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CHAPTER XX
THE KENNETH WORTHLEY MEMORIAL CHAPTER NEWSLETTER

The "20/20" Flash

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The Next Chapter Business Meeting:

The next meeting is at 7pm at the
**Richfield American Legion,
Tues, May 3rd, 2016**

The Richfield American Legion is at 6501
Portland Avenue south.

I plan to be there early for dinner,
about 6:15. Some folks show up early and
socialize until the meeting. Some folks just
come to the meeting.

After Action Reviews: Meeting Minutes:

The April Business Meeting: The April
Business Meeting was on April 5th. It started
and 7pm and those present:

Jim Behr	John Roy
Bill Bray	Sevieng K. Suparat
Ron Lachelt	Jerry Carlson
Bob Pike	Trudell Guerue

Ron started the meeting by going
through some upcoming events, mainly
the MOPH Rochester Chapter naming their
chapter after Allen "Baby Jesus" Lloyd,
Minnesota native and member of RT
Intruder lost in the Aschau Valley. KIA but
body not recovered. Tim Kirk, John Roy,
and Ron will attend the ceremony on April
21st.

Ron mentioned the ceremony for
John Hankes, FSSF on April 30th that was
in the newsletter, make reservations early.

Ron passed around the information
for the Brick Pavers at National HQ remem-
bering Bill Story, Ted Johnson, Gary
Pennebaker, and Ed Komac. We will send
the names and money in when we get
approval from Chapter. (There were not
enough members present at the meeting to
proceed. We would like to have the check
made out by the Chapter.)

We discussed whether we should
also submit Jerry Schroepfer and if we
should also proceed as a Chapter to get a
Brick Paver for others that have passed?
Passed members are on the Chapter
Website. (Should be addressed at next
meeting.)

Bill Bray mentioned that he has the
original SFA Chapter XX charter and that he
can bring in next meeting. We should find a
safe place for it.

Trudell mentioned that Dave Norden
had sent in a check from Chapter 15 to the
SFA Educational fund in memory of Ed.
Ron thought we should do the same thing,
so we will discuss it as an item for next
meeting.

Jerry spoke a bit about POW/MIA
issues. Things have not changed much.
Many of the POW's, if they survived the war,
have probably passed on by now.

Bob said that the ROTC leadership
medal presentation will be in May, and that
the parachute jump is scheduled for

August. Need to coordinate with Bridget at Ars Bellum, since she is promoting the jump and will supply a number of jumpers. Bob will coordinate.

Jim Behr hadn't been to a lot of meetings, but now that he is retired he wants to be more involved in SFA.

We adjourned at 7:50.

The Rochester Military Order of the Purple Heart (Ron L.): On 21 Apr 16 John Roy, Tim Kirk and I attended the Installation Ceremony for Chapter 7110 of the MOPH, the Lloyd-Swenson Chapter at the Rochester VFW.

The Chapter is named after Allen "Baby Jesus" Lloyd and Curt Swenson USMC (KIA 2110.) Allen "Baby Jesus" Lloyd was a member of RT Intruder (CCN-MACVSOG). Allen was KIA (body not recovered) on 18 Feb 71.

We arrived early and met Allen's sister, Mary, and his brother Marvin. We also met Allen's high school girlfriend, Sherry Ebner Rubin. After the Honor guard entry and the Pledge of Allegiance, the State and National officers of the MOPH swore in the officers for the local chapter.

Chapter XX SFA members were recognized and presented with a copy of the chapter's charter.

Cliff Newman, who was on the Brightlight team to recover RT Intruder, was singled out for his efforts to recovery RT Intruder's bodies and his continued efforts to bring the remains home.

There was a nice plaque presented for Cliff, which I mailed to him with a copy of the charter and a picture of Sherry, Mary, and Marvin with the plaque.

We mingled with members and friends of the Lloyd family. We left with the good feeling that small town's do not forget their lost soldiers.

As a footnote: Tim Kirk and Cliff Newman are working with the Special Operations Association to arrange Mary, Marvin and Sherry to attend the annual SOAR convention in Las Vegas this year.

A Full history of RT Intruder can be found at:

<http://www.pownetwork.org/bios//1380.htm>



An earlier email from Cliff included: Dan and Ron - Allen Lloyd was a young SGT on Recon Team Intruder out of CCN in February, 1971. The team was being extracted under fire on strings from the side of hill 1528 over looking the A Shau Valley right on the Laotian border. Their chopper

was shot down. Lloyd, his team leader, Cpt Doc Watson, and the 4 member crew all perished. I was on the Bright Light team that went in to find them.

We did locate the site and policed up what we could. We had to RON and came under heavy fire at first light. We barely got out ourselves and never did recover the bodies. They are still there. I've been back twice now and may go again in the not too distant future to try and find some remains, however slim the chances are.

If the Chapter has any members in the area I would consider it a personal favor if we had an SF presence at this ceremony, Thanks, Cliff Newman

Other Information:

From SFA HQ's: Please note the following message and links to an upcoming movie that may be of interest, especially to those who are serving or have children who are serving in the War on Terror. Please contact SFA member, Peter Jackson, if you have any questions or comments.

The film premieres on May 24th in roughly 400 theaters nationwide. Proceeds go to Save A Warrior. Take 5 Media Group has partnered to be the media arm in promoting. We are going to send out 5 million emails to veterans. We are also working with our clients in auto and ad agencies to either promote or sponsor outreach.

Below are several links and attached is our press release and creative. After you have had a chance to review, would be great to touch base and hear your ideas on what SFA could do for promotion and outreach.

I am happy my company is sponsoring this. I was in 20th Group up in Maryland and a teammate committed suicide after we came back. So thank you for taking a look.

<http://cnnpressroom.blogs.cnn.com/2014/07/16/the-war-comes-home-a-soledad-obrien-report-premieres-aug-12-at-900pm-on-cnn-us/>

<http://www.saveawarrior.org/media/>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RcT3PnN1Ct8&feature=youtu.be>

http://www.fandango.com/soledado%E2%80%99brien:thewarcomeshome_190995/movie/overview

Be happy to answer any questions and if you would like any more creatives for an email blast, we will be happy to provide.

Thank you again. Best, Peter Jackson, Take 5 Media Group

And: Gentlemen, I would request your assistance in an important matter, would you please pass this on to all members. It is the political season, and it seems this year, people are a little more involved than in the past and emotions are running higher than usual. I would ask that members refrain from wearing a green beret with the SFA flash, or the SFA Blazer to any political function. We had one incident several months ago, it was quickly addressed and we believe cannot be used against us.

My request is not to endorse any candidate, or to ask for anyone to lessen their contributions or efforts for any candidate, the problem resides on our TAX EXEMPTION as a Fraternal Organization. The IRS is looking for organizations like ours to punish for partisan politics, something forbidden under our TAX STATUS. It is no secret that this IRS is not the non-partisan agency it once was, and that they would rejoice in hanging our scalp on their lodge pole. The SFA cannot exist under today's laws without our current TAX STATUS.

If you want to wear your beret, wear it with any flash except the SFA.

I know this seems ridiculous, but it is necessary.

De Oppresso Liber, Jack Tobin, President, SFA

And: Gentlemen: a situation has occurred, when www.SFOutdoors.com went to a new webpage, a glitch occurred. When you checked the box to show your status as SFA Member, it accepted the mark, but did not link it to the accounting side of the program.

Ergo, SFA has not received funds for those transactions.

To correct this computer problem, all we need to do is supply www.SFOutdoors.com with the name and date of a purchase, if you supply the amount it will aid in their search. Once they conduct their search, they will forward the funds to SFAHQ. WWW.SFOutdoors.com apologizes for the error, but as we all know, when computers are involved, strange things can happen.
DOL, Jack Tobin, President, Special Forces Association

From Chapter 38: On 21 May, 5th Group will be holding its annual Memorial Ceremony honoring the fallen members of the 5th Special Forces Group. The ceremony will be on Gabriel Field starting at 0900. There will be a reception after the ceremony for the Gold Star families and guests at the Deeks Language Lab.

Following the Memorial Ceremony, Chapter 38 and the Special Forces Brotherhood Motorcycle Club (SFBMC) will hold a Special Forces Memorial Bike Ride. Registration for the ride will be at Appleton's Harley Davidson starting at 1200. The ride starts from Appleton's at 1330 and will end at Chapter 38's Safehouse. After the ride there will be a small ceremony followed by food, drink and music.

The SFBMC as part of the Memorial events are raffling off a 2016 Harley Davidson Street Glide. The Winner be announced at the Gold Star Memorial

Concert. All proceeds from the ticker sales go to the Green Beret Foundation. On the day prior (20 May), the SFBMC is sponsoring a concert at the Wilma Rudolph Center in Liberty Park. The concert starts at 1630 with some local bands. The headliners are The Kentucky Headhunters and The Mat Poss Band. Tickets are \$10 at the door.

For more information go to Chapter 38s website. www.sfa38.org
Marvin Crist, Secretary, Chapter 38, SFA

From Jim Flowers: I recently received a call from Allen Schoppe, President of the National Chapter of the 82nd Airborne Association. The National is trying re-establish the Viking Chapter in Minnesota. If that proves to be impossible they will shift any remaining members to other chapters. I promised Schoppe I would help if I could but I've pretty much lost touch with everyone in the airborne community. Would you please pass the word along to those folks who might have an interest. They can reach me via e-mail (jrvflo234@hotmail.com) or my home phone [651 699 5490](tel:6516995490).
Regards,
Jim Flowers

As always: on the next DROP Input: If you have pictures or news for Chapter section of The Drop, please email the info and/or pictures to Ron Lachelt at Lachelts@gmail.com. You can also drop off your pictures or news at the next Chapter meeting. Thanks! Ron

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