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Canyon Lake Picnic: Bob Hand
Dick's Fund Raiser: Fred Solis
Christmas Banquet: Chuck Rose & Mario Guerra

UPCOMING CALENDAR OF EVENTS

February

04 Board Meeting 1400
06 Membership Meeting 1300

March

03 Board Meeting 1400
05 Membership Meeting 1300
10-13 Cotulla Cook-off
31 April Board Meeting 1400



MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

President Sends:

I hope everyone is well and doing fine. Our Board meeting is on Thursday the 4th and our membership meeting is at 1400 Saturday the 6th of February. I hope to see everyone there. Everything for this coming year seems to be falling in to place. I cannot thank the board enough as well as the membership for an outstanding 2015. Buddy and Toby did a great job keeping our books straight and keeping me out of jail. Haha.

This past Sunday we had the honor to roast a long standing member of Chapter XV. It was a great day and an honor to be part of the celebration for Lenny. Our chapter is proud of his accomplishments and honored to have him as a long standing member of Chapter XV.

Our next major function is the Cotulla Cook-off being headed up by Mike Brown. He will have some information to put out at the next meeting. I hope everyone will get the opportunity to go by and enjoy a cold one together. The event is 11-13 March.

Remember in April our Chapter Memorial will be in the morning of our monthly meeting. It is set for 2 April and I hope to have a good turnout.

JROTC is coming up on us fast and I will be reaching out to the membership for assistance in presenting the awards. It is a great opportunity to get our Chapter out there and to recognize some outstanding students for their accomplishments.

Until our meeting I hope everyone stays safe and has a great remainder of the month. My email is listed below if anyone wants to email me.

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**William Smith
Chapter XV President**



ROASTING OF LONGTIME MEMBER LEONARD 'LENNY' CZARNECKI









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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.

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"Carry on!"

