



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

SUBJECT: Meeting Minutes 4 and 14 September 2023

The September 4th and 14th meetings of Special Forces Chapter XLV, The Buckeye Chapter, were called to order by SFA 45 Chapter President Mark Arnold and Vice President Patrick Enlow. 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:
Asst. Vice President: Jim Wetz
Asst. Treasurer: Tom McGrath
Asst. Secretary:

Other Members and Guests in attendance were:

Butch Betzko	Ed Porter
Larry Verne	Stuart Candis
Eric Smith	Nelson Hastings
Gene Adams	Ken Horne
Dan Vinson	Butch Betzko
Gene Taylor	Jesse Boyd
Mike Young	Jan Hauger
Don Thomas	Ron White
John McCort	Matt Louis
Bob Schneider	

The TREASURER'S REPORT

Chadd Kuhn reported remotely the SFA 45 operational account has \$6242.34 and \$1374.11 at 5th Third Bank (because some auto-payments remain at that account until the end of September), and the Ohio Green Beret Support Group has \$37,700.00. The two Chase Bank accounts are for: one for collecting chapter membership dues, and the other for charitable donations to The Ohio Green Beret Support Group.

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.



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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.** DO NOT use the old Rickenbacker address for any chapter business; your mail will not be delivered.

Use this address for all chapter business:

SFA 45
PO Box 341612
Columbus, OH 43234

3. **Chapter T Shirts:** Color: Black

Mike Young purchased some chapter T-shirts and is selling them for \$30 each. They are identical to the previous version the chapter purchased two years ago. Mike will provide the chapter \$5 for each shirt purchased.

Jim Wetz also purchased 100 chapter T shirts of the newer version and is selling them for \$30 each.

4. **Mark Arnold** received a rare award from the Columbus Foundation. He is leading fundraising for supporting the **Ukrainian Medical Academy's program to train Ukrainian medics** in the rigorous curriculum of the TCCC-Combat Medic Corpsman course. Mark is doing several public and private speaking events regarding Ukraine for the purpose of fundraising for medic education aids and trucks for mobile training teams. **Chapter members are invited to attend a public speaking event at 7 pm October 5th at Otterbein College in Westerville, OH.**

The Point at Otterbein
60 Collegeview Rd, Westerville, OH 43081

Thursday, October 5 at 7 PM

This link has more information about the event:

<https://givebutter.com/UCAOLovesWesterville>



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5. **Mike Young** informed us that chapter members are invited to shoot at the Zanesville Rifle Club for free on 26 and 27 October. If you are interested in participating, please contact Mike and he will register you and provide directions. mikeforce@usa.com
6. **Chadd Kuhn** suggested chapter members consider joining Company B members as they train for free fall parachuting at the I Fly World wind tunnel in Cincinnati. Perhaps a chapter event could also be organized there. Chadd will inform us of upcoming unit training dates at this facility.
[Indoor Skydiving in Cincinnati | iFLY \(iflyworld.com\)](http://www.iflyworld.com)



I Fly World - Cincinnati

Open Action Items:

1. **Tom McGrath** reported an update regarding extra charges of \$4738 invoice from the project manager of the Crabtree Memorial Monument and the lawsuit this plaintiff filed against the chapter for this additional charge that the chapter believes it is not responsible for. Tom's opinion remains the same and suggests the chapter ignore the suit and see if it is dismissed during the next several months.
2. **Patrick Enlow** and **Eric Stansifer** will link the chapter's Stripe account to payment online for future 3-Gun Shoot registrations via Practiscore.com and they will get three credit card readers for mobile transactions including donations with iOS and Android compatibility.



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OLD BUSINESS:

1. CHAPTER WEBSITE. *SFA45.org* and Chapter Facebook page.
Patrick Enlow registered the domain name with GoDaddy.

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:
jwsfa45@gmail.com

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

[US Army Special Forces Association Chapter 45 XLV Ohio Buckeye Challenge Coin | eBay](#)



4. SF 4 Life.
NSTR.

5. EVENTS.

- a. **3 Gun Shoot 2023 9 September 2023**

Eric Stansifer did a great job of managing the chapter's LLC, Ohio Green Beret Support Group's 3 Gun Shoot. The event hosted 40 competitors including our sponsor-shooters. We began the day with a 0930 safety briefing by the president of the Richwood Gun and Game Club, Steve Ormeroid. The match was completed by 1500 hours demonstrating the efficiency of its



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management.

The Club's Board generously voted to donate the registration fees of two other matches that it is hosting, so we are grateful for more than their hard work in hosting our 3 Gun Shoot.



Competitors and SFA 45 volunteer staff at the Ohio Green Beret Support Group's 2023 3 Gun Shoot.



Sponsor Al Marlowe at 2023 3 Gun Shoot



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Sponsor Michelle Renko displaces to her next firing point during the 2023 Ohio Green Beret Support Group's 3 Gun Shoot



Butch Betzko and Mike Young volunteered as sponsors' coaches



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Chapter member Eric Stansifer managed the 2023 3 Gun Shoot planning and event.



Chapter members Tom McGrath and John McCort volunteers at 2023 3 Gun Shoot. Jim Wetz and Jeff Gallaher were not pictured but worked as volunteers.



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6. HOME VISITS TO MEMBERS.

Jim Butler is successfully recovering from surgery.

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

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

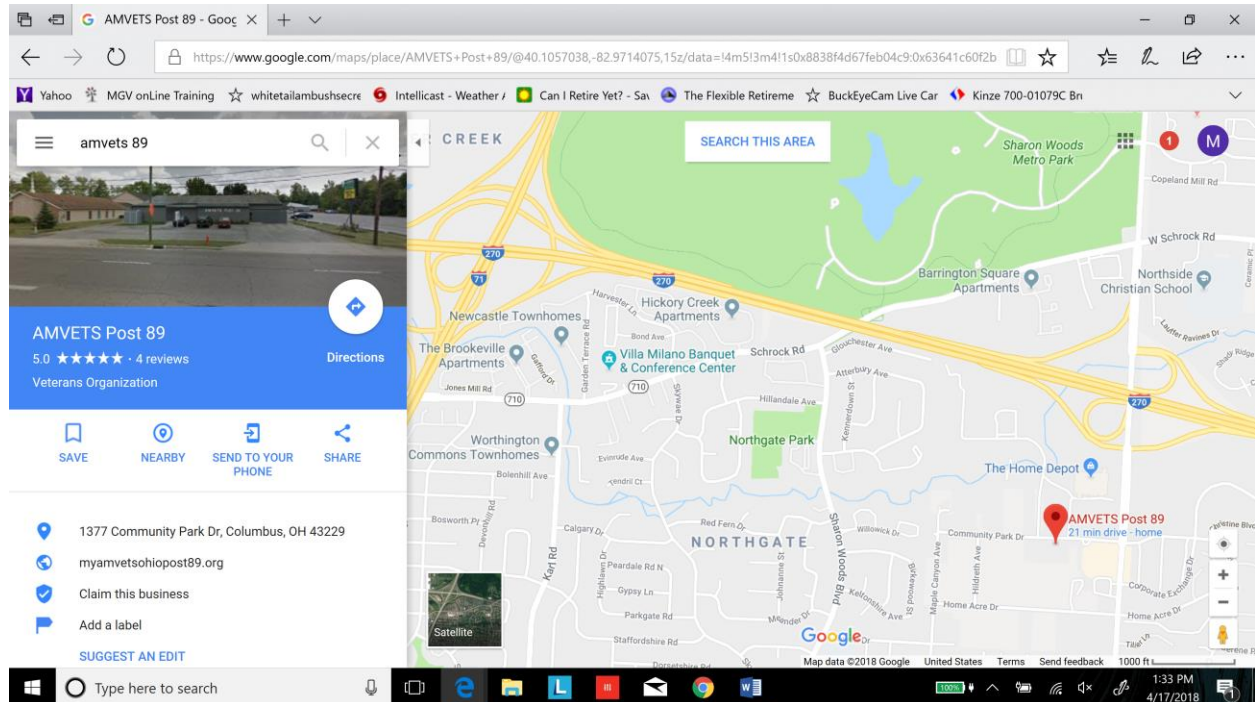
12 October at the AMVETS Post 89, Columbus.

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 2nd Thursday monthly at 1130 – 1330 hrs.



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8. **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
SFA 45
PO Box 341612
Columbus, OH 43234

Alternate method: 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 two annual \$1000 grants of tuition assistance for chapter members and their immediate family. One was granted in June leaving two available.

Next application window is now open through **1 October 2023**.

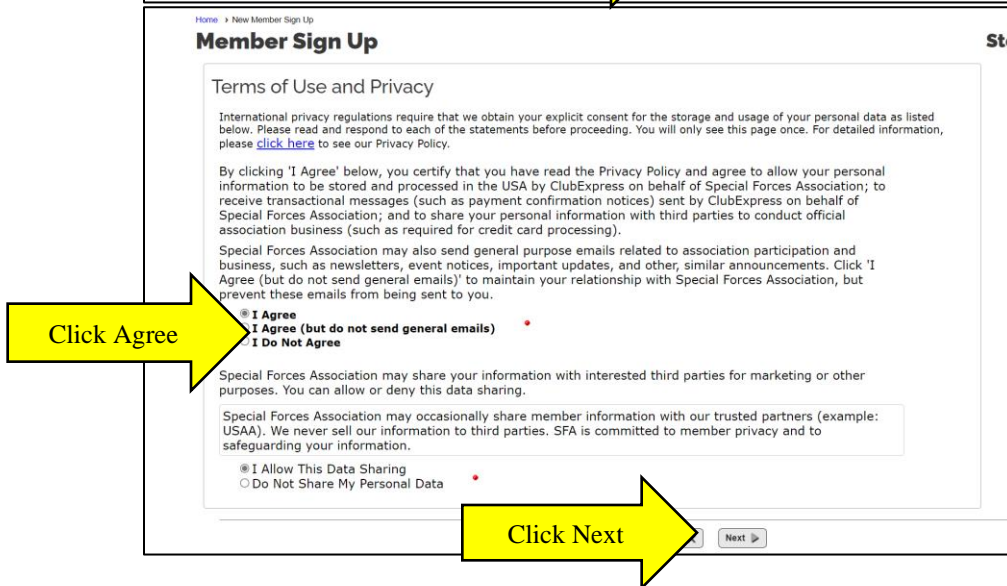
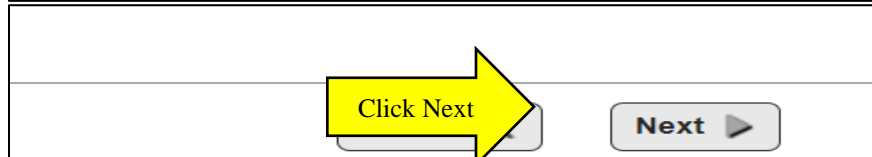
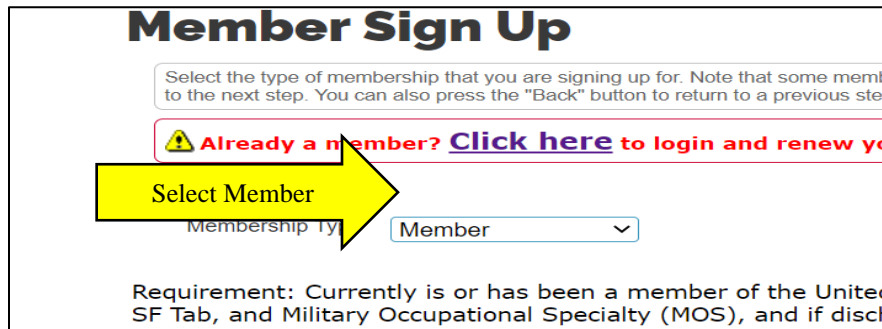
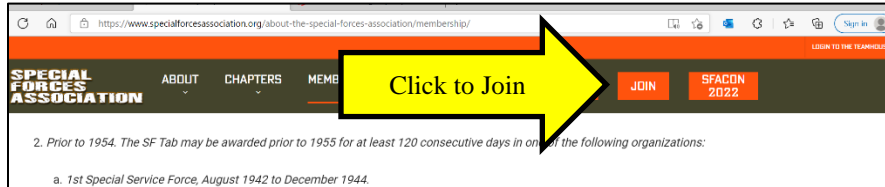
The entire application process can be accessed via a link on the SFA 45 website. The direct link to the application process managed by The Columbus Foundation is:

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



Special Forces Association Online Registration Instructions.

Go to [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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General Information

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

Timezone Eastern Time (US & Canada) (UTC-05:00) [Show All](#)

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Home Phone

Other Info

Email Address ghengiskuhn@aol.com

Website

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Chapter 45 Information

Chapter 45

Occupation/Title

Phone

Toll Free Phone

Emergency Contact Information

Contact Name Chadd Kuhn

Relationship

Phone Number 6144409987

Email Address

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I agree, you can check my records. •
 No, I do not agree to a records check.

Awarded Prefix "3", Suffix "S", 5G, 18/180 Series MOS (Give skill identifiers and/or MOS, and date awarded)
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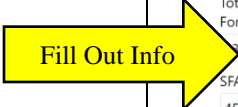
Total years and months of service to Special Forces and/or Special Forces Related Units (Give Years and Months)
Years •

SFA Chapter Affiliation

UNIT + INCLUSIVE DATES

Additional Information (Any information that will help determine your membership eligibility, i.e. SFQC Class #, SFQC Graduation Date, SF Tab Order, etc).
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! **Documentary Proof of Special Forces Qualification**
i.e. graduation certificate, DD214, ORB/ERB, SF Tab orders, etc.
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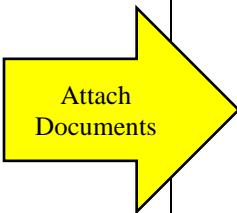
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Our Mission Statement "Sense of Brotherhood"

"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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