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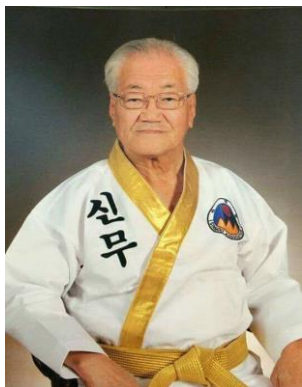
To all our members & friends, Merry Christmas - Happy Holidays!; and may this upcoming New Year be a time of joy and achievement for all of us!!



As always, before we begin with our international news, we would like to acknowledge the personal tribulations & Blessings of our members....

Some good news in the illness department....In November of this year, Supreme Grandmaster Ji Han Jae suffered a Stroke which caused him to be admitted to the hospital while Grandmaster Michael DeAlba's Son, Thomas incurred a similar fate when he was admitted to the hospital for seizures. Both are doing well now with Dojunim Ji Han Jae

resting comfortably & recovering at home in New Jersey....Soon to be moving to Arizona, while Thomas is now in out-patient rehab after brain surgery for a brain tumor in California.....We wish both a very speedy & full recovery.....



Dojunim Ji Han Jae



Thomas DeAlba in hospital with Parents, GM Michael & Mrs. DeAlba

In Anniversary news, CONGRATULATIONS to Grandmaster Phil & Kathy Little on the celebration of their 20th Anniversary on November 22nd in South Carolina.



GM Phil & Kathy Little

In International News.....

Our Master member, Dr. Robert Goldman was featured in a cover story in the November edition of PSYCHOLOGY TODAY Magazine (www.Psychologytoday.com) written by Dr. Neil Farber entitled "THE GRANDMASTER OF SUCCESS". You can click on the link of <https://www.psychologytoday.com/blog/the-blame-game/201711/dr-bob> to view the article



Dr. Robert Goldman



GM Richard Hopkins



Sifu Alan Goldberg



WUMA qualifier Poster



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GM Richard Hopkins of England's **WORLD UNITED MARTIAL ARTS FEDERATION (WUMA)** held its British Open Series qualifier on November 19th in Worcester, England.....Sifu Alan Goldberg will be hosting his **ACTION MARTIAL ARTS MEGA WEEKEND** on January 26th, 27th & 28th in New Jersey. For more information, you can write to Sifu Alan at actionma4@gmail.comAlso, on May 26th & 27th, **BUDO INTERNATIONAL MAGAZINE** publisher, Alfredo Tucci presents his 2nd **WORLD BUDO MASTERS MEETING** in Rome, Italy. For more info write to budo.masters1@gmail.com& as reported last newsletter, Master Andrew Fanelli had his 6th Annual **ALL-PRO TAEKWONDO HALL OF FAME** on November 18th in Los Gatos, California, and amongst his inductees were WHFSC Members, GMs Douglas Wong, myself and Dr. Robert Goldman...On November 19th, a breakfast meeting was held by the **OHANA 8** for the Founding Members which included amongst others, WHFSC/ Ohana 8 Members, GM Brian Kula Fung (President of O-8), GM Malia Bernal & myself.



Ohana 8 Founding Members meet for breakfast in Los Gatos, Calif.



**Message from member,
Grandmaster Reylson Gracie
(Carlos Gracie downline)
regarding the centenary of
Gracie Jiu-Jitsu from Brazil**

Reylson Gracie <reylsongracie@gmail.com>

There are two modalities of Gracie Jiu-Jitsu, the first being the original and authentic Gracie Jiu-Jitsu of self-defense and it is the most effective for real combat, purely martial, in which the practitioner is capable of defending their self against any kind of physical aggression.

The second is the sportive Gracie Jiu-Jitsu, used in tournaments, championships, with elementary techniques and guidelines for competitions, however, this modality is not effective for self-defense purposes.

The original and authentic Gracie Jiu-Jitsu is already not taught or practiced anywhere in Brazil or in the world for more than 30 years, save for rare exceptions and isolated cases.

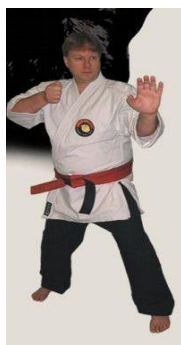
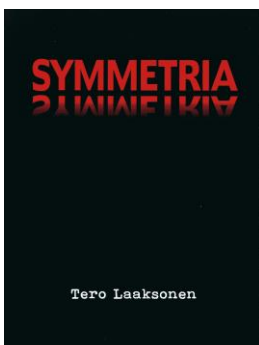
I invite, in this year in which we are completing 100 years of Gracie Jiu-Jitsu, those that already teach any martial art and have an interest in also teaching the root form of Gracie Jiu-Jitsu to enter in contact with me to inform themselves about the prerequisites for the participation.

Regards,

Reylson Gracie

.....& lastly, in international news I would like to thank our webmaster, Thomas Rohtsalu for doing an outstanding job of maintaining our website these last few years; for updating our SEO & for restructuring our membership divisions on the website to include the new division for Healing Arts & our new Elite Masters Division...You can view these changes by visiting the link of <http://www.whfsc.com/roster.html> on your computer and now, your mobile devices!

In our new books department.....



Soke Tero Laaksonen of Finland has a new martial arts book out in the Finnish language called "SYMMETRIA" outlining the basics of his Art of European Kyushi Jitsu. For more information on the book produced by Soke Laaksonen and European Kyusho Jitsu Tuite Ltd. You can write to Soke Laaksonen at ekjt@netti.fi

In our new members department.....

From ENGLAND we have Grandmaster Frank Massar, Founder of the “ELITE FIGHTING SYSTEM” being awarded membership in our Grandmasters Division & from California, Kumu Michelle Manu of Kaihewalu Lua from California being awarded membership in our *new* Elite Masters Division....CONGRATULATIONS & WELCOME to your new family!!!



GM Frank Massar



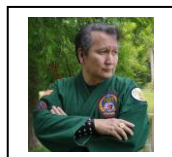
Kumu Michelle Manu

Members appearing in the media this time around.....

In BLACK BELT Magazine’s December issue, GM Rorion Gracie is featured in an article in their “FIGHTBOOK” Column entitled “THE MAN WHO CHANGED THE WORLD” with a mention of Art Davie; a pic of GM Graciela Casillas is contained in an article by Cheryl Wheeler-Sanders entitled “HOW FEAR CAN DRIVE SUCCESS”; with mentions of Master Don Wilson appearing at DRAGON FEST 2017 & the late GM Ed Parker Senior being featured in the MARTIAL ARTS HISTORY MUSEUM.....TAEKWONDO TIMES Magazine’s November issue features an article on our late member, GGM Cacoy Canete’s system of DOCE PARES ESKRIMA entitled, “PAGAMOT-WINDOWPANE KNIFE DISARMS (PART ONE OF TWO) with a mention of the late Founder, GGM Cacoy Canete; an article by GM Michael DeAlba entitled, “SPORT COMBAT: TAKING IT TO THE NEXT LEVEL”; an article on the nunchaku called a “HISTORY OF THE NUNCHAKU” with mentions of Dr. Ted Gambordella, GM Joe Hess, Dr. Leung Ting, Soke Tetsuhiro Hokama & the late GM Ed Parker Sr.; Master Guy Larke’s article entitled, 24 BAN MUYE: MORE THAN THE SUM OF ITS PARTS; & Dr. Bodhi Sanders column called “WARRIOR WISDOM”.....& lastly in the December issue of BUDO INTERNATIONAL Magazine there is an article on our late member, Dr. Richard Kim entitled, “PEARLS OF THE WARRIOR” as well as technique articles on GM Raul Gutierrez’s FU-SHIH KENPO, COMBAT HAPKIDO with GM John Pellegrini, IP MAN WING CHUN KUNG FU, the CHIU CHI LING lineage & LATOSA ESCRIMA with GM Rene Latosa.....

Well, this concludes our newsletter for this tri-quarterly period. Please remember to send in your news for our next issue (no news about seminars please, because we all do them! Unless they concern teaching the police/ military or it is a national/ international seminar symposium). In the meantime, stay aggressive and fair in all you do!

Your Brother in the martial arts,
GM Frank E. Sanchez
Founder/ Exec. Director Int’l.





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