



The High Desert BUGLE



March / April 2011

American Legion Post 56, Auxiliary Unit 56, & SAL Squadron 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 at the corner of Curry and 2nd Street, Carson City.

Our next meeting will be held on March 10th at 5:30 PM. We hope you'll be there.

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



This issue is dedicated to:

Jay Tomlinson

14 Mar 1937 – 26 Feb 2011

He will be missed.

POST 56 OFFICERS

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
Finance Officer	Marco Manor	267-4794
Chaplain	Jim Kelley	851-3297
Sgt-at-Arms	Bill Martinez	841-1379
Historian	Vacant	888-2088

UNIT 56 OFFICERS

President	Barbara Dickinson	246-4024
1 st Vice President	Nancy O'Malley	883-9640
2 nd Vice President	Vacant	246-4024
Secretary	Irma Manor	267-4794
Treasurer	Christine St. Leger-Barter	783-0502
Chaplain	Dorothy Cole	841-4765
Sgt-at-Arms	Donna Duncan	882-7276
Historian	Vacant	246-4024

SQUADRON 56 OFFICERS

Commander	Mike Herlihy	434-8337
1 st Vice Commander	Jack Ralph	882-8269
Adjutant	Marco Manor	267-4794

Commanders Comments

Greetings Post 56!

As we're digging out from yet another winter storm, please remember not to do too much at one time outside. As we get older, (and we all do) the excess exercise and cold takes more of a toll on our bodies. If you get tired, take a break. Better yet, have a young neighbor who would like to earn some extra cash do the shoveling for you! Regardless, please take care of yourselves!

On another note, nominations and elections are getting ever closer and your help is needed. If you are able, please see one of the post officers and let them know that you may be willing to handle one of the open post positions. Your Senior Vice Commander, Marty Martin, will be looking for interested people to help the post during and after the transition of the new Post Commander.

Please make an attempt to attend at least one of our meetings in the near future. Unit 56 will be serving another great dinner on March 10th at 5:30 pm. Thank you for your service!

Katherine Baran, Commander

1st Vice Commander – Marty Martin

MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS - We need all members who have not yet renewed their membership to do so now. To those of you who have already renewed, we thank you very much. We have made many phone calls and sent letters to all members who have not yet renewed encouraging you to please renew - it is essential that we continue to receive support from you so we can continue supporting various veteran needs and community projects. Our post has 184 veterans on our roster and to date 149 have renewed - that is 81% of our targeted goal. We should be at 100% by now, so we still need 35 members to submit their renewal dues. Remember, our post is only as viable as the support we receive from our members and our mission is veterans supporting veterans.

2nd Vice Commander – Gabe Koory

The Annual Post/Unit 56 Summer Picnic has been scheduled for Saturday, August 13th, at James Lee Park in Indian Hills. Mark your calendar. Details later. Also, we are planning to have an Open House at the Hall in the near future to recruit new members but nothing has been finalized yet. I will let everyone know more at a later date.

Adjutant – John Dickinson

Comrades: I have informed 1st Vice Commander Martin that I will serve as his Adjutant next year. The Post needs to start recruiting for a new Adjutant for the 2012/2013 Year. This job is rewarding in that the Adjutant performs an important duty to this Post and the organization. Except of a few times during the year, it takes only 1 to 2 hours per week. The exceptions are in July when most of the renewals come in, and again in October and February when the notices are mailed out again. Please let me or the board members know if you are interested. I will have been the Adjutant for three years and it's time for another person to step up.

Honor/Color Guard Commander – Marco Manor

We are in need of volunteers to be in the All Veterans Honor Guard and Color Guard. Our Honor Guard performed at 55 Military Burials last year and has done almost 250 since we were formed. Our Color Guard has led many parades in Virginia City, Carson City, and Reno. Our Guard Unit is a very dedicated group of men and women who are happy to continue serving our country and our veterans. If you are interested in becoming a member of this elite group please contact me for full details on getting certified. You will get great rewards just from knowing that you have helped families get through one of the toughest times in their lives. You can reach me at tazman1944@aol.com or call me at 775-267-4794 or 775-781-0318. Thank you all for your consideration.

Unit 56 President – Barbara Dickinson

Unit 56 will be serving our annual St. Patrick's Day corned beef dinner on March 10th. We will also be hosting the Auxiliary District meeting on Saturday, March 12th. The Unit will be organizing our May visit to the Reno Veterans Hospital. We have been told that the patients particularly enjoy visiting with other men and we encourage any Post members who can join us for this visit. The specific date has not been set yet. We will keep you informed.

Unit 56 Kitchen Queen – Irma Manor

Post/Unit 56 is having a St. Patrick's Day dinner on March 10th at 5:30 PM. We are asking for a \$5.00 donation per person for a corned beef and cabbage dinner. Those who are bringing dishes should please have their dishes at the Veterans' Memorial Hall by 5:00 PM. If anyone is interested in bringing a dish who has not already signed up for one, please contact Irma Manor at 267-4794. We hope many of you will come and enjoy the food and company. Also, a reminder that Post/Unit 56 is hosting the District 4 Meeting on Saturday, March 12th. We will have coffee and donuts prior to the start of the meeting at 10:00 AM and will provide a lunch following the meeting. We are serving lasagna, salad, garlic bread and dessert. It would be great if many of our members could attend.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- ❖ 10 March – Post /Unit/Squadron 56 St. Patrick's Day Dinner – Veterans Memorial Hall, CC – 5:30 PM
- ❖ 10 March – Post/Unit/Squadron 56 Member Meeting – Veterans Memorial Hall, CC – 6:30 PM
- ❖ 12 March – District 4 Meeting hosted by Post 56 – Veterans Memorial Hall, CC – 10:00 AM
- ❖ 23 March – Post 56 Executive Board Meeting – Veterans Memorial Hall, CC – 6:00 PM
- ❖ 14 April – Post/Unit/Squadron 56 Member Meeting – Veterans Memorial Hall, CC – 6:30 PM
- ❖ 27 April - Post 56 Executive Board Meeting – Veterans Memorial Hall, CC – 6:00 PM