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COMING EVENTS

There will be a USTF Black Belt Test at
The Seventh Annual Kirksville Sereff Taekwon-Do on September 10.
Invitational will be held in Kirksville, Missouri
 on August 27.



On May 14, **Mountain View Martial Arts & Fitness** conducted a Black belt and color belt testing involving three additional schools in our area: **Valley View Taekwon-Do**, **Bodystrong Taekwon-Do**, and **Golden Tiger Taekwon-Do**. The color belts ranged from white belt yellow stripe to red belt black stripe. We had a high-test score for adult as well as child. Those were awarded to: **Athena Larson**/Valley View Taekwondo **Kendrick Thomas**/Mountain View Martial Arts

Mr. **Jon Ragsdale** was promoted to 6th Dan. Mrs. **Jamie Sanders**, Miss **Sadie Robins**, Miss **Cora Johnson**, Miss **Jessica Goldbeck**, and Mr. **Arron Goldbeck** were all promoted to 2nd Dan. Mr. **Evan Nall** and Mr. **Douglas Williams** were Both promoted to 1st Dan. High test scores for the black belts were awarded to Mr. **Jon Ragsdale** and Mr. **Arron Goldbeck**.

Submitted by *Sr. Master David Mason*

Always up for a workout, an eager group from Mountain View, Bodystrong, Valley View and Flying Tiger all assembled for a Ho Sin Sool session with Master Brandon Stoppani after the combined testing on May 14.



Wyoming Invitational USTF Taekwon-Do Tournament, Promoter Sr. Master **Gerald Sisco**, will be held on September 17.

A **USTF Referee Course** is to be conducted October 15 at Broomfield, Colorado.

On October 16 the **Sereff TKD Fall Championships** will be held at Broomfield, Colorado. See ad these pages.

A USTF Ground Tactics Course will be sponsored by Grand Master **Stan Martin** at Martin's Taekwon-Do, in Casper, Wyoming, on November 5. See ad these pages.

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

There will be a Black Belt testing on November 20 at **Maestas Taekwon-Do**, Sr. Master **Robert Pettijohn**, Promoter.

The **Utah Chang Hun Taekwon-Do Alliance** will conduct a Dan testing on December 10 at Sandy, Utah. Schools testing

will be **Dubbeld Taekwon-Do**, **Jeontong Taekwon-Do**, and **Community of Grace Taekwon-Do**. The test applicants are students of Sr. Master **William Dubbeld**, Sr. Master **Robert Riley**, and Mr. **Paul Williams**.

On January 21 next year there will be a Breaking Seminar at **Senatobia Taekwon-Do**, Senatobia, Mississippi.

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

Kirkville Taekwon-Do was on schedule for a May 30 Back Belt Test.

On any one of a spectrum of dates starting May 27, the venerable **Marquette**

Taekwon-Do, in the Upper Peninsula of Michigan, has held a mixed gup and Black Belt test under the able leadership of Fifth Dan and U.P. State Director Mr. **Chuck Giotto**. We'll look forward, perhaps, to pics and a write-up in the next issue.

During World Camp held June 19-24 at Snow Mountain, Colorado, Mr. **Luke Danskins** tested for his Fifth Dan. An awesome picture of his smashing a bunch of concrete bricks can be found at page 10. Congratulations, Mr. Luke Haskins, Fifth Dan!

On July 30 a Black Belt test was held at **Columbia Academy of Taekwon-Do**, Columbia, Missouri. We'll look forward, perhaps, to pics and a write-up in the next issue.



On May 26th, **Axe Taekwon-Do** in Bellevue, Nebraska conducted a color belt promotion testing. A total of 10 students tested for various ranks from white belt yellow stripe through red belt. The testing board was composed of Grand Master **Ricky Todd** 9th Dan, USTF Region 2 Director, Master **Kevin Bushor**, 7th Dan, USTF Nebraska State Director and Ms. **April Bowing**, 6th Dan. Mr. **Sean Toppi**, 5th Dan served as the testing director.

The following color belt students were promoted: Red Belt Black Stripe: **Marsaili Kelly**. Blue Belt: **Willie Johnson** and **Jaxon Johnson**. Green Belt: **Jillian House**, **Keezia Kelly**, and **James House**. Yellow Belt Green Stripe: **Elizabeth House**, **Elijah Fisher**, **Hunter Kosiel** and **Susan House**.

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



Some photos from the May 26 Axe Taekwon-Do test. Mrs. Kezia Kelly testing for green belt Left, top, Kezia Kelly testing for green belt; right, Willie Johnson demonstrating HSS testing for blue belt, and below left, Jaxon Johnson breaking with flying side piercing kick, followed by his shadow.



Two participants square off for a drill in a special sparring class June 18 at the Academy of Martial Arts, Sheboygan Falls, Wisconsin. The instructors were Fifth Dans **Marc Mikkelson**, right, **Caren Johnson**, **Mark Johnson**, Fourth **Dan Kelly**, and Third Dan **Jacob Scholten**.



On 05/14/22 Washington State held its Spring Black Belt Test. Two student siblings from Sequim's **Bodystrong Taekwon-do Academy** had been preparing for a year and a half, and entered the test in hopes of achieving their 2nd degree black belts. **Jessica Golbeck** (18) and **Aron Golbeck** (14) earned their black belt (1st degree) together in October of 2020 and together have been improving technique, learning new patterns and testing their skills at the Academy where both their father, **John Golbeck**, and brother, **Adrian Golbeck** (17), have also earned their 2nd degrees. John Golbeck became a 2nd degree on January 2017 and Adrian in October 2020. Both John and Adrian were constructive in the practice and success of Jessica and Aron, working with them both at home and at the Academy. All four Golbecks have been instrumental in the instruction of other students working their way to black belt. 4th degree black belt and instructor, **Linda Allen**, took Jessica and Aron under her wing spending many Saturday mornings making sure they were above standard and continuing the high standards of this self-defense martial art at Bodystrong Taekwon-Do.

—Submitted by Master Brandon Stoppani

Sereff Taekwon-Do World Camp was held June 19-24th at Snow Mountain Ranch. As always, World Camp is a chance, along with our brother and sisters in Taekwon-Do, to relive experiences, share comradeship, and share the Art to which we are devoted. We gather in groups and classes, indoors and out. We come from many states and foreign countries. (A few, representative, here.) Master James Stroykum's—err—masterful camp photos follow.



We enjoy the great outdoors in the Colorado Mountains.



We have contests
and games.





We can reflect our inner beings through stuffed animals reflecting the underlying ground of our personalities, celebrate through music, and find true love.





Of course, there are the traditional Waterfall Pictures, every year growing in both

SIZE

and



WETNESS



But mostly we do



what we came
to do,

which is



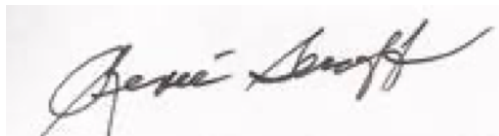


Taekwon-Do

All Grand Masters, Sr. Masters and Masters,

It is with great sadness we announce the passing of Master Ronald Maestas, founder of Maestas Taekwon-Do. He started Maestas Taekwon-Do in 1981 with what was North Jeffco Parks and Recreation District. He also was instrumental in helping put together our first USTF Referee Manual. He was always inspiring his students to be the best they could be regardless of their physical ability. When he retired from the USTF in 2005, he handed the keys to Sr. Master Robert Pettijohn and entrusted him to keep the mission of Maestas Taekwon-Do going into the next generation of students. We know Master Ron Maestas will rest in peace knowing his legacy will continue for years to come. We will pass on the information for services when received.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Ron Maestas", is centered below the text. The signature is written in dark ink on a light-colored background.

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!

USTF Ground Tactics Course

Master Anthony Giese, VII Dan, Instructor

Martin's Casper Taekwon-Do invites you to attend the USTF Ground Tactics Course.

Master Giese has extensive, real world experience from his U.S. Army career, numerous courses and deployments. This course will add to your self-defense skill set.

Please pre-register by emailing GM Stan Martin at jsmartinsr8@gmail.com

You can also call 307-234-2016

*Cost: \$75 Initial Certification
\$50 Refresher Certification*



Saturday Nov 5th, 2022

9:30 AM – 5:30 PM

(Short lunch break)

*Martin's Taekwon-Do
613 W. Yellowstone Hwy
Casper, WY 82601
307-234-2016*

- This course is open to all ranks (Ages 12 or younger can attend with your instructor's permission).

- Black belts, this course provides 8 hours of your Annual Continuing Education.

- Wear your dobok and bring your belt.

- Plan on a short lunch break around noon.

