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## 2015 INSTRUCTIONS FOR EVENT FORMS THAT FOLLOW

## Please read before submitting forms!

"Thank you" first of all for wanting to attend this function. The event is a yearly function of America's FIRST and the world's largest and most elite grandmasters/ masters organization (see our testimonials/ historical media documentation links). It marks the 23<sup>rd</sup> year of our existence! – You can expect a great time with the seminars, exhibits, camaraderie with "real" martial artists and our annual awards banquet celebrating the awardees for 2015! – GM Sanchez, Founder

- 1. Room reservations under our discount room block of "WHF" are <u>AVAILABLE NOW</u> with the DoubleTree Hilton Hotel at 1616 Dodge St in Omaha, Nebraska 68102 which includes 2 free breakfasts for 2 people in each room for Saturday, Sept. 4<sup>th</sup> and Sunday, Sept. 5<sup>th</sup>. Call 1-402-636-4914 or go on-line at <a href="http://doubletree.hilton.com/en/dt/groups/personalized/O/OMAH-DT-WHF-20150904/index.jhtml?WT.mc\_id=POG">http://doubletree.hilton.com/en/dt/groups/personalized/O/OMAH-DT-WHF-20150904/index.jhtml?WT.mc\_id=POG</a> to register (discount is automatic on on-line registry). The **deadline is August 5<sup>th</sup>** to reserve your room(s) under our discount room block for our September 4<sup>th</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> , 2015 23<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary event of the WHFSC.
- 2. For attendance only by non-members of the WHFSC who are coming without a direct invitation (which includes our two days of seminars) Please fill out the banquet form on-line and return it to us with your remittance.
- 3. NOMINATIONS FOR AN AWARD You must be a member of the Council if you are nominating someone for an award or be sponsored by one to make a nomination or nominations. If you fit this criteria, please use the nominations category list and nominations form to send in your nominations or you can simply write them down and send in (<u>preferably by e-mail</u>). Your nominees will be contacted once they are approved and will then be instructed to submit their fees for the banquet.
- **4.** Unfortunately, since the hotel bases its charges for the awards dinner banquet on the number of seats filled and not on whether the individual is an adult or child, there is no discount for children attending our event.
- 5. If you would like to go to the <u>seminars only</u> featuring international grandmasters and masters and not attend the annual meeting or awards banquet—just fill out the seminar application form contained in this link and remit payment per the instructions on the form. The seminar leaders names will be released as we get nearer to the function date.
- **6.** If you will be flying in to this event, we would suggest checking on-line at <a href="http://www.fly.com">https://www.SouthWest.com</a> for flight savings.
- 7. If you are from a foreign country and need a letter to be sent to the U.S. Embassy in your area to come to the United States. Let us know a few months ahead of your planned meeting with the U.S. Embassy, so we can make sure the letter arrives in time before you have your interview. Give us the mail address of the U.S. Embassy to send the letter to along with a contact to address it to, if you have someone the letter should specifically go to. Please also remember to give us your complete name, personal address and passport number. The letter will be sent by U.S. mail only and not by courier service.
- **8.** Free tram service by the hotel is provided to and from the airport as well as to neighboring attractions. Please inquire with hotel. Gambling casinos are also located just 10 min. away from the hotel for our adult guests.
- **9.** If you cannot be at the event and would like to accept your award, let us know when making your remittance. There is no discount out of fairness to those who will be attending in person and allow 2 to 3 weeks for receipt (foreign destinations may take longer).
- 10. The following forms follow this page in order:

2015 WHFSC Banquet Form

2015 Invitation and Schedule

2015 Seminars Only Application

2015 WHFSC Award Nomination Categories

2015 WHFSC Award Nominations Form