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KOREAN TAEKWONDO OF AMERICA

NEWS LETTER

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Student of the Month



Jay Kim – Jay just earned his purple belt at the last belt testing. When asked what he likes about Taekwondo, he said, "I like everything about Taekwondo." That is evident by his enthusiasm and skill. As one of the top students in the school, Jay has very powerful kicks. One of his hobbies is playing the piano.

Latest Belt Testing

The latest belt testing held on January 25-26 was conducted by Mr. Wally. The judges were Ms. Randi, Mr. Ahn, Mr. Oh and Mr. Snyder. A total of 59 students advanced as they continue on the road to Black Belt. Congratulations!

From White to Yellow Belt

Joshua Glasheen Stephanie Prudencio

From Yellow to Orange Belt

Javier Harris Jet Ulven Parker Thorlakson
Alex Goode Angie Hile

From Orange to High Orange Belt

Rose Glasheen Hunter Hall Thalia Rey
Ethan Hall Kiersten Hile Megan Lowery
Mary Woodring Bailey Alipio

From High Orange to Green Belt

Kyra Epps Grace Meyer Eden Meyer
Ryan Murphy Beth Woodring Parker Alipio

From Green to High Green Belt

Kelsey Alipio Kiyomi Brinkley Aaron Kingston
Taylor Williams Mary Elizabeth Williams

From High Green to Purple Belt

Marisa Alipio John Davis Erin Brocksmith
Lauren Brocksmith Andrew Donelson Jay Kim
Emily Milspaw Kathy Milspaw Monique White
Vanessa White Brandon Cristobal Aspen Cristobal
Race Williams

From Purple to High Purple Belt

Beth Denis Kevin Nguyen Nam Nguyen
Rebecca Spencer

From High Purple to Blue Belt

Andy Nguyen Jeremy Shafer Zachariah Ignacio
Alicia Cartagena Tyler Campbell Ariel Denis

Kathy Spencer Abby Spencer Justin Tollstrup
From Blue to High Blue Belt
Martin Aberio Nicholas Aberio Adrian Cartagena
From Red Belt to Middle Red
Benjamin Martinez Dean Martinez Ikaika Midgley
Kalena Midgley Kawehi Midgley

Welcome New KTA Students

KTA is pleased to welcome the following new students since the last newsletter.

Sadie Hodge - Age 4 Michelle LeBron - Adult
Kyle Berretta - Age 4 Debra Drummond - Adult
Margarida Berretta - Adult

Upcoming TKD Tournaments

American Open Taekwondo Championships – This tournament is scheduled for Saturday, [February 9, 2008](#) to be held at the Life University Gymnasium in Atlanta, Georgia. Check with Ms. Randi for details.

Lakeland Florida Open Winners

Congrats to Zach and Jeremy for being winners at the Florida Open Tae Kwon Do Championships this past week. Zach won two gold medals and Jeremy won two silver medals, for forms and sparring.



We are extremely proud of both of them. They were accompanied by Mr. Wally and Mr. Ahn as coaches.

The 2:00 PM Class is on a Roll

The Tuesday and Thursday 2 PM classes are becoming more popular with parents with kids in school, individuals who are self employed, and those who work evenings. That time is conducive to personal attention without the pressure of other classes around it, and the students are all dedicated to learning and growing in the skills and training of Taekwondo. If you know of anyone who is interested in Taekwondo but is not available for evening classes, pass the word along.

Up Another Notch! With Private Lessons

While consistent attendance at regular weekly classes is essential to meeting advancement goals on the road to Black Belt, many are finding that their Taekwondo experience can be raised another notch by taking private lessons from Ms. Randi and/or Mr. Wally.

If you are interested in receiving personal attention in learning more of the finer points of Taekwondo and self defense, as well as increasing the skill level another notch for personal reasons and for preparation for tournaments, etc., contact either Ms. Randi or Mr. Wally for details and times.

10 Articles of Taekwondo

One of the benefits of Taekwondo is the commitment to principals of strengthening mind, body and spirit of the whole person. Advancement on the road to Black Belt is not just a matter of learning the belt forms with exactness but in living a life that reflects the 10 Articles of Taekwondo as follows:

1. Be Loyal to your country Loyal
 2. Be Obedient to your parents Obedience
 3. Be Loving to your family Love
 4. Be Cooperative with others Cooperative
 5. Be Faithful to friends Faithful
 6. Be Respectful Respect
 7. Be Honest Honesty
 8. Show Concern for others Compassion
 9. Never attack without a reason Mercy
 10. Always finish what you start Persistence
- All KTA students are encouraged to memorize them. They will be reviewed as part of class from time to time.

KTA plans for more growth in 2008!

KTA experienced incredible growth, nearly doubling, in 2007. Providing a program in martial arts training and discipline that is unique in Jacksonville, we are excited about the prospects for continued growth in 2008. One of the biggest contributors to growth is word of mouth. We wish to thank those who spread the word about Taekwondo and KTA Florida to your friends and neighbors. You are our best ambassadors.

Another method for promoting growth is through the www.ktaflorida.com website which highlights the KTA program and its many activities as well as providing information about its location, schedule of fees, various classes, photos of events and contact information. We encourage all to visit it regularly for the latest information regarding upcoming activities.

Along with the existing KTA brochure, we have a new 5 x 8 card shown below for use in a variety of ways, including mailings, welcome kits for new apartment residents and for use by anyone who wishes to have a handy tool to pass on to their friends about KTA.

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