



**Special Forces Association  
Chapter XLV (45)  
Uniting Ohio's Green Berets  
8226 S. Perimeter Rd., Bldg 933, Columbus, OH 43217-5933**

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**SUBJECT: Meeting Minutes 4, 5 and 8 December 2016**

The December 5<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> meetings and luncheons of Special Forces Chapter XLV were called to order at the Hofbrauhaus Newport, KY and Columbus, OH, and B/2/19's Christmas party on December 4<sup>th</sup> was well attended. The December 8<sup>th</sup> meeting was chaired by President Mark Arnold. Notes from all three events are in these minutes.

Chapter Officers in attendance were:

President: Mark Arnold  
Vice President: Tom McGrath  
Secretary: Patrick Enlow (acting)  
Treasurer: Chadd Kuhn

Members and Guests in attendance were:

Jesse Boyd	Jim Wetz
Carl Fuller	Jim Butler
Larry Verne	John McCort
Gene Taylor	Jack Guy
Mike Robinson	Jan Hauger
Charlie Mohr	Ken Horne
Tom Allman	Ed Porter
Eric Smith	Doc Adams
Stuart Candis	Tom Edwards
Jeff Gallaher	PJ Coulter
Norm Lambert	Smitty Morris
Jack Heist	Bob Snyder
Jim Van Flandern	Eric Bornshlagl
Jim King	

The TREASURER'S REPORT was provided by Chadd Kuhn. Balance as of 30 November was \$26,764.13 plus \$5383.41 in the Family Support Fund.

**MEETING DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS (leads for actions noted in bold)**

-Meeting agenda was outlined by Mark Arnold. Discussion items follow:

1. CHAPTER WEBSITE. **Patrick Enlow** updated it with our new events.
2. CHAPTER FACE BOOK PAGE. **SFA 45** is our Facebook page updated by any chapter



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member.

3. **CHAPTER APPAREL.** We are taking orders for SFA45 apparel that you can have just about anything military embroidered onto it: **Polo shirts, Sport-Wick light jackets, and weather proof jackets.** See our chapter website <http://www.sfa45.org/> for information on the apparel, order forms and payment instructions. Pay with check payable to SFA 45; mail to 2311 Hoxton Ct., Columbus, OH 43220. We will postpone taking last orders until 31 January 2017 because the embroidery shop is backlogged with business. So, you have until mid-January to send your order in.
4. **CHAPTER T SHIRTS.** Shirts are available again. We have high quality weight black cotton again, and we added two new styles: form-fitting, quick dry non-shrink material in charcoal gray and olive green. We also have the Army's current uniform T shirt, and it will be provided free to B/2/19 members who join the SFA and the chapter. Shirts are \$25 each. We will have them at our meetings. If you want one or more, then pay in cash or in check payable to SFA 45. Add \$5 for postage if you cannot pick them up at our meetings and want it mailed; mail payment to SFA 45, 2311 Hoxton Ct., Columbus, OH 43220.
5. **RECRUITING AND MEMBERSHIP.**  
Need a chapter member to lead this effort including recruiting Associate members.
6. **AR 15 Raffle.**  
We have a winner for this magnificent and absolutely bad-ass weapon. One of our civilian serious competitors at our 3 Gun Shoot won it. Perhaps he'll compete with it at next year's Shoot.
7. **EVENTS.**
  - a. The chapter will schedule a casual dinner and beer night during the winter. Purpose is to get mingling and story-telling between the men of B/2/19 and the retired SFA members. Date and location TBD but will be announced soon. Almost all the guys in the unit deploy again in 2017, so let's have fun with these Green Berets when we do this.
  - b. 3 Gun Shoot 2017.  
**Mark Scott** has locked this in with the great Americans at Pickaway County Sportsmen, Inc.  
**Event Date and location: Sunday 17 September 2017. Pickaway County Sportsmen, Inc. Circleville, OH**  
The 2017 Shoot will have different categories of shooters with awards for each category champion: SF Guys, Civilian novice shooters, 3 Gun "Pro" shooters, Seniors, etc.



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The chapter needs members who can recruit one or more sponsors. Event marketing material will be provided soon.

- c. **Tailgate party Saturday 16 OCT 2017.** OSU plays Army at OSU the day prior to the Shoot. The chapter will host a tailgate party. Location, time TBD. We need a person to manage the tailgate event.
  
- d. **Motorcycle Rally.** **Mark Arnold** met again during December with the leadership of AD Farrow, Ohio's first and largest Harley Davidson dealership, to host this SFA 45 event for 2017. Tentative date is 23 September 2017 and a tentative plan follows:

Host a rally on Saturday 23 SEP 2017. This is the weekend of the American International Motorcycle Expo (AIME); this is the first time Columbus hosts this major event. AD Farrow and Chapter 45 will use the draw of the Expo to recruit riders for our fund raiser rally. Registration at AD Farrow Harley Davidson at I-71 and Rt. 36 (twelve miles north of Columbus outer belt freeway I-270), silent auction event and AD Farrow will host a lunch, kickstands up at noon or 1:00, LE escort along scenic route through Delaware, OH, past Columbus Zoo, and along Scioto River to downtown Columbus, end at AD Farrow downtown or a lot near the Columbus Convention Center where the Motorcycle Expo is held. We will recruit sponsors from the Expo's exhibitors to donate items for our fund raiser's auction. We will ask the Ohio National Guard for recruiter type support including climbing wall, military vehicles and Blackhawk helicopter.

- e. **Columbus Veterans Day Parade.** Good turnout and well-supported by the real men of B/2/19 as drivers of their cool vehicles.
  
- f. **B/2/19 Christmas Party AAR.** Lots of fun and the guys and wives of the unit FRG did it right. They also bought gifts for each child of a unit member. Mike Robinson posted great photos in the chapter's Facebook page; check it out.





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8. CHAPTER BUSINESS CARDS. Cards are available for members; they are useful for recruiting and gaining support from businesses. Contact **Mark Arnold** for acquiring personalized cards.
9. **Employment of Chapter funds.** More discussion and potentially a vote will be taken during January's meetings:
  - Scholarships for chapter members within B/2/19
  - Support to the Green Beret Foundation
  - Support the Ohio Fallen Heroes Memorial
  - *Save the Montagnard People*, a charity supported by SFA chapters in North Carolina.
  - Emergency donation to SFA National HQ for use in rebuilding after it was devastated by Hurricane Matthew during October.

The following concepts were approved during the November meeting:

- Discounted Life Memberships for members of B/2/19: cost will be only \$100 plus one year's membership dues if not already a member.
- Emergency travel for family members of B/2/19
- Emergency support for retired SFA 45 members

10. OHIO MILITARY HALL OF FAME:

We have six chapter members who have submitted qualifying packets for the "class of 2017." Any member who received a valor award and who was born in or entered the military from Ohio qualifies. Please send award documents and DD-214s or copies of military contracts to **Mark Arnold**.

11. OFFICER POSITIONS Ballots should already be sent to B/2/19's HQ care of CW2 Kuhn. A count will be made at the end of December.

12. MONTHLY LUNCHEONS AND MEETINGS: **first Monday and second Thursday of each month at 1145 hrs.**

**2 January** at the Hofbrauhaus Newport, KY

**12 January** at the Hofbrauhaus Columbus, 800 Goodale Street.

Both of these are fun events, and the chapter will hold brief meetings at most of these luncheons.

13. THE DROP: Please provide your input to **Tom McGrath** at [trmcgrathesq@gmail.com](mailto:trmcgrathesq@gmail.com)

14. 501 (c)(3) status. The SFA is a 501(c)(19) "Fraternal" organization and not a charity. This precludes some organized Trusts from donating to our chapter. **Tom McGrath** is filing SFA 45 with the state of Ohio for 501(c)(3) status.



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15. MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL and NEW MEMBERSHIP.

Preferred method: Use [sfa45.org](http://sfa45.org) website and renew online using PayPal or credit card.

Alternate method: Mail your renewal dues in a check made to *SFA Chapter 45*. Mail the dues with a membership renewal form to:

**SFA Chapter 45**

**2311 Hoxton Ct.**

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The chapter officers will forward your dues and membership forms to National.