers and well wishes.

Our Post is sponsoring three kids to Boys State this year and we have donated monies to the Emergency Relief Fund and Youth Scholarship Fund. Giving back to our community is our goal. The more volunteers we get, the more we can do. Please let me know if you have an expertise that we can utilize to achieve our goal of Honoring Those Who Served.

Our Honor Guard has been pretty busy these past two months. On Friday, April they performed their 43rd and 44th funeral service. On May 5th they are again answering the call of duty. Our newest member to the team is Bill Martinez. Welcome aboard Bill. Please let me know if you are interested in joining the Color/Honor Guard team. Their services mean so much to the veteran's family. You do not have to be at every service but we will appreciate any time you can give.

May is going to be a very busy month for our Post. On May 3rd our Color Guard will be posting the colors at the National Day of Prayer ceremony at the Capitol. On May 5th the Honor Guard is doing their 45th ceremony at the Carson City airport. On May 10th the Color Guard is posting the colors at a grand opening where Governor Gibbons is the key note speaker. On May 26th the Color Guard will be leading the Memorial Day Parade in Virginia City. On May 28th the Honor Guard will be at the Memorial Day Ceremony at the Dayton Cemetery. And finally on May 28th everyone will be at the Lone Mountain Cemetery where our Post will be doing a Memorial Day Ceremony at our Post 56 Memorial. The ceremony at Lone Mountain will begin at 1:00 PM. Please take time that day to come out and help pay tribute to our fallen brothers and sisters.

We will be electing our new officers for 2007-2008 at our May meeting. Then at our June meeting, the new officers will be installed by District 4 Commander Bob Reddick. The ladies Auxiliary is planning a pot luck dinner for everyone at the June meeting starting at 6:00 PM.

We will be having another guest speaker at our meeting on May 10th. Please plan on attending the meeting to find out more about the USO Program to assist our troops in Iraq and Afghanistan.

I am looking forward to seeing all of you at our next meeting. Please plan on bringing a prospective member with you.

Adjutant, Joe Hanus

This is a call to all Color/Honor Guardsmen. We are planning a significant ceremony with Commander Don in mind. We must have all personnel present on Memorial Day. This special ceremony will be later in the day at Lone Mountain cemetery. Please rearrange your personal activities as to be present. We don't know Don's fate. God help us! It may be our last chance as a group to bring this off.

We also need a non-guardsmen to take pictures and operate a camcorder. This will be our gift to Don.

First Vice Commander, Marco Manor

The 2006-2007 year has been a great one so far because of all of your efforts in membership. Congratulations to all of you who have sponsored a new Legionnaire into High Desert Post 56. We still have time to reach our goal for the year. Do you have a brother, sister, aunt, uncle, niece, nephew, cousin, or a friend that qualifies for membership in the American Legion? Please ask them to join our organization.

Our membership is now at 196 strong! That equates to 254.55% of the department goal for our post this year. I want to thank all of our new members and our transfer members for choosing the greatest Post in all of Nevada. Please plan on attending our next meeting on May 10th at 7:00 PM at the Veterans Building on Second and Curry. We are looking forward to seeing you there.

Since Commander Don has been out on sick leave, I have assumed some of his duties. One of them is getting our current advertisers to renew their ads and look for new advertisers. If you are interested in placing an ad in the Bugle, or know anyone who might want to advertise with us, please have them contact me. Your ad runs for a full year and cost only \$50.00. The ads help us off set our printing and mailing expenses as well as help us support our veteran programs.

Second Vice Commander, Jack Ralph

We are still looking for email addresses for the newsletter to save printing and postage costs. Please send an email message to vice2@AMERICAN-LEGION-POST56-NV.US and request to be added to the email distribution list.

July/August Newsletter Deadline, June 27, 2007.

Finance Officer, Jay Tomlinson

Attendance Drawing. Every meeting \$5.00 is withheld from the 50/50 Raffle and is contributed to the Attendance Drawing. **The person whose number is drawn must be present to win!** If there is no winner, the accumulated amount rolls over to the next month's drawing! The pot will be \$45 at the May 10th meeting. **The lucky winner could be you, but only if you are there.** Plan to attend the meeting and you might leave \$45 richer!

UNIT 56 AUXILIARY REPORT

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Presidents Message – Irma Manor

Thanks to all of the ladies from Unit 56 for your help putting together a wonderful District 4 meeting on March 10th. Thanks to Rose Janonis, our Kitchen Queen II, and all for providing the continental breakfast and luncheon following the meeting.

At the April 12th General Meeting of Unit 56, we elected our officers for 2007-2008. Our new officers are listed above.

We are going to have a great year! I hope we can get involved in more of the projects that the American Legion Auxiliary has to offer!

May is going to be a very busy month for us in support of our American Legion Post 56. Unit 56 Installation of Officers will be held Saturday, May 19, 2007, Grandma Hattie's Restaurant, at 11:00 a.m. Past District 4 President, Agnes Williams, will perform the ceremony for us. Unit 56 Officers, please wear all white. We will be ordering food from the menu.

Betty Ryser has graciously offered her home for us to gather and prepare packets to take to the VA Hospital. We will meet at her home at noon on May 23rd. Those who wish to come and help, please bring food for eight of us to share.

Then, we can get to work! Call Irma if you need directions. (775) 267-4794

On May 26th is the Memorial Day Parade in Virginia City. Let's take our poppies and distribute them. If you wish to be there, please wear your uniform. (navy pants, white blouse, and patriotic scarf –if you have one)

Our next visit to the VA Hospital in Reno will be on May 27th at 1:00 p.m. We plan to visit about 100 Vets. We will meet at the TCU entrance by the flag poles. There should be enough parking, since we are going on a Sunday.

On Monday, May 28th, Post 56 will be at Dayton Cemetery at 9:00 for Memorial Day services then at Lone Mountain Cemetery at Noon. The ceremony will begin at 1:00 PM.

Please plan on attending the American Legion/Auxiliary Dept. Convention in Reno. The Convention will be June 22-24 at the Sands Regency Casino Hotel in Reno. The Convention is hosted by Post #1 in Reno and Unit 56 in Carson City.

On Friday, June 22nd, there will be a dinner in honor of Judy Daybell, American Legion Auxiliary, Western Division National Vice President. Dinner will be at the Sands Regency Ballroom area at 7:00 p.m. Menu is a duet of Top Sirloin and Chicken Breast served with Arizona rice, Seasonal Vegetables, Rolls and Butter, Coffee, Decaf, or Tea. And for Dessert, Boston Cream Pie. Price is \$27.00 per person.

Please RSVP Irma Manor (775) 267-4794 by June 15th. Please send checks in advance to "American Legion Auxiliary" and mail to ATTN: Irma Manor American Legion Auxiliary Unit 56, P.O. Box 2848, Carson City, NV 89702

Our next pot luck will be at the June 14th General Meeting.

Chaplain's Corner – Ramona Long

First, I want to thank all the members who donated greeting cards to help replenish our supply. Your donations are greatly appreciated.

In March, Pat Ayers and I visited our Commander in the hospital and delivered a bouquet of flowers. I also visited and delivered flowers to Betty Ryser, Inez Rough and Guy and Dorothy Cole. Please remember all of them in your prayers.

In March and April, I sent out a total of 7 misc. greeting cards.

In May, we will be visiting our Veterans in the VA Hospital in Reno, taking them a packet of travel size toiletries and we will make over 100 packets each in May and November. They have to pay for their own toiletries and we are in desperate need of shaving cream, razors, toothpaste, men's combs, deodorant, cologne and NEW white tube socks, 100% cotton (remember, the toiletries must be TRAVEL SIZE). Please bring them to our May meeting or, if you do not plan to attend, please call me and I will make arrangements to pick them up in the Carson City area in May.

Ladies, now is the time to clean out your closets because we are going to have a "PURSE SILENT AUCTION" at our June potluck meeting. You may also bring tote bags and billfolds. All items must be clean and in good condition. A good way to shop for a new purse, tote bag or billfold. This is strictly a purse silent auction.

Please pray for our military and members of our Post and Auxiliary.

If you know of any members who are ill or are not able to come to meetings and would like visitors, please call me at 885-7585.

Upcoming Events

Visit <http://american-legion-post56-nv.us/> to find out what is planned for the future.

Veterans Hospital Donations Needed

- White Cotton socks (new only)
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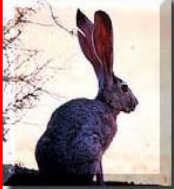


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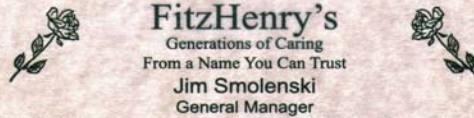
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