



The High Desert BUGLE



July/August 2010

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 July 8th. We hope you'll be there.

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

Commander	Katherine Baran	888-2088
1 st Vice Commander	Marty Martin	392-0327
2 nd Vice Commander	Gabe Koory	246-0907
Adjutant	John Dickinson	246-4024
Chaplain	Jim Kelley	851-3297
Finance Officer	Marco Manor	267-4794
Sgt-at-Arms	Bill Martinez	841-1379
Historian	Vacant	555-1212

Commander's Comments

First of all, let me thank you for allowing me to serve as the Commander of High Desert Post 56. You should know that I do not take this position lightly. I promise to do my best to represent and honor this post and all my comrades.

I would like to thank my comrades who stood up and were elected to serve with me as my Vice Commanders; Marty Martin and Gabe Koory. I know that we will work very well together for the next year. I'd also like to thank John Dickinson and Marco Manor for continuing their positions of Adjutant and Finance Officer during my Administration and I welcome Jim Kelley as my Chaplain and Bill Martinez as my Sgt-at-Arms. Many thanks to all of you!

Post 56 is known for serving veterans and I pray to continue in the fine traditions set in place by my predecessors.

I would like all of you to know that I have also been appointed as Chaplain of District 4. I am honored to be in this position and promise that my duties will never interfere with my duties as your commander.

If you have any questions, comments, or concerns, please feel free to call me any time between 0900 and 2100 hours, 7 days a week. In case of emergency, you may call me at any time on a phone number that will be forwarded to anywhere I may be: 775-434-8002.

For God and country!

Commander Katherine Baran

**CONGRATULATIONS TO
MARCO MANOR
OF HIGH DESERT POST 56
THE DEPARTMENT OF NEVADA
LEGIONNAIRE OF THE YEAR FOR 2009-2010**

Advice from the Adjutant

Membership renewals for 2011 are in the mail now! Please check your membership card before you send me notes and copies of cancelled checks. If your current card lists the year 2010 you are current; you are being billed for year "2011". It takes a minimum of 30 days for your dues payment to be processed thru National. Your prompt payment of dues is greatly appreciated.

John Dickinson, Adjutant

UPCOMING EVENTS

- ❖ 8 July – Membership Meeting, Veterans Hall, 6:30 PM
- ❖ 21 July – Executive Board Meeting, Veterans Hall, 6:00 PM
- ❖ 7 August – Annual Post Picnic, James Lee Park, Indian Hills, 10 AM – 4 PM
- ❖ 12 August – Membership Meeting, Veterans Hall, 6:30 PM
- ❖ 25 August – Executive Board Meeting, Veterans Hall, 6:00 PM
- ❖ 6 September – Labor Day Parade in Virginia City – Post 56 Color Guard Leads – 12 o'clock noon

UNIT 56 AUXILIARY

President	Barbara Dickinson	246-4024
1st Vice President	Nancy O'Malley	883-9640
Secretary	Irma Manor	267-4797
Treasurer	Christine St. Leger-Barter	783-0502
Chaplain	Dorothy Cole	841-4765
Sgt-at-Arms	Donna Duncan	882-7276
Historian	Vacant	555-1212

Vice President's Message

Welcome to our new President, Barbara Dickinson. We are very anxious to support and work with her during the next year.

The Unit 56 Officer Installation was held on June 19th at Grandma Hattie's in Carson City. We had a beautiful ceremony that was conducted by Past Department President Agnes Williams, followed by a luncheon for all the new officers and our guests. We were very happy to welcome Past Department President Betty Sherwood plus three Past Post Commanders, Marco Manor, Jack Ralph, and John Dickinson.

The Department Convention was held in Henderson, NV on June 25-27. Past President Irma Manor attended the event representing Unit 56. You can read her report elsewhere in this newsletter.

We will be presenting a donation to the Sea Scouts at our next meeting on Thursday, July 8th. Plus, we will be having many important visitors that night including new Department President Nikolina Flores and Department Secretary/Treasurer Daela Gibson. We hope you will be able to attend.

Our Annual picnic will be held on Saturday, August 7th, at James Lee Park in Indian Hills. We will be contacting everyone regarding what to bring.

Our next potluck will be held at our September meeting; details later.

Our dear friend Agnes Williams, Past Department President, lost her husband of 67 years on June 26th. H.B. Williams was a Past Commander of the Department of Nevada and he was buried on June 30th with full military honors performed by the Post 56 Honor Guard at Lone Mountain Cemetery in Carson City. The reception was held at Agnes' home and our new Department President, Nicki Flores, was there. It was very nice to meet her and learn of her plans for the upcoming year.

Please come to our next meeting and get involved with the Auxiliary. We need you.

Nancy O'Malley
1st Vice President, Unit 56

Department Convention Report

Marco Manor and I represented Post 56/Unit 56 at the 92nd Annual Convention in Las Vegas on June 25-27, 2010. (Auxiliary's 90th Annual Convention)

The convention was held at the Eastside Cannery Casino-Hotel. Every function was held at the hotel. It was great that we didn't have to leave the hotel to go out in the 105 degree temperature. The hotel has five restaurants and all of the amenities you could ask for in a convention atmosphere. It was great.

History was made as Ken Roberts of Post 40 became the first African-American Department Commander of Nevada's American Legion. Jeanette Rae of Post 12 was elected 1st Vice Commander, and John Warden of Post 4 was elected 2nd Vice Commander.

The Dept. of Nevada American Legion Auxiliary was very busy with their own elections: Nikolina Flores was elected Department President; Maria Moss was elected 1st Vice President; and Anita Paquette became 2nd Vice President. Secretary/Treasurer is Daela Gibson. We also elected Barbara Stanton Historian, Janie Shutz Chaplain, and Judy Cobb Sgt-at-Arms.

The Friday night dinner was hosted by District 2 American Legion and Auxiliary members. We had lots of fun with a Hawaiian theme. Hawaiian dancers entertained us all through dinner.

On Saturday night, Clarence Hill, the National Commander, spoke at the Commanders' dinner. We also had a guest speaker who was a Vietnam Veteran.

Marco and I enjoyed meeting new members and seeing other friends. It was a great convention. District 2 Legionnaires and Auxiliary Members should be very pleased at the job they did. Next year we will be meeting in Winnemucca for the AL/ALA Dept. of Nevada Convention.

I am pleased to announce that Marco Manor was selected as the Department Legionnaire of the Year.

For God and Country,

Irma Manor, Secretary, Unit 56