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**THE AMUA ANNUAL
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USAMU Shooter Wins Gold Medal, Sets New World Record

USAMU PAO

An international rifle shooter with the U.S. Army Marksmanship Unit of Fort Benning, Ga., won a Gold Medal and set two world records at a recent World Cup.

Spc. Jason A. Parker, won the Men's Air Rifle Match at the 1998 Munich World Cup of Shooting May 23, besting a field of 107 of the world's top marksmen. Parker's first-place finish also earned the United States a guaranteed berth at the 2000 Olympics Games in the air rifle event. He also won a Silver Medal at the Milan, Italy, World Cup May 27.

Parker's near perfect qualification match score of 598 points out of a possible 600 broke the world record of 597 set in 1995 by Germany's Tosten Krebs. Parker then added a stellar 102.6 points in his first World Cup final for a total score of 700.6, breaking that world record of 700.2 set in 1997 by Leif Steiner Rolland of Norway.

Only shooting with the Army Marksmanship Unit for a year, the 23-year-old triumphed over world champions, Olympic medalists and world-record holders to win the Gold Medal. Rajmond R. Debevec, a world-record holder and 1996 Olympian, finished 3.3 points behind Parker and took the Silver Medal for Slovenia, and Christian C. Bauer of Germany, who was 4 points behind Parker, got the Bronze.

"I started getting the shakes after my 30th shot," admitted Parker, whose previous personal best score was 594 points fired just two weeks earlier. "I just tried to take some deep breaths and keep up my concentration with my pre-shot routine for the last 30 shots."

"Jason's performance was incredible," said U.S. National Rifle Coach Dan Durben. "And to set the world records on the Munich range in front of a large crowd in the heart of a country that takes such pride in the shooting sports, competing shoulder to shoulder with the best in the world, was really something special." Parker's 102.6 finals score was the highest among the eight finalists.

"It was kind of scary to look at all the talented athletes on the firing line who were capable of shooting good scores," Parker said. "Today it was my turn."

Parker credits his world-record performance to his fellow U.S. Team members and U.S. Army Marksmanship Unit International Rifle Coach Bill Krilling.

"Mr. Krilling has really helped me develop my technique," Parker explained. "And we now have so many strong air rifle shooters on our team pushing the scores higher and higher, that my expectations had to be raised just to keep pace with them."

"He's been close several times to a world-class score and he's steadily improving," Krilling said. "He has a lot of potential so I expect big things from him. He has a good shot to make the Olympics."

AMUA is sad to report the death of the following members:

SGM(R) George Ferguson died in May at the VA hospital in Tuscon, AZ. He was assigned to the unit from 1958 to 1960 with the Shotgun Section. SGM Ferguson assisted with the building of the first international trap bunker in the United States (at the AMU). He was a long time supporter of shooting programs in the Army and was the manager of the German/American Rod and Gun Association.

Mr. Joe Mills died June 25th in Columbus, GA. Remembered as "Mr. Fix It" or "Short Circuit", Joe was always there in his green VW with all his tools to fix anything that was broken. Joe retired from the Army, after 21 years as a Medical Maintenance Technician, in 1964. After retirement he came to the AMU to work in the shop until his civil service retirement in 1984.

SFC(R) Barbara Hile died July 17th at Hospice in Columbus, GA. Renowned for being the first and only woman to win triple distinguished, Barbara will be missed by the AMU and her friends in the AMUA.

COMMANDER's REPORT

COL ARCHIBALD V. ARNOLD, III

We should all be bursting with pride over the truly excellent way in which our shooters have been representing our unit, Army and nation over the past couple months. From the World Championships to interservice competitions and finally the National Matches, we have been holding hard and shooting 'em deep.....very deep! A few highlights:

- Barcelona: AMUers account for 8 medals.....four times more than in '94. And how about SFC Tommy Tamas' world championship in 50M English Match with world record score!

- Munich: SPC Jason Parker smashes both world air rifle records in winning World Cup Gold.

- Camp Robinson: Service Pistol team wins the aggregate Interservice Team Championship for the first time in a decade.

- Quantico: Service Rifle wins the Infantry Trophy Team Match for the third straight year (setting new record!). SPC Praslick is the interservice champion.

- Camp Perry: Service Pistol wins the National Trophy Team Match completing an interservice/nationals sweep unprecedented since 1979! Service Rifle repeats as the National Trophy Team champion.

Bottom line is that both our service teams are truly dominating and our international teams are shooting scores that can win in Sydney in '00. We are on a remarkable roll that didn't happen over night. Rather, we are winning as a natural consequence of momentum building here for several years.

We are becoming a truly GREAT TEAM!.....a team made up of amazingly talented shooters who are also great soldiers (witness SPC Ward of Service Rifle winning Fort Benning's Soldier of the Quarter and the best leader award at PLDC), gunsmiths who give us the technological edge in accuracy and reliability of our guns and ammunition, coaches who are master teachers as well as inspiring leaders, and an unsung staff that will do just about anything (that's legal!) to help the team win.

Back on the home front, we are looking forward to a really big turnout of alumni for the 16-18 October reunion. The Parks Range Grand Opening, Hall of Fame inductions, and a number of other activities should be a lot of fun for all.

Also, we really appreciate the AMUA's great support of our golf tournament on 11 September. This will be an EXTRAVAGANZA! Will be fun for golfers of all skill levels.....so come out and play.

Finally, check out the October issue of SOLDIER'S magazine. We expect to have the front cover and a couple major articles within.....and, for you wire heads, check out our new homepage at www.usamu.org. See in greater detail at what AMU has been up to.

Shooting for Gold!

Executive Board Happenings

AMUA

Your Executive Board has had a busy year thus far, and things are just beginning to heat up. Monthly meetings have not been often enough to get everything done, so we have modified our schedules as necessary. Weekly meetings have been the tune lately.

Back by popular demand is another reunion. You have asked for them more often and we aim to please. Planning began a few months ago and the plan is coming together nicely. Three days of action packed events are scheduled. All activities, including two fabulous meals, cost only \$12 (\$7 for children) - what a deal! Initial response has been a bit slow. Make your plans to attend, and send in those registration forms. This is an event you do not want to miss. The next reunion will probably be 2000 or 2001.

A significant part of the reunion activities is the USAMU Hall of Fame induction ceremony. Your vote is key. If you have not sent in your ballot, please do so today. This is your opportunity to voice who you think is the elite of the elite.

AMUA is sponsoring a golf tournament for USAMU on September 11 at the Follow Me Golf Course. This event enables us to raise money to support Association activities and will provide funds to invest in supporting unit activities. Among our prized commodities are the soldiers and civilians in USAMU. If you can, attend the tournament and show your support of the association and the unit.

The AMUA annual meeting is not too far away. We will be selecting a January 1999 date at a near term monthly meeting. Details will be discussed at the reunion and announced in the AMUA TIMES soon.

As you know, election of officers is a part of that meeting. A committee will be formed to select nominees for all offices. If you would like to serve, if you know someone who would like to serve, or if you want someone in particular to serve, then let us know. The pay is low, but the workload is not overly time consuming. The reward is moving the association forward and achieving our objectives.

These are a few of the more significant things on the Executive Board agenda. If you have thoughts or ideas let us know. Call, write, or come to a meeting - second Tuesday of each month at Sharpe Hall. Start time is 1000.

The AMU Association would like to thank Margaret Murdock for her generous donation to AMUA in memory of Barbara Hile.

Long overdue victory for Army

USAMU Service Pistol Team wins at National Championships

U.S. Army Marksmanship Unit Public Affairs Office

Just a month after dominating the Interservice Pistol Championships at Camp Robinson, Ark., the Service Pistol Team of the U.S. Army Marksmanship Unit of Fort Benning, Ga., won the Service Pistol National Championship — something the Army has not done for a decade.

The Army's pistol shooters went up against more than 700 of the best shooters in the country and walked away with several victories at the National Pistol Matches conducted at Camp Perry, Ohio, July 16 to 20.

The Army Marksmanship Unit Service Pistol Team won the National Trophy Team Match at the National Pistol Matches. The new National Service Pistol Champion Team, coached by Staff Sgt. Kimberly J. Kolb, and comprised of Spc. Thomas A. Rose, Sgt. Aaron P. Schreiber, Spc. Fritz A. Ficke and Staff Sgt. Roger C. Jacobson, proudly accepted the Gold Cup Trophy, presented to them at the July 20 award ceremony at Camp Perry. The U.S. Army Reserve Team took second place and the U.S. Marine Corps Team was third.

"The service pistol shooters are all hard-working individuals who make up a strong team," USAMU Service Pistol Team Coach Ray Arredondo said. "The team works well together always assisting each other in team development. I am very proud of their effort to succeed and am very fortunate to have such motivated and dedicated soldiers who strive to be the best."

According to the shooters, the M-9 pistol, which is built and modified by the USAMU Custom Firearms Shop, is what won the match for the Army team.

"The improvements to the M-9 have helped us to excel," Jacobson said. "It has a totally better feeling trigger that's smoother and crisper; it just feels great."

"The M-9 is definitely getting better all the time," said Schreiber. "The gunsmiths did some trigger work before the match; their good work, speed and proficiency is what made it happen."

"The Service Pistol Team win was fantastic and another confirmation that the M-9 pistol is quickly gaining ground as a competitive pistol," Arredondo said. "The success could not have happened without the help of the gunsmiths who built the guns."

In the NRA National Pistol Championship, the USAMU team took second place overall out of 97 teams; the Army Reserve Team won the National Championship and the Marine Corps Team took third place.

Because of his high score in the .22 Caliber Championship, Jacobson was named to the 1998 U.S. Mayleigh Cup Team that broke the world's record score of 2,688 points by scoring 2,728 points and is reasonably assured of winning this year's Cup. The Mayleigh Cup Team is made up of the 10 best slow-fire shooters in the United States and competes against other teams around the world. Jacobson was also a member of the 1996 U.S. Team that won the Mayleigh Cup

Match. For being the top Army shooter, Rose won the Forces Command Trophy, which was presented to him by USAMU Commander Col. Archibald V. Arnold III in the award ceremony at Camp Perry. Also, Ficke beat 719 competitors and won the .45-Caliber National Match Course Championship.

Sgt. Jason A. Sargent earned his President's Hundred Tab and won the Custer Medal for placing fourth out of 344 in the Nondistinguished Class of the National Trophy Individual Match.

Schreiber came in second in the President's Hundred Match, only 2 points behind the winner; Schreiber, Jacobson, Ficke, Rose and Sargent all made the President's Hundred.

"The National Championships turned out to be an excellent competition," said Sgt. 1st Class Michael A. Lane, noncommissioned officer in charge of the Service Pistol Team. "The best part of this competition was competing against the best teams in the country."

According to Lane, the USAMU Team shot well throughout the championships, and they did it in all types of weather including very windy conditions, heavy rain and high heat and humidity.

When the shooters' pistols malfunctioned, the USAMU gunsmiths — Anthony W. Kidd, Sgt. Charles P. Gartland, Sgt. Simon C. Reynolds and Spc. Paul Kneuper — who traveled with them to Camp Perry, were able to correct the problems. According to William O. Harden, the chief of the USAMU Custom Firearms Shop, the gunsmiths also worked on the guns of the Army Reserve team, fixing trigger problems and other malfunctions, which helped the Reserves win the NRA National Championship.



Congressman visits USAMU

U.S. Rep. Mac Collins visited the United States Army Marksmanship Unit, Fort Benning, Ga. July 10.

Collins was accompanied by the Assistant Commandant, U.S. Infantry School Brig. Gen. Walter Wojdakowski in a brief tour of the state-of-the-art ranges and custom firearms shop within the unit.

Collins was one of the people responsible for the funding of the electronic target systems that the unit is using for competitions.

USAMU dominates Interservice Rifle Championship

U.S. Army Marksmanship Unit Public Affairs Office

The U.S. Army Marksmanship Unit Service Rifle Team dominated the 37th annual Interservice Rifle Championship at Quantico, Va., July 22 to 28. More than 100 shooters from the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines, Coast Guard, Reserves, National Guard and cadets competed in the interservice competition hosted by the Marine Corps Combat Development Command.

Spc. Emil Praslick III won the Interservice Individual Championship, followed by Staff Sgt. Grant L. Singley in second place and Staff Sgt. Kevin B. McMahon in third.

"This is my first year on the team, so it is obviously a big thrill for me," said Praslick. "I think that I just made fewer mistakes than the others. There were so many great shooters here, I feel that it could have been anyone's day."

"It was so close that Staff Sgt. Singley and I were tied going into our last 20 shots," Praslick continued. "He's a great competitor and he and the other shooters on my team helped me along. The shooters, coaches and gunsmiths of the Marksmanship Unit make the best team in the armed forces."

Praslick also won the Interservice Navy Match (200 yards, slow fire, standing), and Singley took second place. McMahon won the Interservice Coast Guard Match (200 yards, rapid fire, sitting or kneeling), in which Master Sgt. John O. Chubb placed third. S g t . Barry L. Coleman won the Interservice Marine Corps Match (300 yards, rapid fire, prone), followed by McMahon in second place and Praslick in third. In the Interservice Air Force Match (600 yards, slow fire, prone), Coleman was second and Sgt. Tobie L. Tomlinson was third. No one from the Army Marksmanship Unit placed in the Interservice Army Match (600 yards, slow fire, prone), in which Army marksman Sgt. Lewis A. Tippie still holds the interservice record.

Coleman won the Interservice 600-Yard Match; Spc. Kyle A. Ward was second and Spc. Erik A. Burge was third. Spc. Troy L. Alexander placed third in the Interservice 1,000-Yard Match Division A (Service Rifle), and in Division B (Match Rifle), Sgt. Norman L. Anderson was the winner, followed by Chubb in second place.

Shooting the modified M-16A2 from the 600- and 1,000-yard lines under very windy conditions, Burge won the Interservice Individual Long-Range Championship in Division A (Service Rifle) and Ward was third; in Division B (Match Rifle), Chubb took the Championship and set a new interservice match record with a 300 Winchester Magnum.

"At first I didn't really realize that I had won, but then I was very proud to bring the award home for the Army Marksmanship Unit," Burge said. "I was just a little part of the victory. Without the right ammunition and weapon, I wouldn't have won it. Our Custom Firearms Shop does a great job."

In the Interservice Excellence in Competition Rifle Match, Alexander won the Second Silver Medal and Burge won the first Bronze Medal.

The USAMU Team, coached by Staff Sgt. Charles E. Coffey, won the Marine Corps Infantry Trophy Team Match and set a new match record. Team members were Sgt. 1st Class Daniel R. Herman, Chubb, McMahon, Tomlinson, Praslick and Ward, and Alexander was team captain.

"We made a goal as a team to win that match and break the

record," McMahon said. "Teamwork is what won it for us; it takes a lot of players doing the right thing to win."

"The day before we shot it, I had a good feeling about the match," Chubb said. "In practice, we were all in sync and we all had good zeroes. And Coffey did a great job in coaching."

The U.S. Marine Corps Team won the Commanding General, MCCDC Team Match, followed by the USAMU Team only 1 point behind in second place. The Marine Corps Team also won the Interservice Rifle Team Championship, with the USAMU Team 3 points behind in second place. However, McMahon won the Lt. Col. C. A. Reynolds Memorial Trophy for being the high competitor in the match.

Shooters of the U.S. Army Marksmanship Unit of Fort Benning, Ga., have scored some major victories in the past few weeks. The following results are just some of their recent accomplishments:

- Area 8 Championships, Erie, Pa., July 11 and 12 — USAMU action shooter Capt. Jay Christy won the Master Division and took sixth place out of 238 competitors. Spc. Julie A. Goloski finished third in the Women's Division.

- Wolf Creek Monthly Training Match, Atlanta, Ga., July 11 and 12 — International pistol shooter Capt. Steven M. King won the Center Fire Match with his personal high score of 586 as well as winning the Standard Pistol Match. Staff Sgt. Eric G. Daniels won the Rapid Fire Match. Pvt. 2 Justin F. Barberi won the Junior Sport and Air Pistol matches. Pfc. Renee D. Cunningham finished second in the Women's Sport and Air Pistol matches.

- North American Championships, Quincy, Ill., June 29 to July 3 — Shooting against more than 300 competitors, Christy won the Action Shooting Limited Shoot Off and was on the winning Gold Standard Team. Goloski finished third in the Women's Division.

- World Shooting Championships, Barcelona, Spain, July 16 to 30 — The U.S. Team of Maj. Stephen C. Goff, Capt. Glenn A. Dubis and Sgt. 1st Class Thomas A. Tamas won the 300-Meter Free Rifle Three-Position Match and Dubis and Goff were on the Gold-Medal winning team in the 300-Meter Standard Rifle Team Match. The U.S. Team of Dubis, Tamas and Staff Sgt. Lance S. Hopper tied for fourth place in the 300-Meter Free Rifle Prone Team Match. Dubis received Bronze Medals in the individual 300-Meter Free Rifle Prone and Three-Position matches. Goff brought home the Bronze Medal in the Standard Rifle 300-Meter Championship with a score of 576 points, just 2 points from winning the Gold Medal. Sgt. 1st Class Daryl L. Szarenski came in fourth in the Free Pistol Championship, only 6/10ths of a point from the Bronze Medal; however, his score won the United States a slot for Free Pistol in the 2000 Olympics.

**DON'T FORGET THE
REUNION
16 - 18 OCTOBER 1998**

USAMU soldiers win at National Championships

USAMU PAO

Shooters of the U.S. Army Marksmanship Unit of Fort Benning, Ga., brought home numerous medals from the USA Shooting National Championships, which were conducted at the Wolf Creek Olympic Shooting Center in Atlanta June 18 to 27.

International pistol shooter Sgt. 1st Class Daryl L. Szarenski won the Gold Medal in the Men's Air Pistol Championship and Spc. Terry S. Bradley received the Silver Medal in the Air Pistol Junior Championship. The Air Pistol Team of Szarenski, Capt. Steven M. King and Spc. Travis A. Jorgenson won the Men's Air Pistol Team Championship. King received the Silver Medal in the Center Fire Championship. Jorgenson also took the Silver Medal in the Junior Sport Pistol Championship and Bradley got the Bronze Medal. In the Standard Pistol Championship, Jorgenson received the Bronze Medal and won the Gold Medal in the Junior Standard Pistol Championships, in which Bradley got the Bronze. The Junior Sport Pistol Team of Jorgenson, Bradley and Pvt. 2 Justin F. Barberi won the Team Championship.

International rifle shooter Capt. Glenn A. Dubis won the Gold Medal in the Free Rifle Three-Position Championship, in which Maj. Stephen C. Goff got the Bronze Medal. Dubis also received the Silver Medal in the Men's Air Rifle Championship, in which Spc. Jason A. Parker took the Bronze Medal. In the Prone Championship, Sgt. Kenneth A. Johnson received the Silver Medal and Dubis got the Bronze Medal.

Shotgun shooter Staff Sgt. Theresa E. DeWitt took the Silver Medal in the Women's Trap Championship, she also received the Bronze Medal in the Women's Double Trap Championship, in which Sgt. Joetta R. Novinski was awarded the Silver Medal. Sgt. David R. Alcoriza won the Silver Medal in the Men's Double Trap Championship, in which Sgt. 1st Class Bret E. Erickson took the Bronze Medal. Staff Sgt. Shawn C. Duloher took the Silver Medal in the Skeet Championship and Sgt. 1st Class Todd Graves got the Bronze Medal in the Men's Trap Championship.

Running target shooter Spc. Armando R. Ayala received Bronze Medals in the 10-Meter 30+30, 10-Meter Mixed and 50-Meter 30+30 Championships. Sgt. 1st Class Lance D. Dement got the Bronze Medal in the 50-Meter Mixed Championship.

MEMBERSHIP: There must be hundreds of old shooters who are not aware of the existence of the AMU Association. We currently have 1026 names on our master file, 369 active members, and 89 deceased. If you know the address of an ex-Army Shooter, please send it in and we'll make them familiar with our association. We'd like to thank Joe Gapol of Tacoma, WA. for locating the following old team-mates: Albert Nainoa of Henderson, NV., Jerry Llanos of Wahiawa, HI., Tony Tolentino of Kent, WA., and Domingo Dominguez of Colorado Springs, CO. Thanks also to Kenner Ravencraft of Honolulu, HI for locating Frank Lum Lung of Waipahu, HI and Edward Villaruel of Kaneohe, HI. A thank you is also due Vernon Read of Antlers, OK for locating Bennie Selby of Tahlequah, OK.

1st Annual AMUA Golf Tournament

Friday September 11th

Follow Me Golf Course, Fort Benning

Registration begins at 10:30

Entry Fee: \$35.00 per person includes: Lunch, cart, green fees, refreshments, special gifts, and a chance at winning some great prizes.

Eligibility: The tournament is open to any players, active duty, retired, or civilian

Format: 18 holes will be played by four person teams. All 18 holes will be played as a best ball format.

Prizes: There will be team prizes for the top 3 teams. As well as individual

prizes for longest putt and closest to hole.

The tournament is open to the first paid 80 players. For more information contact Roscoe Castle or David Webster at 706-545-7174. Come join us for a great day on the links. This is an excellent opportunity for AMU Alumni to meet some of our young, up and coming shooters.

The AMUA collection of American Rifleman was supplemented by local AMUA members. Missing issues were provided by Terry Daugherty, Francis McNerney and James McQuien. Thank you gents. A generous offer of hard to find AR issues was made by Aubrey Smith of Locust Grove, GA. Thank you Aubrey.

A special thank you to COL David J. Willis USMC (Ret), Director of the Civilian Marksmanship Program. COL Willis researched his private files from the years he commanded Weapons Training Battalion, Quantico in order to provide USAMU with missing Interservice High Power Rifle Match Results. His generosity of time and effort has made the USAMU Library more complete.

Shooting photos needed: USAMU has prepared a photo archives. A room across from the library was painted, shelves installed, binders and document protectors procured. A measley few hundred 8" X 10" photos are on hand. Winning team photos or group team photos at the Nationals for the most part. There are thousands of photos that are not on hand. We need your help. Please photo copy some of your Army Shooting photos, identify the events, people, dates and send them here. The photos will be captioned, placed in document protectors and the appropriate binders and stored in the USAMU Photo Archives.

Hear Ye 1957 All Army Rifle Team at Camp Perry: Get out your copy of the 1957 Team Photo and identify any of the following unknown shooters: One soldier front row, third from right end between MSGT McDonald and SP5 Powers? One soldier second row, second from right end between LT Marchioli and SFC Abrain? Two soldiers second row, eighth and ninth from left end between MSGT Svela and SFC Harmon? One soldier fourth row, seventh from left end standing between LT Wentworth and MSGT LaCau?

On Post accommodations may be available during the Reunion, 16-18 October 1998 as follows: Gavin Hall Guest House, \$38.00, Reservations 3 days in advance. Fort Benning Billeting telephone (706) 689-0067, Extension #1142. BOQ/BEQ, \$15.00 single, \$19.00 double. Space Available. Fort Benning Billeting telephone (706) 689-0067, Extension #2501. Uchee Creek Campground, RV full water, sewage, & electric service hookup \$13.00. Reservations for October open on 1 August. Telephone (706) 545-7238.

Keeping in Touch

Mr. Coats Brown retired and living in Columbus. Shot service rifle on the Army Rifle Team 1935-40. Shot and coached SR 1952 and 1956-59, and coached in 1964. Retired from the Army in 1965. Served as a friend and mentor to all while employed as unit illustrator at USAMU 1966-83. Remains active, his hobbies include gardening and calligraphy.

Leslie "Pappy" Drake retired and living in Columbus. Shot and coached service rifle 1957-62. Coached the big teams 1962-70. Retired from the Army in 1970. Hobbies include hunting, fishing, grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Roy Combs retired and living in Cusseta, GA. Coached and shot Europe and 3rd Army 1960-65. Coached USAMU 1966-76 & 78. Retired from Army in 1979. Built a home in Cusseta. Coached Ft Benning Rifle Club at Camp Perry 1980-82, winning the civilian team title in 1982. Worked as Redman assistant Bass Tournament Director 1984-95. Hobbies include hunting and fishing.

Don Dyke retired and living in Columbus. Shot USARPAC 1957. Shot USA Eastern 1960. Coached USAEUR 1963. Coached USARSO 1970. Retired from Army in 1972. Drove for Burnham Van Lines 1973. Worked Oklahoma Dept of Corrections 1974. Worked CB&T 1976-78. Attended Columbus Collegand Troy State U. getting a Criminal Justice BS in 1981. Worked GA State Dept of Corrections 1978 - 1992. Retired in 1992. Hobbies include hunting, fishing and canasta.

Fred Keifer retired and living in Midland, GA. Shot pistol 1949 & 1951-56. Assigned to USAMU 1963-65 as OIC of International Pistol and Chief of Competitions. Was the U.S. Shooting Team Manager for the Pan Am Games and the 1964 Olympics. Retired from the Army in 1965. Served as a volunteer for several international shooting events over the years. Owned a Texas citrus grove in 1966. Employed as International Shooting Coordinator for USAMU 1966-90. Retired in 1990. Travels extensively.

Clyde Malphus retired and living in Columbus. Shot service rifle for 3rd Army 1955-56. Shot and coached USARSO 1958-59. Assigned to

USAMU as gunsmith 1960-66. Coached USARAL 1967-69. Gunsmith for sniper team in 1970. Retired from Army in 1971. Attended Columbus Tech 1971-73. Worked Dolly Madison 1974. Worked Pasco Steel 1975. Worked Kinnetts Dairy 1975-78. Worked Fort Benning weapons pool 1979. Employed as USAMU gunsmith 1979-96. Hobbies include fishing, dove hunting and raising ostriches for breeders.

Arpail "Joe" Gapol retired and living in Tacoma, Washington. Shot service rifle 1959 - 1974 as a summer pickup, except for 3 VN tours, 2 as a sniper/instructor. A great shooter and hall of famer, but never assigned to USAMU. Retired from Army late 1974. Attended Trade School and worked as a carpenter, cabinet maker and concrete finisher in Tacoma until developing health problems. Hobbies include salmon fishing, bowling, golf, body building and visiting Hawaii regularly.

William H. Thornton retired and living in Millington, Tennessee. 28 year veteran was a member of Task Force Smith 1950 Korea. Shot service rifle 1959 - 1975 at Fort Devens, Third Army and Fort Benning. 8th Army Korea, 6th Army Fort Ord, Germany, was an All Army pickup several summers. A distinguished rifleman, member of the presidents hundred and a sniper instructor in Vietnam. Retired from Army in 1975. Worked as a barber, Naval Air Station, Millington, TN for several years.

Emil Heugatter retired and living in Waco, Texas. Shot service pistol and international pistol 1956-1979. Assigned to USAMU four times during career. NCOIC of 25th ID Sniper Team in 1969. Coached the cadets of West Point 1972-76. Retired from Army 1979. Attended community college and Baylor U. a total of 3 years. Worked U.S. Postal Service 1980-96. Has not missed a reunion. Hobbies include cooking and extensive travel by auto, plane and cruise ship.

Bill Brushwood retired and living in Fayetteville, North Carolina. Shot service rifle 1960-66 for Fort Bragg, 3rd Army and All Army. Assigned USAMU 1962-66. Retired as Special Forces SGM with 30 years service in 1981. Attended truck driving school and drove for North American. Attended Technical School 1986-90 earning an Associate degree in Horticulture Business Technology and a diploma in Carpentry and Cabinet Making. Hobbies include motorcycling, sailing, woodworking, shooting, gardening, model railroading and keeping in touch - 11th Abn Assn, SF Assn, AMUA.

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