



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

SUBJECT: Meeting Minutes 5 and 8 June 2017

The June 5th and 8th meetings and luncheons of Special Forces Chapter XLV were called to order at the Hofbrauhaus Newport, KY and Columbus, OH. Notes from all meetings are in these minutes.

Chapter Officers in attendance were:

President: Mark Arnold
Vice President:
Secretary: Patrick Enlow
Treasurer:

Members and Guests in attendance were:

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| James summers | Terry Dillon |
| Charlie Mohr | Ken Horne |
| Eric Smith | Gene Taylor |
| Stuart Candis | Tom Edwards |
| Lauren Redkey | Frank Hicks |
| Jeff Gallaher | George Thomas |
| Tom McCarthy | Jim VanFlandern |
| Danny Vinson | Mark Scott |
| Mike Robinson | Jesse Boyd |
| Jim Butler | Dave Wilhelmus |
| Jan Hauger | Ed Wheeler |
| Gene Adams | Larry Verne |
| Nick Godan | Don Thomas |
| Bill Caruthers | Terry Simmons |
| Norm Lambert | Jack Guy |
| Jim Moore | |

The TREASURER'S REPORT was provided by Chadd Kuhn. Balance as of 31 May was \$27,530.04 plus \$2590.03 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. www.sfa45.org Updated with new fundraisers.



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2. CHAPTER FACE BOOK PAGE. **SFA 45** is our Facebook page, and it can be updated by any chapter member.
3. CHAPTER APPAREL: Orders have been taken; polo shirts, sport-wick sweaters, and jackets were embroidered and provided to members during the March and April meetings. Members can pick up their ordered items during our May meeting in Columbus.
4. RECRUITING AND MEMBERSHIP.
Smitty Morris will lead this important task.
5. EVENTS.
 - a. Special Forces Association at Cleveland Indians Game.
Dan Waldron is coordinating with the management of the Cleveland Indians for one – and perhaps two – games where 15 to 20 guys plus their families will be hosted for tickets and game time recognition. Dan will make details available when the plan is completed. This will be a lot of fun.
 - b. Golf Scramble Fundraiser.
Cancelled.
 - c. Motorcycle Rally Saturday 19 August.
Mark Arnold has met regularly with the leadership of AD Farrow, Ohio's first and largest Harley Davidson dealership, to host this SFA 45 event for 2017. Mark Arnold has requested from the Ohio NG for a Blackhawk helicopter, recruiting climbing wall, and SF static display at AD Farrow. A live band will play and sandwich/drink will be provided at AD Farrow. The ride will be kickstands up at 2 pm from AD Farrow's Sunbury store on I-17 and Rt 36 just north of Columbus; 60 to 90 minute ride to a winery on Buckeye Lake where a live band will be entertaining while riders enjoy a meal and drinks. We need six chapter members to help man registration tables at both AD Farrow and at the winery. Also, contact Mark if you need copies of our flier. We need to communicate this to the public all across Ohio.
 - d. Pizza and Beer night Saturday 9 September.
Purpose is to enjoy mingling and story-telling between the men of B/2/19 and the retired SFA members at a location (TBD) near Rickenbacker ANGB. **Dan Waldron** is coordinating this regarding location, food and drinks. Most of the guys in B/2/19 are deployed now and return this summer, so let's have fun with these Green Berets when we do this. They entire unit deploys again January 2018. All expenses for the pizza and beer night are paid by the chapter.



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e. SF on the field during OSU Army Game at OSU Saturday 16 September.

The day prior to the Shoot, we will have a **Tailgate party Saturday 16 September 2017**. Location, time TBD. Sean Clifton has volunteered to lead this event.

f. 3 Gun Shoot 2017 Sunday 17 September.

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: 1) Sponsors, 2) \$500 registered shooters, 3) seniors (age 65+), and 4) active and retired SF guys (yes, age 65+ guys can compete for more than one trophy).

The chapter needs members who can recruit one or more sponsors at \$1000, \$3000 or \$5000 each and for \$500 shooters. Event marketing material was emailed to all chapter members during April. Hard copy flyers have been provided to members during our May and June meetings. Contact Mark Arnold if you need fliers.

WE NEED TO GET THE WORD OUT TO THE SHOOTING AND SPONSORING PUBLIC!

6. **Employment of Chapter funds.** We discussed the following and nothing has changed since our April and May meetings:
- Scholarships for chapter members (and perhaps their family members) within B/2/19. We need a chapter member to volunteer to draft rules and an addendum to the chapter by-laws on how this would be managed. This will provide more details in order to enable an informed vote on whether to support this initiative, or not.
 - *Save the Montagnard People*, a charity supported by SFA chapters in North Carolina. John McCort, a chapter member, will investigate this in detail during the SFA National Convention this year and report during July or August meetings to the chapter.
7. **MONTHLY LUNCHEONS AND MEETINGS: first Monday and second Thursday of each month at 1145 hrs.**
3 July at the Hofbrauhaus Newport, KY



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13 July 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.

8. THE DROP: Please provide your input to **Smitty Morris** at slsatx@yahoo.com
9. 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.
10. MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL and NEW MEMBERSHIP.
Preferred method: Use 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.
Columbus, OH 43220
The chapter officers will forward your dues and membership forms to National.