



# GREEN BERET CHAPTER XV

*The Alamo Chapter*

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**Dick's Fund Raiser:** Fred Solis  
**Christmas Banquet:** Chuck Rose & Mario Guerra

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# **NEW OFFICERS & DICK'S LAST RESORT**

# PICTURES FROM DICK'S LAST RESORT







**Special thanks to Ben Scott for providing these pictures.**



# Chapter XV

## 2015 Newly Elected Officers

To the Members of Chapter XV:

The Chapter XV elections, for officers in 2015, were held on 1 November, 2014. I want to thank everyone who voted. We had the largest voter turnout for this election that we have had in many, many years. The new officers for 2015 are:

President:	Bill Smith
Vice President:	Barry Archer
Secretary:	Juan Lopez
Assist Secretary:	John McClinton
Treasurer:	Tony Stokely
Assist Treasurer:	Buddy Gee
Sgt of Arms:	Raul de la Garza
Assist Sgt of Arms:	Gordon Lee

The changes to the Chapter By-Laws were **approved** by 100% of the membership vote.

The installation of the 2015 Chapter Officers will be performed at the Christmas Banquet, on December 6th. Christmas Banquet Tickets are going very fast, but there are some still available. MG Trombitas will be a Key Note Speaker and 'Ike' Camacho will be our Guest of Honor. If you want to purchase a ticket(s) contact either Jerrie Lebleu at 210-872-9985 or me at 210-854-4131. If you want to stay at the Tropicano Hotel and are having problems getting reservations, please let me know. We still have some rooms available that are blocked at \$89.00.

Again, congratulations to each of the Chapter Officers for 2015!

Chuck Rose  
President  
SFA Chapter XV



## **Special Forces Chapter XV Educational Grant**

The Special Forces Chapter XV Educational Grant is designed to provide a one-time educational grant of a minimum of five hundred dollars (\$500). The number and amount of grants are determined by the chapter Scholarship Selection Committee with the approval of the chapter president. Recipient(s) will be announced at the annual Installation of Officers/Christmas Banquet.

### **Eligibility:**

1. Applicant must be an SFA member in good standing, a legal dependent, or a grandchild.
2. A high school graduate or a student anticipating graduation during the school year of application.
3. Grant must be used to attend an accredited college, university, or vocational institution.
4. Eligible applicants must submit the following:
  - a. A personal letter detailing the applicant's educational plans, career aspirations, and planned use for the grant awarded.
  - b. Copies of the most recent academic transcripts, SAT scores, and other scholastic achievements.
  - c. A letter of reference from a teacher, school counselor, or a principal.
  - d. A summary of extra-curricular activities, non-academic achievements, and hobbies.
  - e. A copy of the acceptance letter from the institution of higher learning the applicant will attend.
5. Above criteria must be received by the scholarship committee no later than 15 November. Send to:

**President Chuck Rose  
SFA Chapter XV  
Attn: Scholarship Committee  
P.O. Box 33782  
San Antonio TX 78265-3782**

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# **Special Notice**

**Beginning 1 October, the 2015 SFA dues are now due and payable.**

**Dues are due not later than 31 December. Yearly dues are \$30.00 for those members who are current with the SFA. Please make your check payable to “SFA Chapter XV” and you may mail your dues to:**

**SFA Chapter XV  
P.O. Box 33782  
San Antonio, TX 78245**

**You also have the option to pay your dues at the next Chapter XV meeting on Saturday, 1 November. Remember, there will not be a Chapter meeting in December as we are having our annual Christmas Banquet and Installation of Chapter Officers in lieu of the meeting.**

**Thank you,  
Marti Scott**



# Oktoberfest 2014



**Dick's Last Resort**  
**fundraiser pictures will be**  
**sent out next week in a**  
**special edition as soon as**





**we work out our computer  
problems. Thank you.**

**The Editor**

**2014 CALENDAR**

<b><u>JANUARY</u></b>	<b><u>FEBRUARY</u></b>	<b><u>MARCH</u></b>
2 Jan Board Meeting 1300 4 Membership Meeting 1300 4 Motorcycle Cmt Mtg 1500 30 Feb Board Meeting 1300	2 Membership Meeting 1300 2 Motorcycle Cmt Mtg 1500 10 Drop Input Due 27 Mar Board Meeting 1300	1 Membership Meeting 1300 1 Motorcycle Cmt Mtg 1500 7-9 Cotulla Hog Cook-off TBD
<b><u>APRIL</u></b>	<b><u>MAY</u></b>	<b><u>JUNE</u></b>
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	1 May Board Meeting 1300 15 Drop Input Due 16-18 Jack Hogue Picnic 26 Memorial Day Serv 0930 JROTC Presentations All Month  <b>NO MEMBERSHIP MEETING</b>	5 Jun Board Meeting 1300 7 Membership Meeting 1300 9-15 National Convention
<b><u>JULY</u></b>	<b><u>AUGUST</u></b>	<b><u>SEPTEMBER</u></b>
3 Board Meeting 1300 4 Fourth of July Parade TBD 5 Membership Meeting 1300 31 Aug Board Meeting 1300	2 Membership Meeting 1300 15 Drop Input Due	4 Sep Board Meet 1300 6 Membership Meeting 1300 (Nomination of Officers & Scholarship Applications)
<b><u>OCTOBER</u></b>	<b><u>NOVEMBER</u></b>	<b><u>DECEMBER</u></b>
2 Oct Board Meeting 1300 4 Membership Meeting 1300 4 Oktoberfest Party 1500 16 Dick's Fund Raiser 1800 1 Nov Board Meeting 1300	1 Membership Meeting 1300 (Election and Scholarships) 15 Drop Input Due 14 Veterans Day Cerem 1000 28 Scholarship Results	4 Dec Board Meeting 1300 6 Christmas Banquet 1730 & Installation of Officers  <b>NO MEMBERSHIP MEETING</b>

**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 matched 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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### **The Editor**

When submitting articles or photos for the newsletter please enter "SFA newsletter input" in the subject line of your email. Please submit articles and pictures (copies only) for the newsletter to Editor Mike Maloy at [Chinook501@aol.com](mailto:Chinook501@aol.com), or mail them to Chapter President Chuck Rose at SFA Chapter XV, P.O. Box 33782, San Antonio, TX 78265.



**"Carry on!"**

