



The High Desert BUGLE



May/June 2009

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 6:30 PM [except for special events], Veterans Memorial Hall, Carson City, at the corner of Curry and 2nd Street.

Our next meeting will be held May 14th. We hope you'll be there.

Visit our website at <http://american-legion-post56-nv.us/>



This issue is dedicated to

Wayne "Lips" O'Malley
21 Feb 1933 – 29 Apr 2009

"He never missed a note!"

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Historian	Gerald St. Leger-Barter	783-0502

Commander's Comments – Art Baer

As we near the end of another "Officer Year" at Post 56, I would like to thank the Board for their help and support, and also thank the membership for their support throughout the year, It has been an honor serving as your Commander. Please continue to help and support the Post this coming year as the new board takes up the reins of duty.

Please join with us as we mourn the loss of two more of our troops; Past District Commander Bob Reddick and our Sgt-At-Arms and Honor Guard Bugler Wayne (Lips) O'Malley. In all of the 147 ceremonies Wayne participated in, he never missed a note but we will really miss him.

My special thanks to the ladies of our auxiliary for their continued help. Please keep it up.

First Vice Commander – Katherine Baran

I'd like to thank everyone for allowing me to serve Post 56 as your 1st Vice once again.

Please remember to invite all veterans you may meet to the meetings.

Many hands make the workload lighter. It's an honor for veterans to serve veterans.

Second Vice Commander – Jack Ralph

As most of you know, I am the publisher of our newsletter. I apologize for getting this issue out so late but Wayne's unexpected death brought my schedule to a screeching halt. I'm sure you understand.

Some of you reading this may not know that I have decided to run for Post 56 Commander for the year 2009-2010. Since I will be unopposed, I expect to be your new Commander effective June 11th. I will work very hard to be a good Commander and serve our Post in every way I can. I hope that I can count on each of you to support me and give me any help that I might need.

Adjutant – Dianne Wright

The new year for the American Legion starts in July. Continue to save your receipts from Sak-N-Save so we can send them in when we are up to \$2500 and get a rebate for the Legion Post 56. Have a nice summer!

Chaplain – Chuck Rankin

Our Post mourns the passing of Past District Commander Bob Reddick and our very own Wayne O'Malley. Both will be sorely missed. Please keep their families in your prayers.

Convention Chair – Marco Manor

HELP WANTED

You may not be aware that Post 56 is sponsoring the American Legion, Department of Nevada's 91st Annual Convention here in Carson City on June 26-28, 2009. This is a big undertaking for our Post and it requires a lot of volunteer hours. We need help in registration, selling raffle tickets, working in the hospitality room serving drinks, selling ads, and getting raffle prizes donated.

I have lined up some dynamite speakers that are sure to get you more involved in our Post activities. There will be representatives from the VA Hospital there to speak to us and hopefully answer any of your questions about the VA system. Find out about the Web of Support that was organized here in Carson City and how you can help support our troops and their families. Our Guest Speaker on Saturday evening will be General John Abizaid, who became the youngest four-star general in the Army. He is the former Commander of the US Central Command, serving in Afghanistan and Iraq.

If you would like to help out, please contact me as soon as possible for an assignment. We need as many volunteers as we can get to make this a successful convention.

Since Post 56 is the sponsor of this convention, we would like as many of our members as possible to attend, even if you're not able to take on an assignment. You can download a copy of the Registration Form from our website. Please fill it out and mail it in as soon as possible.

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Presidents Message

Greetings to all members. Below is our slate of Officers for 2009-2010, elected at our April Meeting:

President	Shirlee Ralph
1 st Vice President	Barbara Dickenson
2 nd Vice President	Nancy O'Malley
Treasurer	Christine St. Leger-Barter
Secretary	Irma Manor
Chaplain	Dorothy Cole
Sgt at Arms	Maxine Radu
Historian	Pat Ayers

Events for May – June 2009

16 May – Installation of Officers at Grandma Hatties at 11:30 am ... all are invited

17 May – The National Auxiliary President, Desiree Stoy, will visit Carson City. We plan to take her to Virginia City and to a dinner in Dayton on Sunday. You are all encouraged to join us and meet our National President.

18 May – We will be taking Mrs. Stoy to the VA Hospital in Reno. We will meet at 1 pm at the flag poles at the back of the hospital. At 3 pm we will tour the Guest House.

23 May – We start the Memorial Day events.

29 May – We meet at the Hall to stuff the bags for the Veterans Hospital tour.

30 May – We go to the VA Hospital, meeting at the flag poles at 1 pm.

11 Jun – Potluck Dinner at 5:30 pm at the Hall preceding the General Meeting where the Legion Officers will be installed. \$5 donation expected.

26 Jun – Department of Nevada 91st Convention begins at the Gold Dust West in Carson City.

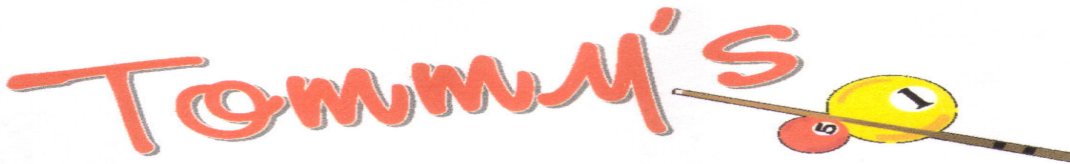
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