



SPECIAL FORCES ASSOCIATION
Chapter 32-50
MINUTES 8 January, 2022

Special Forces Association Chapter 32-50 met at American Legion Post 12, 6101 NW 50th Street, Warr Acres, OK, on Saturday, 8 January 2022, at 1200 hours.

Officers Present

President: Jack Farr
Vice President: Ray Williams
Secretary: Charles Watts
Treasurer/Chaplain: Dick Goodman
Assistant Secretary: Robert Kelson

Officers Absent

Assistant Treasurer: Ron Siegman
Quartermaster: Dave "Sarge" Cronic

Chapter President Jack Farr called the meeting to order, at 1200 hours.

Jack Farr led the Special Forces Prayer.

Rick Cacini led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Rafael Elias played the Ballad of the Green Beret.

Guests

Vice President Ray Williams introduced the following Tulsa members (former detachment members of ODA 213, Co A, 2d BN, 12SFGA):

Roger "Rock" Taylor
Jeb Turner
Keith Laub
Tim Miller
Georg Tabor

Ladies Auxiliary Report

Due to inclement weather, the meeting of the Ladies Auxiliary was canceled.

Treasurer's Report by Ron Siegman Asst Treasurer, as of December 31, 2021:

Checking \$4,446.14
ROTC Medals \$2,032.22

Green Beret Benevolent Fund \$2,704.00

Total \$9,182.36

Medals Report

Jerry Cooper presented the JROTC Award of Excellence medals report.

Oklahoma Veterans' Council Report

Rick Cacini will represent Chapter 32-50 at the next Oklahoma Veterans' Council meeting.

Quartermaster Report

None given. Dave Cronic was absent due to his wife Monica's critical illness.

Chaplain's Report, by Chaplain Dick Goodman:

HOPE DEFERRED ?

2020 was a year never to forget. The start of a new year always brings with it the hope of a new beginning in many ways. Maybe we were going to set a New Year resolution to improve our lifestyle, create better health by either losing some weight or simply trying to eat healthier foods. Maybe we wanted to manage our money better and build our wealth. How about taking that long-awaited international trip to a part of the world we've always wanted to visit. We might have planned a long trip to take the children to see their grandparents for the first time in years. Well, many of those dreams came to a screeching halt. by COVID 19....Hope deferred !

2021 never really got off the ground as we had planned. It seemed that 2020 just kept on going with no end in sight, despite the COVID vaccine development and a little drop in cases. Sadly, we all knew people who contracted the dreaded virus and died, no matter what the medical field attempted to do. Everyone either knew of someone who had COVID, whether they were a friend or loved one. Some of us even lost a loved one from complications due to the effects of COVID 19. Some were vaccinated with both shots but still caught the Delta Variant anyway. Now, the new strain called the Omicron Variant is creating havoc worldwide. Again, hope deferred! You're probably asking yourself, "When will this ever end?" I've asked myself that question many times! Guess what. This too shall end.

How do I know this? I know this because in Jeremiah 29:11 God says, "For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope." Also, in Romans 12:12 He says, "Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer." We must remember to exercise the faith God gives us because he tells us in Hebrews 11:1 that "Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen." Finally, He promises us this in Romans 8:24-25, "For in this hope we were saved. Now hope

that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what he sees? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.”

We must all be patient. Our deferred hope will come to pass in God’s timing, not ours. We’ve all heard the phrase, “The third time is the charm”. Did you know that the number three in the Bible means? It means something complete and good! Let’s have faith. This is the third year our hope has been deferred and God will come through, believe me!

HAPPY NEW YEAR, EVERYONE !!

Old Business

Mike Sloniker updated his shoulder board donation program.

New Business

It is time for payment of annual dues. Member J.O. Dickey reported on the SFA National Convention.

50/50 Raffle

Ray Williams won the 50/50 in the amount of \$55.00. Glen donated his portion to the hard-working staff at Madison’s Restaurant, whose preparation and service was, as always, excellent.

Our Chapter website is: sfachapter32-50.org

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De Oppresso Liber,

Charles J. Watts

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Secretary