

## **Uniting Ohio's Green Berets**

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#### **SUBJECT: Meeting Minutes 3 and 13 July 2023**

The July 3<sup>rd</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> 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: Chadd Kuhn

Asst. Vice President: Jeff Gallaher Asst. Vice President: Jim Butler Asst. Treasurer: Tom McGrath Asst. Secretary: Jim Wetz

#### 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

Eric Smith Eric Stansifer

#### The TREASURER'S REPORT

**Chadd Kuhn** reported the SFA 45 operational account has \$4679.14 and \$1468.53 at 5<sup>th</sup> Third Bank (because some auto-payments remain at that account until September), and the Ohio Green Beret Support Group has \$36,200.00.

**Chadd Kuhn and Philip Taraska** both have two debit cards for the use from Chase Bank; they each have one debit card for each account: SFA 45 Operational account and The Ohio Green Beret Support Group.

**Eric Stansifer** and **Patrick Enlow** will use the Stripe Account used for online payments such as dues renewal and sale of chapter coins and Squarespace (our website domain owner).



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**Patrick Enlow** will update payment information to the chapter's MailChimp, Google, Domain Name Registration, and the chapter website provider. These actions link the chapter's Stripe account to the two Chase Bank accounts: one for collecting chapter membership dues, and the other for charitable donations to The Ohio Green Beret Support Group.

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

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

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Ohio Green Beret Support Group Scholarship Program.

The Fund has two more \$1000 scholarships available for applicants with a deadline of 1 October 2023.

2. Chapter's new PO Box.

**Chadd Kuhn** established a new PO Box 341612

Columbus, OH 43234

It is at the Post Office on Route 161 near the Beightler Armory, Ohio National Guard Headquarters and the NAPA Auto Parts store.

Anyone on Chadd's authorization list has access to the PO Box. Show ID, no key is needed.

Patrick updated the website with this new PO Box number.

Tom McGrath stated that the chapter needs to use his PO Box for the Secretary of State, IRS, Charitable Foundations, and anything related to the government.

3. The Green Beret Foundation is hosting **Tunes**, **Boots**, **and Berets** 10 September 1730-2200 hours.

Location: Lori's Roadhouse 4924 Union Centre Pavilion, West Chester, OH 45069.

4. **Kevin Colwell** reported a Warning Order for an event: Chris Royse, member of B/2/19<sup>th</sup> SFG is organizing a block of seats at the 20 August 2023 MLS Columbus Crew soccer game against FC Cincinnati, an "all-Ohio game." Before the game, current Ohio Secretary of State, former B Company member and future US Senate candidate, Frank LaRose, will be honored as the "Hometown Hero". Game time is 1930 hrs. Chris may organize a social event afterwards or even a possible "tailgate" prior to the game. If you are interested in attending, then please email Kevin Colwell at: **kacolwell@aol.com** 



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#### **Open Action Items:**

- 1. **Tom McGrath** reported that the chapter has not been contested by the chapter's rejection of the extra charges of \$4600 invoice from the project manager of the Crabtree Memorial Monument. There has been no response from the plaintiff regarding a letter Tom mailed to him rejecting the claim, and Tom does not expect to hear from this project manager.
- 2. **Patrick Enlow** is adding a Sales page to the SFA45 website.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

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

**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:

NSTR.

3. CHAPTER COINS.

If you are interested in purchasing a serialized or non-serialized coin, then contact Jim at: <a href="mailto:jwsfa45@gmail.com">jwsfa45@gmail.com</a>

Patrick Enlow added an online order and payment method to the SFA45.org website for ordering and purchasing coins.

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#### 5. EVENTS.

#### a. Motorcycle Freedom Ride 5 August 2023

**Jim Wetz** reported that he has digitally joined over 20 motorcycle groups and is advertising our event among a wide network of riders. **Shawn Miracle** reported that he rode the route and will be Ride Captain. **Chadd Kuhn** volunteered to be an alternate Ride Captain.

## b. <u>3 Gun Shoot 2023</u> 9 September 2023

Registration management and fees collection will continue to be executed by and supported by **Steve Ormeroid** of the Richwood Gun and Game Club. Steve activated the event on Practiscore.com on 1 July and five people have registered as of 13 July.

**Eric Stansifer** reported the event will be similar to earlier years with the exception of some added efficiencies. The event will close by 1430 hrs.

<u>Registration</u> is through Praciscore.com at this link: After you login through this link, the website will take you to our 3 Gun Shoot event for registration.

### 2023 3 Gun Shoot — SFA 45

Range set up day is Friday 8 September.

Volunteers are requested for both 8 September and the Event date 9 September.





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#### 6. HOME VISITS TO MEMBERS.

Danny Roese is reported to be limited to no travel outside his home.

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

**7 August** at the Hofbräuhaus Newport, KY (moved to 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday due to New Year's events.

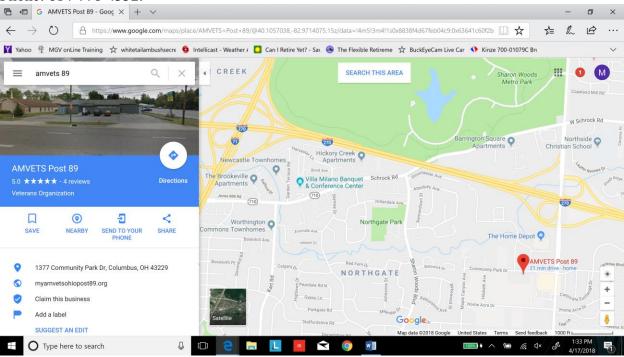
**10 August** at the AMVETS Post 89, Columbus.

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.



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

8. MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL and NEW MEMBERSHIP.

Preferred method: Use sfa45.org website, print and complete the forms and mail it



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with a check payable to SFA45 to:

Treasurer SFA 45 SFA 45 PO Box 341612 Columbus, OH 43234

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

#### 9. 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.

#### 10. 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 October 2023.

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

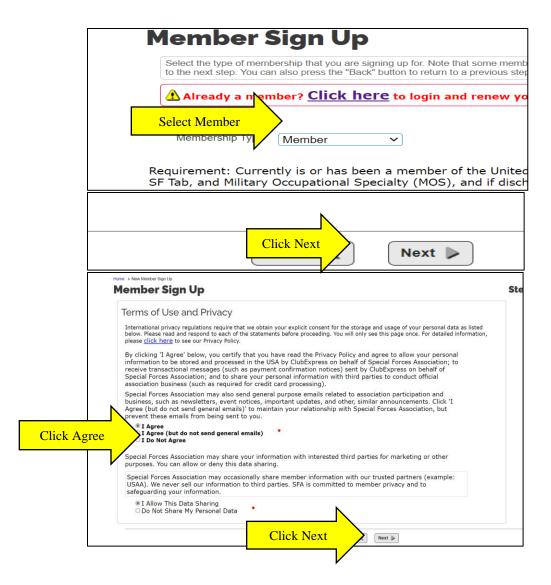
## **Special Forces Association Online Registration Instructions.**

Go to <u>Membership – Special Forces Association</u> (https://www.specialforcesassociation.org/about-the-special-forces-association/membership/



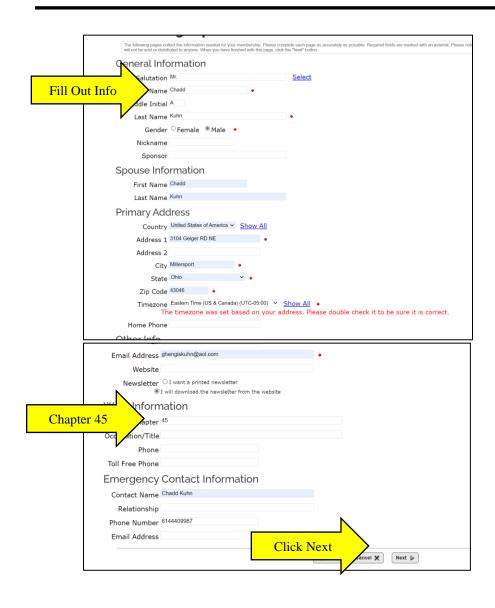


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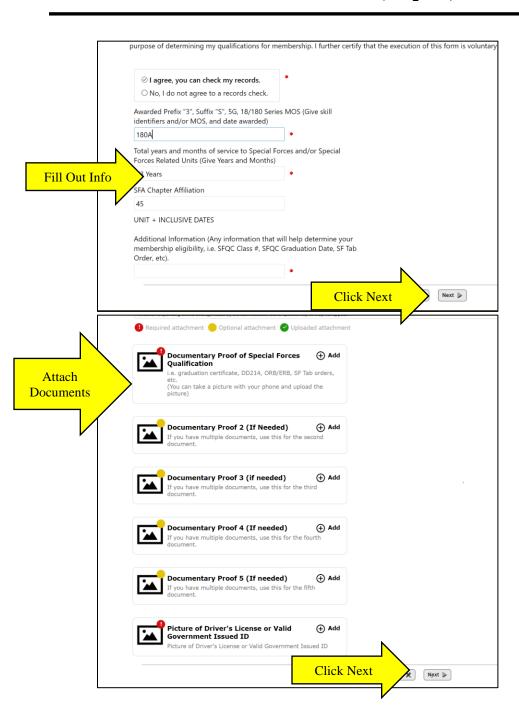


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