



The High Desert BUGLE



March/April 2008

American Legion Post 56 and Auxiliary Unit 56

PO Box 2848, Carson City, Nevada 89702

Meetings are held on the 2nd Thursday of each month at 7:00 PM [except for special events],
Veterans Memorial Hall, Carson City, at the corner of Curry and 2nd Street.

Our next meeting will be held Mar 13th. We hope you'll be there.

Visit our website at <http://american-legion-post56-nv.us/> to see our calendar of upcoming events.

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I am looking forward to seeing all of you at our next meetings on March 13th and April 10th. Please bring a prospective member to our next meeting. There will be a Pot Luck Dinner served at 6:00 PM on March 13th, thanks to our great Auxiliary members.

Thank you all for your service to our great country. Without your dedication and sacrifices, we would not be free today.

For God and Country,

Adjutant – Joe Hanus

On the anniversary of George Washington's birthday the All Veterans Honor Guard performed their 89th ceremony in Fernley's Northern Nevada Veterans Cemetery. We had only 5 riflemen but the service went off well. This is my opening to any of our members who are interested who might want to train and serve with us to step forward.

Commander's Comments

On Saturday, January 19th, Post 56 hosted the Nevada National Guard Annual Ball at the Grand Sierra Resort in Reno. We were responsible for the hospitality room on Friday, January 18th and Saturday, January 19th. The event was attended by over 300 of our young men and women. They all had a great time, and our Post 56 received a certificate for sponsoring the event. Thanks to all who helped in the hospitality room.

Our Adjutant, Joe Hanus, has taken on the Boys State project and will be recruiting young men from Dayton and Minden/Gardnerville to attend this summer. This is a great opportunity for our young men to learn about government. Thanks Joe, for stepping up once again. We are still looking for a Chairperson for the upcoming Oratorical contest.

Remember that the American Legion National has decided to give every returning service man and woman a free one year's membership into our organization. If you have any family or friends that have returned from Iraq or Afghanistan please get us their information.

On March 8th, our Post 56 will be the host for the Department 4 meeting being held at the Veterans Hall on Second and Curry. The meeting begins at 10:00 AM and will conclude about Noon. Our Ladies Auxiliary will be hosting a Continental Breakfast prior to the meeting as well as providing lunch after it concludes. It would be great to see as many of our members there as possible.

Now is the time to start thinking about your officers for 2008-2009. If you are interested in filling one of the many position, please contact me as soon as possible.



UNIT 56 AUXILIARY

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Presidents Message

Greetings to All! These past two months have been pretty quiet for Auxiliary Unit 56. We have been collecting white crew (or tube) socks, toothbrushes, and toiletry items to take to the VA Medical Center in Reno in May. We still need toothpaste, shaving cream, more socks, and combs (brushes for the few Ladies at the hospital). Also, any special items you would like to have us include in our gift bags, we certainly would appreciate them. (new items, please)

Thanks to all who have contributed to help the VA Hospital Veterans.

The American Legion Post 56 Color Guard will be marching in the St. Patrick's Day Parade in Virginia City on Saturday, March 15th at noon. It would be great to have more support for our Honor/Color Guard. They all work so very hard with their services for deceased Veterans!! And they also perform special services. So, let's get out to Virginia City on March 15th.

On March 8th, we are hosting the District 4 meeting at the Veterans' Memorial Hall. We will be serving coffee and rolls (muffins) before the meetings and a luncheon following. The meeting will start at 10:00 a.m. The AL Auxiliary will be meeting at the same time as the American Legion.

Unit 56 is waiting for our order of poppies for the year. We can't wait to get out and distribute them before the year is over. Right Ladies?

At our next general meeting, on Thursday, March 13th, Unit 56 will be serving an Irish pot luck dinner (donation of \$5.00 per person, please). Dinner will be served At 6:00 p.m. with our meeting following at 7:00 p.m.

A very special "Congratulations!" to Ramona Long from Unit 56, who celebrated her Twentieth Anniversary with the American Legion Auxiliary this year! Ramona has been a big asset to our unit, and we are very lucky to have her!

To all who are interested in becoming a member of the American Legion Auxiliary, Unit 56, you are welcome! Please call Irma Manor (Pres.) at (775) 267-4794.

We have a very active unit and welcome new members! Thanks to all who have renewed their membership! And thank you for all you do for our Veterans!

Chaplin – Ramona Long

I have had one report of the terrible flu that is going around and that is Dolores Miller. I have sent her a 'Get Well' card and we are all wishing her a speedy recovery. Another Aux. member is sick with the flu and she is a new member. Marty Rouleau and a card will also be sent to her. I am sure there are more of you out there but I have received no word. Please contact me at 885-7585 or call our President, Irma Manor at 267-4794 as I will be gone from March 16th through April 1st. Please keep well. LOOK OUT HAWAII HERE I COME!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Upcoming Events

Visit <http://american-legion-post56-nv.us/> and click on the **Events** button to find out what is planned for the near and far future. There is not enough room here to list them all.

Veterans Hospital Donations Needed

- White cotton socks (new only)
- Sample/travel sized toiletries
- Paperback books
- Phone cards
- \$100 dollar bills

Upcoming Birthdays

Jeri Edwards March 11
Kaylee Taitaho April 2
Irene Underwood April 10

This Issue's Recipe

Courtesy of Ramona Long

ORANGE BANANA NUT BREAD

I like this recipe as it is very moist and will last for weeks in a Zip Lock Bag stored in the refrigerator.

Prep: 15 minutes

Bake at 325 degrees for 50 to 60 minutes until a toothpick comes out clean when tested from the center. Let cool 10 minutes then transfer to a rack.

- 1-1/2 cups sugar
- 3 tablespoons veg. oil
- 2 eggs
- 3 medium ripe bananas, mashed (about 1-1/4 cups)
- 3/4 cup orange juice
- 3 cups flour plus 1 tablespoon for high altitude
- 1-1/2 teasp. baking powder
- 1-1/2 teasp. baking soda
- 1/2 teasp. salt
- 1 cup chopped walnuts

Combine sugar, oil and eggs; mix well. Stir in bananas and orange juice. Combine dry ingredients; add to banana mixture, beating until just moistened. Add walnuts. Pour into 2 greased and lightly floured loaf pans and bake.

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