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Before we begin this newsletter, we'd like to express our sympathies & best wishes to GM Dan Verkerke of Canada who lost his Brother-in-law on October 6th & whose Mother is recovering from recent blood clot surgery. Also to GM Phil Peplinski, our condolences over the recent loss of your Father. To Dr. Donald Swansey in Texas. We hope that your Wife is well on the road to recovery from her recent back surgery & lastly, to Hanshi Tom Hunnicutt of Arkansas, we wish you a speedy recovery from your recent heart attack. Stay strong, Hanshi!



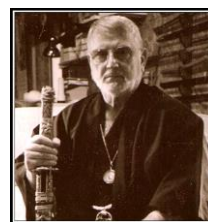
GM Dan Verkerke



GM Phil Peplinski



Dr. Donald Swansey



Hanshi Tom Hunnicutt

In more joyous news.....We'd like to CONGRATULATE GM Dave Shelton from Alabama & Master Wes Craft from Arkansas on their recent marriages & Master Quoc Tran of New Jersey on the birth of his second Son, "Samuel" who was delivered Oct 6th !



GM Dave Shelton



Master Wes Craft



Master Quoc Tran

In international news.....From Ireland, GM Josie Murray of Empty Force JuJitsu reports that he is now a member of Honorary Member, Master Rickson Gracie's new JIU JITSU GLOBAL FEDERATION. According to the information on Master Rickson's



GM Josie Murray & Master Rickson Gracie



GM Leo Fong



GM Frank E. Sanchez & GM Leo Fong



Manny Pacquiao

website, “The Jiu-Jitsu Global Federation was established to help support and bring quality services to individual practitioners, competitors, academy owners, independent promoters and instructors with diverse levels of knowledge and experience in Jiu-Jitsu. By using educational programs, competitive events, the digital online platform and special events, people now are able to connect around the world to preserve the history of Jiu-Jitsu, advancing themselves and the culture”. For more information, visit the JIU-JITSU GLOBAL FEDERATION’S official website at: <https://www.jjgf.com/> .

In related news, our member, martial arts icon and movie director, GM Leo Fong of California reports that he currently has a script in development for a new movie featuring GM Josie Murray called “JOSIE’S PLACE”. He is also presently filming a love story centered around MMA entitled, “CHI FUNG MASTER” starring two young Filipino martial artists, Jeff Jeds & Jules Simon. For his part in martial arts history, the WHFSC Council has also chosen to honor GM Fong with a “Martial Artist of the Decade” Award, as well as boxer, Manny Pacquiao of the Philippines with a “Boxer of the Decade” Award. CONGRATULATIONS to both of you!



GM Bill Gossett



GM Steven Stark



GM Al Dacascos



Prof. George Kirby



GM Michael DePasquale Jr.



GM George Alexander



Master Don Wilson



Master Mark Dacascos

GMs Bill Gossett & Steven Stark of the Ryukyu Coalition in Missouri recently completed their annual TITAN GAMES tournament on August 9th.....GM Al Dacascos reports that KOA (The KAJUKENBO OHANA ASSOCIATION) of Hawaii is having it's big "BACK TO THE ROOTS" EXTRAVAGANZA next year on July 10th, 11th & 12th.....Professor George Kirby had his 11th Annual BUDOSHIN JU-JITSU SUMMER CAMP on August 15th – 17th in Santa Clarita, California.....GM Michael DePasquale Jr. has his TRIBUTE TO THE PIONEERS event (featured on the event poster are photos of our late members, GGM Helio Gracie, GM Frank Ruiz & GM Isaac Henry) on Nov. 14th – 16th in New Jersey.....& GM George Alexander reports that he has moved the headquarters of his ISKK Federation & affiliated entities from New York to Palm Coast, Florida. Lastly, martial arts movie stars, Master Don Wilson & Master Mark Dacascos have projects which have completed recently. Don has a new movie called "White Tiger" coming out in November. Click on <http://youtu.be/hcbeHFnazVk> for the trailer & Mark makes his recurring role appearance as the evil villain, Wo Fat on the 100th episode of the popular TV series, "HAWAII FIVE-0". For a sneak preview click on the link of <https://www.facebook.com/video.php?v=846646195368858>

KUDOS to the following members who had great events recently which I was in attendance of:



GM Sergio Barriga

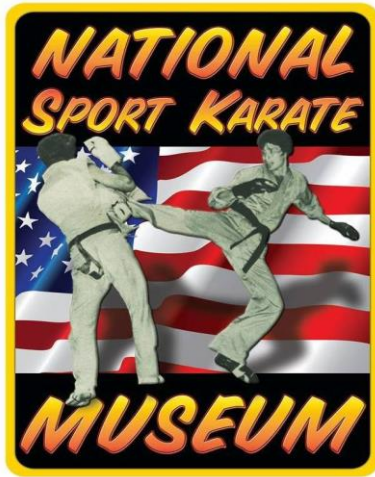


Hanshi Bruce Juchnik

GM Sergio Barriga's SALON DE GALA event held September 6th in St. Petersburg, Florida & Hanshi Bruce Juchnik's COLLECTIVE SOCIETY "THE GATHERING" held September 27th – 28th in Sacramento, California. CONGRATULATIONS gentlemen on these outstanding events. Proud to have been a part of the seminars & festivities!

Lastly, in museum news.....An outstanding time was had at Professor Gary Lee's National Sport Karate "Pink and Black" Celebration on October 3rd – 4th in Houston, Texas. The event honored the great ladies of sport Karate, including our own, Malia Bernal (Dacascos) who highlighted the event. Along with the induction of our late member, Shihan Keiko Fukuda into the museum and the honoring of members, GM Nancy Cerio, Master Jill Hernandez & Dr. Shelley Fernandez for their accomplishments. During the festivities, our late member, Taika Seiyu Oyata was also inducted into the museum through GM Bill Gossett of the Ryukyu Coalition; Master Alfredo Torella was awarded the title of "Shihan"

by Professor Gary Dill of SDS JEET KUNE DO & the WHFSC; and Masters Chris Marquez, Jimmy Rutherford, Senseis Phillip Spears & Vivian Grantham (Senior student of GM John Byrne) received Dragon Image Awards from the museum.



<http://www.gofundme.com/20lm88>

Please support the National Sport Karate Museum by going to the “gofundme” link below & donating. The museum houses items on the WHFSC, America’s FIRST worldwide grandmasters organization. As well as items on some of our prestigious members. Over 25 of it’s History Generals are members of the World Head of Family Sokeship Council!

August 23rd – GM Al Garza was featured at the National Sport Karate Museum

Also featured at the Martial Arts History Museum in Calif.:

Oct 4th – GMs Douglas Wong & Leo Fong were featured in “Bookfest 3” at the museum

Oct 11th – The late GGM Tino Tuiolosega was honored during “GM Tino Day” at the Martial Arts History Museum

In our new members department, we’d like to welcome the following dynamic individuals:

In our Grandmasters Division – From Rhode Island, we have the Wife of deceased Kenpo legend, GM Nick Cerio, GM Nancy Cerio of LeeDokan Kenpo in Rhode Island. Shown here receiving her certificate of membership from myself & Professor Gary Dill during a seminar I did at Professor Gary Lee’s National Sport Karate Museum “Pink and Black” Celebration held October 4th in Houston, Texas. Also, from New Jersey, an original member of the WHFSC whose membership was re-affirmed and backdated to the Council’s original date of conception: 9-5-92, Yoshitsune JuJitsu inheritor & martial arts magazine pioneer, Grandmaster Michael DePasquale Jr. of New Jersey.



(L to R) Prof. Gary Dill, myself & new WHFSC Member, GM Nancy Cerio



GM Michael DePasquale Jr.



(L to R) Myself, Sensei Malia Bernal (Dacascos) & Sifu Al Dacascos

In our Honorary Membership Department we’d like to welcome Sensei Malia Bernal (Dacascos), the first woman competitor to ever grace the cover of Black Belt Magazine! Making the presentation to her during her surprise birthday party at the National Sport Karate Museum’s “Pink and Black” affair on Oct. 3rd was GM Al Dacascos of Hawaii and myself

In our Masters Division, we'd like to welcome the following individuals from CaliforniaCombative knife/ Filipino Martial Arts Master Harry Greene and Danzan Ryu/ Judo Master Denise Gonzales



Master Harry Greene Master Denise Gonzales GM Michael DePasquale Sr. GM Edward Byrne

And lastly, in our posthumous members department, we have JuJitsu pioneer GM Michael DePasquale Sr, founder of Yoshitsune JuJitsu from New Jersey & 10th dan GM Edward Byrne, co-founder of the 5 Circle System from Nebraska. Both original members of the World Head of Family Sokeship Council

In the magazines this time around.....

The August – September issue of BLACK BELT Magazine features GM Gary Alexander and myself in an article by Sensei Floyd Burk entitled “Expiration Date: Never!”, an article by GM John Riddle entitled “Situational Awareness 101”; & mentions of GM Stephen Hayes instruction of To Shin Do on the West Coast and GM Charles Ferraro’s recent promotion by the Tang Soo Do Martial Way Association.....Lastly, FMA INFORMATIVE on-line news has a nice article on Dr. Jerome Barber that you can view at: http://www.fmainformative.info/Newspaper/2014/FMA_Informative_Newspaper-Vol3No11-2014.pdf

Well, this concludes this particular issue of our newsletter. Remember to stay aggressive & fair in all you do & to send in your news for the next issue! Please also mark your calendars for next year’s 23rd Anniversary of the WHFSC to be hosted by GM John Byrne in Omaha, Nebraska. Show your support of America’s first & greatest grandmasters/ masters organization! For more information, e-mail EByrne2@cox.net

Your Brother in the Arts,



GM Frank E. Sanchez
Founder/ Executive
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