

## January Veteran of the Month Peggy Bohn

(Carson City, NV) – Governor Brian Sandoval presented two women, one of them a veteran herself, for their work and commitment to helping fellow veterans.

U.S. Army veteran, Peggy Bohn received the "Veteran of the Month" honor in a ceremony in Carson City on January 11, 2017. Bohn hosts LadyVets meetings where the program is designed to promote social time, information exchange, networking and VA benefits information. She also participates in veterans' events known as "Stand Downs," as well as helps veterans get the care they've earned through their service. She has also assisted with surveys, focus groups and collecting data that helps design programs to improve the quality of life for veterans. During her time in the service, she received the Army Achievement Medal, two Good Conduct Medals and an Army Service Ribbon for Marksmanship.

The Governor also presented Linda Haigh with the "Veteran Supporter of the Month" honor for her extensive work in bettering the lives of veterans. Haigh and her husband Wayne founded the Adopt a Vet Dental program in 2010. It partners veterans in need to dentists who are willing to care for veterans free of charge. The program started with six dentists and today the number has grown to 110 dentists in 10 northern Nevada counties. In 2007, she started a Veterans Outreach Program at her church after discovering 60 low income veterans living and surviving with difficulty at an apartment complex in Reno. The church program provides items including clothing, bedding, food, bus passes and gift cards to veterans in need.

The "Veteran of the Month" and "Veteran Supporter of the Month" awards are provided through the Nevada Department of Veterans Services. The awards are part of the Governor's commitment to make Nevada the "friendliest State in the nation" to its military community and veterans.