



# The High Desert BUGLE



**May / June 2015**

**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 May 14<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM.

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

## POST 56 OFFICERS

Commander	Ben Casad	335-6927
1 <sup>st</sup> Vice Commander	Rick Kaspar	301-6332
2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice Commander	Gabe Koory	246-0907
Adjutant	John Dickinson	246-4024
Finance Officer	Marco Manor	267-4794
Chaplain	Katherine Baran	888-2088
Sgt-at-Arms	TJ Dennington	420-0151
Historian	John Riggs	358-7119

## UNIT 56 OFFICERS

President	Barbara Dickinson	246-4024
1 <sup>st</sup> Vice President	Kendra Sherwood	575-6219
2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice President	Vacant	
Secretary	Irma Manor	267-4794
Treasurer	Christine St. Leger-Barter	461-3526
Chaplain	Betty Sherwood	575-6219
Sgt-at-Arms	Dolly Jenkins	884-3147
Historian	Vacant	

## SQUADRON 56 OFFICERS

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

### Commander's Comments

Comrades,

This will be short and quick.

First, I would like to thank the Post for assisting in the funeral costs of Legionnaire Gordon Wolf. Thank you Adjutant Dickinson for informing us of the widow's need.

Next, I would like to thank the E-Board for their support of Veteran's seeking employment, with the purchase of thumb drives for Job Connect to give out. A special thank you to Richard Eberly for the idea and pursuing it.

I would like to thank the E-Board, also, for supporting our community's youth with a donation to the Eagle Valley Middle School Robotics team in their efforts to get to the national competition. We received a very nice "Thank you" from Stella Montalvo for our support. Our members with letters of intent for Commander and Adjutant, Richard and Kim Eberly respectively, deserve an additional thank you for their personal donations.

The Letters of Intent submitted at the last meeting look to make the post a strong and active one for the year 2015-2016.

I was able to support the Sons of the American Legion Squadron 16 at their first Friday of the month fish fry.

I am looking forward to seeing all of you for our meeting on May 14th. Election of officers will be held.

For God and Country

Ben Casad

Commander, High Desert Post 56

### **Post Adjutant's Report**

I wish to thank all legionnaires of High Desert Post 56. Please give your support and assistance to your new Adjutant Kimberly Eberly.

John Dickinson  
Adjutant  
775-246-4024

### **Honor/Color Guard Report**

These past two months have had their ups and downs. We have participated in 10 funerals, mostly in April. We are looking forward to a very busy May. So far, we have two funerals scheduled; four Color Guard presentations; as well as three Memorial Day functions.

Our sick call still finds Rick Kaspar out recovering from surgery. Jim Hatfield was jealous, so he went and had knee surgery and will be out for the at least the next two weeks. Our Chaplain, Katherine Baran, is out on a year's leave of absence.

Gabe Koory somehow got the newspaper to run an ad for free to try and recruit some new members. So far, no phone calls on the ad. However, we do have one new member and he has already participated in three funerals. Welcome aboard Verne Horton. Verne is a Navy veteran and will be joining our post on July 1<sup>st</sup>.

We still need more volunteers from our post or any other veterans' organizations to join the Honor/Color Guard. Please contact me if you are interested.

For God and Country,  
Marco Manor  
Captain of the Guard  
775-267-4794

### **MEMEBRSHIP REPORT**

With the year nearing an end, our numbers are still low. Our goal from the Department of Nevada this year is 186 by June 30<sup>th</sup>. We are currently sitting on 147 paid members. That represents only 79.5% of our goal. We need all of you that have not renewed to please do so as soon as possible. It would also be nice to see all of the Post 100 members that transferred into our post last year send in their renewals.

For God and Country,  
Rick Kaspar  
1<sup>st</sup> Vice Commander

### **SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION**

I would like to thank all of the Post 56 and Unit 56 members for their generosity when the CWF pigs are passed around. You have enabled our squadron to make donations to Hear Today-Learn Tomorrow and the Child Welfare Foundation. We still need to raise enough funds in the next two months to make a donation to the National Commanders Endowment Fund. I will have the honor of presenting that check to National Commander Moss at the convention in Reno in June.

Speaking of the convention, this will be the first time the SAL National Commander will be attending one of our conventions. It would be great if all of our SAL and dual members were at our opening ceremony on Saturday, June 27<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 AM.

We started a new project this year. We are collecting pop tops to be given to the Reno Ronald McDonald House. They will help families off set the expense of staying there while a family member is in the hospital. Please save them and bring them to every meeting.

For God and Country,  
Matt Sherwood  
Commander

## UPCOMING EVENTS

- 05 May: Cinco de Mayo
- 10 May: Mother's Day
- 14 May: Post 56/Unit 56 Member Meeting – 6:30 PM
- 25 May: Memorial Day
- 27 May: Post 56 Executive Board Meeting – 6:00 PM
- 11 June: Post 56/Unit 56 Member Meeting – 6:30 PM
- 14 June: Flag Day
- 21 June: Father's Day
- 24 June: Post 56 Executive Board Meeting – 6:00 PM



## THE AMERICAN LEGION *Centennial celebration*

The American Legion National web site has a Centennial Celebration page where all the State Posts can post information, pics, etc. about themselves. Click on the logo above or the link below and then click on NEVADA to see which of our state Posts are listed and what they have said.

<http://centennial.legion.org/histories>

**We need you!!!!**

To renew your membership! Our membership is currently at 74.5%. We need all of you that have not renewed your 2015 membership to get it in. It is not too late. Several members joined our post last year from Post 100 and still haven't paid their dues for 2015. Please continue your membership with our post. Remember, you can renew on line.

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

**RENEW ONLINE NOW!**

Renew your American Legion Membership quickly and easily online!  
Simply visit the web address shown below, and follow the easy instructions.  
You can renew your membership and even print out a temporary membership card.  
Quick and secure credit card payment.

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