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## **17<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL WHFSC GATHERING OUR BEST TO DATE !!!**

This was one of our classiest events yet! The venue was reminiscent of a beautiful tropical Island hide-a-way located in Orlando, Florida's famed Universal Studios. The seminars were awesome, the Island buffet fantastic; and the attendees representative of the best of the best from around the world



*Loews Royal Pacific Resort  
Orlando, Florida*



*Soke Sanchez (R) greets guest prior to 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of WHFSC*



*Soke Keido Yamaue (L) of Denmark/  
Japan conducts his seminar on Aiki Jutsu*



*Seminar leaders pose for picture*



*Prof. Jedan Figueroa  
"Father of Jiu-Jitsu in Puerto Rico"  
is introduced during meeting*



*Grandmasters line up to sign on new  
members certificates (L to R) Sokes  
Yamaue, Rolbeck, Balas & Hummerstone  
in foreground*



*GM Sri Dinesh & family from France/ India perform martial dance*



*GM Mark Shuey demonstrates “why” he is called the “Cane Master”*



*GM Jim Arvanitis accepts WHFSC Man of the Year Award*



*GM Ron Van Clief receives Legend GM Ambassador Award*



*Prof. Eugene Humesky accepts Living Legend Award*



*Prof. John Casarez accepts WHFSC’s Warrior Award for overcoming adversity*



*Tables laden w/ Island gourmet food greet attendees*



*A full house of attendees at awards dinner*



*Awardees from all over the world pose for pictures after the event*



*Grandmaster Glenn & Simo Hilda Wilson*

**“Special thanks” to Grandmaster Glenn & Simo Hilda Wilson of Pai Lum Tao for arranging coverage by Inside Kung-Fu Magazine for our function. For those of you who missed this event,**

please mark your calendars for next years' 18<sup>th</sup> Annual event which will by popular demand be held again at Loews Royal Pacific Resort on **May 27<sup>th</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup>, 2011!!!**

In news from around the world, we are proud to announce that Professor Jedan Figueroa from Puerto Rico is being honored by the Puerto Rican government as well as the Puerto Rican martial arts community as the “Father of Jiu-Jitsu in Puerto Rico” with ceremonies to take place September 11<sup>th</sup> in Sunrise, Florida and in San Juan, Puerto Rico on October 10<sup>th</sup>.....CONGRATULATIONS Jedan from all your fellow WHFSC members!



*GM S. Srinivasan from India*



*Dr. Salleh Sabree(L) awards GM Ip Chun Professorship during Int'l Ip Man Festival*



*Dr Salleh Sabree's MGTf/ GTFI Championship Tournament in Malaysia*

From India, Grandmaster S. Srinivasan of Binoryu Karate reports that he was in Zimbabwe, Africa in early April to grade approximately 17 students for Black Belt and to award the title of Shihan to his Chief Instructor there, Jairos Manjoro. Srinivasan will be returning next year to hold the first ever Binoryu Karate tournament in Africa in 2011. For more info you can write to [binoryukarate@yahoo.com](mailto:binoryukarate@yahoo.com) .....Dr. Salleh Sabree reports from Malaysia that he was Chairman of the International Ip Man Festival & World Wing Chun Championships held on May 19<sup>th</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup> there. During this successful event, Dr. Sabree presented Grandmaster IpChun, another member of the WHFSC with his Professorship from the World Academy of Martial Arts Philosophy & Science which he Heads (I also received a Professorship in proxy from Dr. Sabree at this years' WHFSC event with our Communications Manager from Canada, GM Daniel Verkerke making the presentation – “Thank you” GM Sabree), Dr. Sabree also held his Annual MGTf & GTFI Invitational Championships on June 18<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup> in Malaysia with hundreds of participants from the USA, England, Scotland, Mexico, China, Hong Kong, Singapore, India & Pakistan competing. During that event, visiting WHFSC member, Grandmaster Ron Balas was made a Director of Sabree's Global TaeKwonDo Federation. For more information, you can contact Dr. Sabree at [sabree\\_mgtf@yahoo.com](mailto:sabree_mgtf@yahoo.com)



*GM Ron Balas*



*GM Don Warrener*



*the late Dr. Richard Kim*



*Prof. Don Jacob's world tournament*

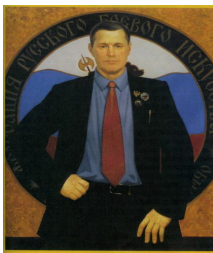
**Grandmaster Don Warrener of California who maintains dual residency in the U.S. & Canada**



wrote to say that he is now the new President of the World Karate Organization (WKO). Don will be holding the 6<sup>th</sup> World Championships for the WKO in Brantford Ontario, Canada on October 14<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> dedicated to his instructor, martial arts icon & WHFSC member, the late Dr. Richard Kim. For more information you can contact Don at [donrw@earthlink.net](mailto:donrw@earthlink.net)

From Trinidad, The “Purple Dragon”, Professor Don Jacob has his world Karate Championships on July 16<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup> there. Sorry I won’t be able to make it up this year Professor, but maybe next!

From Russia.....I received an e-mail transmittal all in Russian (which I couldn’t read nor could I get a translator for) that mentioned the names of our members, General Alexander Retyunskih & Grandmaster German Popov in connection with the Russian Golden Knight Festival that was held there from May 26<sup>th</sup> through June 3<sup>rd</sup> . I never received a follow-up e-mail on the event, but knowing how well the Russians organize things, I am sure that it was a great success! Also, good friend, Grandmaster Gary Wasniewski’s recent Hall of Fame was held June 12<sup>th</sup> in London. From the comments I saw on Face Book, it looks like a good time was had by all that attended.



*General Aexander Retyunskih*



*GM German Popov*



*GM Gary Wasniewski*

In Afghanistan, retired Gunnery Sargeant, Grandmaster Leon Wright received a great write-up in the MEB-Afghanistan/ TF Leatherneck News regarding the Marine Corps Martial Arts Program & also received an award for being a MCMAP Subject Matter Expert from Jan 2010 – April 2010 at Camp Leatherneck where he teaches; & in Germany, Masberg Produktions will be producing a 3 disk set of instructional material on my art of San-Jitsu with yours truly flying up the last part of August to do the taping with my student, Master Chris Marquez, a WHFSC Master Member.



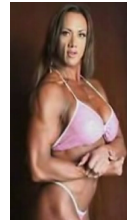
*GM Leon Wright Performs for camera*



*GM Frank E. Sanchez*



*GM Eddie DeLuca*



*Master Amber DeLuca*



*GMs Carl Stone (L) & Richard Hackworth (M)*

And in local U.S.A. news.....Grandmaster Eddie DeLuca reports that he has a new article on sand bag training in the July issue of Gladiator Magazine and is in the credits for King of the Cage Pay-Per-Views and King of the Cage Live on HDN as the “Bodyguard”, “Cage Security” & “Cage Cop”. His Wife, Master Amber DeLuca has also opened up a new Kettle Bell training center in New Mexico. For more information you can write to [delucathfamily@aol.com](mailto:delucathfamily@aol.com) . Lastly, in local news, Grandmaster Richard Hackworth of Florida reports that his new World Martial Arts TV Show with fellow WHFSC Member, Grandmaster Carl Stone launched on July 4<sup>th</sup> and can be seen on Bighthouse Networks in Florida, as well as on-line at [www.worldmartialartsnetwork.ring.com](http://www.worldmartialartsnetwork.ring.com) . For more information you can contact Richard at [martialartsradio@hotmail.com](mailto:martialartsradio@hotmail.com) .



*Hanshi Moti Horenstein*



*Professor James Price*



*Colonel George Bristol (L) receives WHFSC Membership certificate from GM Leon Wright in Afghanistan*

In our new members department, we are proud to announce the following new additions to our membership scrolls.....In our GRANDMASTERS DIVISION, we have Grandmaster Moti Horenstein from Israel/ Florida, Founder of Extreme Hisardut; from Florida, Professor James Price of USA Goju (the official webmaster of the late Maestro Peter Urban’s website); & Colonel George Bristol, Founder of the Marine Corps Martial Arts Program from Virginia. In our Masters Division, we have the following individuals who were brought into our Masters Division by good friend, WHFSC Member, Soke Keido Yamaue from Denmark/ Japan. They are Master Stefan Sambleben, 6<sup>th</sup> dan TaeKwonDo; and Senseis Kim Sinding Hansen, Michael Brandt & Nicalaj Engberg Nilson, all 5<sup>th</sup> dans in TaeKwonDo and all from Denmark.....WELCOME to your new “family” of the world’s martial arts elite!



*World Martial Arts Magazine*



*TaeKwonDo Times Magazine*

BLACK BELT Magazine’s July issue features an article on GRANDMASTER JOHN PELLEGRINI & his art of COMBAT HAPKIDO along with an article on MASTER JACKIE CHAN’s new movie, “THE KARATE KID”.....INSIDE KUNG-FU’s August edition contains mentions of MASTER JACKIE CHAN with GRANDMASTER RORION GRACIE’s column on the GRACIE LEGACY & an article on *Council friend, GRANDMASTER BOB WALL*.....MASTERS Magazine’s Summer 2010 issue contains articles on HAWAIIAN LUA by ALOHE SOLOMON KAIHEWALU & JIU-JITSU TRAINING by MASTER RICKSON GRACIE.....TAEKWONDO TIMES July issue features a cover story on GRANDMASTER RUDY TIMMERMAN’S 60 years of training in the Korean Martial Arts & his upcoming seminar symposium on August 13<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup> in Canada featuring himself, as well as WHFSC members, GRANDMASTER SERGE BAUBIL, MICHAEL DE ALBA & *Council friend, as well as U.S. Representative for our member, SUPREME GRANDMASTER JI HAN JAE, GRANDMASTER KENNETH P. MACKENZIE*....Last but not least, WORLD MARTIAL ARTS MAGAZINE features members, GRANDMASTERS CHAKA ZULU & GARY POINTER on the cover of their Spring 2010 edition.

Well, this concludes our April – June edition of the WHFSC Newsletter.....Remember that *seminars & self-produced videos* are generally not mentioned in our newsletters because we all do them & it would just take up too much space. The only exception to the rule for seminars would be those conducted for police or military; or those mentioned in the magazines. As for books & videos, they must be produced & distributed by a recognized retailer/ wholesaler.....If I missed your new product, let me know & I will get it in the next issue.....until next time, STAY AGGRESSIVE & FAIR IN ALL YOU DO!

Your Brother in the Arts,  
Grandmaster Frank E. Sanchez 10<sup>th</sup> dan  
Founder/ Executive Director International

