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***** Put aside Saturday, October 18 for another in the excellent series of M.A.T.A.-sponsored tournaments in Sheboygan.**

The A.A.M.A. Fall Classic is to be held in Neenah WI on October 11. This is our tournament!

A testing was held in Huntersville on September 27.

Mr. Paul Metz led a Judge Training Workshop at Mr. Paul DuKatz's Academy of Martial Arts, West Bend, on September 6.

A Scorekeeper/Timekeeper Workshop was taught on September 13 at Metz's Martial Arts Academy in Manitowoc.

First, Second and Third Dan candidates met to work on their basics at Grafton on Sept. 14.

Sworn Aug. 31 were Deacons James Jasen (sponsor J. Pals, Special Needs Academy), Harley Pals (sponsor L. Mattias), Valerie Pals (sponsor E. Graff), and Roc Bauman (sponsor Mitch Pals) (all Grafton Academy).

Upcoming Black Belt classes: **Sunday October 12**, First Dans/Second Dan Candidates 8:00 a.m. to 9:15 a.m., Second Dans/Third Dan Candidates 9:30 a.m. to 10:45 a.m., Third Dans/Fourth Dan Candidates 11:00 to 12:00.

Sunday October 19, First Dans/Second Dan Candidates 8:00 a.m. to 9:15 a.m., Second Dans/Third Dan Candidates 9:30 a.m. to 10:45 a.m., Third Dans/Fourth Dan Candidates 11:00 to 12:00.

Saturday October 25, First Dans/Second Dan Candidates 8:00 a.m. to 9:15 a.m., Second Dans/Third Dan Candidates 9:30 a.m. to 10:45 a.m., Third Dans/Fourth Dan Candidates 11:00 to 12:00.

Saturday November 8, First Dans/Second Dan Candidates 8:00 a.m. to 9:15 a.m., Second Dans/Third Dan Candidates 9:30 a.m. to 10:45 a.m., Third Dans/Fourth Dan Candidates 11:00 to 12:00.

On Sept. 8 at a test in Grafton a total of 29 students tested at a combine Grafton Academy-Special Needs Academy test. Presiding were Mr. Rick Bauman, Mr. Tom Minesal, Mrs. Mary Lubner, Mr. Gregg Thursten, Mr. Peter Spitz, Mr. Luke Mattias and Mr. V.H. At Corner were Mr. Roc Bauman, Mr. Harley Pals, Mr. Drew Dondero, and Mr. Paul Crandall, Jr.

What does a martial arts teacher make? (Freely adapted from a column by Dr. Terence Webster-Doyle, Martial Arts.

Success (Sept. 03). "I make kids work harder than they ever thought they could. I can make them work through hours and hours of intense physical training to learn how to protect themselves from harm. I make them feel safe by learning how to use not only their physical skills to protect themselves, but to also use creative mental skills to prevent conflict from happening in the first place. I can make parents feel secure that their children can cope with bullies without getting hurt. I make kids be courteous. I make them be honest. I make them be responsible for their behavior. I make them have courage and commitment to stand up for what is right. I make them understand that life is precious and not to waste time with thinking about what they can't do, but about what they can do. I make a difference."

Congratulations to Yidan Luke Mattias on his appointment to the Council of the A.A.M.A.

The NC Annual AAMA Tournney was held Sept. 20 in Charlotte. Participants from Wisconsin, West Virginia, and North Carolina competed in patterns, free sparring, and board breaking. Top officials included Mr. Jeremy Kempka, Dr. Tony Henderson, Mrs. Jacqueline Karpinsky, and Mr. Anthony Yodice. Tina Hansen, soon to represent the United States in Australian competition, won Second Dan Patterns and Sparring.

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Sensei Guy Fields' "Belt Tournament" was held in Madison on the 20th of September. Students at the Middleton American Martial Arts Center, including Mssrs. Hoskins, Mbow, Love (a First in Black Belt Division), and Ms. Becky Lamboley (the Dragon took first in both forms and sparring) did a bang up job.

At a testing held at the American Martial Arts Center on Sept. 22, a total of eight students tested, Mr. Kevin McDaniel cornered assisted by Mssrs. Mike Love, Sam Van Hecke, and Aric Broeking and Mr. VH presided.

A test will be held in Monroe on October 13th.

Students from the Academies will be competing in Hartford CT on November 15.

M.A.T.A. sponsored a tournament in Manitowoc. Sept. 26 & 27. Congratulations to host Paul Metz--well done!

When recently in North Carolina to visit our schools there, Mr. VH took a look at a new prospective facility for the UNCC school. The facility reeks of potential and quality. Not only is it larger than the University Area Academy, it would appear to have a number of excellent amenities. But the UNCC club may miss the smell of curry.

On November 1 there will be a test at the Sheboygan Academy of Martial Arts.

On Saturday the 27 Miss Marie Brandt and Mr. Jarvis Klassy were married in Sheboygan. This was an event not unrelated to Mr. Klassy's background in TaeKwon-Do. Chodan Teresa Brandt tells it essentially as follows: that Mr. Klassy asked her if she had any friends she could "set him up" with. It turns out she had this single and quite lovely (what would one expect?) sister.... Our very best wishes to Mr. & Mrs. Klassy and our hopes for a long and happy life together.

On Sunday November 2 there will be a gup level testing held at American Martial Arts Center in Middleton.

Grappling Master, Combat for Street Defense and Competition, by Gene LeBell: A Review

By F.M. Van Hecke

Gene LeBell has been around a long time. The reviewer's first martial art was Judo, and his little Gene LeBell's Handbook of Judo by LeBell and L.C. Coughran (Thos. Nelson & Sons, 1962) earned a permanent place in his library early and has maintained it for over 36 years.

Grappling Master, Combat for Street Defense and Competition, (Pro-Action Publishing, 1992) is another winner.

Outfitted in outrageous tights, old men (anybody over 21

who hoists an occasional beer and shows an appropriate "spread") don't necessarily photograph well, but, in the end, the martial arts is not a beauty contest, and wrestling is a great martial art.

At first, I was not impressed, because the book seemed to be a bit difficult to understand, the photo illustrations notwithstanding. But after re-reading it twice, I realized that the problem was mine, not the author's. It's been too many years since I wrestled to quickly pick up the complexity that good wrestling technique requires.

The book is well organized and proceeds organically. Just like a wrestling match, we begin with finding the tools and the way to make entry, Then we lock, crank, crush, and pin.

LaBelle does not much deal with some of the fundamentals of sport wrestling such as balance and weight distribution, escape and scoring. but, then, the objective is not really to teach sport wrestling as his Judo book teaches sport judo. Rather, it would appear to be more oriented towards the self-defense aspect of grappling. The book can, however, be a good supplement for the sport wrestler once sport wrestling fundamentals are grasped.

Even if you do not grapple in conjunction with your particular mix of martial arts, LeBell has put together a fun read of significant value. Just be sure to read it through at least three times.

Due to space considerations Mr. VH's review of the U.S. Marines Close Quarters Combat Manual is deferred to the next issue.



Mrs. Lily Hunsberger Explains
Her Views on Women's
Liberation to Mr. Mike Love

And then Mr. Love Explains His
Views on Women's
Liberation to Becky
"The Dragon" Lamboleley





Sheboygan Academy



of

Martial Arts

Championship

Saturday, October 18th, 2003

Sheboygan North High School
1042 School Avenue - Sheboygan, WI 53083

Point Rated Divisions

Weapons, Forms, Point Sparring, Self Defense, Special Needs and Black Belt Continuous Sparring Divisions

MATA Website: www.mata-wi.com

Upcoming MATA Events:

- September: Manitowoc
- October: Sheboygan
- November: MATA Championships
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If you have any questions

Contact tournament director: Jacqueline Karpinsky
Sheboygan Academy of Martial Arts
1201 Michigan Street
Sheboygan, WI 53081
(920) 457-9090

Tournament Highlights:

- Over 140 Divisions
- Outstanding Awards 1st thru 3rd
- Traditional & Open Forms Considered
- All Forms Competitors Receive Award
- Sparring Competitors 1st thru 3rd
- Competitor fee: \$35 first event
\$5 each additional event
- * Add'l family members: \$25 & \$5 each.
- Spectator fee: \$6.00 CASH ONLY
Kids 5yrs & under free
- Coach's Bracelet: \$10

- Only schools & competitors with a sportsmanlike attitude need enter.
- Black Belt forms Grand Champion 17 & Under / 18 & Older.
- Tournament starts at 11:00AM Sharp!
- 10:00 AM Competitors' Meeting
- 10:30 AM Black Belt Meeting

Directions:

Coming from Green Bay:

I43 south to
Highway 42 (exit 128) head southeast into town. Turn left onto
North ave. head east to
N. 10th street. Turn left (north) go (1 block) to
School ave, turn left towards the High School

Coming from Milwaukee:

I43 north to
Highway 23 (exit 126) head east into town. Take the very first
exit. This is North Taylor Dr. Turn left (north) onto N. Taylor
Dr.
Take N. Taylor Dr. to North Ave. Turn right (east) onto North
Ave.
Take North Ave. to N. 10th street turn left (north) go (1 block)
to
School ave, turn left towards the High School