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On May 24 there was a testing in Charlotte.

A USTF Referee Course will be held at Sereff TaeKwon-Do in Broomfield CO on August 16. For further info, call Mr. VH. To reserve your space, call 303-466-4963.

On July 12th there will be a Black Belt & Awards Banquet in Charlotte.

Five day summer TaeKwon-Do camp, Boone, NC. July 24-27. Questions? Call Mr. Jeremy Kempka 704-563-6800. July 24-27.

Mr. VH will be conducting a seminar in Walworth on June 28. All are invited. For information, contact Mr. VH at 414-963-8990.

On July 19 there will be a testing in Mooresville.

The NC Annual AAMA Tournament will be Sept. 20.

Miss Tina Hansen and Mr. Scott Reynolds will represent the U.S.T.F. in Australian International Competition this summer.

Another in the excellent series of MATA officials' seminars was led by Mr. Paul Metz at the Academy of Martial Arts, West Bend, on May 3.

On June 21 Master Ben DeLeon, will host another in the excellent series of tournaments sponsored by the Martial Arts Tournament Association. The tournament will be held in Walworth WI at Big Foot High School. See the flyer enclosed. This should be a good one! We support this tournament!

At a testing in West Bend, May 31, Mrs. Jacqueline Karpinsky and Mssrs. Mssrs. Ben DeLeon, Armando Manresa, Dan Schwerin and VH presided. Ten students tested, three to Decided Rank, and Mr. Paul DuKatz cornered.

Dr. John Butitta and Fox Valley TaeKwon-Do will host a traditional ITF-format tournament (continuous free-sparring, team forms, objective form grading bracketed head-to-head) in Neenah WI on October 11. Put the date aside now!

A test was conducted at the new Sheboygan Academy on May 18. Presiding were Mrs. Karpinsky, Mr. Van Pietersom, and Mr. VH. Mr. Mikkelson did his usual admirable job at the Corner for six students.

On June 22 Dr. Rick Bauman, Mr. Gregg Thursten, Mr. Luke Mattias, Mrs. Erin Graff, Mr. Jim Pals, Mr. Mitch Pals and Mr. VH presided over a test in which 32 Grafton students participated. Admirably cornered by Mssrs. Drew Dondero, Brian Nusslock, Harley Pals, Valerie Pals, and Roc Bauman, a total of 8 students were graded Decided. Mr. Brian Nusslock was sworn to Black Belt Candidate, to be sponsored by Mrs. Graff.

On May 3, in Bluefield W.Va., a Tournament was hosted by Mr. Tony Henderson.

At a Black Belt test in Illinois at the School of Classical TaeKwon-Do on May 25 Master Earl Weiss, and Mssrs. Andrews, Van Pietersom and VH presided while students of Mr. Braxton Miller showed us their stuff. Mr. Jeffrey O'Malley, Miss Emily Landwehr, and Mr. John O'Malley successfully and impressively completed their First Dan tests. Mr. Riz Refugio performed admirably in testing for Second Degree Black Belt. These fine candidates are to be congratulated on a job well done.

On Saturday May 10 the Spring Classic M.A.T.A. Tournament was held at Kettle Moraine Lutheran H.S. in Jackson. Nearly ninety martial artists competed in a safe and well-managed environment. Congratulations on a job well done to Mr. Paul DuKatz,

Congratulations and Best Wishes to
Mr. Mike Hunsberger & Ms. Lily
Chang on their marriage May 20!

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Tournament Director, and to
Mr. Paul Metz Chief Referee.

School owners, Headmasters
and Ronin: Mr. VH has issued
a call for those interested in
Black Belt testings to contact
him by June 20. Objective: a
large Black Belt test in
January, 2004 for ranks from
Deacon through Fifth Dan. If
we have people of sufficient
seniority and rank applying to
test we will do our darndest to
get the necessary presiding
officials here to make it
happen! Apply now and we
can help you get ready! Don't
wait for the last minute.

Mr. Mike Van Pietersom, Fourth Dan, will conduct the Deacons' Course for 2003. Anybody from any Association School Gup One or higher (including Black Belts desiring to observe for purposes of review) may be eligible. To participate, you should: a) have the approval of your instructor, and, b) be willing to make the sacrifices necessary to get yourselves ready for the Testing in 2004. Course participation is by invitation only. Instructors, if you have somebody you think will be ready to test for Black Belt in 2004, be it early or late, who you'd like to participate, contact Mr. Van Pietersom at 414-702-2458, or Mr. VH for details.



How can we make the little devils' lives
miserable? Ms. Lily Chang, Mr. Michael Love
and Mr. VH plot before a test



Students at the American Martial Arts Center in
Middleton tested April 13. Pictured here are from left,
first row: Johnson Oimoen, Isiah Reeves, Megan
Schmid, Ben Mulum, Tyler Oimoen. From Left, back row:
Ms. Lily Chang, William Dunn, Vicki Dunn, Paul Meier, Mr. VH,
Patrick Brodie, John Holefelder and Mr. Mike Love.



Southeast Wisconsin Martial Arts Championship



Saturday, June 21st, 2003

Big Foot High School
401 Devils Lane - Walworth, WI 53184

Point Rated Divisions

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

Upcoming MATA Events:

- September: Manitowoc
- October: Seboygan
- November: MATA Championships

Tournament Highlights:

- FIRST PLACE TROPHIES 3 FEET TALL!
- 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



IMPORTANT INFORMATION

DATE:

Saturday, June 21st, 2003

TIME:

11:00 AM Sharp! (10:00 AM Meeting)

LOCATION:

Big Foot High School
401 Devils Lane, Walworth, Wisconsin

RULES:

Tae Kwon Do Point Rules

Required Equipment: Foot, Hand, Head Gear, Groin Protection (male & Female), & Mouth Piece. Toes & fingers must be covered to compete in sparring.

Suggested Equipment: Shin pads, chest protector

NOTE:

No spectators allowed on the floor.

AWARDS:

Outstanding Awards for 1st thru 3rd place (3' 1st place trophies)
Participant Awards for all forms competitors

REGISTRATION FEES:

\$35.00 first event -- \$5.00 each additional event.
Add'l family members = \$25 & \$5 for each event.
Spectator Fee: \$6.00 (Kids 5 & under free)
Coach's Bracelet: \$10.00 (positive coaching only!)
Note: Cash or money order ONLY

PRE-REGISTER:

Send money orders to:
DeLeon Martial Arts Academy
114 Madison Street / PO Box 195
Walworth, WI 53184

* Pre-registrations must be received by June 18, 2003

INFORMATION

Contact tournament director: Ben DeLeon (262) 275-0959