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IN MEMORY OF GRAND MASTER SHEENA SOUTHERLAND

We are informed of the recent passing of Grand Master Sheena Southerland. By all reports an outstanding teacher, leader, martial artist and human being, she was a true pioneer in Scotland, an ambassador and credit to our Art. She will be sorely missed by them, but will live on in her

students. Grand Master Southerland was a great friend of USTF. She attended World Camp. She had little desire of fanfare or recognition upon her death, but how could we not honor such a quality person, such a friend? A scholarship to Sereff World Camp will be named for her in her honor. Her picture, along with one of her closest sisters in our Art, can be found on the second page of this issue.



An utterly excellent USTF Referee Seminar was taught by Grand Master **Kirk Steadman** on September 21 at the **Academy of Martial Arts, Sheboygan Falls, Wisconsin**. The Promoter was USTF Wisconsin State Director **Jacqueline Karpinsky**. The attendees were 35 total. 15 present A Umpires and 3 present B Umpires attending as Refreshers supported the event. Testing for A Umpire were 3, testing for B Umpire were 4, testing for C Umpire were 10. Schools attending: Wisconsin—Academy of Martial Arts, Grafton, Sheboygan Academy of Martial Arts; Michigan—Big Dog Taekwon-Do, Pine Grove AC Taekwon-Do; U.P.—Marquette Taekwon-Do; Alaska—Fairbanks Taekwon-Do. Attendees listed on page 4. GM Steadman on left, Mrs. Karpinsky, right.

FROM THE EDITOR

2019 KIDS' ART CONTEST

The entries are almost all in! They will be submitted to the Arts & Representations Subcommittee of the Graphics Committee of the News Department for review and consultation with a distinguished panel of experts from throughout the world.

Good luck to all competitors.

It is with great regret that the TKD Flash has lost perhaps one of its very most Distinguished Stringers to retirement, From the very beginnings of our association, Mrs. **Roselyn Romberg** stood out as a great and gentle lady, a thinker, a writer, a humorist of some note, and one helluva reporter. She contributed mightily to the Flash as you saw it every month, perhaps even more mightily to the heart and sentiment of the publication. She is and will always be our staunch and brave friend and our dear correspondent. We wish her well, and only the very best, for that is what she deserves.



Grand Master Sheena Southerland and friend.

ORDER YOURS TODAY!

Adventures with the USTF, Aventures Around the World Cooking for Kicks cookbook has been completed and is available for your orders from Headquarters. Chock full of excellent recipes, enough to fuel your TKD activities for years to come! \$10.00, and a bargain at the price. Proceeds will be used to pay for scholarships for needy and deserving students to Sereff World Camp, 2020. Contact HQ at 303-466-4963 or through the website's bookstore for your copy.

UPCOMING EVENTS

A **USTF Referee Course** will be conducted at **Axe Taekwon-Do** on October 19.

Senatobia Takeown-Do hosts a tournament AND a Black Belt test in Senatobia, Mississippi on November 1.

On November 2 the 2019 **UCHTA State Championship Tournament** will be held at Salt Lake City.

Also on November 2 **Big Dog Taekwon-Do** in Grand Rapids, Michigan, will host a USTF Step Sparring seminar to be taught by Master **Kevin Bushor**. Promoter, Mrs. **Marianne Armstrong**, Region 3 Regional Director.

And in Missouri, **Kirksville Taekwon-Do** will hold a Black Belt test November 2.

A Junior Ho Sin Sool Course will be at **Sereff Taekwon-Do** on November 9.

The **Utah Chang Hun Taekwon-Do Alliance Fall Black Belt Testing** will be held on November 23.

The **Battle of the Belts** tournament, Promoter Mr. **Kenny Fairchild**, Tournament Director Mr. **Robert Perkins**, Chief Referee Mr. **Billy Colley**, will be held on November 23.

On December 7 **Sereff Taekwon-Do** will conduct a color belt and Christmas Cheer event..

Mexico TKD, Columbia TKD, and Harrisburg TKD, Missouri will join together for a Black Belt test December 11.

On March 28, **National Taekwon-Do** of Skokie, Illinois will hold a Black Belt test.

Sereff World Camp 2020 is scheduled for June 21-26. Something to look forward to, certainly. Everyone YHE knows who has attended has raved about the experience.

AROUND THE COUNTRY

On September 21 GM **Kirk Steadman** instructed a U.S.T.F. Umpire Course at the **Sheboygan Falls Academy of Martial Arts** in Sheboygan Falls, Wisconsin. (See picture page 1) Attendees were, in no particular order:

Mrs. **Marianne Armstrong**, Master **Rick Bauman**, Mr. **Aaron Dull**, Mrs. **Mikayla Dull**, Mr. **Edward Girdaukas**, Mr. **Charles Giotto**, Mr. **David Glendenning**, Mr. **Daniel Kelly**, Mrs. **Caren Johnson**, Mr. **Mark Johnson**, Mrs. **Jacqueline Karpinsky**, Mrs. **Mary Lubner**, Mr. **Marc Mikkelson** Dr. **Steve Osborn**, Mr. **Brian Sowers**, Mr. **Adam Sweemer**, Dr. **Jeffrey Wilt**, Mrs. **Christin Herzfeld**, Miss **Alyssa Jankowski**, Miss **Valerie Locklair**, Mr. **Shantanu Chaudhuri**, **Kevin Rauch**, Mrs. **Arlene Slocum**, Mrs. **Sarah Wisuri**, **Shaunak Chaudhuri**, **Nathanael DeWitt**, Dr. **Larry Diaz**, **Noah Friberg**, **Juhi Jha**, Mr. **Yash Jha**, **Natalie Johnson**, Mr. **Daniel Natale**, **Austin Reenders**, **Kate Wisuri**, and Sr. Master F.M. Van Hecke.



Grant, 2nd Dan served as the testing director.
 The following were promoted to 2nd Degree Black Belt: Mr. **Luke Blasey** and Ms. **Melanie Ostrander**.

The following students were promoted to the following color belt ranks: Red Belt Black Stripe: **Andrew Callison**. Blue Belt: **Hope McDermott**. Green Belt: **Haylie Lewis** and **Jordan Pope**. Yellow Belt Green Stripe: **Kevin Gleason**, **Joseph Gleason**, **Collin May**, and **Marcus May**.

Pictures:
 Mr. Blasey breaks,
 Ms. Ostrander doing Ho Sin Sool, and the group. [Submitted by Distinguished Flash Stringer Sr. Master Ricky Todd]

On Tuesday and Thursday, September 3rd and 5th, 2019, **Axe Taekwon-Do** at Offutt Air Force Base in Bellevue, Nebraska hosted a quarterly promotion testing. Ten students tested for various ranks from 9th gup, White Belt Yellow stripe through 2nd degree black belt. The testing board was composed of Sr. Master **Ricky Todd** 8th Dan, USTF Region 2 Director, Master **Kevin Bushor**, 7th Dan, USTF Nebraska State Director, and Ms. **April Bowling**, 6th Dan. Ms. **Brianna**





On September 5 a gup level test was held at the Academy of Martial Arts, Grafton, Wisconsin. Presiding were Fifth Dans **Mary Lubner** and **James Pals**, Third Dans **Matthew Thur** and **Valerie Locklair**, and F.M. Van Hecke, Eighth Dan. At the Corner were First Dan **Yash Jha** and Gup Ones **Juhi Jha**, **Gabriel Peterson**, and **Noah Friberg**.

The following tested successfully to the ranks indicated: to Gup Two Red Belt, **Zachary Kelley**



and **Sophie Wall**; to Gup Three High Blue Belt, **Eric Wall**; to Gup Four Blue Belt, **Brandon Kelley**, **Connor Maehl**, **Tyler Hebein**, and

Patrick Kaye; to Gup Five Blue Stripe **Ryan Hebein**; to Gup Six Green Belt **Jacob Post**; to Gup Eight Yellow Belt **Cylis Zirtzlaff**, and to Gup Nine Yellow Stripe **Daymien Perkins**. Photos: top, Zach Kelley, airborne; right, Jacob Post, surprising himself; bottom, Sophie Wall surprises nobody. Photos: Kathy Van Hecke





Black Belt testing is always an exciting event. Sr. Grand Master **C.E. Sereff** was our guest this Saturday morning, September 7, with Grand Master **Kirk Steadman** and Grand Master **Renee' Sereff** testing the V Dan and our sixth Dans, **Louise Fox, Gahlen Bell, and Gregory Shain** testing the I and IV Dan candidates. This Black Belt testing was happy and a little sad for us. We are pleased to announce the promotions of Dr. **Shevaun Duiker** to V Dan, **Devin Fitch** to IV Dan and the **Parish** family, **Dennis, Rebekah, Jonathan, Timothy and Benjamin**, to I Dan. Yes, the *family!* The Parishes are relocating to Oklahoma and will join Brian Carberry's class. After a few years it is hard to

say goodbye. We wish them the best and look forward to visiting them in Oklahoma! Above, group photo; left above, best test Mr. Fitch, best Ho Sin Sool Mr. Benjamin Parish with SGM Sereff; right, the Parish family, mom included, and SGM.

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





On September 14, the **20th Annual Wyoming Invitational** was held at Casper, Wyoming. Pictures sometimes are worth more than words, and here are some images provided by Grand Master Renee' Sereff, Distinguished Flash Stringer. We thank her, as should Wyoming.





Almost every photo through the Flash's doors is, upon publication, substantially edited. Why? Because important events are often

recorded without an eye to publication; we are glad to see these photos because with a little re-working they



can tell the powerful story of our Art. However, just as some are great Second

Dans (or earnest and caring parents of Gup Threes), so others are great Masters in the art of photography. We've published the photos of **James and Corinne Sroykum** in the past, unadorned, unenhanced, minimally edited and for their artistic value. We are glad to do so again and are honored by their generous sharing with this publication and with all of us. They are displayed on this and following pages.



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