



# The High Desert BUGLE



*July / August 2013*



*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,  
Veterans Memorial Hall at the corner of 2<sup>nd</sup> and Curry Street, Carson City.  
Our next meeting will be held on July 11<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM.

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

## POST 56 OFFICERS

Commander	Leon Werner	265-2621
1 <sup>st</sup> Vice Commander	Michael Juckett	883-1424
2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice Commander	Rick Kaspar	684-9757
Adjutant	John Dickinson	246-4024
Finance Officer	Marco Manor	267-4794
Chaplain	Katherine Baran	888-2088
Sgt-at-Arms	TJ Dennington	420-0151
Historian	Vacant	

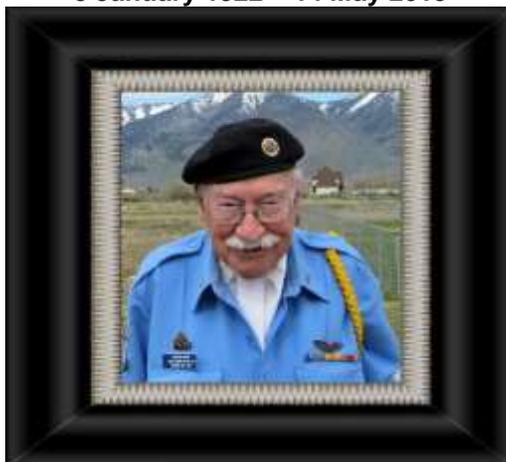
## UNIT 56 OFFICERS

President	Barbara Dickinson	246-4024
1 <sup>st</sup> Vice President	Vacant	
2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice President	Vacant	
Secretary	Irma Manor	267-4794
Treasurer	Christine St. Leger-Barter	783-0502
Chaplain	Betty Sherwood	575-6219
Sgt-at-Arms	Dorothy Bolander	883-0345
Historian	Kendra Sherwood	575-6219

## SQUADRON 56 OFFICERS

Commander	Matthew Sherwood	575-6219
1 <sup>st</sup> Vice Commander	Jack Ralph	882-8269
Adjutant	Marco Manor	267-4794

In Memory Of Stephen A. Hays  
8 January 1922 – 14 May 2013



All Veterans Honor Guard Bugler

## **Commanders Comments**

Comrades,

This will be my first newsletter as your new Commander. I look forward to serving you in this position, and hope that I live up to the trust you have given me.

I look forward to working with each and every one of you as we strive to make our Post the number one Post in northern Nevada and District 4. With the help and input from all members we can make this happen. Remember, with your support and membership in The American Legion, we are able to provide the legislative clout needed to continue to get new services and programs that all veterans have earned.

Welcome to all of the new officers, and those who continue to serve in the position they have held in the past and ongoing into the New Year.

Marty Martin, thank you for your service as our previous Commander.

For God and Country,  
Leon Werner  
Commander

## **1<sup>st</sup> Vice Commander's Report**

Comrades,

To begin, I have a few words of gratitude to extend to the members and officers of our Post. I want to thank everyone for their trust in me to execute the duties of 1st Vice Commander for the 2013/14 term. I will endeavor to strive for the fullest revitalization of Post 56 and as our membership grows, I hope to help find a suitable location that we can call our own.

I want to say THANK YOU to our many unsung heroes! YOU! You not only make our post – you are our post! We share a common bond with our service to our Great Nation. We value you for what you did and the continued support for our comrades today. Members of Post 56 aim to be there to help veterans of all ages and times through our friendship and caring for one another. We provide respect and dignity for those who served in many ways. These include Honor Guard services at funerals, community and civic presentations, Veterans and Memorial Day Ceremonies, and more.

Membership still seems in a bit of a lull and all of us have a responsibility to sign up new members. The American Legion works hard to provide benefits to veterans, the community and our youth through many, various programs. Some of our programs are local and some we support at the National level. Without you, our members, we're unable to make the necessary contributions to support those programs. Join us for a short meeting every 2nd Thursday each month – come early, stay late and enjoy chatting with fellow vets. It's not just about meetings and work – it's about fellowship, continuing to serve our fellow vets, and to provide leadership through example in how we support our youth and community. And ... we have fun!

Know a vet? Invite them to join the American Legion!

Humbly, and with great respect – Thank You.  
Michael Juckett  
1st Vice Commander

## **Chaplain's Report**

Comrade Gabe Koory is in need of MUCH prayer! July 1st he is having hernia surgery. Once he recovers from that, he will be scheduled to have back surgery. All this means his lab work is OK and he is healthy enough for surgery. Please pray, pray, pray for Gabe. He wants to say "Hi" to the gang and can't wait to get back for Honor Guard Duty!

Comrade Jim Gansberg is also in need of prayer. He is doing much better, but in the help to get him to a first floor place, his uniform is on a "gotta find" box. He promises to be on duty again PRIOR to August 1st.

For all those who attended Stephen's farewell, thank you! I understand he was honored with a perfect 21 gun salute! I'm sure Nadine and his entire family were blessed by your efforts! Again, thank you!

If you or another comrade is in need of prayer, please contact me as soon as possible. Can't do the job without your help!

Thanks for all you do to serve,

Katherine Baran  
Chaplain

## The 2012 Post/Unit 56 Summer Picnic and Barbeque

It is almost time for the annual Post/Unit 56 Picnic and Barbeque. This year it will be held on Saturday, July 27<sup>th</sup> and once again it will be held at James Lee Park in Indian Hills. The details haven't been finalized yet but traditionally the Post buys and prepares steaks and chicken and the Unit provides side dishes, salads, desserts, and everything else. Since we need to know how much meat to buy, we will be passing around sign-up sheets at the next member meeting in July. If you plan to join us, we will ask you how many in your party and your choice of meat. If you are unable to attend the July meeting, we ask that you email us or call us with the information we need. We hope you will be able to make it and have a good time with your fellow Legionnaires and their families. And don't forget the good food!

### UPCOMING EVENTS

- 04 July: Independence Day – Color Guard leads Virginia City Parade at noon
- 11 July: Post 56/Unit 56 Member Meeting – 6:30 PM
- 24 July: Post 56 Executive Board Meeting – 6:00 PM
- 27 July: Summer Picnic at James Lee Park
- 08 August: Post 56/Unit 56 Member Meeting – 6:30 PM
- 21 August: Post 56 Executive Board Meeting – 6:00 PM



THE AMERICAN LEGION



DEPARTMENT OF NEVADA

*THE ELECTED DEPARTMENT OFFICERS FOR THE 2013 – 2014 YEAR*



*Jim Byars ----Commander*

*Mitch Roach ---1<sup>st</sup> Vice Commander*

*Dave Evans---2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Commander*

*Bob Terhune ---Sgt.-At-Arms*

*NEC---Dale Salmen*

*Alternate NEC --- Ron Michalski*

POST 56 DUES ARE STILL ONLY \$25.00 PER YEAR.



## OLD FART PRIDE

- Old Farts are easy to spot at sporting events during the playing of the National Anthem. Old Farts remove their caps and stand at attention and sing without embarrassment. They know the words and believe in them.
- Old Farts remember World War II, Pearl Harbor, Guadalcanal, Normandy and Hitler. They remember the Atomic Age, the Korean War, The Cold War, the Jet Age and the Moon Landing. They remember the 50 plus Peacekeeping Missions from 1945 to 2005, not to mention Vietnam.
- If you bump into an Old Fart on the sidewalk he will apologize. If you pass an Old Fart on the street, he will nod or tip his cap to a lady. Old Farts trust strangers and are courtly to women.
- Old Farts hold the door for the next person and always, when walking, make certain the lady is on the inside for protection.
- Old Farts get embarrassed if someone curses in front of women and children and they don't like any filth or dirty language on TV or in movies.
- Old Farts have moral courage and personal integrity. They seldom brag unless it's about their children or grandchildren.

It's the Old Farts who know our great country is protected, not by politicians, but by the young men and women in the military serving their country.

This country needs Old Farts with their work ethic, sense of responsibility, pride in their country and decent values. We need them now more than ever.

**Thank God for Old Farts!**