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2018 Kids' Art Contest

The Flash Annual Taekwon-Do Kids' Art Contest for 2018 is on!

In past years we've had great entries from all over the U.S. And we hope for even more in 2018.

Anybody under 14 is eligible. [Older folks may submit and share, but they will only be

winners because they are, in fact, winners (but not in the contest).]

How can YOU enter?

Entries may be scanned and e-mailed as attachments to fmvh1@mac.com. In addition, actual original artwork may be submitted to "Flash Art Contest" at P.O. Box 853, Grafton WI 53024. However, original artwork should be submitted with an understanding it may not be returned (unless a suitable container or envelope for return is included).



On May 23 at the **Academy of Martial Arts--Grafton**, Miss **Valerie Locklair**, Second Dan, Mr. **Shantanu Chaudhuri**, Third Dan, and **F.M. Van Hecke**, Eighth Dan, presided at a gup level test. Capably serving at the Corner were First Gups **Yash Jha** and **Juhi Jha**.

The following tested to the ranks indicated: **Shaunak Chaudhuri**, First Gup, **Noah Friberg**, to Third Gup, **August Schultz** and **Gabe Peters** to Fourth Gup, **Ben Lorenz**, to Fifth Gup, **Matilda Larkin Van Hecke**, to Sixth Gup, **Vyshanth Selvakumar**, to Seventh Gup, **Andy Gieschen**, **Connor Maehl**, **Tyler Hebein**, and **Patrick Kaye** to Eighth Gup, and **Jacob Post**, **Marley Tetley-Wescott**, and **Melody Pals** to Gup Nine.

Left, August Schultz makes his break. Group pic next page.

Group pic from May 23 Grafton testing. Article on the **May 24** testing in the **Around the Country** section.



Along with your entry please submit your name, rank, age, and the name of your school. **All entries must be submitted by August 15.**

Imagine entering and winning an art contest on your martial arts resume'!

Good luck to all competitors.

UPCOMING EVENTS

On June 2, there will be a Black Belt test at **Kirksville Taekwon-Do.**

On June 11 (or thereabouts) at the Pine Grove Athletic Club in **Cadillac**, Michigan, Ms. **Autumn Dutka**, will test for her Second Dan with the **Cadillac Taekwon-Do Club.** Dr. **Steve Osborn** is her proud instructor. YHE presided at her First Dan test and is convinced she's exactly what Taekwon-Do needs.

On June 23 there will be a Black Belt test at National Taekwon-Do in DesPlaines, Illinois. The Promoter is Grand Master **Earl Weiss.** Participants are likely from several Midwest states.

On June 23 **Utah Chang Hun Taekwon-Do Alliance** will hold its 2018 Spring Black Belt Testing at Salt Lake City.

Sereff World Camp 2018 will be held at Snow Mountain Ranch, Granby, Colorado June 24-29 . It will feature World Class Instructors, fun, and the Great Outdoors. Camp T-shirts and Hoodies available. Contact USTF Headquarters, (303) 466-4963 if interested.

On July 14 there will be a USTF Basic Ho Sin Sool course taught by Mr. **Anthony Giese** will be conducted at Harrisburg, Missouri. Contact Sr. Masters **Larry Winn** (573-356-7896) or **Tom Cope** (417-540-9145).

On July 14 there will be a gup level test at Sereff Taekwon-Do.

Sr. Master **Ricky Todd** will conduct a USTF Breaking seminar at **Big Dog Taekwon-Do** in Grand Rapids, Michigan, on August 4.

August 3 through 5, East Canyon State Park, Morgan, Utah, the **2018 UCHTA Summer Weekend TKD Camp** will once again beckon with good times and good company. Come join the fun!

A combined Black Belt and Gup testing will be held at **Axe Taekwon-Do**, Bellevue, Nebraska, on August 16.

On August 25 a Taekwon-Do Tournament will be held at Kirksville, Missouri. Sr. Master **William Stephenson** is the Promotor.

Mountain View Martial Arts will host a USTF Breaking Seminar on August 25.

On Sept. 15, the **19th Annual Wyoming Invitational Tournament** is to be held at Casper, Wyoming. Mr. **Anthony Giese**, Promoter.

Master **David Mason** will host a USTF sanctioned tournament in the appropriately appellated **Battle Ground**, Washington on September 15. Tournament Director Mrs. **Lynette**

Mason, Chief Referee, Master **Brandon Stoppani**.

On October 26 there will be a USTF Ground Combat Course taught at Mountain View Taekwon-Do, Washington State.

On November 3, the **UCHTA Championship Tournament** will be held at Salt Lake City.

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The **Utah Chang Hun Taekwon-Do Alliance** will hold its 2018 Falss Black Belt Test on November 17. Venue to be announced.

AROUND THE COUNTRY

On April 8 there was a USTF Referee Course at **Concord Taekwon-Do** in Massachusetts, taught by Grand Master **Louis**



Backside Challenge to the Splits Club: O.K., O.K., can you put the soles of your feet flat on top of your head? **Aniela Van Hecke**, age 10, Blue Belt Gup Four student at the Academy of Martial Arts, Grafton, kicks off the competition. We checked, they're on there flat, it's not a long-red-haired trick.

Reyes. Perhaps some photos and more info in the next issue.

A gup and Dan testing was held April 14 at Kennesaw, Georgia, promoted by **Manera's Taekwon-Do**, promoted by Mr. **Mario Manera**. Perhaps some photos and more info in the next issue.

On April 28 there was a Black and Color Belt Testing at one of USTF's most venerable clubs. Mr. **Chuck Giotto**, U.P. State Director, hosted the test held in Marquette, Michigan, at **Marquette Taekwon-Do**.

On May 20 the **Maestas Taekwon-Do Spring Black Belt Test** was held at Arvada, Colorado. Students were testing for Sixth, Fifth,

and Second Dan. Perhaps some photos and more info in the next issue.

On May 31 Sr. Master **Randy Casco** will presided at a Black Belt Test at Lahaina Civic Center, Hawaii. Perhaps some photos and more info in the next issue. Perhaps some photos and more info in the next issue.

Sr. Master **F.M. Van Hecke**, Master **Rick Bauman**, and Mrs. **Mary Lubner**, VI Dan, presided at a testing held in Grafton, Wisconsin on May 24. **Ivan Huang** and **Jason Huang** tested to Blue Belt Gup 4. **Eric Wall** and **Sophie Wall** successfully tested to Green Belt Gup 6. **Liam Wall** tested to Green Stripe Gup 7. **Ryan Hebein** tested to Yellow Stripe Gup 9.

What do you do when you and your students have booked their flights for a USTF Seminar that was cancelled due to health of the instructor and can't get your money back? You contact Sereff Taekwon Do and they tell you to fly in anyway for Saturday am class with Mr. **Jason Rose** and then a special class taught by Grand Master **Renee' Sereff** and Grand Master **Kirk Steadman!**



Mr. **Jeremy Bennett**,

Mississippi State Director and his students Mr. **Gray Stewart**, **Samuel Holliday**, **Christopher Barlow** and **Jerry Barlow** had a whirlwind weekend in Broomfield, Colorado! Our special class was visited by Sr. Grand Master **Charles Sereff**. Special thank you to Mississippi students and STKD students, Master **Jim Smith**, Mr. **Jason Taylor**, Mr. **Jason Rose** and Ms. **Devin Fitch** for joining our special class with our friends from Mississippi!

Here's a picture of the Mr. Rose's morning class, made better for having all those fine folks from Mississippi here. Next page, photos from the special class later that day.

Grand Master Renee' Sereff, D.T.S.



Some of the participants in the special Mississippi class held at Broomfield, Colorado: From left, very special visitor Senior Grand Master **Charles E. Sereff**, Mr. **Gray Stewart**, Mr. **Sam Holliday**, Grand Master **Kirk Steadman**, Mr. **Jerry Barlow**, Mr. **Jeremy Bennett**, Ms. **Dakota Harris**, Grand Master **Renee' Sereff**, **Christopher Barlow**. Meanwhile, more interested in snacks in the back room than pictures, Ms. **Devin Fitch** and Mr. **Billy Griswold**.



Lining up for the AAMA Spring Classic. See pages 7 & 8.

On Thursday, May 17th, **Axe Taekwon-Do** at Offutt Air Force Base in Bellevue, Nebraska hosted a quarterly promotion testing. Seventeen students tested for various ranks from 9th gup, White Belt Yellow stripe through First Degree Black Belt. The testing board was composed of Sr. Master **Ricky Todd** 8th Dan, USTF Region 2 Director and Master **Kevin Bushor**, 7th Dan, USTF Nebraska State Director. Ms. **Daniel James**, 2nd Dan served as the testing director.



The following students were promoted to the indicated black belt ranks: 1st degree black belt: Mr. **Kevin Fleming**, Ms. **Cassy Kribell** and Mr. **Jack Blasey**.

The following gups were promoted: Red Belt: **Anthony Garber**, **Keenan Matos**, and **Kiel Matos**. Blue Belt Red Stripe: **Alysia Garber**, **Allison Loftus**, **Dameon Garber** and **James Grgas**. Blue Belt: **William Fleming**. Green Belt Blue Stripe: **Andrew Callison**, **Leilani Param**, and **Tyler Jensen**. White Belt Yellow Stripe: **Hudson Baird**, **Olivia Baird** and **Sara Baird**.

The students were tested on all physical and mental aspects of Taekwon-Do in accordance with the USTF testing syllabus. After a great night of testing the students and spectators all enjoyed the traditional Axe Taekwon-Do cake and celebrated the event. Since 1988, Taekwon-Do and the USTF has been taught to both military and non-military students at the Offutt Air Force Base Youth Center. We welcome any USTF member travelling through our area to stop in and train! Please ensure you clear any visit to our school with your instructor. For further information, please visit our website at <http://www.axetkd.com> or facebook at AXE Taekwon-Do. More information on our website.

Photos: the Group, and Ms. Param testing for her Blue Stripe.

Sr. Master Ricky J. Todd, D.F.S.



On May 5, in Grafton, Wisconsin, the **Association of Academies of Martial Arts Spring Classic Tournament** was held. About 100 competitors from three states tried their hands at patterns, team patterns, and free sparring. Results, next page. Tournament Director: **Jim Pals**, Fifth Dan, Ass't. **Chris Langlois**; Chief Referee: Master **Rick Bauman**, Ass't **V. Locklair**. Pics: Top left, **Zach Kelley** gets his foot kissed, top right, **Connor Maehl**, **Patrick Kaye**, **Vish Selvakumar**, **Shaunak Chaudhuri** and **Liam Wall**, lower left, from left, **Valerie Locklair**, **Pat Jankowski**, **Matthew Thur** and **Alyssa Jankowski**, and, right, **Matilda Van Hecke** plants a punch.



2018 AAMA Spring Classic Results

PATTERNSGreen/High Green Belt

First Place: Ben Bolman
 Second Place: Theodor Tabaka
 Third Place: Noah Bauer

Youth Green Belt Intermediate

First Place: Brett Flanagan
 Second Place: Gabriel Peters
 Third Place: Payton Tradewell

Yellow Belt Senior

First Place: Robert Wadhams
 Second Place: Xavier Casas
 Third Place: Alondra Aguilar

Blue/Red Belt Kids

First Place: Shaunak Chaudhuri
 Second Place: Hannah Mustapich
 Third Place: Eli Picbetti

High Red Belt Juniors

First Place: Riley Holbrook
 Second Place: Marcus Agosto
 Third Place: Kazi Wynn-Beavers

High Green Belt Juniors

First Place: Jake Williams
 Second Place: Austin Reenders
 Third Place: Samuel Kuhlow

Red Belt

First Place: Joevan Grospe
 Second Place: Paul Tomczak
 Third Place: Sergio Alroc

High Yellow Belt

First Place: Matilda Van Hecke
 Second Place: Anna Hanson
 Third Place: Luke Hanson

High Red Belt Teen

First Place: Jhalia Evans
 Second Place: Yash Jha
 Third Place: Lwilliam Kolsch

Junior Yellow Belt

First Place: Vyshanth Selvakumar
 Second Place: Esi Korankye
 Third Place: Liam Wall

Blue Belts

First Place: Grace Mueller
 Second Place: Nayeli Nunez
 Third Place: Akili Wynn-Beavers

Gup Nine Boys

First Place: Patrick Kaye
 Second Place: Tyler Hebein
 Third Place: Connor Maehl

Kids' Yellow Belts

First Place: Jenna Reenders

Second Place: Karina Natzke

Third Place: Zach Zimmer

Kids' White/High White Belts

First Place: Isabella Pescador

Second Place: Marley Tetley

Third Place: Melody Pals

First Dan--Division One

First Place: Mason Higgins

Second Place: Ayra Mudessir

Third Place: Lauren Tradewell

First Dan--Division Two

First Place: Shantanu Chaudhuri

Second Place: Yavor Ignatov

Third Place: Alex Ignatov

Second Dan

First Place: Michael Smith

Second Place: Valerie Locklair

Third Place: Alyssa Jankowski

Third Dan

First Place: Dan Kelly

Second Place: Zeki AbuLughod

Third Place: Matthew Thur

Blue Belt Intermediate

First Place: Isabela Fahrenkrug

Second Place: Natalie Johnson

Third Place: Noah Friberg

Advanced Black Belt

First Place: Tony Mattias

Second Place: Jake Weiss

Third Place: Caren Johnson

TEAM PATTERNSColor Belt Division

First Place: Ouva Verde

Second Place: Yellow Sparrow

Third Place: Blue Berries

Mixed Division

First Place: Legacy Eagles

Second Place: Chon Ji Kickers

Third Place: Team Golden

Black Belt Division

First Place: Team Johnson

Second Place: Team Thur

SPARRINGBlack Belt Women's Division

First Place: Lauren Tradewell

Second Place: Alyssa Jankowski

[Note: DQ in Division]

Black Belt Senior Division

First Place: Anthony Mattias

Second Place: Zeki AbuLughod

Third Place: Matthew Thur

Black Belt First Dans

First Place: Joevan Grospe

Second Place: Mason Higgins

Third Place: Urszula Ostraszewska

White/Yellow Belt Junior Boys

First Place: Zach Zimmer

Second Place: Andy Gieschen

Third Place: Tyler Hebein

High White and Yellow Belt Boys

First Place: Vyshanth Selvakumar

Second Place: Patrick Kaye

Third Place: Connor Maehl

Green/Yellow Belt PeeWee Girls

First Place: Anna Hanson

Second Place: Sophie Wall

Third Place: Jenna Reenders

Green/Yellow Belt Junior Girls

First Place: Catherine Galvan

Second Place: Lorraine Galang

Third Place: Alondra Aguilar

Green/Yellow Belt Adults

First Place: Sergio Alvarez

Second Place: Christine Colon

Third Place: Eric Wall

High Green Junior Boys

First Place: Ben Bolman

Second Place: Jake Williams

Third Place: Austin Reenders

Green/Blue Belt Kids

First Place: Natalie Johnson

Second Place: Gabriel Peters

Third Place: Zach Kelley

Green/Blue/Red Belt Intermediate

First Place: Arib Mohammed

Second Place: Shauna Chaudhuri

Third Place: Noah Friberg

Blue/Red Belt Ladies

First Place: Alili Wynn-Beavers

Second Place: Choe Juarez

Third Place: Nayeli Nunez

Blue/Red Belt Men

First Place: Kazi Wynn-Beavers

Second Place: Marcus Aecisto

Third Place: Isaiah Betancourt



Why publish photos of kids breaking just for the heck of it? Why not? Left, **Matilda Van Hecke**, right, **Noah Friberg**.



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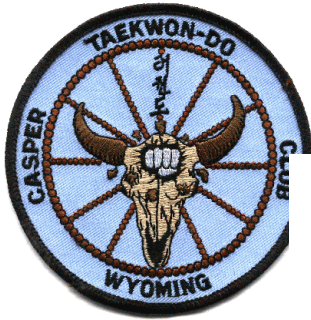
6th Dan Mr Giese

Date - Saturday July 14, 2018
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Seminar location
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\$35.00 retakes

contact information
Sr. Master Larry Winn- 573-356-7896
Sr. Master Tom Cope- 417-540-9145



19th Annual Wyoming Invitational
USTF Tae Kwon-Do Tournament
Hosted by: Casper Rec Center Tae Kwon-Do
September 15, 2018

The competition is sanctioned by the UNITED STATES TAE KWON-DO FEDERATION, INC. and its rules and regulations regarding fighting.

Casper Tae Kwon-Do invites all USTF affiliated schools and their students to compete for top honors in over 50 divisions. This event will include competition in individual sparring and patterns. Divisions will be combined at the discretion of the tournament director, depending on participation, to allow for all participants to compete.

Registration forms can be obtained from all our USTF affiliated schools. The fighting will be LIGHT CONTROLLED CONTACT. Hand pads, foot pads, mouthpiece, and protective cup for male competitors, will be required. **Head gear is mandatory for all sparring competitors – NO EXCEPTIONS.** Chest protectors are optional for adults. No soccer style shin pads will be allowed. All referees and judges must be certified by the USTF.

All referees will need their certification cards and proper dress to be on the competition floor (blue pants, white shirt, blue tie, WHITE tennis shoes). Dress codes will be strictly enforced! Please see your instructor, or contact Master Sisco.

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Saturday	September 15, 2018, Doors Open @ 7:30 AM
Registration	7:30 – 8:30 A.M.
Black Belt Patterns Bracketing	8:30 AM SHARP
Referee Meeting	8:45 AM
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