

One late evening in mid September in 2011, police officer

Charlotte (Holzinger) Gonzalez and

her partner Alejandro Acevedo, members of a 017 District Tactical unit, were responding to "shots fired" on the

northwest side when they pulled over a vehicle matching the description of one just described over the police radio in which one of its occupants had shot a man to death on the street and had fled the scene. Stopping this vehicle in the near vicinity of where the shooting had just occurred, a man jumped out of the passenger side and fired on Charlotte and her

partner—pockmarking their unmarked squad car with several shots. Returning fire, Charlotte and her partner advanced on the shooter's vehicle. When the shooter took off down an alley, her partner gave chase while Charlotte secured the driver of the vehicle. The shooter was finally cornered in a parking lot by Officer Acevedo, up against a high fence he was unable to vault and forced to shoot it out.

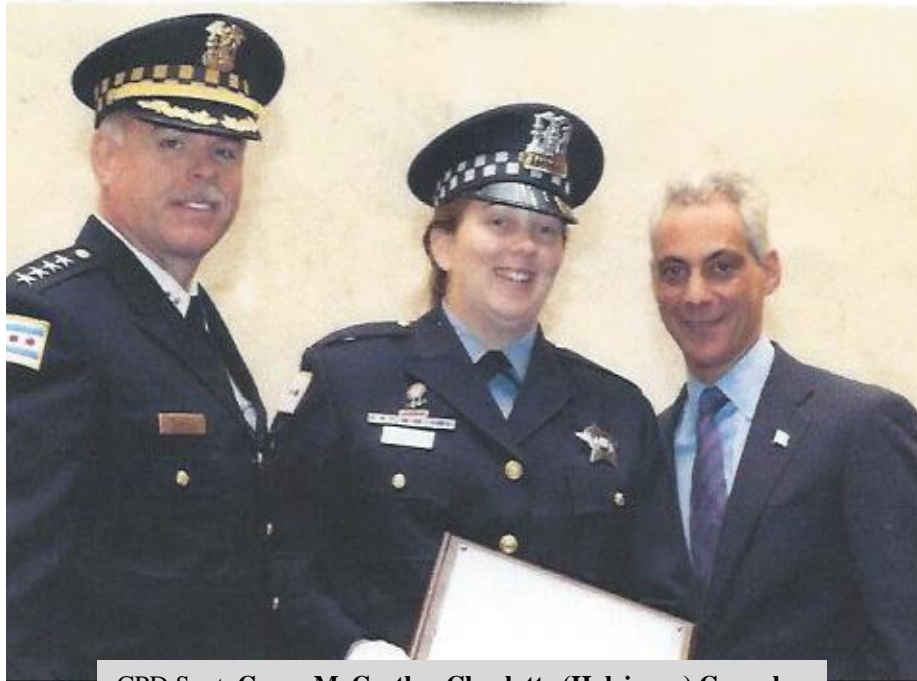
Officer Acevedo, who had to reload twice, struck the shooter several times, fatally wounding him. It was subsequently learned from

witnesses that the shooter had stood over his victim and, at point blank range, poured several rounds into the victim's head.

GAPA Salutes Charlotte (Holzinger) Gonzalez, 2012 CPD Award of Valor recipient!

This is about as hot as police work gets! Great

police work, Officer Acevedo and Charlotte! We thank our dear Lord both of you came out physically unharmed and were able to come home to your families.



CPD Supt. Gerry McCarthy, Charlotte (Holzinger) Gonzalez and Chicago Mayor Rahm Emmanuel

Charlotte, you are a credit to the

Chicago Police Department as well as your father, GAPA's founder, **Norbert Holzinger** (bottom right with Charlotte a Von Steuben Day Parade), a great police officer, tactical officer, detective and patrol sergeant in his own right as well! Who would be prouder than Norbert?

Congratulations from the GAPA!

Mike Haas,
GAPA Editor



