

## WORLD GRANDMASTERS COUNCIL

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Mr. & Mrs. Francisco Sanchez (circa 1944)







Prof. Billy Davis Great Grandmaster Tino Tuiolosega Prof. Wally Jay

My apologies for the lateness of our newsletter. The death of my Father on January 18<sup>th</sup> had a devastating affect on my psyche which I have only recently come to terms with. He was not only my Father, but a humble hero who never bragged about himself. He served under Admiral Nimitz in the Pacific Theatre and never talked much about his service during that time, except to relay some funny stories about Admiral Nimitz walking around in his underwear with the rest of the crew on deck or his exploits on Leave. It was through his efforts and other Guamanians who fought during World War II that Guam (my homeland) earned its right to be a U.S. Territory. It was only after his death that I found a marriage photo of my parents taken in 1944 signed by Admiral Nimitz. Re-affirming my admiration for this humble man that I called "Dad".....We also lost some martial arts icons of our Council these last several months in PROFESSOR BILLY DAVIS from New York, Founder of DAVIS JU-JITSU; GREAT GRANDMASTER TINO TUIOLOSEGA of Hawaii who Founded the beautiful but deadly art of LIMALAMA from Samoa (one of the Fathers of martial arts in the Pacific Islands) ; and most recently the wise PROFESSOR WALLY JAY of SMALL CIRCLE JU-JITSU from California who died on May 28<sup>th</sup>, the day of our 19<sup>th</sup> Annual WHFSC awards banquet with DR. RIC BLACK breaking the news to all......These these GREAT MEN will go down in

history for their outstanding contributions to the Arts and we are PROUD to say they were all members of the WORLD HEAD OF FAMILY SOKESHIP COUNCIL.....Rest in peace.

In world news.....









GM Salleh Sabree (center) with GTFI & MGTF Officials

GM Gary Alexander

GM Leon Wright

GM Don Warrener

From Malaysia – GRANDMASTER SALLEH SABREE reports that there was an Executive Board Meeting with both the GTFI and MGTF on January 9<sup>th</sup> ......GRANDMASTER GARY ALEXANDER had his 48<sup>th</sup> Annual IAMA Martial Arts Championships in Piscataway, New Jersey on April 10<sup>th</sup> and despite some issues with the sound system managed to pull off another great event with GRANDMASTER LEON WRIGHT as Special Guest. For more info you can contact GARY at <u>GaryAlex2@Verizon.net</u> ......and from Canada, DON WARRENER had his CANADIAN BLACK BELT HALL OF FAME on May 14<sup>th</sup>. For more info contact DON at <u>DonRW@Earthlink.net</u>



Partial line-up of instructors Prof. Kufferath Symposium



Leslee Kufferath presented with Council award from Soke Sanchez



Soke Sanchez guides seminar participants through drill

LESLEE KUFFERATH'S 100<sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAY MEMORIAL SEMINAR SYMPOSIUM held March 26<sup>th</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup> for her late Father and WHFSC member, PROFESSOR SIG KUFFERATH in Sacramento, California was a resounding success. Council members taking part to honor the late grandmaster included GREAT GRANDMASTER MING LUM, GRANDMASTERS BRUCE JUCHNIC, OLOHE SOLOMON KAHAIWALU, JAMES MATHER, JAMES MURO, RUSS COELHO AND MYSELF.



Prof. Vincent Lyn Master Mark Dacascos GM Vincent Palumbo Master Don "The Dragon" Wilson

**PROFESSOR VINCENT LYN is not only a top martial artist, but a talented musician as well! His new CD entitled HEAVEN BOUND has just been released and is available on Itunes and Amazon. VINCENT is also scheduled to give a debut performance at Carnegie Hall on October 14<sup>th</sup>** 

......MASTER MARK DACASCOS made another appearance on the hit TV show HAWAII-FIVE-0 recently. He has a recurring role as WU FAT, the nemesis of the show's Star, Steve McGarrett......GM VINCENT PALUMBO from Australia is appearing in his 3<sup>rd</sup> major martial arts movie there entitled BIRTH OF A WARRIOR. VINCE plays the villain in the movie.....and per my recent talk with MASTER DON "THE DRAGON" WILSON, he was recently at the Cannes Festival to network with other film personalities there promoting his new line of t-shirts under the TRADITIONZ label. We hope to have more information on cost and availability soon from DON.









GM Ron Van Clief

GM Tayari Casel

GM Vincent Marchetti

GM Bram Frank w/ Master Sonia Waring teach Hialeah Police Department

GRANDMASTER RON VAN CLIEF of the U.S. Virgin Islands reports that filming for the new documentary on Black Heroes in Kung-fu has already begun with GRANDMASTER TAYARI CASEL as one of the featured martial artists......GRANDMASTER VINCENT MARCHETTI of New Jersey continues to receive accolades for his teaching of police and military units. The latest accolade comes in the way of a plaque from the CSX RRT Dinwiddle S.O., Capital Police SWAT and U.S. Marine Corps SRT for his "martial arts training in the fight against terrorism!"....and GRANDMASTER BRAM FRANK reports that the Hialeah Police Department in Florida has now made his knife/ CRMIPT training officially part of their force training continuum.



GM Ron Balas



(L to R) Grandmasters Gary Dill, Frank E. Sanchez and Master Alfredo Torella

GRANDMASTER RON BALAS of Ohio is currently gearing up for tournaments and seminars in South East Asia with our member in Malaysia, DR. SALLEH SABREE......The U.S. ITALIAN MARTIAL ARTS ALLIANCE recently recognized at the World Head of Family Sokeship Council's 19<sup>th</sup> Annual event in Orlando, Florida will be conducting seminars in Italy under the sponsorship of new WHFSC Member, GRANDMASTER ALFREDO BASSANI. The group whose Officers include, MASTER ALFREDO TORELLA as President, PROFESSOR GARY DILL, GRANDMASTER ALFREDO BASSANI and MYSELF as Advisor will be conducting seminars there in December with an International Jeet Kune Do competition and seminar symposium to be scheduled under the direction of PROFESSOR DILL in 2012. For more info on the U.S. ITALIAN MARTIAL ARTS ALLIANCE you can contact ALFREDO at <u>MasterTKD00@yahoo.com</u> 19<sup>th</sup> Annual World Head of Family Sokeship Council event – May 27<sup>th</sup> -28<sup>th</sup> at Loews Royal Pacific Resort – Universal Studios, Orlando, Florida – One of the classiest martial arts events of the year!



And lastly in world news.....Our member, MIYAKO FUJITANI, SENSEI from Japan wrote the following poem in response to the devastating earth quake, tsunami and nuclear plant disaster that devastated Japan recently:

"We do not run away from the home country. Japan causes the miracle of the revival three times. The effort people and the patient people. Two nuclear power plants from war and the United States and past earthquakes. We Japanese revive by three degrees. Please watch the people and Japan in the world. And, please...Japan...Look my eyes of sympathy.

Our prayers are with MIYAKO, SENSEI for Japan's complete recovery. Sanchez, Soke

In our new products department......



Our new gold medallions for Grandmaster members and silver medallions for Master members was a big "hit" at the WHFSC event in May. You can still order yours by writing to our Headquarters address and enclosing \$25.00 for each medallion that you order (includes shipping). Drawing shown is a facsimile of medallion and not a picture of the actual product.



Dr. Ric Black





New book by New Paladin video series by **GM Jim Arvanitis GM Jim Arvanitis** DR. RIC BLACK has a new book out called A CITIZENS GUIDE TO SURVIVING 2012 -COMMON SENSE SURVIVAL TECHNIOUES FOR NATURAL DISASTERS, ECONOMIC COLLAPSE AND MANMADE CATASTROPHES. For more information you can contact RIC at

DaiSokeBlack@aol.com ......GRANDMASTER JIM ARVANITIS, the "Father of Modern Pankration" has a new book and video series out from PALADIN PRESS called BATTLEFIELD PANKRATION. In his new book he again mentions the WORLD HEAD OF FAMILY SOKESHIP COUNCIL" ("thank you" as always my friend for the mention). For more info you can contact JIM at Pankratiast@aol.com

In our new members department, we are proud to welcome to our GRANDMASTERS DIVISION.....









GM Alfredo Bassani

Great Grandmaster GM Rudy Tuiolosega Prof. James Muro Ming Lum

Hanshi James Mather



**GM Clarence Murray** 



GM Dan Medina

GRANDMASTER ALFREDO BASSANI is the top grandmaster in Italy holding the rank of 10<sup>th</sup> dan. He is the Head of several martial arts organizations, including the prestigious WORLD CULTURE ACADEMY SPORTS ASSOCIATION (WASCA) and the MARTIAL ARTS OLIMPIC (MAO). He also holds an Executive Board position with the newly formed U.S. ITALIAN MARTIAL ARTS ALLIANCE.....From California - we have GREAT GRANDMASTER MING LUM, known as "GUNG-FU's GODFATHER". GREAT GRANDMASTER MING is internationally known and respected for his knowledge of the Chinese arts, as well as Danzan Ryu Jiu-Jitsu. He was the first to teach the Chinese arts to non-Chinese in San Francisco and to bring Chinese practitioners to compete in Karate tournaments – from California, we have 3 prestigious new members in GRANDMASTER RUDY TUIOLOSEGA, who is the talented Inheritor and Son of deceased

member, Great Grand Master Tino Tuiolosega. He will fill the giant shoes left behind by his esteemed Father for the Samoan art of LIMALAMA on this Council. Also from California, we have PROFESSOR JAMES MURO who holds a 10<sup>th</sup> dan in HAWAIIAN KENPO - JUJITSU, 9<sup>th</sup> dan in DANZAN RYU and Black Belts in several other arts (presently studying LUA under WHFSC member, Ole Solomon Kahaiwalu).....and last but not least, we have HANSHI JAMES MATHER, Founder of KYOSHIN RYU and one of the premiere Karate people during the 60's in the U.S.A.

During the time of our WHFSC event, we also had 3 individuals TEST for grandmaster membership through our Screening Committee Headed by Professor Gary Dill. The 2 making it through the stringent lineage, oral and physical testing by Professor Dill's 8 panel group were: GRANDMASTER CLARENCE MURRAY, Founder of MURRAY'S OKINAWAN SHORIN RYU from Maryland and GRANDMASTER DAN MEDINA, Founder of MAJAPAI DEROBIO ESCRIMA from Fernandina Beach, Florida.

In our new MASTERS DIVISION, we'd like to WELCOME the following new members.....

From Russia – MASTERS RYBAKOV OLEG, RYBAKOV DARIA, SEMIN EVGENY and KLISHIN ALEXEY of the CRUSHALO martial art system under Grandmaster German Popov.....and under Grandmaster Ric Black's system of BUNBU-ICHI ZENDO KYOKAI from Florida - SOKE DAI ROBERT HEDDEN 8<sup>th</sup> dan, MASTER ROBERT DEMOTT 7<sup>th</sup> dan, THOMAS STANIFER 6<sup>th</sup> dan and MASTER ROBERT ORD 6<sup>th</sup> dan

And lastly, we would like to WELCOME ADELE M. TUIOLOSEGA-RADICHHI as an HONORARY MEMBER of the World Head of Family Sokeship Council. She is the Widow of the late Great Grandmaster Tino Tuiolosega of LIMALAMA and the historian of the system. The "rock" behind the greatness that was Great Grandmaster Tino......



Mrs Adele Tuiolosega-Radichhi with her late husband Great Grandmaster Tino Tuiolosega

In the media this time around......



Sensei Ka'imi Kuoha on cover



GM Frank E. Sanchez and Master Quoc Tran on cover

SENSEI KA'IMI KUOHA, the Heir Apparent of GRANDMASTER SAM KUOHA'S KARA-HO system was featured on the cover of what was INSIDE KUNG-FU's last issue. It's April 2011 edition.....with this great magazine now off the newsstands. We are now left with only a handful of major magazines that cater to the martial arts. Hard to believe that Professional Wrestling magazines now out do our beloved martial arts magazines, BUT it is a sign of the times. We no longer have Chuck Norris or Steven Segal or even Claude Van Damme to bring in the big box office draw. "True", we still have greats like Jackie Chan and Jet li making movies, but they are few and far between. What is needed is a GREAT movie in the genre of "Enter the Dragon" with a Mark Dacascos. a Jeff Speakman or a Don "The Dragon" Wilson taking the lead to bring people "back" to learning the martial arts and reading about them. In the meantime, we hope the martial arts magazines will diversify their coverage, so that they aren't caught over saturating the market with one particular martial art form over another, causing the alienation of its readership. In my humble opinion and in the opinion of many others I've talked to, "diversity" is the key to longevity......Also featured on the cover of the 2<sup>nd</sup> edition of the WORLD MARTIAL ARTS BOOK which came out in January is YOURS TRULY and MASTER QUOC TRAN.

BLACK BELT Magazine's July issue contains a mention of MASTER JACKIE CHAN being the voice for the monkey in the new animated flick, KUNG FU PANDA 2; a critique of HANSHI STEPHEN F. KAUFMAN's interpretative book on MUSASHI'S BOOK OF FIVE RINGS; along with a photo of GRANDMASTER BILL WALLACE on the cover of its April 1975 issue......TAEKWONDO TIMES May 2011 issue features a press release showing GRANDMASTERS JOHN PELLEGRINI and BILL WALLACE promoting Hector M. Jimenez to 8<sup>th</sup> dan, the highest rank ever given to date in GM PELLEGRINI'S INDEPENDENT TAEKWONDO ASSOCIATION....and last but not least, the husband and wife team of GRANDMASTER EDDIE DELUCA and MASTER AMBER DELUCA have had a series of articles in GLADIATOR Magazine. GRANDMASTER DELUCA with articles on his inventive WRIST TRAINING TOOL and innovative TRI-PAUSE TRAINING FOR COMBAT ATHLETES and MASTER AMBER with LIVING A LIFE OF POWER.



Grandmaster Richard and Linda Van Donk with Grandson, Logan Nicholas

Before we close this particular issue, I would like to CONGRATULATE GRANDMASTER RICHARD VAN DONK and his lovely Wife, Linda on their new Grand child, Logan Nicholas who came into the world on January 30<sup>th</sup> at 9:09 am. I am sure that he will have allot of love and protection from his Grandpa. It isn't everyday that a baby is born into a Ninja family!

Well, this concludes this Special Bi-quarterly edition of our newsletter. We will be back to our regular quarterly issues with the next one coming out in September. In the meantime stay "aggressive and fair" in all you do until next time!

Your Brother in the Arts,

Grandmaster Frank E. Sanchez Founder/ Executive Director International

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