

# 12<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL HALL OF FAME INDUCTION



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## RUFUS MORRIS JR.

is a lifelong resident of California and lived in Los Angeles throughout his work career. He has competed in track and field since Junior High School.

Rufus has participated in the Games for thirty-four years.

He first participated in the Police Olympics in 1979 in Alameda County. Over the years, Rufus has set many records in the high jump, long jump and the triple jump. He has also set multiple records in every master's age group for the World

Police and Fire Games. Rufus has competed and set records in USATF national meets.

In 1972, Rufus began working for the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation as a Correction Officer. Within one year, he was promoted to Parole Agent 1. Rufus retired in December 2000 following 34 years of State Services and continued to serve as a retired annuitant for another 13 years, fully retiring in 2013.



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## PATTY MONGE

first competed in the Games in 1990 when she entered the cross country race and the 10 K race. Since then, Patty has competed in the Games every year except 2014 when she was unable to get time off from work. Patty has competed in the biathlon, basketball, track, road race, TCA, and the mud run.

Patty has competed in six World Police and Fire Games beginning in 1991 in Memphis Tennessee. In these Games, Patty competed in track and field, cross country, biathlon, stair race, and the road race.

Patty began her career as an Explorer with the Twin Cities Police department when she was 14 until she was 20. In 1986, she was hired by the Twin Cities Police department as a Community Service Officer. She has been an officer since 1989. Patty has received numerous athletic awards over the years and has been a volunteer for the Special Olympics for over 25 years.



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## JOAN VINCENT

has participated in the Games for approximately 14 years. She first competed in 1984 in the triathlon where she placed first in the Open Division. Over this 14 year period, Joan has competed in several sports including the triathlon, road race, open water swim, and the cross country race.

Joan began working for the Los Angeles Sheriff Department in 1982 and retired in 2001. Since retiring, her time is split between the pine trees of Lake Tahoe and the palm trees in Hermosa Beach. Joan continues to be active and bikes, swims, jogs, skate skis, stand up paddles, and cross country skis.



## JOHN P. KEARNS

Chief of Police, Retired Sacramento Police Department

John P. (Jack) Kearns served as Chief of Police of the Sacramento Police Department from 1977 – 1992.

During his tenure as chief, the Sacramento Police Department hosted, co-hosted and supported the California Games an unprecedented four times.

During this time the number of competitors increased from 3,700 to nearly 6,000. Chief Kearns has always been a strong advocate of physical fitness, going back to the days when he boxed while serving in the Marine Corps. He continued his participation in sports playing on the departments softball team, playing racquetball in the Police Olympics, and boxing in fund raising

exhibitions for the Sacramento Police Athletic League.

Chief Kearns shared many personal traits with Duke Nyhus including being a man of the highest integrity, personal commitment, and simply doing what he believes to be the right thing. His extraordinary contribution to public safety athletics and physical fitness is recognized and we thank him.