

## SFA Chapter 78 January 2025 Chapter Meeting

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## Guest Speaker, Ryan Antes

**Former 2nd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, OEF/OIF Veteran  
Participant in the Jessica Lynch rescue mission**

**1** Ryan Antes recounted his experience as the radioman on the 2003 Jessica Lynch rescue mission, the first successful rescue of an American prisoner of war since World War II, and the first ever of a woman. While he still has nightmares about the mission, he encouraged our members not to hesitate to share their stories—to be brave enough to drag them into the light, shedding that light on their demons. His presentation, “Perspective is a Super Power,” included a review of the Rogers’ Rangers Standing Orders, with advice that is as useful today as it was in 1759. If you missed his talk, be sure to watch Long Beach Post’s interview of Ryan on YouTube (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Co-p7wCzUoA>).

**2** Chapter President James McLanahan presents Ryan with a Chapter 78 coin.

**3** MSG Chris Lasala of C/1/19th SFG invited chapter members to attend upcoming recruiting events to be held at Camp Pendleton and to share their experiences with potential recruits.

**4** Tom Turney discusses plans and details for the upcoming Chapter 78 trip to Normandy for the 82nd anniversary of D-Day.

**5** Left to right, standing, Erik Berg, Ramon Rodriguez, and Wayne Ogelvie; seated, Travis Mayfield, and Mark Miller.

**6** Left to right, Jim Duffy, Scott Manley, guest of Steve Bric, who is seated to his right.

**7** Left to right, Martin Foley, guest of Greg Floor, seated to his right.

**8** Left to right, James Carter and Mike Jameson.

**9** Left to right, Chapter 78 Treasurer Richard Simonian, Ham Salley, and Robert Casillas.

**10** Lynn and Jerry Guzzetta

**11** Unofficial chapter historian, Art Dolick brought in an artifact from his extensive collection to share with meeting attendees.

**12** Len Fein

**13** Left to right, Chapter VP Don Deatherage and long-time Chapter Secretary Gary Macnamara.