



**Special Forces Association
Chapter XLV (45)
Uniting Ohio's Green Berets**
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SUBJECT: Meeting Minutes 3 and 13 April 2023

The April 3rd and 13th meetings of Special Forces Chapter XLV, The Buckeye Chapter, were called to order by SFA 45 Chapter President Mark Arnold, Vice President Patrick Enlow, and Assistant Vice President Jim Butler. Notes from both meetings are in these minutes.

Chapter Officers present:

President: Mark Arnold
Vice President: Patrick Enlow
Secretary: Andy Schneider
Treasurer:
Asst. Vice President: Jim Wetz
Asst. Vice President: Jim Butler
Asst. Treasurer:
Asst. Secretary: Tom McGrath

Other Members and Guests in attendance were:

Don Thomas	Ed Porter
Larry Verne	Stuart Candis
Eric Smith	Nelson Hastings
Gene Adams	Ken Horne
Larry Verne	Tom Edwards
Gene Taylor	Jesse Boyd
Dave Wilhelmus	Jan Hauger
Paul Dusing	Bill Caruthers
Jim Maple	Bill Hatfield
Nick Lagano	Jack Lewis
Eric Smith	Ted Mosure
Dan Vinson	Nick Longano
Matt Best	Jack Lewis
Jim King	Frank Hicks
Shawn Miracle	Bob Schneider

The TREASURER'S REPORT

Chadd Kuhn had not completed the monthly financial report prior to the meeting. Mark Arnold met with The Columbus Foundation, the organization that manages the Scholarship Program. That account that the Ohio Green Beret Support Group donated \$75,000 to now has a corpus value of \$89,028. The Foundation funds \$1000 in scholarships for every \$25,000 in the account.



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Open items for Chadd and Tom McGrath for next report: Debit cards for the use of Chadd and Tom are being mailed to them by Chase. Chadd will also link the chapter's Stripe account to these two bank accounts: one for collecting chapter membership dues, and the other for charitable donations to The Ohio Green Beret Support Group. Close the bank account at 5/3rd Bank by the end of April when the Stripe account is linked to the accounts at Chase Bank.

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

-Meeting agenda was outlined by **Patrick Enlow**. Discussion items follow:

NEW BUSINESS:

Open Action Items:

1. **Patrick Enlow** suggested we change our email distribution lists to Mail Chimp. **Mark Arnold** will schedule a time to meet with Patrick to make this transition.
2. Sponsor Drive.
Eric Stansifer suggested and volunteered to develop a concept for a fundraising event that includes a celebrity guest speaker. These are complex events and would be a large step for the Ohio Green Beret Support Group. This would be an event similar to what The Green Beret Foundation has done in the Cincinnati area.
3. **Tom McGrath** and Philip Taraska reported in January that the chapter has been charged with a \$4600 invoice from the project manager of the Crabtree Memorial Monument. Tom reported that there has been no response from the plaintiff regarding a letter Tom mailed to him rejecting the claim.
4. **Tom McGrath** will establish a new PO Box for the chapter.
5. **Patrick Enlow** is waiting for new credit cards linked to our two new bank accounts. He will use these cards as methods of accepting online payments for items such as chapter coins.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. CHAPTER WEBSITE. *SFA45.org* and Chapter Facebook page.



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Patrick Enlow registered the domain name with GoDaddy.com Patrick is also coordinating with Eric Stansifer to connect an online payment/purchase feature on the chapter website that enables members to purchase chapter coins online. He is also changing the website to place the chapter financial information in a separate document that can be accessed only by use of a password that will be shared only with chapter members.

2. RECRUITING AND MEMBERSHIP.

Andy Schneider's membership report:

SFA 45 has 182 members, making it in the top five of all chapters in the Association.

152 chapter members are Life Members; 30 are annual members.

8 Annual Members still have outstanding dues for 2023.

New and Renewal applications must have "SFA 45" marked in large bold letters.

3. ESTATE PLANNING.

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4. CHAPTER COINS.

If you are interested in purchasing a serialized or non-serialized coin, then contact Jim at: jwsfa45@gmail.com

Patrick Enlow will add an online order and payment method to the SFA45.org website for ordering and purchasing coins. Until that is completed:

Please mail Jim Wetz a **\$25 check payable to SFA 45** and insert a self-addressed envelope. Jim's address is:

Jim Wetz
636 5th Street
Marietta, Ohio 45750.



- RAISED SILVER METAL
- RECESSED SILVER METAL
- PMS 7493 C
- PMS 282 C
- PMS 485 C
- PMS 7459 C
- PMS 122 C
- PMS 547 C
- PMS 625 C
- WHITE C
- BLACK C



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6. EVENTS.

a. **Ohio Military Hall of Fame for Valor. 5 May 2023**

Ted Mosure reported that 23 new inductees will be honored at the Ohio State House this year. A reception at Gille Community Center, Columbus, on Morse Road, will follow the ceremony. MG Harris will be the guest speaker. **Ted Mosure** reported that 25 inductees this year. A Special Forces COL(retired) who is a recipient of the Congressional Medal of Honor is among the inductees. Ted urges as many members as possible to attend the event wearing SFA blazers and berets, or as close to semi-formal wear and beret as you have. Ted recommends arriving in the area around 1000 hrs due to parking limitations; the ceremony begins in the Ohio State House Rotunda at 1130 hrs.

b. **SFA National Convention 2023. 22-26 May Indianapolis, IN**

Registration is online SFACON 2023.

The SFA National and Chapter 500, the Convention host chapter, has made a call to arms across the Association. As of 15 April, only 77 Association members have registered and the date for closing the discounted hotel rooms closes 28 April. Members who plan to attend must register before 28 April. Also, any rooms not committed to per a contract signed over one year ago by SFA 500 will be charged to Chapter 500

c. **Rickenbacker Air Show. 17-18 June**

B/2/19 SFG will *not* be conducting airborne operations during these two days of the Air Show. The unit is coordinating a Family Day during this period.

d. **Motorcycle Freedom Ride 5 August 2023**

Jim Wetz reported that he sent advertisements to Rideinon.com and he will send one to Thunder RoadsOhio.com. **Shawn Miracle** reported that he rode the route and will be Ride Captain. **Chadd Kuhn** volunteered to be an alternate Ride Captain.

e. **3 Gun Shoot 2023 9 September 2023**

Date of event not chosen. More details soon about this event.

Registration management and fees collection will continue to be executed by and supported by **Steve Ormeroid** of the Richwood Gun and Game Club. Steve will activate the event on Practiscore.com by early June.



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Steve and **Eric Stansifer** will likely plan this into a different type of event. They are mapping out shooting stages similar to previous years' events, but they are strongly considering making this a more open and flexible event where shooters can choose among five stages which three or four stages they want to shoot in a non-competitive manner. Sponsored shooters may shoot stages twice if desired. The event will close by 1430 hrs.



7. HOME VISITS TO MEMBERS.

CSM(R) Roger Hobson is recovering from a stroke. Roger resides in Cape Coral, FL. Bob Foster of the 2nd SF Group died 8 April.

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

1 May at the Hofbräuhaus Newport, KY (moved to 2nd Monday due to New Year's events.

11 May at the AMVETS Post 89, Columbus.

Lunch cost at AMVETS 89 is paid by the chapter, and the Post committed to preparing and serving this for us monthly.

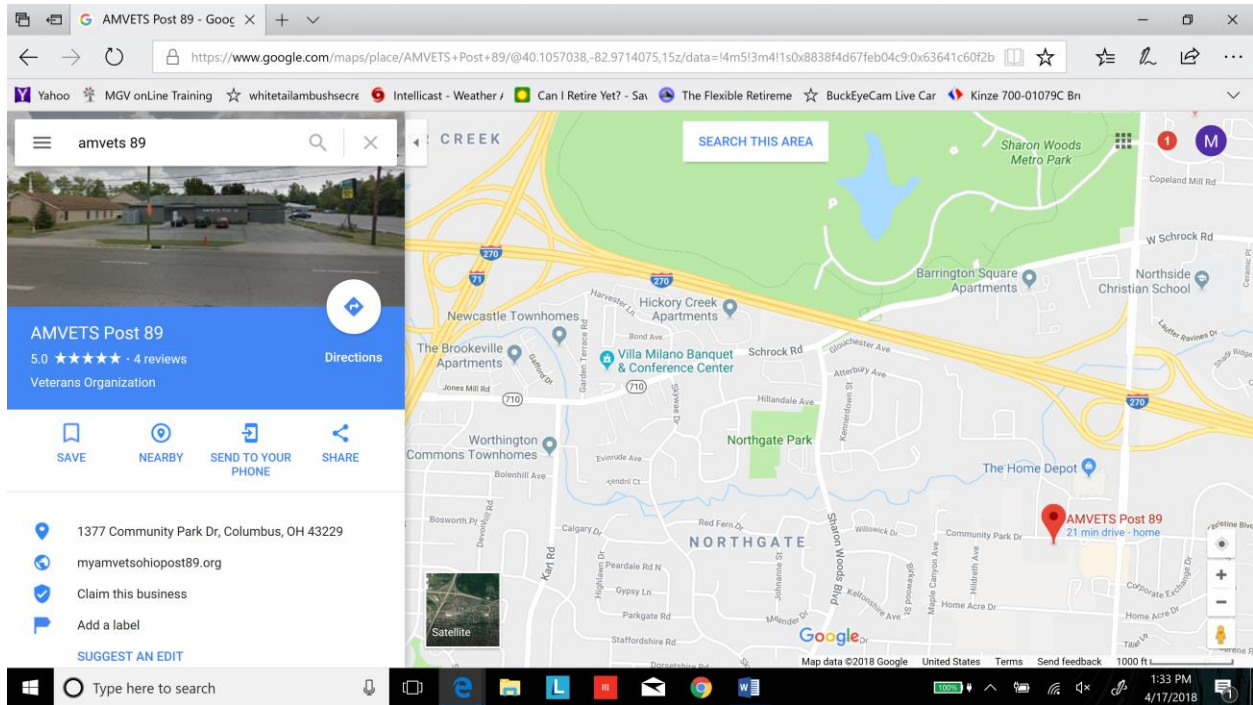
It is at a convenient location: I-270 North and Cleveland Ave. exit. It is less than a quarter mile south of this exit.

Address: 1377 Community Park, Columbus,

Phone: 614-776-4552.



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AMVETS Post 89 Lunch/Chapter Meeting 2nd Thursday monthly at 1130 – 1330 hrs.

9. MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL and NEW MEMBERSHIP.

Preferred method: Use sfa45.org website, print and complete the forms and mail it with a check payable to SFA45 to:

**Treasurer SFA 45
Tom McGrath
PO Box 12093
Columbus, OH 43212**

Alternate method: Pay online at the Special Forces Assoc. National HQ website. See instructions below.

10. CHAPTER FUNDRAISING and The Ohio Green Beret Support Group

Its Federal Tax Identification number is: 83-1512941.

Donations should be made payable to **The Ohio Green Beret Support Group, LLC**. All donations to this are entirely tax deductible.



Directors (also referred to as Board members) are chapter officers and civilian executives recruited for their leadership and connectivity to networks. Directors are unpaid positions, and they and their families are not eligible for the Scholarship Program.

11. SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM.

We have three annual \$1000 grants of tuition assistance for chapter members and their immediate family.

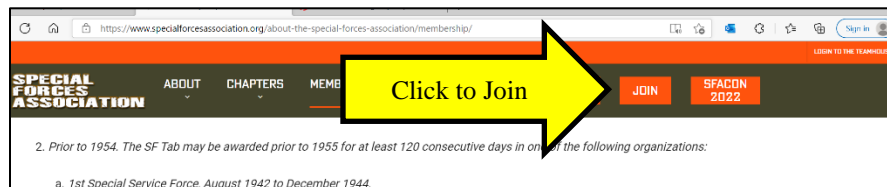
Next application window is now open through **1 April 2024.**

The entire application process can be accessed via a link on the SFA 45 website. The direct link to the application process managed by The Columbus Foundation is:

<http://cfprograms.smapply.io/prog/ohiogreenberet>

Special Forces Association Online Registration Instructions.

Go to [Membership – Special Forces Association](https://www.specialforcesassociation.org/about-the-special-forces-association/membership/) (https://www.specialforcesassociation.org/about-the-special-forces-association/membership/)





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Membership Type:

Requirement: Currently is or has been a member of the United States Army, Air Force, Marine Corps, Navy, Coast Guard, National Guard, National Reserve, National Guard of the Republic of the Philippines, National Reserve of the Republic of the Philippines, Special Forces, Special Forces Tab, and Military Occupational Specialty (MOS), and if discharged, must be discharged with an honorable discharge.

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Salutation Mr. [Select](#)

Name Chadd

Middle Initial A

Last Name Kuhn

Gender Female Male

Nickname

Sponsor

Spouse Information

First Name Chadd

Last Name Kuhn

Primary Address

Country United States of America [Show All](#)

Address 1 3104 Geiger RD NE

Address 2

City Millersport

State Ohio

Zip Code 43046

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Chapter 45 Information

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Occupation/Title

Phone

Toll Free Phone

Emergency Contact Information

Contact Name Chadd Kuhn

Relationship

Phone Number 6144409987

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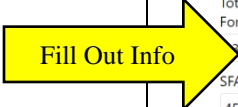
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Years •

SFA Chapter Affiliation

UNIT + INCLUSIVE DATES

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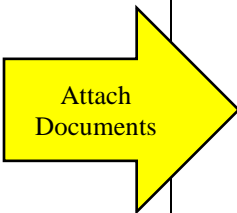
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Our Mission Statement "Sense of Brotherhood"

"Our purpose is to unite, fraternally, all who are now or ever have been assigned to the United States Army Special Forces, to perpetuate Special Forces traditions."

The Special Forces Association is the largest special operations association in the World. Our members include active duty Green Berets, Army National Guard SF Soldiers, veterans and retired members and of the US Special Forces.

The Ohio Green Beret Support Group, LLC.

Is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization that solely supports active duty and retired Special Forces soldiers and their families. Ohio has one Special Forces unit that deploys frequently.

Funds support chapter members, members of B/2/19 SFG(A), and other Green Berets who call Ohio their home to support their family when specific circumstances inhibit Green Berets from supporting their family alone.

SUPPORTING OHIO'S

Federal Tax Identification number is: 83-1512941. Donations should be made payable to: **THE OHIO GREEN BERET SUPPORT GROUP, LLC.** All donations to this are entirely tax deductible. Examples of our programs include:

SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM. This is our primary program for our fund raising which includes two-to-four annual \$1,000 grants of tuition assistance for chapter members and their immediate family.

SF Gold Star Family: The family of SFC Dan Crabtree, KIA Iraq 2005 is our family for the SFA Convention in 2019. SFC Crabtree, 31, was a Special Forces weapons sergeant assigned to the Ohio Army National Guard's Company B, 2nd Battalion, 19th Special Forces Group (Airborne) in Columbus, Ohio. He died June 8, 2006, in Iraq after a roadside bomb exploded next to his vehicle during a combat patrol. In civilian life, Crabtree worked as a police officer first in his native hometown of Hartsville, and then as a member of the Cuyahoga Falls Police Department Special Weapons and Tactics, or SWAT, unit.

Support to families of wounded Green Berets: We pay for all expenses of the unit's annual Christmas party including gifts for the children of Green Berets. We also provide support for the expenses of the unit's family days and awards parties and we support nominations of qualified Green Berets into the Ohio Military Hall of Fame for Valor and make donations to that organization.

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