

Special Forces Association



Chapter 78

# The "Hollywood" Drop

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### PRESIDENTS COLUMN



#### Remembering 9-11

Saturdays Chapter 78 Meeting falls on the 9<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the destruction of the World Trade Center's Twin Towers by Al Qaeda. During those 9 years many members of this chapter have had sons and daughters serve in the military supporting America's efforts to remove the forces responsible for these and other terrible events.

These members include the sons of Ramon, Brad, Rob, Ed and Lonny and the daughter of Marc Breslow. Members who have served in either Iraq or Afghanistan include Colonel Marc Breslow, LTC Jack Eckles, SFC Robert Richmond, SFC Steve Cowan, and Bruce Long as a private contractor.

#### Presidents Column Continued:

Staff Sergeant Kyle Warren grew up in Huntington Beach, CA and joined the Army in 2004 volunteering for Special Forces Selection and Training, earning his 'Green Beret' in 2007. He was assigned to the 3<sup>rd</sup> SFGA as an 18D, a member of an ODA, on his second tour of Afghanistan when he was killed by an IED.

His services were held in Redondo Beach, CA, and were attended by members of Chapter 78, including Bruce Long, Art Dolick, Steve Cowan and David Sullivan. The Honor Guard was composed of many senior NCO's from the 3<sup>rd</sup> SFGA and led by BG Edward Reeder and a CSM from group. Both Bruce and David sent in pictures of the service for this edition of the Hollywood Drop.

#### WE WILL NEVER FORGET!

*Please offer a moment of silence in prayer to our soldiers in harm's way.*

#### -WEB SITE UPDATE -

Specialforces78.com has been relocated to GoDaddy.com. The site name and address remains unchanged. You may locate and access it in the same manner you did in the past. The reason for this was both cost reduction and our ability to add or modify the site. Our annual savings for the site to be hosted is \$200.00.

Another even bigger savings will be the elimination of the cost of adding information, pictures or modifying pages. This work will be done by your web-site committee members. Projected annual savings will be greater than \$700.00. These funds can be redirected to other and better uses.



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## **SAN ONOFRE BARBEQUE**

Immediately after Saturdays chapter meeting members are invited to attend the Chapter XII Annual San Onofre Beach-Camp Pendleton BBQ Picnic. Our chapter donated \$200.00 to help Chapter XII defray expenses so you can enjoy the steak fry. Please bring your own drinks and a side dish is encouraged. Sun screen is a must. Your family is also invited. Lunch is at 12 noon and dinner at 1745 hours.



## **MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL**

Annual members it is now time for dues renewal. Please see the chapter secretary, Len Fein at the meeting to pay your annual renewal fee of \$30.00. Reinstatement will cost you \$35.00. Join as a life member and the cost is only \$400.00 which will save you money in the long run. Remember for your renewal you must also complete 2 copies of the renewal form, 1 copy for SFA and 1 copy for chapter 78.



**By**  
**Lonny Holmes**  
President SFA 78



## **Chapter 78 Christmas Party**

Place Saturday, December 18, 2010 on your calendar as the Annual Chapter Christmas Dinner.

Richard Simonian will host the dinner at the Bahia Corinthian Yacht Club. A fee will be charged for each attendee however. There will be a no host bar. Features of the evening will include the Christmas Yacht Parade and door prizes.

There will also be a silent auction/raffle for a Colt Model 1903 Pocket Hammerless caliber .380 pistol. Richard Simonian donated this pistol which is the type used by General Officers until the 1970's and the Office of Strategic Services during World War II. The chapter will need to raise a minimum of \$1200.00 from this auction/raffle. We also may have a guest singer.



# SOAR XXXIV

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*Monday September 13 to Friday September 17*

Chapter 78 members who are also SOA members, we hope you will attend this once yearly event which promises to be an outstanding conference. One of the highlights will be **Eldon A. Bargewell's** talk on The Future Of The SOA. **Lieutenant General John Mulholland Jr.**, Commanding General, US Army Special Operations command will be the guest speaker at the banquet.

Register now for the 34<sup>th</sup> Annual Special Operations Association Meeting which will be held at the Orleans Hotel and Casino in Las Vegas, NV.

SOA member before September 6, 2010 the cost is \$150.00

After September 6, 2010 the cost is \$185.00

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### **HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS AT SPECIAL REUNION RATES**

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## STAFF SGT. KYLE R. WARREN

**Died on July 29, 2010**

### **Operation Enduring Freedom**

Staff Sgt. Kyle R. Warren, 28, died of wounds sustained from an IED blast during a combat reconnaissance patrol. He was a Special Forces Operational Detachment-Alpha team medical sergeant assigned to Company C, 1st Battalion, 3rd Special Forces Group (Airborne).

He deployed in support of Operation Enduring Freedom in July 2010 as a member of the Combined Joint Special Operations Task Force – Afghanistan. This was his second deployment.

Warren, a native of Huntington Beach, Calif., volunteered for military service and entered the Army in October 2004 as a Special Forces trainee.

After basic and advanced individual training at Fort Benning, Ga., he was assigned to the John F. Kennedy Special Warfare Center and School at Fort Bragg, N.C., in May 2005 for Special Forces training. His medical training was with John F. Kennedy Special Warfare Center and School at the Joint Special Operation Medical Training Center. He earned the coveted "Green Beret" in 2007 and was assigned to 1st Battalion, 3rd SFG (A) at Fort Bragg, as a Special Forces medical sergeant.

Warren's military education includes the Survival, Evasion, Resistance and Escape Course; Basic Airborne Course; Basic Noncommissioned Officer Course; Warrior Leaders Course; Special Forces Qualification Course; Special Forces Advanced Urban Combat Course and Military Freefall Course.

His awards and decorations include the Bronze Star Medal, Army Achievement Medal; Good Conduct Medal; National Defense Service Medal; Afghanistan Campaign Medal; Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Noncommissioned Officer Professional Development Ribbon, Army Service Ribbon, NATO Medal, Parachutist Badge, Military Freefall Parachutist badge, Combat Infantry Badge and the Special Forces Tab.

He was posthumously awarded a second Bronze Star Medal, Purple Heart, The NATO Medal, and Meritorious Service Medal.

Warren is survived by his wife Sandra Warren of Hope Mills, N.C.; mother Lynn Warren of Bedford, N.H. and father Del Warren of Long Beach, Calif.

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# SSG Kyle Warren Memorial Service



3<sup>rd</sup> Special Forces Honor Guard



Brigadier General Edward Reeder



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