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*The Alamo Chapter*

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## UPCOMING CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### July

- 3 Board Meeting 1300**
- 4 Fourth of July Parade TBD**
- 5 Membership Meeting 1300**
- 31 Aug Board Meeting 1300**

### August

- 2 Membership Meeting 1300**

### September

- 4 Sep Board Meet 1300**
- 6 Membership Meeting 1300**  
**(Nomination of Officers &**  
**Scholarship Applications)**

**This Newsletter contains your new calendar for 2014.**

## **MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT**

First of all, I want to thank the Chapter Members who supported the Memorial Day Ceremony at Fort San Houston Cemetery last month, by carrying the Service Fags.

The Chapter was well represented at the Annual Convention in Columbia, South Carolina this month. Bobby Walker was awarded the "Silver St. Philip Neri Award". There is only one award each year to Special Forces Association Member for all his past support, hard work and dedication to the organization. Bobby Walker is well deserving of this award. The Chapter was also awarded for the second year in a row the top award for Chapter Newsletters, the "Golden Quill Award". This award again goes to Mike Maloy for all his hard work in putting together the newsletter every month. This is Mike's third recognition award for all his efforts over the past years. It is well deserved! Congratulations again, to both Bobby Walker and Mike Maloy!

Our next major event is the Dick's Last Resort---Fund Raising Event on October 16<sup>th</sup> from 6 -9 PM. Fred Solis has volunteered to Chair the project again this year. He is going to need everyone's help in making this a successful and profitable event. I am asking each member to sell 10 tickets for the event. Each ticket is \$25.00, which includes all food, bar drinks, live music, dancing, prize drawings, and a silent auction. Fred is having organization planning meetings prior to the membership meetings over the next couple of months. Please join Fred in supporting the Chapter's efforts in raising funds for next year's activities, including scholarships, donations for our nonprofit organizations as well as Canyon Lake and Christmas Banquet. The Chapter Christmas Banquet is scheduled for December 6<sup>th</sup> at the El Tropicano Riverwalk Hotel again this year. Rooms have been negotiated for \$89.00 but there are only a limited amount available. Please call the Tropicano at 877-736-4311 and reserve your room before they are all gone.

Our thoughts and prayers go out to Chapter XV member Lewis "Lew" Like who was diagnosed with cancer a few months ago and has been undergoing chemo treatments. Lew says he is feeling better, but will have his fourth dose of chemo July 1 and 2. He hopes that will be the last and promises to keep us informed.

**Chuck Rose  
President  
SFA Chapter XV**



**Longtime Alamo Chapter XV member Gay Meyer (proud grandfather) is shown here with with his grandson who earned his Green Beret in June 2014. Obviously it runs in the family. Congratulations to Gay Meyer and his grandson.**



**In May 2014 Alamo Chapter XV member Bill Martin presented the SFA Award of Excellence to JROTC cadet Enrique Montoya at Floresville High School (see picture below). Also in May Chapter member Dan Hopgood presented the Award of Excellence to JROTC Cadet Petty Officer 3<sup>rd</sup> Class Kaylyn Ramirez at Seguin High School (picture unavailable).**



## 2014 CALENDAR

<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>JANUARY</u></b></p> <p>2 Jan Board Meeting 1300            4 Membership Meeting 1300            4 Motorcycle Cmt Mtg 1500            30 Feb Board Meeting 1300</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>FEBRUARY</u></b></p> <p>2 Membership Meeting 1300            2 Motorcycle Cmt Mtg 1500            10 Drop Input Due            27 Mar Board Meeting 1300</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>MARCH</u></b></p> <p>1 Membership Meeting 1300            1 Motorcycle Cmt Mtg 1500            7-9 Cotulla Hog Cook-off TBD</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>APRIL</u></b></p> <p>3 Apr Board Meeting 1300            5 Membership Meeting 1300            5 Motorcycle Cmt Mtg 1500            12 Chpt Memorial Serv 1100                for Fallen Brothers/Spouses            TBD Motorcycle Rally</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>MAY</u></b></p> <p>1 May Board Meeting 1300            10 Drop Input Due            16-18 Jack Hogue Picnic            26 Memorial Day Serv 0930            JROTC Presentations All Month</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>NO MEMBERSHIP MEETING</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>JUNE</u></b></p> <p>5 Jun Board Meeting 1300            7 Membership Meeting 1300            9-15 National Convention</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>JULY</u></b></p> <p>3 Board Meeting 1300            4 Fourth of July Parade TBD            5 Membership Meeting 1300            31 Aug Board Meeting 1300</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>AUGUST</u></b></p> <p>2 Membership Meeting 1300</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>SEPTEMBER</u></b></p> <p>4 Sep Board Meet 1300            6 Membership Meeting 1300                (Nomination of Officers &amp;                Scholarship Applications)</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>OCTOBER</u></b></p> <p>2 Oct Board Meeting 1300            4 Membership Meeting 1300            4 Oktoberfest Party 1500            TBD Dick's Fund Raiser 1800            1 Nov Board Meeting 1300</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>NOVEMBER</u></b></p> <p>1 Membership Meeting 1300                (Election and Scholarships)            10 Drop Input Due            10 Veterans Day Cerem 1000            28 Scholarship Results</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>DECEMBER</u></b></p> <p>4 Dec Board Meeting 1300            6 Christmas Banquet 1730                &amp; Installation of Officers</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>NO MEMBERSHIP MEETING</b></p>

**All Chapter Meeting unless announce otherwise, will be held at VFW Post 8541. Membership Meetings are held at 1300 hrs on the first Saturday of the month. A meal will be served at 12:00 to 1:00 hrs prior to each Membership Meeting. Board Meeting will be held during the Thursday prior to the Membership Meeting at 1300 hrs.**

### *Special Forces Creed*

*I am an American Special Forces Soldier. A professional!*

*I will do all that my nation requires of me.*

*I am a volunteer, knowing well the hazards of my profession.*

*I serve with the memory of those who have gone before me:*

*Roger's Rangers, Francis Marion, Mosby's Rangers,  
the 1st Special Service Force, the Jedburghs, Detachment 101,  
and the Special Forces Soldiers of the Vietnam War,*

*Who were awarded 17 Medals of Honor and 90 Distinguished Service Crosses.*

*I pledge to uphold the honor and integrity of all these,*

*In all That I am, all I do.*

*I am a professional soldier.*

*I will teach and fight whatever my nation requires,*

*To liberate the oppressed.*

*I will strive always, to excel in every art and artifice of war.*

*I know that I will be called upon to perform tasks in isolation*

*Far from familiar faces and voices.*

*With the help and guidance of my God,*

*I will conquer my fears and succeed.*

*I will keep my mind and body clean, alert and strong, for this is my debt  
to those who depend upon me.*

*I will not fail those with whom I serve, I will not bring shame upon myself or the  
Forces. I will maintain myself, my arms, and my equipment*

*In an immaculate state as befits a Special Forces Soldier.*

*My goal is to succeed in any mission—and live to succeed again.*

*I may not be found wanting, that I will not fail in this sacred trust*

### *Special Forces Poem*

*By P.M. White*

*I've lifted my glass and drank my fill, Of the wine that's known as pride.*

*I've walked among some gallant men,*

*And watched them stride for stride. I've crammed my head with devious ways*

*To defeat the enemy's goal. And kept inside for loyalty's sake,*

*The tales that can't be told. The need is gone for my service now,*

*I'll hang up my green beret and sip no more the wine of pride,*

*Till called again someday.*

*The strength and character of an organization are measured by its members.*

*Bob and Vicki Walker*



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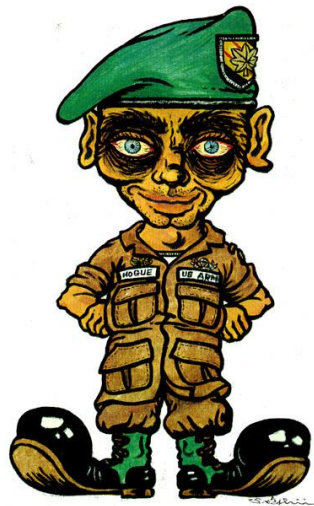
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**Special thanks to our unofficial photographers who continue to provide us with numerous photographs of Chapter XV events: David Benavides, Henry Jimenez, Dan Hopgood and Marti and Ben Scott. Selecting which ones to use is always a difficult decision, but we try to include everyone possible.**

### **The Editor**

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**"Carry on!"**

