

WORLD HEAD OF FAMILY SOKESHIP COUNCIL
22nd Annual Achievements Awards celebrating the 23rd year of
existence for America's first and foremost grandmasters/ masters
organization

Doubletree Hilton Hotel – Omaha Nebraska
September 5, 2015

Introduction of Head Table

Reading of Proclamation

Introduction of Seminar Leaders (giving certificate and award)

Introduction of new Members

AWARDS PRESENTATION

LIVING LEGEND AWARD

Bruce Lee's Jeet Kune Do Living Legend Award goes to one of
Jeet Kune Do's Original "Four Horsemen", a close friend of Bruce
Lee and one of Lee's original students, Great Grandmaster Allen
Joe. Great Grandmaster Allen Joe could not be here tonight
because of health reasons & accepting in his absence is
Grandmaster Brian Kula Fung

HAWAIIAN LEGEND AWARD

Senior Grandmaster Al Dacascos – Wun Hop Kuen Do/
Kajukenbo

PIONEER AWARD

SDS Jeet Kune Do – Professor Gary Dill – Oklahoma

GRANDMASTER'S OUTSTANDING LIFETIME CONTRIBUTION AWARD

Grandmaster Malia Bernal – One of the first women to grace the cover of Black Belt Magazine - in honor of her perpetuating the presence of women warriors in the martial arts – California

WHFSC COUNCIL MAN OF THE YEAR

For his years of selfless loyalty and contribution to this Council. A man who puts honor and integrity first in all he does and the man who put on this amazing event together for us tonight with the help of his amazingly talent students.....Grandmaster John Byrne – 5 Circle System – Nebraska!

INTERNATIONAL FEMALE ACTION STAR ICON AWARD

One of the icons of the movie industry who came here to be honored tonight. If you saw the international hit movies, “Aliens”, “Avatar” & “Ghost Busters” among other great movies she made, you know who I’m talking about ...She is also a martial arts Red Belt under her instructor Grandmaster Brian Kula Fung who is a member of the World Head of Family Sokeship Council....Receiving the “International Female Action Star Icon Award”, along with Honorary Membership in the World Head of Family Sokeship Council is the one and only, Ms. Sigourney Weaver!

2015 DISTINGUISHED GRANDMASTER MEMBER OF THE WHFSC

From Switzerland – “Lightning Fist”, Grandmaster Juerg Ziegler

From Australia – Grandmaster Nick Donato – Kwon Bop Do

Grandmaster Gary Wasniewski – Ty Ga Karate – United Kingdom

Grandmaster J.E. “Kensei” Castro – Okinawan Ken Shorin Ryu
Karate Do - Uruguay

Grandmaster Foster Mac Leod – Kam Lung Kempo – Canada

Grandmaster Robert Hoe – Old Hawaiian Kempo – Maine

Grandmaster Raymond Hermann – U.S.A. Goju – New Jersey

Grandmaster Daniel Verkerke – Seicho Jutsu – Canada

Dr. Ron Tottingham – Jehovah Way Defense Order – South
Dakota

Grandmaster Phil Little - Long – Shimabuku Isshinryu – South
Carolina

From Florida – Grandmaster Bram Frank – CSSD Systems,
Grandmaster Vincent Marchetti – Michi Budo Ryu & Grandmaster
Sergio Barriga – Shim Shin Do

Grandmaster Chris Spruiell – Isshin-JuJitsu – Tennessee.
Accepting for Grandmaster Spruiell who could not be here tonight
is Grandmaster Phil Little

Grandmaster Gary Pointer – U.S. Director Korea Hapkido
Federation – Haemukwan – Florida

Dr. Kent Haralson – Seigi Bushido Ryu - Wisconsin

Grandmaster Ron Balas – Taishindoh – Ohio

INTERNATIONAL GRANDMASTER OF THE YEAR

Grandmaster Dan Frazier – Kajukenbo – Oklahoma

GRANDMASTER INSTRUCTOR OF THE YEAR

Grandmaster Mike Andrus – Pennsylvania

Self Defense Grandmaster Instructor Award – Grandmaster Brian Kula Fung – Hawaiian Heritage Kenpo & Gung Fu – CA.

From the Philippines – Punong Guro Garitony Nicolas – Modern Arnis Mano y Mano. Punong Guro Nicolas could not be here tonight and accepting on his behalf is Grandmaster Bram Frank

Grandmaster of the Year – Shodai George Brock – Aibu Jitsu Ryu

DISTINGUISHED GRANDMASTER – WARRIOR SPIRIT AWARD

Grandmaster Jody Perry – Perry’s Full Circle Iron Wing – CA.

GRANDMASTER – SPIRIT OF BUDO AWARD

Soke James Neiman – Shugyo Combat Aikido – CA.

Grandmaster Michael S. Sandos – KOA/ Kajukenbo/ Wun Hop Kuen Do – CA.

GRANDMASTER – SHOGUN AWARD

Grandmaster/ Dr. Glen Fraticelli – leadership & dissertation on Kajukenbo

2015 SOKE DAI AWARD

Kam Lung Kempo – Soke Dai Patrick Ward – Canada

FOUNDERS AWARD

Grandmaster Recognition Award – Grandmaster Brian Zawilinski
– TAWA (The Art Within Your Art)

Style Recognition Award – Senior Master Harold R. Guerin –
CSSD Seisho No Ryu

DISTINGUISHED MASTER MEMBER OF THE WHFSC

Soke Dai Michael Patrella – Seicho Jutsu – Canada

Shihan Alfredo Torella – Kwon Bop Combat – Michigan

Shihan Chris Marquez & Master Jimmy Rutherford – San-Jitsu –
Florida

Master Linda Reim – Modern Bujutsu – New Jersey

MASTER INSTRUCTOR OF THE YEAR

From Australia – Soke Dai Ell Gatt – Kwon Bop Do

From Canada – Master Jake Westlake – Seicho Jutsu
Master of the Year – Shihan Dana Abbott – Master of the Japanese
sword – California

Master David Rodriguez – Trimm No Shin Karate Do & Kobudo

Master of the Year – Aibu Jitsu Ryu – Soke Dai Michael Grimes

From the Ukraine – Anorri Slozhynoryi – Master Tactical Instructor Award – IBA International Bodyguard Association

Senior Master of Combative Blade/ Bolo & Tactical Knife – CSSD – Germany, Thomas Lehmann. Thomas could not be here tonight & accepting on his behalf is Grandmaster Bram Frank

Master Michael Rowe – Hapkido & military combatives

Master Jay Hocutt, Master Paul Tucker & Master David Crews – Isshin-JuJitsu – Tennessee

Dr. Grant Smith – Master Instructor of the Year – Arizona

Allen Roth – Council’s Master Award – Taishindoh – Ohio

INSTRUCTOR OF THE YEAR AWARD

Monolo Brandi – USIMAA National Instructor of the Year – Italy

Sensei Micah Ault – Male Black Belt Recognition Award – Isshinryu

Sensei Margie Heavlow – Female Black Belt Recognition Award – Isshinryu

Master Adam C. Talkington, LTC U.S. Army – Strategic Instructor of the Year Award

Rafael Alvarez – Tactical & Security Instructor Award

SHIELD OF STRENGTH AWARD
(Public Servant Award)

Lt. Steven Jones – Missouri

Jordan Jacobs – 5 Circle System

PLATINUM LIFE ACHIEVEMENT AWARD
(Over 50 yrs in the martial arts)

Grandmaster Tony Bowles – Koshu Ryu/ Kajukenbo – CA.
Grandmaster Bowles could not be here tonight & accepting for him
is Grandmaster Daniel Frazier

Grandmaster Raymond Hermann – USA Goju – New Jersey

GOLDEN LIFE ACHIEVEMENT AWARD
(Over 40 yrs in the martial arts)

Jody Woodworth – 5 Circle System

Grandmaster Dennis Janes – Kajukenpo

Grandmaster John Spinks – Taishindoh

Sifu David Flugum – Chinese empty hands & long/ short weapons

Dr. Fred Weaver – Wu Shu, Gung Fu & Combat JuJitsu

SILVER LIFE ACHIEVEMENT AWARD
(Over 30 yrs in the martial arts)

Vivian Grantham, Mary K. Joe, Kenneth “Kenny” Greene & John
R. O’Malley – 5 Circle System

John Christopher Gray – Combat JuJitsu

LEADERSHIP AWARD

Grandmaster – Courageous Leadership Award – Grandmaster
Anthony Charles Daniels – Jido Kwan TaeKwonDo – CA.

Outstanding Leadership – Lynn Lofshult – 5 Circle System

JEET KUNE DO SIFU OF THE YEAR AWARD

Master Jill Hernandez – SDS Jeet Kune Do

OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTION TO THE MARTIAL ARTS

Kelly Westfall & Jon P. Maloney – 5 Circle System

Adam Snoza – Outstanding Words & Commitment Award – 5
Circle System

Justin Matthews – Outstanding Contribution – Shim Shin Do

Outstanding Loyalty & Support of the WHFSC – Dr. Phillip
Spears – San-Jitsu – Texas

Dr. Brigit K. Talkington – Excellence in Innovation of Circular
Revision

OUTSTANDING MARTIAL ARTS PROGRAM DIRECTOR

Valerie McGill – 5 Circle System

BEST MUSICAL TRACK FOR A MARTIAL ARTS FILM

5 time Grammy nominee, Queen Ofir of Israel – “The Spirit of Shaolin” directed by Grandmaster Leo Fong and Starring Grandmaster Juerg Ziegler of Switzerland

OUTSTANDING ORGANIZATION OF THE YEAR

The Keiko Fukuda & Shelley Fernandez Judo Foundation – Dr. Shelley Fernandez – CA.

OUTSTANDING WEB MASTER

Kent Smotherman – 5 Circle System

NEWS MEDIA AWARD

Julie A. Ranby – 5 Circle System

HUMANITARIAN AWARD

Timothy Ochs – Taishindoh

Thomas Forman – Executive Cane Defense

JR. BLACK BELT MALE FIGHTER AWARD

Freedom Ernest Atienza – Kwon Bop Combat

JR. BLACK BELT FEMALE FIGHTER AWARD

EL Auria Gertrudes Atienza – Kwon Bop Combat

SHOWMANSHIP AWARD

Bryan Hilson – 5 Circle System

SCHOOL RECOGNITION AWARDS

OUTSTANDING INSTRUCTOR

Kelsey Lofshult & Jack L. Wilburn III – 5 Circle System

Black Belt Student Award – Audrey Ennis – Audrey could not be here tonight and accepting in her absence is her instructor, Dr. Grant Smith

OUTSTANDING ASSISTANT INSTRUCTOR

Sensei Jill Marquez – San-Jitsu – Florida

James Lahowetz, Kaitlyn Rafter, Mark Wilder & Katelyn Forrest – 5 Circle System

Outstanding Associate Instructor – Hawaiian Heritage Kenpo – Gung Fu – Patricia Lynn

OUTSTANDING STUDENT AWARD

Sam Garrett, Calen Bernbeck, Sarah Kraay, Keithen Adams & Paige W. Perry – 5 Circle System

Continued Excellence in the Martial arts – 5 Circle System – Lynn A. Snoza

Outstanding Male Student – Srujan gubbi – Kwon Bop Combat – Michigan

Outstanding Female Student – Jade Christine Lim – Kwon Bop Combat - Michigan

Outstanding Jr. Student – Alexander J. Guido & Christine Lark – Kwon Bop Combat – Michigan

Modern Warrior Award – Jonathon M. Trizila – 5 Circle System

Warrior Spirit Award – Paul T. Gutha, Brent Kraay & Patrick S. Tibbels – 5 Circle System

Warrior Spirit Award – Michael Pinkney – San-Jitsu – Florida

Spirit of Budo Award – Dylan A. Sopher – 5 Circle System

OUTSTANDING LOYALTY

Simo Maria Pualani Fung – Hawaiian Heritage Kenpo & Gung Fu

Sandra Niehaus – Perry’s Full Circle Iron Wing Aikijujitsu – CA.

Edward O’Donnell, Joshua Talmadge, Leo Wright, Troy Hodgen & Regina Petersen – Outstanding Loyalty Award – 5 Circle System

(End of Program)

