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COVER PHOTO: Ramon Rodriguez, and GBSC winning LAPD
Team, LA Lawmen Blue, and Terry Cagnolatti team coordinator.

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Lonny Holmes
President SFA 78

PRESIDENTS COLUMN NOVEMBER 2013

L.A. Lawmen Blue takes home the Green Beret Shooters Cup, again!

Team **L. A. Lawmen Blue** wins the Third Annual Green Beret Shooters Cup. A **Los Angeles Police Department** team, composed of members **Greg Duran** (Team Captain), **Chris Yamate**, **Nic Price**, **Jim Shray** and **Alex Chan**. Overall these team members finished; first

place Greg Duran, second Chris Yamate, third Nic Price, fourth Jim Shray, and sixth Alex Chan out of 120 competitors. Significantly L.A. Lawmen Blue won Stage 5, the P.O.W. / Hostage scenario which was weighted heavily due to it's having 100 individual targets and multiple I.E.D's.

L.A. Lawmen Blue won the First Annual Green Beret Shooters Cup.

Stage One, the 25 yard Bullseye was won by Team Long Beach P.D. who also won Stage Two, the Steeple Chase. Stage Three, the Weak Hand scenario was won by Team Joint LEAAP. / LAPD. Stage Four, the Movement Box Drill was won by San Diego SWAT Team # 1.

The highlights of this year were the POW/Hostage and Steeple Chase scenarios. These were very complex events requiring excellent shooting, physical conditioning to leap walls, low crawl under netting, breach a door and carry a two hundred pound log, detonation of multiple I.E.D.s and carrying the hostage. The individual pistol side event sponsored by KRISS using the Sphinx semi-auto for one member of each team proved to be very complex and difficult match.

For the first time in the GBSC history we had a female competitor, **Laurel Yoshimoto**. Laurel set the standard for all future women competitors by finishing 68th overall out of 120 (119 men). Laurel is a member of Team LEAAP/LAPD/TUSTIN P.D. which finished 10th place overall out of 22 finishing teams. (Two teams withdrew out of 24). Laurel is an Orange County Deputy Sheriff presently assigned to Central Women's Jail. She has previous assignment with Women's Jail Gang Intelligence Team and Terrorism Liaison Officer. Laurel is a Member of the CA Narcotics Officers Association. Laurel heard about the GBSC from her husband Josh, who competed in previous as well as this year's "CUP." He competed

in a different team than Laurel. We encourage women to compete in the GBSC and Laurel is hopeful in assembling an all women law enforcement team for the Fourth Green Beret Shooters Cup.

For complete results and photographs of the Third Annual Green Beret Shooters Cup go to www.sfa78cup.com. Shortly we will post a video of the event.

Chapter 78 wishes to thank all our sponsors for this years event. We make a special effort to thank the chief sponsor, **Veterans Affordable Housing Program** and **Richard Simonian**. AIM Sports and **KRISS** provided significant support for GBSC.



Lonny Holmes and John R. Martin at SOAR and old team mates from 1967-68, A-4624

Chapter 78 members **John Stryker Meyer** (S.O.A. president), **Ed Barrett**, **Mike Keele** and **Lonny Holmes** attended the SOAR XXX-VII held in Las Vegas, NV. The reunion offered the opportunity for members to get together and discuss "the good old days" and catch up on current family and social events. The banquet was sold out, with about 600 members and guests and had an excellent buffet as usual. We did however miss not having a guest speaker. John Meyer presented many awards including the 20 to 35 year membership pins and several combat awards to members

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Chapter 78 member and Special Operations Association President, John Stryker Meyer at SOAR XXXVII.



Chapter 78 president Lonny Holmes and daughter Kimberly at SOAR in Las Vegas, NV.

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from the Vietnam era who for one reason or another had not previously received them. They were DOD/DOA authorized and general orders and certificates were given to the recipients.

Chapter elections will take place during the meeting on Saturday, November 9, 2013. Election Committee Chair, **Terry Cagno-**

latti, will moderate the election process. Note a selection of candidates was previously posted, although a member in good standing may be nominated or self nominate. The new officers will take the Oath of Office at the Annual Chapter 78 Christmas Dinner in December. ❖

Lonny Holmes
President
SFA C-78

UPCOMING EVENTS

**Special Forces Association
Chapter 78 Christmas Party
Saturday December 21, 2013, 4:00 pm**
Bahia Corinthian Yacht Club,
Newport Beach
\$25.00 per member a per guest.
Final RSVP deadline is December 5.
Send check to our SF address,
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IN MEMORIAM

COMMANDER COLONEL ROBERT RHEAULT
OCTOBER 31, 1925 – OCTOBER 16, 2013



Special Forces 5th Group Commander Colonel Robert Rheault in Vietnam during 1969 dies October 16 2013. Colonel Rheault was wrongly accused by General Abrams in the murder of a double agent and subsequently relieved as commander and was ordered court-martialed. Army Secretary Stanley R. Resor dismissed the case. According to the diaries of H.R. Halderman, President Nixon and Henry Kissinger pressured Resor for the dismissal.

Colonel Rheault, then Captain, joined Special Forces, completing the "Q" course in 1961 and started as a A-Team commander with the 10th Group in Germany. He later commanded 1st Special Forces Group in Okinawa and became 5th Group Commander in early 1969. Just three months into his command the fiasco began that ended his career in October 1969 with his resignation. Thus ended his military career that many expected to see Colonel Rheault rise rapidly to the ranks of General Officer. Importantly he was very well liked and respected by his men. He became an instructor for Outward Bound for 19 years. I had the pleasure of introducing this great military officer at a veterans meeting at Boston, Massachusetts in the late 1980's and I will never forget him and his dedication to Special Forces as a leading Green Beret Officer. ❖

By Lonny Holmes

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GREEN BERET SHOOTERS CUP



Mike Raahauge Shooting Enterprises — Saturday, 12 OCT 2013

2013 Green Beret Shooters Cup Top 10 Teams

PLACE	TEAM	SCORE
1	L.A. Lawmen Blue / LAPD	3357.39
2	San Diego P.D. SWAT #1	3666.87
3	Long Beach P.D.	3682.82
4	San Diego FBI SWAT	3687.34
5	Torrance SWAT	3941.95
6	Joint LEAAP / LAPD	4108.05
7	L.A. Lawmen Black / LAPD	4390.31
8	LADA Bureau of Investigation	4706.80
9	Metro Mix / LAPD	4830.21
10	Joint LEAAP / LAPD / Tustin P.D.	4941.80

2013 Top 10 Individual Shooter Scores

PLACE	SHOOTER NAME/NUMBER AND TEAM	SCORE
1	Greg Duran #11 L.A. Lawmen Blue / LAPD	612.33
2	Chris Yamate #12 L.A. Lawmen Blue / LAPD	624.19
3	Nic Price #14 L.A. Lawmen Blue / LAPD	657.89
4	Jim Shray #15 L.A. Lawmen Blue / LAPD	669.51
5	Graig Evans #34 San Diego P.D. SWAT #1	671.36
6	Alex Chan #13 L.A. Lawmen Blue / LAPD	683.47
7	Wayne Doeden #31 San Diego P.D. SWAT #1	688.92
8	Brady Finta #135 San Diego FBI SWAT	688.97
9	Mark Gasteiger #35 San Diego P.D. SWAT #1	694.29
10	Matt Perkins #132 San Diego FBI SWAT	698.09



Steve Cowan, Ramon Rodriguez, and GBSC winning LAPD Team, LA Lawmen Blue and Terry Cagnolatti team coordinator.



2013 GREEN BERET SHOOTERS CUP GALLERY



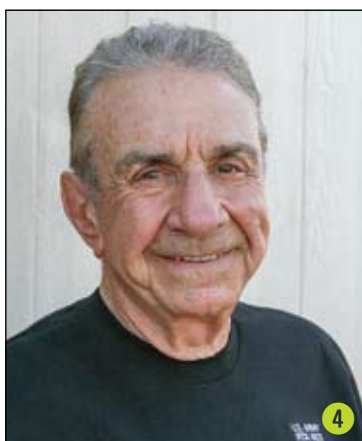
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- 1 "Posting of the Colors" by Sonora High School JROTC Cadets led by SF MSG retired Fritz Saalsman
- 2 Terry Cagnolatti leading competitors in the Green Beret Prayer
- 3 Richard Simonian of VAHP presenting a check to GBSC Director Steve Cowan. Honored Guest Ramon Rodriguez on right
- 4 Richard Simonian of VAHP & CEO of Santiago Communities
- 5 Cora and Jerri working the GBSC Booth
- 6 CHP Team Wolfpack
- 7 Laurel Yoshimoto leading Team LEAAP / LAPD / Tustin P.D. the only female competitor in the GBSC – she finished 68 out of 125 competitors
- 8 Dwayne Haydel & Chris Barlow & Team of LAPD Lawmen Black carrying POW
- 9 U.A.V. that shadowed our event
- 10 KRISS Team with Vector subgun

11 Shooting 35 of 100 steel targets in the POW/HOSTAGE event

12 Greg Duran at 25 yard KD rapid fire target

13 Shotgun destroying I.E.D.

14 Log carry in "Steeple Chase" LAPD Team Blue; Greg Duran, Chris Yamate, Alex Chan, Nic Price & Jim Shray

15 Low crawl in the "Steeple Chase"

16 Matt Garcia of AIM Sports a three year major sponsor of the GBSC

17 Moving hostage by Kriss sponsor tent

18 Number 15, Jim Shray, three GBSC competitions and always with a cigar

19 Team member of LAFO, Federal Air Marshals grabbing KRIS Vector

20 Steve Gabat of Anaheim SWAT Team A breaching door of HOSTAGE/POW scenario

21 Taking a break from competition



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