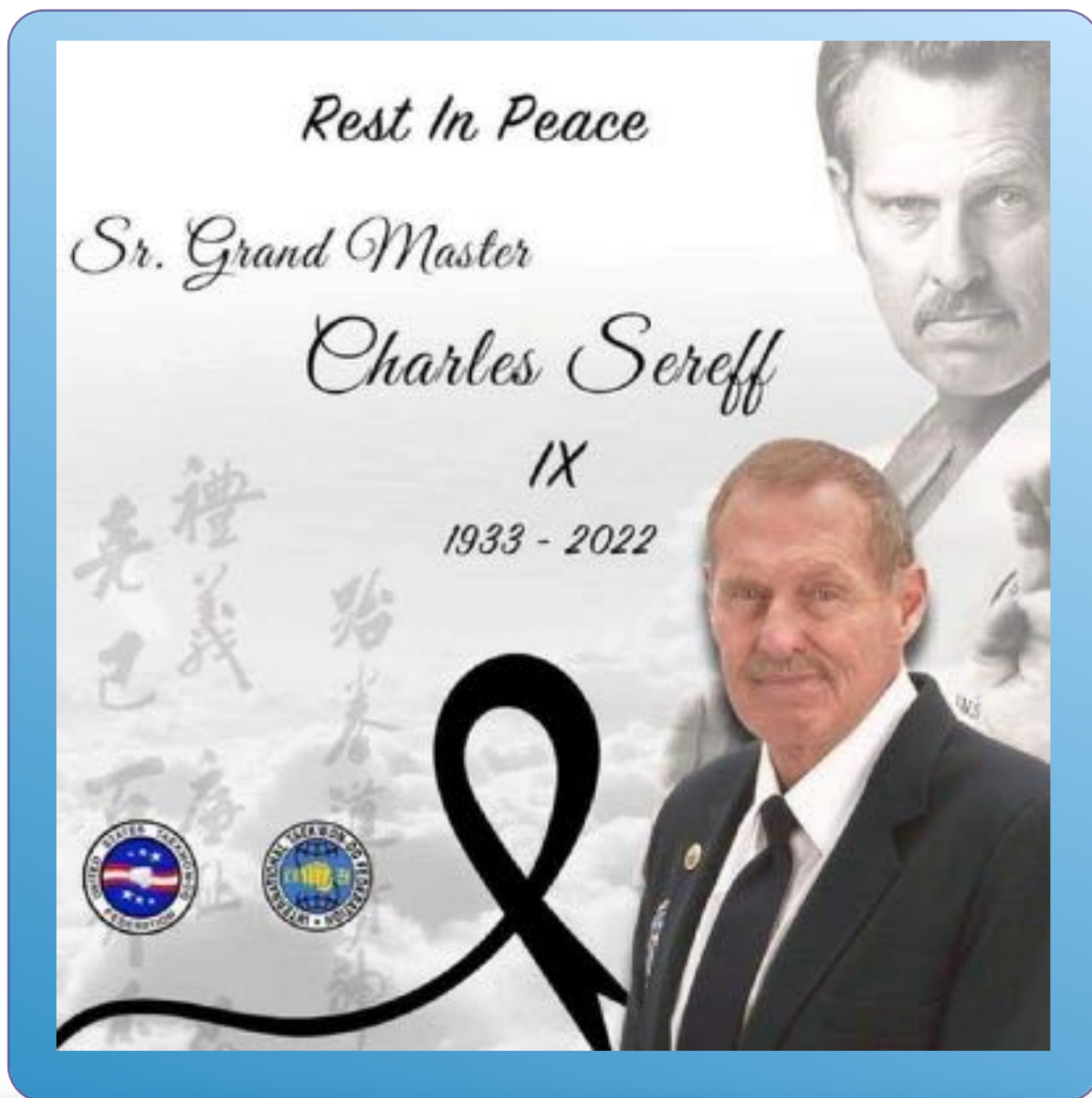


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The **USTF Technical Course** for 2022 was held on April 23. We know Sr. Grand Master Charles Sereff would have approved the decision to have the course in spite of his passing the same week. Instructors and students from 14 states including Washington, Alaska, Colorado, Michigan, Mississippi, Wisconsin, Louisiana, Illinois, Nebraska, Wyoming, Utah, Kansas, Alabama and Iowa all enjoyed gathering together to celebrate Sr. Grand Master Sereff's life but also practice what he taught us, technique! **Scott Sereff, Guy Sereff and Elliott Sereff** joined us to share stories of their father and grandfather. Elliott Sereff, a Pastor, left us with some great perspective and reflection. Thank you to Grand Master **Mike Winegar** for sharing his knowledge with us. This course earned everyone attending the 8 hours of continued education. Photo above: attendees fill the recreation center wall to wall behind GM Winegar; photo below, the Grand Masters and the Sereff family in attendance.

Grand Master Renee Sereff, D.F.S.



COMING EVENTS

There will be a USTF Referee Course conducted at the Grafton Academy of Martial Arts, open to all USTF members, June 25. Instructor: Master **Rick Bauman**.

There will be a USTF Black Belt Test at **Sereff Taekwon-Do** on September 10.

Wyoming Invitational USTF Taekwon-Do Tournament, Promoter Sr. Master **Gerald**

Sisco, will be held on September 17. See ad further in these pages.

The **Utah Chang Hun Taekwon-Do Alliance** will host a Black Belt testing on June 11 at The Adventure Church in Draper.

A USTF Ground Tactics Course will be sponsored by Grand Master **Stan Martin** at Martin's Taekwon-Do, in Casper, Wyoming, on November 5. For more information, 307-234-2016.

On November 17 there will see a combined testing at Bellevue, Nebraska.

AROUND THE COUNTRY

A joint convened Black Belt test was held May 14 for **Harrisburg Taekwon-Do** and **Columbia Academy of Taekwon-Do**. Special

guests and presiding officials included Grand Masters **Larry Winn, Tom Cope, and Ricky Todd**.

On May 14, **Mountain View Martial Arts & Fitness** conducted a Black belt and color belt testing with **Valley View, Bodystrong, and Golden Tiger Taekwon-Do**. Article & pics, next issue.

On May 21 the **UCHTA Annual Utah Cup Invitational Tournament** took place at Salt Lake City.

Axe Taekwon-Do held a combined Gup and Dan testing under the leadership of Grand Master **Ricky Todd** on May 26. Article and pictures, next issue.

Kirksville Taekwon-Do is on schedule for a May 30 Back Belt Test.

On Saturday April 2 we had an all-Wyoming Black Belt class taught by Master Tony Giese—what a great and talented instructor. It was nice to be able to watch and train with my students. I am a lucky man.

—Grand Master Stan Martin



On May 5, before a panel consisting of Sixth Dans **James Pals** and **Mary Lubner**, Fourth Dans **Matthew Thur** and **Valerie Thur**, First Dans **O.J. Locklair** and **Shaunak Chaudhuri**, and



Grand Master F.M. Van Hecke, gup students at the **Academy of Martial Arts** in Grafton, Wisconsin, tested for their next ranks.

Joshua Rupert and his brother **Alexander Rupert** tested to Gup Three while **Melody Pals** and her sister **Marley Tetley-Wescott** tested to Gup Five. **Olivia Handrow** tested to Gup Six. Brothers **Khoi Le**, **Khai Le**, **Vinh Le**, and their dad **Daniel Le** tested to Gup Seven. The following White Belts tested to Gup Nine: **Ipsita Chaudhry** and her sons **Evon Koner** and **Josh Koner**, **Saina Modak** and her sister **Saija Modak**, **Anna Wacker** and her brother **Easton Wacker**, **Pranay Balaji** and his sister **Saina Balaji**, **Trishan Ghosh** and **Sathuick Roshan**. Thanks to First Dan **Patrick Kaye**, Gup One Students **Shambav Ashwinkumar** and **Cylis Zirtzlaff**, who served at Corner, and **Roshan Selvakumar**, Assisting. Above, the group, below right, **Marley Tetley-Wescott** makes her break.



On any one of a spectrum of dates starting May 27, the venerable **Marquette Taekwon-Do**, in the Upper Peninsula of Michigan, will hold or has, as of date of this

publication has held, a mixed gup and Black Belt test under the able leadership of Fifth Dan and U.P. State Director Mr. **Chuck Giotto**.



Good morning Sir,

On April 8th we held a color belt test. These young students are showing promise. In the front line are (from left to right) **Kade Lawrence** 9th gup, **Emrys Sanchez** and next to him **Lola Martin** both 5th gup, then Lola's sister **Mari jo Martin** 7th gup. Back row are **Desmond O'connor** 5th gup, **Julian Browning** 8th gup, then 2nd gup **Trevor Stagdon**, **Kayden Leon** 8th gup, then **Jaxon Browning**, he and I sat on the test board. He is making an excellent Black belt.

Sr. Master Guy Williams, D.F.S.



On October 30 a Black Belt test was conducted at the **Academy of Martial Arts**, Grafton, Wisconsin. Presiding were Master **Rick Bauman**, Sixth Dans Mr. **James Pals** and Mrs. **Mary Lubner**, and F.M. Van Hecke, IX. At the Corner was Fourth Dan Mr. **Matthew Thur**.

Testing successfully for First Dan were Mr. **Vyshanth Selvakumar**, Mr. **Patrick Kaye**, and Mr. **Connor Maehl**. Testing successfully for Fourth Dan was Mrs. **Valerie Thur**.

[Pictured at left, from left, back row, **Shambav Ashwinkumar**, **Cylis**

Zirtzlaff, **Roshan Selvakumar**, and Mr. **Shaunak Chaudhuri**, seated, Mrs. Lubner, Mr. Pals, Grand Master Van Hecke, Master Bauman, and Mr. Thur, kneeling front, Mr. Vyshanth Selvakumar, Mr. Patrick Kaye, Mr. Connor Maehl, and Mrs. Valerie Thur. Pictured at right, below, Mr. Ashwinkumar's twin flying side piercing kick astounds his brother Roshan.





On April 30th Casper Wyoming hosted the quarterly Black Belt test along with several color belt levels.

The Black Belt candidates were Mr. **Rick Spann** 5th Dan, **Benjamin Jacobs** 3rd Dan (High Test score- Ho Sin Sol), **Ron Cummings** 2nd Dan (Best Break), **Maddox Nicol** 2nd Dan (Best Pattern), **Aron Corey** 1st Dan, **Tassie Smith** 1st Dan, and **Jael Johnson** 1st Dan.

Color belt candidates: Best of Test – **Caleb Kindrick**; Best Pattern, **Emma Brummer**- Best Ho Sin Sool; **Kassandra Dutro**- Best Break.

Mr. **Riley Paris** 3rd Dan from Forsyth, MT. called the testing and did a great job.

Master Instructors present were myself, Sr. Master Sisco 8th, Sr. Master Johnson 8th, Master Giese 7th , Master Flynn 7th.

We had a great testing with , great enthusiasm and a splendid day.

—Submitted by Grand Master Stan Martin



The USTF is excited to announce our relationship with MWANZO in honor of Sr. Grand Master Charles Sereff. Many have expressed the desire to donate or help in a cause that would honor his dedication to making the world a more peaceful place! Here is your chance!

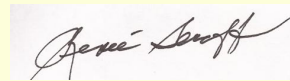
Mr. Clarke Vestal, the last person that Sr. Grand Master Sereff promoted in March of 2022 to V Dan, has committed to help the worldwide “Oasis of Hope” MWANZO, located in Rabuor Village, Kenya, with a \$5000.00 donation, as a tribute to Sr. Grand Master Sereff.

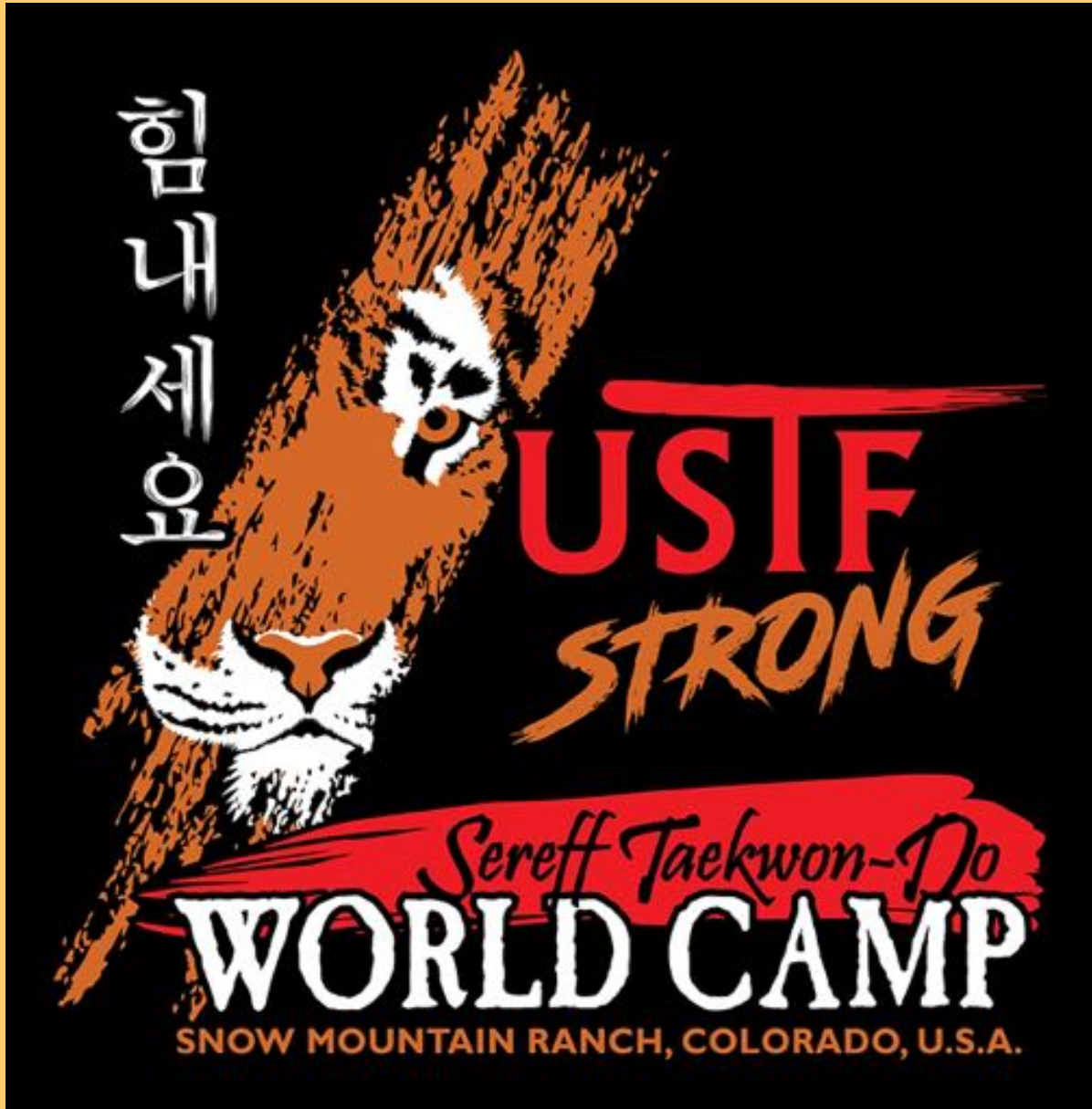
Sr. Grand Master Sereff and Clarke Vestal shared many a cup of coffee and lots of stories. Mr. Vestal described his travels to Africa and how he spent time with children and families in community gatherings in schools, feeding centers, orphanages and health clinics. While there, he witnessed the powerful transformations that happened in the lives of the people because of the generous giving of many who cared deeply about others.

The needs are great and every gift will make a dramatic difference in the lives of so many. Please consider donating to this worthy cause. You may send your donation, made out to MWANZO, to Sereff Taekwon-Do and Mr. Vestal will make sure it goes to the right place. All of your gifts will be put to good use, whether you want to donate toward a Clinic-Health Care room or a small bus to transport children to and from school from the rural countryside or a scholarship for a student to attend high school or feeding the children two meals per day or just a pair of shoes. For more information, please visit the MWANZO.org website.

Senior Grand Master Sereff would be proud of all of you when you help the people of MWANZO in their journeys of perseverance toward HOPE for great lives.

Respectfully,





Sereff Taekwon-Do World Camp will be June 19-24th at Snow Mountain Ranch. Contact rsereff@rmi.net for more information.



22st Annual Wyoming Invitational

USTF Tae Kwon-Do Tournament

Hosted by: Casper Rec Center Tae Kwon-Do

September 17, 2022

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 Sr Master Sisco.

CASPER RECREATION CENTER
1801 EAST 4TH STREET
(CORNER OF 4TH AND LOWELL)
CASPER, WYOMING 82601

Saturday	September 17, 2022, 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
Tournament	9:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M.
Admission	Free to the Public

Sponsored by:
The Casper Recreation Center

Contact: Sr Master Sisco (307) 267-2336
E-Mail: jerrysisco@bresnan.net

USTF Referee Course



October 15, 2022

Time: 9:30 am—4:30 pm

Location: Sereff Taekwon Do
6801 W. 117th Ave.

Broomfield, Colorado

Register: 303-466-4963

Instructor: Grand Master Ricky Todd

Cost: \$75.00 Retake \$50.00

Required Course for all Black Belt Candidates

Limited spots!

WEAR UNIFORM

BRING: Sweat or towel

SPARRING GEAR

CLASS B AND CLASS A NEED

A RESUME OF TOURNAMENT

WORK. PLAN ON WORKING!

Sereff TKD Fall Championship

October 16, 2022

This competition is sanctioned by the USTF and its rules and regulations. Sr. Grand Master Sereff welcomes USTF affiliated schools and their students to compete for top honors in over 45 divisions. The Fall Championship will include Individual Sparring, Pattern plus 5 person Team Breaking Competition. Registration forms may be obtained from all USTF Schools.

The sparring will be light controlled contact with safety pads including head gear for all students. All referees will need their USTF certification cards and proper dress to be on the gym floor. (Blue slacks, white shirt, blue tie, all white tennis shoes.) We will not be using couches at this event.

For more information call Sereff Taekwon Do At 303-466-4963. You can email us at rsereff@rml.net.

Competitors and Referees bring your current 2022 USTF card to gain access to the gym.

NO FOOD OR DRINK ON THE GYM FLOOR EXCEPT WATER, PLEASE!

SEREFF TAEKWON DO
303-466-4963
rsereff@rml.net



Broomfield High School
1000 Daphne (corner of 10th & Main)

Sunday **October 16, 2022**
Time **9:00 am to 4:30 pm**

Registration 8:30 Juniors and Adults

Admission \$5.00 General Admission
Kids under 12 Free

Sparring/Pattern Registration will be available at the door.
Breaking Teams are Pre-Register ONLY by October 1, 2022 no exceptions!

No one will be allowed on the gym floor until 8:15 to allow for set up. We thank you for your Cooperation!