



YOUTH CATAGORY

JOSHUA COLE.....JR MARTIAL ARTIST OF THE YEAR

Joshua Cole is 16 years old and has been training in the Martial Arts for 11 years. He is currently a 1st degree Black Belt in Matsubayashi Shorin-ryu with the American Karate Do Dojo. He has been teaching for 5 years with the San Diego Parks and Recreation Department. Joshua's goal is to continue teaching and training in the Martial Arts. He is a firm believer that Karate is not a sport but a way of life.

KARLA GALEOTE.....JR MARTIAL ARTIST

Karla has been studying the Martial Arts for 6 years. She holds the rank of Black Belt in Ninjutsu and Jujutsu. She trains and helps teach at the Bitokukan Senshi Bugei Renmei under her instructor Renshi Juan Carlos Ibarra.



BRONZE CATEGORY

TINA ALBRIGHT.....KOREAN ARTS INSTRUCTOR

Tina is a US Marine Veteran with 2 Tours in Iraq and 1 in Afganistan. She holds a 2nd Degree Black Belt in Budokwan American Combat Karate and a 1st Degree Black Belt in Marine Corps Martial Arts Program. She is a Full Instructor and Military Instructor in Krav Maga under Professor Marty Cale. Tina also studies and holds rank in Tae Kwon Do and Hapkido.

STEVEN BAGSHAW.....BLACK BELT OF THE YEAR

Mr. Bagshaw holds the rank of 3rd Degree Black Belt in Okinawan Kenpo and Kobudo under Instructor Robyn Rush. He has also studied Tae Kwon Do, Hapkido and Tai Chi. He is a member of the Universal Martial Arts Association.

JAMES BOONE.....BLACK BELT OF THE YEAR

Mr. Boone holds the rank of Black Belt in Kajukenbo under Grandmaster Dan Frazier. He also holds a Black Belt in Tae Kwon Do. He has competed at the National level, winning first place in multiple events.

DANIEL BRAYMAN JR.....INSTRUCTOR OF THE YEAR

Mr. Brayman is the owner and Chief Instructor at Gilbert Martial Arts Center. He holds the rank of 4th Dan Black Belt in Tae Kwon Do. He also teaches Muay Thai and Advanced Combat Tactics.

JOHN CARPENTER JR.....BRONZE LIFE AWARD

Mr. Carpenter holds the rank of 6th degree Black Belt in the art of Lin Su Chuan Fa. He has cross trained in Jujitsu, Wing Chun, Tae Kwon Do and Filipino Stick Fighting. He is the owner of The Kwoon of Kung Fu.

JASON CHAPMAN.....OUTSTANDING MARTIAL ARTIST OF THE YEAR

Mr. Chapman holds the rank of 3rd Degree Black Belt in the style of Che-Lu under Grandmaster John W. Mason. He has been studying the Martial Arts for 23 years and teaches at Capital City Martial Arts in Kentucky.



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MICHAEL CRAIN.....FOUNDER

Mr. Crain has been in the arts for 25 years. He is the President and Founder of The American Martial Forces Association. He has studied numerous styles including Tae Kwon Do, Judo, Jujitsu, Hapkido and Boxing.

DARRELL D'ANTONOLI.....CHIEF MASTER INSTRUCTOR

Mr. D'Antonoli has been training in the Martial Arts for 22 years. He has studied Aikido, Hapkido, Karate, Ninjutsu, Jujutsu, Aiki-Jujutsu. He holds a 7th Degree Black Belt in Bushin Ryu Aiki Bujutsu. He is the owner and Master Instructor at Budo Shingi Kan in Gilbert Arizona.

JESUS ESCALANTE.....MASTER

Grand Master Jesus Escalante, a 9th Dan in Kenpo Karate, has been training in the Martial Arts for more than 40 years. He is currently the International Kenpo Karate Federation Country Director for Venezuela.

TODD GILBERT.....MASTER

Mr. Gilbert studies, trains and teaches the Art of Shorei Goju Ryu and holds the Rank of 5th Degree Black Belt under Master Dean Bergman. He has also studied Shotokan. RyuKyu Kenpo. He owns and operates Gilbert Karate Studios. He competes in the Illinois State Martial Arts Circuit, The AKA and PKC.

GABRIEL GONCALVES.....INSTRUCTOR OF THE YEAR

Gabriel holds the rank of 2nd Degree Black Belt in Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu under Grandmaster Carlson Gracie Sr. He has also studied Muay Thai, Boxing and Wrestling. He is a member of the International Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu Federation.

CHRISTOPHER HANES.....MASTER

Mr. Hanes holds the rank of 5th Degree Black Belt in Tang Soo Do. He has also studied Hapkido, Chun Kuk Do and Defensive Tactics. He trains and teaches at his school Hanes Tactical Martial Arts in North Tonawanda, New York.

AMY HAWKINS.....WOMAN OF THE YEAR

Amy Hawkins started her Martial Arts training in 1988 at the Martial Arts Training Institute. She became an Instructor in 2002 and currently holds the Rank of 5th Degree Black Belt in the Art of Shorinji Kempo Karate under Grandmaster Irwin Carmichael. She also holds a 1st Degree Black Belt in Shorinji Kubodo Yarara. She has been a Gastonia Police Officer for 23 years.



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SCOTT HILE.....MASTER INSTRUCTOR OF THE YEAR

Mr. Hile is a 5th Degree Black Belt in Moo Duk Kwan Tang Soo Do under Master Carl MacDermott. He has also studied Tai Jujitsu, Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu, Kenpo and Uechi Ryu. He is a member of the International Tang Soo Do Federation and the American Tang Soo Do Association. He is the owner and Chief Instructor of Precision Tang Soo Do.

ADRIAN HILLYER.....BLACK BELT OF THE YEAR

Mr. Hillyer holds a 3rd Degree Black Belt in Shotokan Karate under Professor Rod Elliot. He has also studied Goju Rye, Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu, Aikido and Kobudo. He has spent the last quarter of a century studying the Kata and Bunkai of these Karate styles. He is a member of the AKF, ISKA, Kuro Tora Karate Association and Gracie Barra.

LAZERIC HUDSON.....JUDO BLACK BELT OF THE YEAR

Mr. Hudson holds a 2nd Dan in Kodokan Judo. He has trained at the Jiu-Jitsu Institute, Chicago Police Judo Club, Kokushikan Judo Academy and Yorkville Jude Club. He is a member of the United States Judo Association, Pan American Judo Confederation. He has won numerous medals throughout the United States by competing in Judo Championships.

RICHARD HUDSON.....MASTER INSTRUCTOR OF THE YEAR

Mr. Hudson holds a 4th Degree Black Belt in the art of Shinsei Kokoro Do under John and Rebecca Glarum. He has also studied Toyama-Ryu Iai-Do under Shihan Dana Abbott. He began his Martial Arts training at the age of 54, primarily for exercise and stress release. Today he is an active Martial Arts Instructor at the Shinsei Kokoro Do Dojo at the age of 67.

ANNE HUFF.....BRONZE LIFE AWARD

Mrs. Huff holds a 4th Degree Black Belt in Tae Kwon Do under the International Tae Kwon Do Federation. She has also studied Shotokan Karate and is a student of Grandmaster John Sharkey. She is also a member of the American Karate Association.

DAPHNE IBARRA.....INSTRUCTOR OF THE YEAR

Ms. Ibarra holds the Rank of Black Belt in the Art of Ninjutsu and Jujutsu. She has been studying the Martial Arts for 7 years. She trains and helps teach at the Bitokukan Senshi Bugei Renmei under her instructor Renshi Juan Carlos Ibarra.



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MICHAEL KANEEN.....OUTSTANDING MASTER INSTRUCTOR

Sifu Kaneen began his Martial Arts training more than 20 years ago. He has trained in Chinese, Japanese, Korean, Filipino and Western Boxing systems. He is currently ranked as a 5th Degree Black Belt and Master Instructor under Jerry Cook. He trains and teaches at 9 Dragons Kung Fu.

TAMARA KANEEN.....OUTSTANDING TAI CHI WELLNESS INSTRUCTOR

Simu Kaneen is a 3rd Degree Black Belt Instructor in Kung Fu under Grandmaster Jerry Cook. She is an Instructor at 9 Dragons Kung Fu where she teaches classes, seminars, and provides private coaching for health, wellness and the art of Kung Fu.

JAMES LEE.....MASTER OF THE YEAR

Sensei Lee began his Karate training at the age of 14. He holds the Rank of 5th Dan Black Belt in the art of Chung Do Kwan Tae Kwan Do. He has also studied Okinawan Goju Ryu and Okinawan Kobudo. He is an 8 time World and National Champion in Kumite and Kata. He is a member of the United States Karate Alliance, where he serves as the Colorado State Representative.

BERNARD LOFTIN.....COMBAT ARTS OPERATOR OF THE YEAR

Mr. Loftin has been studying the Martial Arts for 11 years. He is a Certified Instructor in Muay Thai. He has also studied Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu and is a member of the United World Muay Thai Association.

GABRIEL MACIAS JR.....INSTRUCTOR

Gabriel holds the Rank of Black Belt in the Art of Ninjutsu and Jujutsu under Renshi Juan Carlos Ibarra. He has also studied Toyoma Lai Batto Do, Chanbara and Hakko Ryu. He is an Instructor at Bitokukan Senshi Bugei Renmei.

LUCY MAILLOUX..... SENSEI OF THE YEAR

Lucy has practiced the Art of Aikido for over 16 years. She started her Aikido career at Aikido of Phoenix under Sensei Fred Mastison. Mrs. Mailloux is now Chief Instructor at her own Dojo Satori Aiki Budo where she has the great pleasure of teaching alongside her Sempai Thorin Mailoux (her husband) and Dojo Cho, Amanda Redington.



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DAVID MORGAN.....COMPETITOR OF THE YEAR

Mr. Morgan holds a 2nd Degree Black Belt in Shorin Ryu, a 1st Degree Black Belt in Tae Kwon Do and a Brown Belt in Goju Ryu. He is an Assistant Instructor with the Arkansas Bushido Kai. He has won tournament competitions in 8 different states, including 2 World Titles and 7 Grand Championships.

BRUCE NELSON.....MARTIAL ARTIST OF THE YEAR

Mr. Nelson holds 2nd degree Black Belt in the Art of Kenjutsu under Shihan Dana Abbott. He has also studied Reality Defense Training. At the age of 61 he has more than 20 years in the Arts. Mr. Nelson is a Doctor in General Dental Practice in Phoenix, Arizona.

WILLIAM NELSON.....INSTRUCTOR OF THE YEAR

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ROBERT NICHOLS.....NINJUTSU MASTER

Mr. Nichols holds a 6th degree Black Belt in Ninjutsu under Roman Garcia. He has also studied Tae Kwon Do and is a member of the United Tae Kwon Do Association. He is owner and Instructor at Union United Tae Kwon Do Academy in Union, New Jersey.

ROBERT NORTON.....FOUNDER

Mr. Norton has studied Shotokan, Tae Kwon Do, Aikido, Tai Chi and Wing Chun. He is Founder of the Art Shoto-Chi. He is a member of the US Grandmasters Council. He is an active Instructor at the Shoto-Chi Martial Arts School in Ontario, Canada.

PHILLIP POE.....MASTER INSTRUCTOR OF THE YEAR

Mr. Poe has been studying the Martial Arts for more than 28 years. He has studied Tae Kwon Do, Hapkido and Jujitsu. He is the owner and Chief Instructor at Poe's Martial Arts Academy where he teaches his own eclectic system of American Freestyle Fighting System. He is a member of the International Fighting Arts Affiliation, Universal Fighting Arts Fellowship, The World II Do Kwan Federation and the US Grandmasters Council.



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GUSTAVO PRIETO.....MASTER

Mr. Prieto holds the rank of 8th Degree Black Belt in the Art of Wha Do Kwan Hapkido. He is a member of Spanish Martial Arts of Korean Federation. He is a member of the Spain Hall of Fame.

DONNY ROBERTS.....MOST DISTINGUISHED BLACK BELT

Mr. Roberts holds a 2nd Degree black Belt in Judo under Grandmaster Tony Mondejar. He has also studied Shudokan Karate and Tae Kwon Do. He is a member of the USJA and the USMA. He has received numerous awards from Ada Judo Club and his Instructor Grandmaster Mondejar.

JESSIAH RUECKERT.....OUTSTANDING MARTIAL ARTIST

Mr. Rueckert is a 2nd generation school owner and will be testing for his 6th Degree Black Belt at the ATA Championships in Little Rock, Arkansas this July. Jessiah has also studied Goju Shorei, Judo, Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu and Kensho Do. He is a member of the American Tae Kwan Do Association. He has won numerous State Championships in weapons, forms, sparring and stick fighting.

JOE ROQUE.....BLACK BELT OF THE YEAR

Sensei Roque holds the Rank of San Dan in Shorei Goju under Master Todd Gilbert. He has also studied Jujitsu and MMA . He has been training in the Arts for more than 20 years. He is a member of the American Karate Association, Professional Karate Commission and the Illinois State Martial Arts Association. He currently teaches at Dragon Fire Karate in New Lenox, Illinois.

ROBYN RUSH.....MASTER INSTRUCTOR OF THE YEAR

Robyn Rush holds the rank of 6th Dan Black Belt Master Level in the Art of Okinawa Kenpo Karate Kobudo under Grandmaster Larry Isaac. She has also studied American Freestyle Tae Kwon Do. She is a member of the UMAA. During her Martial Arts career she was highly ranked in National Competitions in Forms, Sparring and Weapons. She owns and operates Rush Okinawa Kenpo Karate School.



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AL SEAM.....BUSHIDO

Mr. Seam holds the rank of 3rd Degree Black Belt in the Art of Kenpo Karate. He has studied numerous forms of Self Defense and is currently developing his own unique system. He is a member of the Worldwide Kenpo Karate Association, Black Dragon Society and IMAC. He is known as the Traveling Sensei, as he travels to different locations teaching what he loves the most, The Martial Arts.

ZACHARY SHORT.....INSTRUCTOR OF THE YEAR

Zachary Short holds the rank of 4th degree Black Belt in Tang Soo Do. He has also studied Chun Kuk Do and Defensive Tactics. He is a lifetime member with IMAC and Combat Martial Art Practitioners Association. He has been in the Arts for 19 years and currently focuses on Private Lessons.

KEVIN SNELL.....INSTRUCTOR OF THE YEAR

Mr. Snell holds the Rank of 2nd Degree Black Belt in Shito Ryu Karate and Shukokai. He is a member of Yamada Ha Shito Ryu Shukokai World Union and Shito Ryu Shukokai USA.

GREG SQUIRREL.....RING ANNOUNCER OF THE YEAR

Greg has been announcing Boxing and MMA Cage Fights for the past 10 years. He has announced in numerous of states including Arkansas, Oklahoma, Missouri, Texas, Kansas and Nevada. He has announced both amateur and professional fights. He has also announced Boxing events for Showtime and ESPN Friday Night Fights. Greg has participated and been a professional Wrestler. He was named WCCW Television Champion and WCCW North America Heavy Weight Champion. He currently takes Krav Maga classes under Professor Marty Cale in Fayetteville, Arkansas.

ALEXANDER STICK.....KUNG FU INSTRUCTOR

Mr. Stick has been training in Kung Fu for more than 25 years. He holds the Rank of Black Belt in the style of Praying Mantis Kung Fu. He was ranked nationally during his competitive years 1993-1996 and receiving a two time National Champion in 1994 for Weapons Competition.

BRIAN TABABA.....MARTIAL ARTIST OF THE YEAR

Brian has been a student of the Martial Arts since the age of 8. He currently holds a 4th Degree Black Belt in the Art of Tae Kwon Do. He also holds a 2nd Degree Black Belt in Ninjitsu. He is a 5 time New Jersey Top Ten UTA State Champion.



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DEMETRIO TALAVERA.....MARTIAL ARTIST

Mr. Talavera holds the Rank of Black Belt in the Arts of Ninjutsu and Jujutsu under his Instructor Renshi Juan Carlos Ibarra. He has also studied Toyama Lai Batto Do, Chanbara, Hakko Ryu. He is a member of the Bitokukan Senshi Bugei Renmei and currently is an active Instructor under Mr. Ibarra.

WAYNE TANGUAY.....MASTER

Mr. Tanguay is a 5th degree Black Belt in Kenpo. He has also studied Modern Arnis. He is a member of the International Arnis Federation and the New England Martial Arts Teachers Association.

JEANELLE VAN BUSKIRK.....LAW ENFORCEMENT INSTRUCTOR

Jeanelle holds a 2nd Degree Black belt in Hapkido. She has studied numerous Martial Arts throughout the last 10 years. She is a member of the World Hapkido Association. She has earned her Bachelor's Degree from the University of Central Oklahoma in Criminal Justice. She started her career with the Oklahoma County Sheriff's Office. She currently works for Oklahoma's Council on Law enforcement Education and Training as a full time Defensive Tactics Instructor.

SARAH WESOLOWSKI.....WOMAN OF THE YEAR

Sarah is an inspiration and holds the standards to which all Martial Artist should live by. She is kind, caring and considerate of other people. She has helped many people through hard times. Her unselfish acts make her a genuine role model. Sarah attends school fulltime, holding a 3.9 GPA while caring for her disabled mother and raising a 3 year old daughter. She has given moral support to a local Martial Artist that wishes to honor her here today.

TOM WIEHE.....LAW ENFORCEMENT INSTRUCTOR OF THE YEAR

Mr. Wiehe first trained in Karate as a teenager. In 1990 he began studying boxing, muay thai, kali, grappling and Jun Fan Jeet Kune Do under Sifu Eldon Clem. He was mentored by Sifu Rick Teeple and certified as a full instructor under Sigung Richard Bustillo. He also holds a black belt under Supreme Grand Master Cacoy Canete in Doce Pares Eskrima. He is the lead Defensive Tactics instructor for the University of Cincinnati Police. He instructs Police and Security officers in Subject Control, Impact weapons, and use of force principles. He wrote and maintains the Less Lethal force curriculum for the department. He continues to train and instruct a private group in Cincinnati.



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KEENAN WILLIAMS.....INSTRUCTOR OF THE YEAR

Mr. Williams has been studying various styles of Escrima since the age of 18 months under his father Grandmaster Wade Williams of Williams Martial Arts Academy. His ranks include Professorship in Williams Escrima, Master in Kabaroon and 6th Degree in the Professional Martial Arts Alliance.

GLENFRED WONG.....MAN OF THE YEAR

Mr. Wong began his Martial Arts training at the age of 13. He started Tae kwon Do and earned his Black Belt in 2001. In 2005 he opened JB Martial Arts Academy. He currently holds a 3rd Degree Black Belt in Jhoon Rhee Tae Kwon Do under Master Francis Pineda and a 3rd Degree Black Belt under Master Paul McGowan and a 1st Degree Black Belt in Hapkido under Master McGowan.

REBECCA WREN-SCHEMMER.....WOMAN OF THE YEAR

Rebecca holds a 4th Degree Black Belt in Shorei Goju Karate under Master Todd Gilbert. She has been studying the Martial Arts for more than 15 years and is a member of the American Karate Association. She is an active Instructor at Dragon Fire Karate in New Lenox, Illinois.

THOMAS WUJEK JR.....MARTIAL ARTIST OF THE YEAR

Mr. Wujek is a member of the International Kenpo Karate Federation. He holds a 2nd Degree Black Belt in Chu-Go-Ku Kenpo Karate under Master Jose Hernandez. He also studies Ufuchiku Kobudo. His goal is to give back the lessons and life achievements that he has learned through training to those that are less fortunate.

PATSY ZARILLA.....BLACK BELT OF THE YEAR

M.r Zarilla has studied many Martial Arts and holds a 2nd Degree Black Belt in Chon-Tu Kwan Hapkido under Grandmaster John Pellegrini. He is the Head Instructor at New Castle Martial Arts and Senior Instructor at Slippery Rock Martial Arts. He has also studied Jeet Kune Do and Russian Systema. He is a member of the International Combat Hapkido Federation, World Hapkido Association and the World Jeet Kune Do Association.



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DANA ABBOTT.....KENJUTSU MASTER

Mr. Abbott is honored to hold the esteemed Rank of Shihan 7th Dan in the Art of Goshindo Kenjutsu, obtained at the Hombu Dojo in Yokohama, Japan. Mr. Abbott has acquired the position of Kokusai Bucho which is International Director for the All Japan Goshindo Renmei and the International Sports Chanbara Association, which has more than 220,000 members worldwide.

MICHAEL ABELS.....SILVER LIFE AWARD

Mr. Abels is the Head Instructor of Sei Shi Kai Aikido Alaska and lecturer in Martial Arts at the University of Alaska Fairbanks. He has trained in Aikido for more than 33 years and has taught Aikido at UAF for more than 64 semesters. He has instructed more than 3000 students. He holds the Rank of Rokudan in Sei Shi Kai Aikido and Yondan in Iai-Tate-Do. He also holds ranks in Hakakuryu Jujitsu, GoSoku Ryu Karate and Gung Fu. He holds the title of Professor at the International Karate Association and College of Martial Arts Fairbanks School, where he teaches weekly Iaido and Aikido classes.

SAM ALBRIGHT.....MASTER OF KOREAN ARTS

Sam is a US Marine Combat Veteran with 3 tours in Iraq and 2 tours in Afghanistan. He is an expert in Self Defense and Korean Martial Arts with over 32 years of experience. He is President of the All Korean Martial Arts Association, Director of Research and Development for the World Moo Sul Kwan Federation and Director of Korean Martial Arts for the American Order of Combat. He is a certified Krav Maga Instructor under Professor Marty Cale and holds a 6th Degree Black Belt in Tae Kwon Do and Hapkido.

ROBERT ATTEBURY.....FOUNDER OF THE YEAR

Mr. Attebury has over 35 years practicing the Martial Arts. He holds the Rank of Grandmaster and Head Founder of the Tuai Fou Combat Kenpo System. He also holds Professorship in Hawaiian Kosho Ryu Kenpo JiuJitsu. He holds a 7th Degree in David Germans Transition Action, a 5th Degree in Lima Lama. He is currently studying Lua from Steve Taylor as well as Kali and Jeet Kune Do under Sifu Roger Thompson of the Wild Bunch.



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EDNA BANAYAT.....WOMAN OF THE YEAR

Ms. Banayat began Martial Arts instruction under Bowles' Kosho-Ryu /Kajukenbo Academy of Martial Arts 18 years ago. She holds a 3rd Degree Black Belt with Kajukenbo Self-Defense Institute certified by Sijo Adriano Emperado in 2004. She is a member of Mitose International Kousaouryu Association.

BRIAN BARONE.....INSTRUCTOR OF THE YEAR

Mr. Barone has been studying the Martial Arts for 30 years. He holds the Rank of Black Belt in Kun Tao under Grandmaster Ed Sealy he has also studied Olympic Style Judo. He is a member of the Kin Tora Judo Club. He is a Professor in Criminal Justice and has taught numerous courses in Self Defense for Law Enforcement professionals and students.

RONALD BELLIVEAU.....SILVER LIFE

Mr. Belliveau has been involved in the Martial Arts for 35 years. He has trained in many Arts and is a previous Hall of Fame Inductee. He had a professional Muay Thai Kickboxing career and retired with a record of 34-2. He has studied Judo, Kali and Dutch Kickboxing. He is a member of the US Muay Thai Association and the US Judo Association. He is currently training strikers and MMA fighters in his Gym in Las Vegas, Nevada.

RON BERARDI.....MASTER OF THE YEAR

Ron started his Martial Arts journey 28 years ago. He began studying Shotokan. Then started training in Tang Soo Do. He holds Black Belts in Okinawa Karate Do and Matsubayashi-Ryu. He is a member of the World Black Belt Bureau and The US Combat Martial Arts Association.

JOHN CHERRY.....SILVER LIFE AWARD

John was born in 1959 in Pennsylvania. In 1977, Mr. Cherry attended his first martial arts class at the Los Lunas Taekwondo Kwan , New Mexico. Now 35 years later, he is the Head Instructor of Los Lunas Taekwondo and an Associate of the Hana Dai Ichi Karate Organization. He holds the Master Level of 7th Dan Black Belt promoted by Grandmaster Austin Box. Mr. Cherry continues to live each day according to the teachings of the martial arts, maintaining modesty, perseverance, indomitable spirit, and self-control.



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DANIEL COLE.....SILVER LIFE

Mr. Cole has been training for over 28 years. He is a 6th Degree Black Belt in Matsubayashi Shorin-Ryu with the Mendocino Okinawan Shorin-Ryu Association. He is the Senior Instructor of the American Karate Do Dojo. He also holds a 1st Degree in Tae Kwon Do, a 2nd Degree in Tang Soo Do. He has been teaching in San Diego California since 1994 for the San Diego Parks and Recreation Department.

ROBERT DAVISON.....MASTER INSTRUCTOR OF THE YEAR

Mr. Davison holds a 5th Degree Black Belt in American Kenpo. He has also studied Tang Soo Do, Torite Jitsu and Kajukenbo. He is a member of The National Black Belt Club, The Chinese Martial Arts Association, International Kenpo Karate Federation and Larry Tatum Kenpo Karate Association. He is an active Instructor where he teaches Kenpo, Arnis and Torite Jitsu.

JAMES DEVOE JR.SILVER LIFE

Mr. DeVoe started his training in 1976 in the Art of Pentjak Silat, later studying the Art of Judo. He currently holds the Rank of 6th Degree Black Belt in Pentjak Silat and continues his training after 39 years. He is the owner and Chief Instructor at the Pentjak Karate Club where he has 6 Senseis, 3 Instructors, and 3 Assistant Instructors under his guidance.

DANIEL DOMAGUIN.....MASTER OF THE YEAR

Mr. Domaguin began his Martial Arts training 22 years ago. He holds the rank of 3rd Degree Black Belt in the Mitose Kosho Ryu Kenpo System under Soke Thomas Mitose. He also holds a 4th Degree Black Belt in Kajukenbo under Sijo Adriano Emperado. He is a Black Belt Instructor at Grandmaster Tony Bowles Kosho Ryu Kajukenbo Academy of Martial Arts in Chula Vista California.

KENNETH FECTEAU.....KENPO MASTER

Mr. Fecteau has been in the Martial Arts for well over 30 years and has been an Instructor for over 26 years. He holds the Rank of 6th Degree Black Belt and Master in Five Sword Kenpo. In 2008 Grandmaster Wehrwein made Kenneth the sole heir to the Five Sword Kenpo System. Kenneth has also studied Wing Chun, Chi Kung and Russian Systema.



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BRUCE FEIGENBAUM.....SILVER LIFE AWARD

Bruce has been in the Martial Arts for 33 years. He has studied Aikido, Japanese Sword and holds a 4th Degree Black Belt in Tae Kwon Do under Dane Harden. He is an active Instructor at Western Masters Martial Arts in Maryland.

MANLEY FINCH.....SILVER LIFE AWARD

Mr. Finch has been a student of the Martial Arts for over 33 years. He began his journey in Wally Jay Small Circle Jujitsu at the age of 9. He has studied Aiki-Jujitsu and Kempo Karate, he holds a 1st Degree Black Belt in both. He currently holds a 3rd Degree Black Belt in American Shaolin Karate Do under Carl Inverson. Mr. Finch gives private instruction of this powerful style to selected students.

JAMES GOODWIN.....OUTSTANDING INSTRUCTOR

Mr. Goodwin started the martial arts in 1978 with the ATA under Grandmaster H.U Lee in Little Rock Arkansas. He earned his 1st degree Black Belt under Mike Brown in 1979 and purchased the Newport Tae Kwon Do Academy. In 1983 he tested for his 2nd degree Black Belt in the USTF. In 1987 he received his 3rd degree and in 1997 he received his 4th degree black belt. In 2006, Mr. Goodwin was diagnosed with heart issues but has continued to teach Traditional Taekwondo at Impact 360 Martial Arts School. Mr. Goodwin was promoted to 6th degree Black Belt by the International Martial Arts Council of America's Grand Masters Council.

KELVIN HALL.....BLACK BELT OF THE YEAR

Mr. Hall has been doing the Martial Arts for 34 years. He holds a 3rd Degree Black Belt in Hapkido. He has studied Tae Kwon Do, Kyokushin Kai Kan and is a Certified Law Enforcement Defensive Tactics Instructor. He teaches at Council on Law Enforcement Education and Training in Oklahoma.

CHRISTOPHER HARRIS.....MASTER

Mr. Harris holds the Rank of 6th Degree Black Belt in the Art of Jissai Teki Na under Master Instructors Al Moore and Frank Grant. He has been training since 1978. He is an active Instructor and teaches Close Quarter Combat at his school CQC Elite.



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PETER HILL.....OUTSTANDING MASTER INSTRUCTOR

Mr. Hill holds the rank of 7th degree Black Belt in Chinese Kenpo. He started his Martial Arts training in 1977. He is a member of The World Tai Chi Organization. He has done great work in the Mesa Arizona area expanding the Art of Tai Chi for personal well-being and fitness.

KRAIG HOLLINGWORTH.....OUTSTANDING CHIEF MASTER INSTRUCTOR

Mr. Hollingworth began his Martial Arts training at the Toshi Kan Martial Arts Institute under Shigeki Umemoto. In 1990 he began studying with Grandmaster Jerry Cook and Grandmaster Jinheng Li. Mr. Hollingworth teaches for Young Champions of America, where he currently is the Director over hundreds of Black Belt Instructors and oversees more than 14,000 students in 7 states. He holds an 8th Degree Black Belt.

SHELDON HOWARD.....COMPETITOR OF THE YEAR

Mr. Howard is a retired NYPD Captain and a 911 First Responder. He has been highly decorated in the line of duty 60 times and a member of the NYPD's Prestigious Honor Legion. He is also a 36 year veteran of the Martial Arts earning numerous Black Belts ranking in both Shito Ryu Karate and Shotokan Karate. His studies have included Jujitsu and Aikido. Mr. Howard is one of only 7 certified Shito Ryu Shukokai Instructors in New York State. During 2013, he has won 4 first place divisions in the American karate Association Grand nationals in Weapons, Forms, Traditional Kata and Creative Forms. He is rated number one in his division.

LYLE HUFFSTUTLER.....SHIHAN OF THE YEAR

Mr. Huffstuter began his journey of the martial arts more than 30 years ago. He received his first Black Belt at age 16. He has trained with some of the world's greatest Martial Artists, including; Soke Kubota, Royce Gracie, Taika Oyata, Sifu Benny Meng. In 2007, he was crowned a champion at the Elite Level of competition in the USNKF. He was 2010 National Instructor of the Year and a 3- time Consecutive State Champion Coach. He currently holds a 6th Degree Black Belt and teaching certifications in Okinawan Kempo, Kyusho-Jitsu, Escrima and Brazilian Jujitsu.

JUAN CARLOS IBARRA.....SILVER LIFE AWARD

Mr. Ibarra has been training in the Martial arts for 31 years and holds the Rank of Renshi 4th Degree Black Belt in the Arts of Ninjutsu, Jujutsu, Toyama Batto Do and Hakko Ryu. He has also studied Capoeira and Kung Fu. He is the Chief Instructor at Bitokukan Senshi Bugei Renmi. He is a member of numerous associations including Jenbukan, Kokusai, Samurai Sports and Hakkoryu.



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JOE INGRATI.....OUTSTANDING MARTIAL ARTIST

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JEREMIAH JOHNSON.....DISTINGUISHED MASTER

Mr. Johnson has been in the Martial arts for 30 years. He holds the rank of Rokudan 6th Degree Black Belt in Judo and Goshi Jitsu. He has also studied Boxing and Shotokan Karate. He is a member of the USJA and the USMA. He is an Instructor at Swain County Martial Arts.

WES LETIOA.....DISTINGUISHED KUNG FU MASTER

Wes Letioa has been practicing the Martial Arts for more than 30 years in various styles. He holds a 7th Degree Black Belt in Kusho-Ryu Kajukenbo under Grandmaster Tony Bowles. He has also trained under Grandmaster Douglas Wong in White Lotus Kung Fu. Recently, he won 4 ICMAC Grand Championships, 2 San Diego International Grand Championships and 2 Overall Grand Champions in AKA. He is training under Grandmaster Bisheng Zuh in Kung Fu, Tai Chi and Wushu. He is currently teaching the next generation of Martial Artist.

RAFAEL LOVATO.....JIU-JITSU INSTRUCTOR OF THE YEAR

Mr. Lovato a former Boxer began studying martial Arts in 1972 and has trained and received accreditation from some of the worlds most respected and highly acclaimed martial Artist. He was Oklahoma's first and highest ranked Brazilian Jujitsu Black Belt. He is a certified Instructor in Jeet Kune Do, Muay Thai and Escrima under Sifu Richard Bustillo.

DON MATHEWS.....INSTRUCTOR OF THE YEAR

Mr. Mathews has been practicing the Martial Arts for more than 30 years. He holds the rank of 4th Degree Black Belt in the Art of Shindo Jinen Ryu under Sensei Kiyoshi Yamazaki. He has also studied Shito-Ryu, Aikido, Jujitsu an Tang Soo Do.

PAUL MCGOWAN.....MARTIAL ARTS SCHOOL OF THE YEAR

Mr. McGowan has been training in the Martial Arts for over 30 years, with his first style being boxing. He holds the Rank of 5th Degree Black Belt in Hapkido under grandmaster Frank Noguera. He has also studied Tae Kwon Do, Muay Thai, Jujitsu and a Trainer of Mixed Martial Arts. He has dedicated his life to the Martial Arts and looks forward to forever being a white belt and trying his best to learn, grow and evolve. He loves the brotherhood that comes along with being a Martial Artist.



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DALE MILLER.....MASTER INSTRUCTOR OF THE YEAR

Mr. Miller began his Martial Arts career after seeing a Bruce Lee movie, then joining the YMCA to take Karate, later earning his 5th Degree Black Belt under Grandmaster John Mason. He has trained in Brazilian Jujitsu and MMA. He has competed in amateur MMA, winning many titles before hanging up his gloves to become an actor. His most recent films include Hatfield's and McCoy's, Chain of Events and Architect of Chaos. He has also worked on NBC's hit TV series Revolution and is in the works for a show on CMT.

WILLIAM NIEVES JR.SILVER LIFE AWARD

Mr. Nieves is the owner and Head Instructor of Black Dragon Karate and Self Defense located in Magna, Utah. Mr. Nieves also owns a private detective and security agency. He has been involved in the Martial Arts for 32 years. He recently received his Declaration of Master, 5th Degree Black Belt under Master Gary Cox and Laura Lea Cox. He has also studied Isshinryu, Hapkido, Tae Kwon Do and Comprehensive Combat Strategies.

BILL NORRIS.....SILVER LIFE AWARD

Mr. Norris started the Martial Arts at the age of 40. He has been training in the Martial Arts for 26 years. He holds the Rank of 6th Degree Black Belt in Tae Kwon Do under Grandmaster Austin Box. He has also trained in the art of Tai Chi. He is a member of the Hana Dai Ichi Karate Association, headed by Mr. Box. He is an active Instructor at the Los Lunas Tae Kwon Do Springer Dojang.

MIKE OLISH.....INSTRUCTOR OF THE YEAR

Mr. Olish started the Martial Arts in 1981 at Evergreen Park Karate under Shihan Robert Wainwright. He received his Black Belt in 1986. Having met Grandmaster Harry Wheeler, he started to train in Kenpo Karate, eventually earning his 5th Degree Black Belt. He has also trained in Brazilian Jujitsu and Isshinryu Karate. He is a member of the American Karate Association. He is an active Instructor at Warrior Kenpo Karate in Illinois.

JOHN OWSIAK.....SILVER LIFE AWARD

Mr. Owsiak began his training in Tae Kwon Do in 1978 under Grandmaster Joseph Auman. Mr. Owsiak began his training in Ninjitsu under Shihan Jeff Davis. Currently a 9th Degree Black Belt in Budo Taijitsu under Grandmaster Richard Van Donk.



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CIANI PALENCIA.....INTERNATIONAL INSTRUCTOR OF THE YEAR

Ciani began her Martial Arts Training at the age of 6 in Tae Kwon Do under the instruction of Young Seok Kim. She transitioned to Hawaiian style Kajujenbo, Chinese Northern Five Animal Style Gung Fu, Traditional Japanese Mitose family Koshu-Ryu Kempo under the instruction of Grandmaster Tony Bowles Jr. She has been studying the Martial Art for 31 years and holds a 5th Degree in Kajukenbo and a 2nd Degree Black Belt in Koushouryu.

LIBERTINO PARISI.....MASTER OF THE YEAR

Master Parisi is the founder of Qi Kwan Do and has extensive knowledge of the martial arts. He has trained in boxing, Tae Kwon Do, Choi Kwang Do, Qigong & Chi Kung, is a Master of Chaikara-reiki-do and is a member of the Martial Arts Industry Association (MAIA) for his up to date knowledge of martial arts. Master Parisi regularly trains with martial arts experts from around the world in order to update and improve the Qi Kwan Do system.

Master Parisi is a member of the Amateur Martial Arts Association (AMA) which provides licensing insurance for every member, registered with the World Kick-Boxing Karate Association (WKA) for students who wish to enter competition. Master Parisi has also qualified with the Realistic Self Defence Association (RSDA). In 2003 Master Parisi was Awarded the Combat Hall of Fame at a gala black tie event at Aston Villa Football club for his contribution to martial arts in the UK and around the world.

MICHAEL PETERSON.....SILVER LIFE AWARD

Mr. Peterson has trained more than 3 decades in Okinawan Kempo. He has also had the opportunity to train in the Filipino and Indonesian Martial Arts. His training began in 1988 while serving overseas in the United States Marine Corps. For 18 months he trained in Kali in the Philippines. When he returned to the United States, he continues his study of Kali and began studying Silat Mubai (now referred to as Pencak Silat Sharaf). He decided to integrate his knowledge of stick fighting with his newly found interest in Karambit manipulation. Mr. Peterson has been studying the tactical Indonesian Karambit for nearly 20 years. He holds multiple seminars yearly at his school in the Cincinnati area and taught the first Karambit seminar at the United States Martial Arts Training Camp in 2008. He is a Certified Krav Maga Instructor under Professor Marty Cale.



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CESAR PEREZ.....MASTER

Mr. Perez was born in Puerto Rico and during his martial arts career he has earned his 5th degree Master Certification in Calasanz's Physical Arts, a 2nd degree in Ninjitsu under Shihan Richard VanDonk and Grandmaster Maasaki Hatsumi. He has also received his Shidoshi-ho licensing and certification from Japan. He is currently an Assistant Instructor testing for 2nd Degree in Tae Kwon Do, under Master Young Kik Cho. Sabunim Cho has been his instructor in Tae Kwon Do for 8 years. Within the organization, Mr. Perez is Head Instructor of Kickboxing at the World Champion Taekwondo Competition School in West Haven, Connecticut. He has competed on the local and national level in Taekwondo and Open Style competitions.

GRACE QUINONES.....FEMALE MASTER OF THE YEAR

Mrs. Quinones studies the Art of Tang Soo Do and holds the Rank of 6th degree Black Belt under Grandmaster Ki Yun Yi. She has also trained in Shotokan and is a member of the International Martial Arts Association.

BRANDON RICHARDS.....GRANDMASTER OF THE YEAR

Mr. Richards began his Martial Arts training at the age of 4. Over the course of his 37 years of training he was a 3 time US National Tae Kwon Do Champion. Mr. Richards is the owner of the largest Tae Kwon Do school in Washington State and has promoted more than 1000 Black Belts. He is currently an 8th Degree Black Belt in Tae Kwon Do and Hapkido.

EDDIE RIVERA.....MASTER

Mr. Rivera has been studying the Martial arts for nearly 50 years. He has studied the likes of Aikido, Kung Fu, Okinawa-Te Rembukai, Krav Maga and holds a 5th Degree Black Belt in Shotokan Karate. He is a member of the Japan Karate Association, the American Amateur Karate Federation, the Kuro Tora Karate Association and the US National Grassroots Karate Program. He has received the Most Consistent Fighter Award.

RICKY ROJAS.....SILVER LIFE AWARD

Born in New York and now lives in Puerto Rico he has studied American Karate, Kobu Tak, Tae Kwon Do, Shotokan and Kung Fu. He currently holds a 3rd degree Black Belt in Sho Shin Karate Do under Master Edgar Serrano. He has been training in the Art for 32 years where he is an active Instructor at Jabun Waza Kai Karate.



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VICTOR RUDDY.....INSTRUCTOR OF THE YEAR

Mr. Ruddy current holds the rank of 4th Degree Black Belt in Shito Ryu Shukokai Karate. He has also trained in Judo, Shotokan, Goju Ryu, Pentjak Silat and Kung Fu. He has assisted Chief USA Instructor Michael Berkowitz in his 3 upstate New York Dojo's

SEAN RUSSELL.....MASTER

Sean's Kung Fu San Soo training began in 1983, earning his Black Belt 4 years later under Steve Monday and Bill Lasiter. In 2009 Sean succeeded in earning his 7th Degree Black Belt from Dave Hopkins and continued to earn his Master's Degree in Kung Fu San Soo from Carl Lorenzen.

GLENN SMALL.....DISTINGUISHED MASTER

Mr. Small has been training in the Martial Arts for 32 years. He has studied numerous of styles over the years including Tae Kwon Do, Hapkido, Arnis and holds a 5th Degree Black Belt in Kempo. He is the owner and Head Instructor at the American Studios of Self Defense.

JEROME SNIDER.....MASTER OF THE YEAR

Mr. Snider began his Martial Arts training in 1978 studying Karate. He has also studied Judo and Daito Ryu Aiki Ju-Jitsu. He is a member of USA Judo and an assistant Instructor under Grandmaster Tony Mondejar at the Ada Judo Club in Oklahoma.

DAVID TAYLOR.....MASTER

Mr. Taylor has been training in the Martial Arts for 34 years. He holds the Rank of 7th Degree Black Belt in the Art of Shorin Ryu Karate under Grandmaster Tadashi Yamashido. He is an active Instructor and owns his studio names Karate Connections in Virginia Beach, Virginia.

ERNEST VANDEHEY.....MASTER INSTRUCTOR OF THE YEAR

Ernest is a member of the International Kenpo Karate Academies. He has studied Aikido, Brazilian Jujitsu and Kenpo Karate where he holds an 8th degree Black Belt under Ho Chan Sifu. He is the owner of Ernie Vandehey Combat Club in Oregon.

ANGELO VASQUEZ.....SILVER LIFE AWARD

Mr. Vasquez is the owner and Chief Instructor of Self Defense Concepts, where he holds the Rank of Master Instructor teaching Kali and Silat. He has also studied Wing Chun and Muay Thai. He has been a practitioner of the Martial Arts for 38 years.



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BRUCE WEILER.....MASTER INSTRUCTOR

Bruce Weiler has trained in the Traditional Martial Arts for 33 years, attaining the rank of 7th Dan and the level of Shihan as an Instructor in Fudoshin Jiu-Jitsu, 2nd Degree Black Belt in Brazilian Jiu-jitsu, 2nd Dan in Uechi-Ryu/Sho Hei Ryu Karate for 20 years. He has also trained in Boxing, Kickboxing and MMA holding several State Kickboxing Titles.

QWINA WEST.....SILVER LIFE AWARD

Qwina is owner and Chief Instructor at Red Eagle Kenpo Karate Kai. Having done the Martial Arts for more than 32 years, Qwina holds the Rank of 7th degree Black Belt in Kenpo Karate and is a member of the United States Karate Alliance, International Kenpo Karate Federation, International Kenpo Karate Academies and Alo Kenpo Karate Association.

DESMOND WILLIAMS.....FOUNDER

Mr. Williams is the founder of Nan Fang Quan Tou Gung Fu and is the Senior Instructor of Best Martial Arts London. He began his Martial Arts training with Judo and Karate, then eventually moving to traditional Northern and Southern Gung Fu. He is a member of the Amateur Martial Arts Association. He currently holds a 4th Dan in the Art of Bamboo Forest Southern Mantis.

WADE WILLIAMS.....GRANDMASTER OF THE YEAR

Mr. Williams is a highly respected instructor of the Filipino Martial Arts with more than 30 years of experience. He holds a 9th degree Black Belt and is Founder of Williams Escrima, promoted and authorized by the International Martial Arts Council of America Board of Grandmasters. He has studied Serrada, Bahala Na, Corto Kadena, Kaboraon, and Goju Karate. He is a member of the Kilohana US Organization, Stockton Coalition of Stockton, Genesis Martial Arts International and the Visayan Escrima Guild of Oakland. Wade is a man of God, and through his ministry and his evangelical effort, he has used his Martial Arts as a tool to reach the youth in his local community.

SHAWN WHITEHEAD.....MASTER

Shawn is a 7th Degree Black Belt in the Art of Hapkido and Hapki Jutsu under Tokey Ramey. He has also studied Judo, Jujutsu and Arnis. He is a member of the USJA, Juko Kai and Kidokan International.



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KEITH ZIELKE.....MASTER INSTRUCTOR OF THE YEAR

Mr. Zielke has been doing the Martial Arts for 32 years. He has trained in Kajukenbo, Judo, American Karate, Kochi Kali Kar, Shotokan and Tokohi Ryu. He holds the Rank of 5th Degree Black Belt in Nisei Goju Ryu under Master Frank Sisco. He is an active Instructor at Carolina Family Karate.



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DAVID CANTRELL.....GOLDEN LIFE AWARD

David started his Martial Arts in 1973 under Grandmaster Harold Long. He received his first Black Belt in 1978. He opened his first school in 1980. He is a member of the Okinawan Karate Do Union. He has also studied the Combat Cane and Pressure Points under George Dillman. He currently holds 6th Degree Black Belt in Isshin Ryu.

ANTHONY CHAVEZ.....GOLDEN LIFE AWARD

Mr. Chavez is a member of The Hana Dai Ichi Karate Association and The United States Karate Alliance. He has received the John Edgar Hoover Award for Distinguished Public Service. He has also received a Certificate of Appreciation for Extraordinary Performance. He has been studying the Martial Arts for 40 years and holds a 6th Degree Black Belt in Tae Kwon Do under Master Mike Lubarsky. Anthony is an active Instructor at the Los Lunas Tae Kwon Do in New Mexico.

GARY COX.....GOLDEN LIFE AWARD

Mr. Cox is a member of the Utah Black Belt Club. He has studied Wado Ryu, Tracy Kenpo and was in the US Army Special Forces for 12 years. He has been involved in the Martial Arts for more than 45 years. At the age of 71 he holds an 8th Degree Black Belt in American Kenpo. He has received School of the Year for 10 years. For the past 12 years he has had the most Competitors in tournament competition. He has coached National and International Champions. He is the co-owner of Kiai Martial Arts in Murray, Utah.

LAURA LEA COX.....DISTINGUISHED MASTER

Mrs. Cox is a member of the Utah Black Belt League and The Native American Pow Wow Committee. She holds a 7th Degree Black Belt in American Kenpo. She has competed in SKI and NBL Tournaments. She has won 1st place in Kata, Creative Kata, Self Defense and Sparring, winning her both National and International Titles. She has been in the Martial Arts for 38 years. She is co-owner of Kiai Martial Arts.



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STEVEN DIRTON.....GOLDEN LIFE AWARD

Mr. Dirton is a 7th Degree Black Belt under Grandmaster Dan Frazier. He has been teaching Kajukembo in South Carolina for over 40 years. Mr. Dirton has produced over 30 Black Belt and has taught over 2000 student in his community. During his competitive days, he was considered one of the best fighters in South Carolina becoming a 6 time Heavy Weight Champion, over the course of his career.

PAUL DYER.....GRANDMASTER

Mr. Dyer is a 8th Dan in the style of Kenpo Karate. He has also studied Qi-Gong, Shaolin Kung-Fu, Chi Na, Shotokan, Tai Chi, Kali, and Ju-Jitsu and is the Vice President of the International Kenpo Karate Academies. Mr. Dyer is the regional director of the International Martial Arts Union, a member of the Black Dragon Fighting Society, the International Martial Arts Association Organization, and the United States Martial Artist Association of North Dakota. He has been a Hall of Fame Inductee of the United States Martial Artist Association. He has opened his own dojo, Dakota Dragon Defense in Fargo.

ROBBY EVANS.....GOLDEN LIFE AWARD

Robby has been in the Martial Arts for 38 years. He holds an 8th Degree Black Belt in Okamoto Ryu Kenpo. He also holds a 7th Degree Black Belt in Genkotsu Ryu Yamashiro Jiu-Jitsu and is a Master of Kenjutsu. He has also studied Judo, Bushido Kempo, Goju Ryu Karate, Shorinryu Karate, Tae Kwon Do and Hapkido.

ALFRED GAGNE.....MASTER

Mr. Gagne began his Martial Arts training while serving in the US Air Force in 1968. He obtained his 1st Degree Black Belt in Matsumura Orthodox Shorinryu Karate on Oct 1, 1972. He is an expert in the Art of Okinawan Weapons. He currently holds a 6th Degree Black Belt under Master James Coffman.

MICHAEL GLEY.....JUJITSU INSTRUCTOR OF THE YEAR

Mr. Gley holds a 3rd Degree Black Belt in Dan Zan Ryu Jujitsu as developed by Professor Henry Okazaki. He is a member of the American Judo and Jujitsu Federation. He started his Jujitsu training in 1969. He has been in the Arts for 44 years, with over 30 years of teaching experience. He has taught Jujitsu in Arizona since 2003.



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RAY HUGHES.....GOLDEN LIFE AWARD

Mr. Hughes is the owner of Scottsdale Martial Arts Center with an enrollment of around 300 students. His school is the oldest and largest Martial Arts School in the Scottsdale, Arizona area. Mr. Hughes started training in Wado Karate in 1976 under the instruction of Sensei Marlon Moore. He currently holds the Rank of 7th Degree Black Belt awarded to him by the USA Karate-Do KyoKai with Sensei Chuck Merriman, Sensei Lee Gray and Sensei Robert Hunt on the testing board. He has an extensive competition career that covered the 1970's through the 2000's. He competed in local and regional competitions and was on 5 USA Karate Teams.

ANTHONY IBARRA JR.LAW ENFORCEMENT INSTRUCTOR OF THE YEAR

Mr. Ibarra is currently celebration 41 years in the Martial Arts and he is a 3rd Degree Black Belt in Wado Ryu Karate as well as Kei Nori Ashi Ryu Jitsu. He has also studied Tae Kwon Do, Shotokan, American Kenpo, Judo and American Boxing. He is currently in his 30th year as a Texas Peace Officer. Mr. Ibarra is a Certified Instructor for the Human Factor Research Group Pressure Point Control Tactics, Defensive Tactics and Ground Avoidance Ground Escape. He has trained numerous officers throughout the Texas region.

BRADLEY KREHEL.....GOLDEN LIFE AWARD

Mr. Krehel has been training in the Martial Arts since 1970. He has studied Judo, JuJitsu, Taekwondo, Boxing, Tai Chi Qigong and Tang Soo Do. He is an accomplished competitor and has received National and International awards from the Professional / Ameateur Karate League, PRO/AM National Circuit and with KRANE Rating International. In 1994, he was a member of the USA Karate Team that traveled to China, Hong Kong and Korea. When America was attacked on September 11, 2001, Mr Krehel decided to commit his life to teaching the art of Tang Soo Do and founded Kid Soo Do, a Youth organization dedicated to providing a comprehensive Self Defense Karate Program.

ALVIN LYE.....GOLDEN LIFE AWARD

Mr. Lye is the current Vice President of World Goju Ryu Karate Do Federation and President of the Asian Goju Ryu Karate Do Federation. He has been training in Karate since 1970. In 1986 he went to Japan to train under Gogen Yamaguchi. Since then he has been attending training in Japan under the IKGA. He has been training in Goju for 43 years. He currently holds the rank of 9th Degree Black Belt.



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RON MAREK.....GOLDEN LIFE AWARD

Mr. Marek started training in the Martial Arts in 1969. He has trained in Judo, Shotokan, Tae Kwon Do and Kenpo Karate. He has been inducted into 6 Hall of Fames and currently holds a 6th Dan in Tae Kwon Do and a 10th Dan in Bushido Kenpo. Dr Marek was awarded the "Top Martial Arts School" in 1995 by Martial Arts Business Association for being one of the largest Kenpo Karate schools in the southwestern United States. His school had more than 230 active students, even though there were 36 competing martial arts schools in a 5-mile radius. Since that time Dr. Marek has founded the International Kenpo Karate Federation and the US Grand Masters Council to help other martial artists earn the ranks they deserve and to become financially successful in teaching their chosen martial arts system.

SHELDON MARR.....COACH OF THE YEAR

Mr. Marr started training in Judo in 1964 at the age of 5, under his father Wally Marr, a well know Judo Instructor. By the age of 17, Sheldon was a Junior National Judo Champion and a California State Wrestling Champion. In 1982 he was selected to the US Olympic Judo Training Squad. Then moving to the Denver area, he started teaching Varsity Wrestling, winning 6 District and Regional team titles, 12 State Champions, and 40 State medalists. Sheldon has coached National Champions in Judo, Pankration and NCAA Champions in Wrestling. His Team Edge are US National Jujitsu and or Grappling Team Champions from 1996 through 2013.

ROBERT MITCHELL.....GOLDEN LIFE AWARD

Mr. Mitchell started taking Martial Arts in the early 1960's. In 1971 he received his Black Belt from Grandmaster Ed Parker in American Kenpo. During his competitive time, he was a very respected fighter, winning his share of State and International Competitions. In the 1970's Mr. Mitchell was awarded Fighter of the Year at the IKKA Awards Banquet. In 1975 he was honored by Black Belt magazine by being put on the cover of their annual year book addition. He is currently the promoter of United Martial Artist for Christ. He holds the Rank of 8th degree Black Belt.

ANTHONY NOTARO.....SHIHAN OF THE YEAR

Mr. Nataro holds the rank of 6th degree Black Belt and the Title of Shihan in the Art of Yoshitsune Jujutsu and a 4th Degree in Hakko Ryu Jujutsu. He has studied Judo, Ryukyu Kempo, Okinawan Karate, Kenpo, Arnis and Aikido. He is a member of the American Jujutsu Association, Federation of United Martial Artist, International Federation of Jujutsuans and Hakko Ryu Jujutsu Association. He has been studying the Martial Arts for 40 years.



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BRIANT PETERSON.....GOLDEN LIFE AWARD

Mr. Peterson has been in the Martial arts for 40 years. He trains and studies in the Art of Bushido Kai Karate Jutsu. He holds a 3rd Degree Black Belt under Master Johnny Murphy. He has also studied Shotokan, NiHan Karate and Kyokai. He is a member of the Japanese Karate Association, the ISKF and the ASKF. He is an active Instructor at Champions Bushido Houston Nationals Karate.

MELVIN RIVERA.....GOLDEN LIFE AWARD

Being accepted by Austin Box

Sifu Melvin Rivera began his early Martial Art journey in Hawaii in 1960 while practicing the art of Judo. He also served in the United States Military Armed Forces serving tours in Viet Nam. (He was decorated/awarded militarily for his contributions.)

His main instruction came at the hands of Sifu Thomas Enfield studying the Chinese Kung Fu. Mr. Rivera has also trained with Kempo Karate, various forms of Kung Fu, Tai Chi Chuan (Yang Style) and other effective unorthodox fighting systems while living in Hawaii.

In 1978, Mr. Rivera relocated to Colorado Springs and began his formal teaching Tai-Ken-Tao Kung Fu combining Chinese Kenpo Karate with Mr. Vic Sauget. Recognizing some of their top students; Robert Hill, Noel Menzano and Sifu Raymond Bennett of Colorado Springs.

Following in 1983, he together with Sensei Wayne Smith established the Sogo Ken Karate Jitsu Dojo through the guidance of Kazuo Nakajima. The Sogo Ken Dojo was part of the Hana Dai Ichi Karate Association under Hanshi Austin Box. Mr. Rivera and his students were established tournament competitors from 1980 until his retirement 1985 following his Grand Championship at the Rocky Mountain Nationals. Known for his 'Drunken Monkey' form he was highly ranked in Soft Style Forms and Chinese Weapons.

He has since returned to his Aloha state of Hawaii and continues to support Hanshi Box and the Hana Dai Ichi Association. He shares his United States Martial Arts Hall of Fame Induction with his family, wife Mercy, daughter Pam, and plenty dear friends.

DAN ROBERTS.....FOUNDER

Mr. Roberts trains and studies the Art of Yong Moo Kwan Tae Kwon Do and holds the rank of 9th Degree Black Belt under Grandmaster Hong Sun Lee. He has also studied Tang Soo Do, Hapkido, Goju Ryu, San Ku Kai Karate and American Kempo. He has been training in the Martial Arts for 50 years. He is a member of WTF, Korean Moo Duk Kwan, World Traditional Tang Soo Do Federation, and The Black Knights Karate Association. Mr. Roberts teaches private lessons and is the Founder of the Art Soo Bak Kee Mu Sool.



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PETER ROSE.....GRANDMASTER

Mr. Rose began his Karate training in 1968 in Shudokan Karate under the National karate association. In 1970 Mr Rose received his 1st Degree Black Belt in Shudo-Kan Karate under Grandmaster S.A. Brock.

JAMES ROSENBACH.....GOLDEN LIFE AWARD

Mr. Rosenbach holds a 10th Degree Black Belt under Grandmaster Robert Bussay and Jim Thomas. He has studied Hapkido, Tae Kwon Do, Jujitsu, Ninjitsu, Judo and Robert Bussay Warrior Internatinal Sytem. He has been in the Martial Arts for more than 40 years.

FRANCISCO SANTIAGO III.....GOLDEN LIFE AWARD

Mr. Santiago holds the Rank of 7th degree Black Belt in Shorei Goju-Jutsu under Shihan Julio Ortiz. He has studied Wing Chun, Eagle Claw Kung Fu and Ninpo Tai Jitsu. He is a member of the AKA, Bujinkan. He has received various Military Awards for his service in Afghanistan. He has been training in the Martial Arts for 40 years.

FRANK SASSO.....DISTINGUISHED MASTER

Mr. Sasso began his Martial Arts career in 1969. At the age of 72, he holds a 7th Degree Black Belt in the Art of Goju Shorei Karate under O'Sensei Ken Knudsen. He has also studied Kung Fu and Tai Chi. He is a member of the ASKA and the USKA. He is an active Instructor at the Goju Shorei Karate Academy.

JIRO SHIROMA.....GOLDEN LIFE AWARD

Being accepted by OJ Guerra

Sensei Shiroma was born in Okinawa, Japan. He began his study of Shuri-te at the age of 13 under Master Kanji Inaiuku. At the age of 15 he began to study Kendo. He received his first Black Belt in Kendo at the age of 18. At the age of 20 he started training under Shugoro Nakazato, 10th Degree Black Belt and President of Okinawan Shorin-Ryu Karate Do Association. In 1968nher received his 6th Degree Black Belt and Instructor Certificate. In 1973 he opened a Karate school in Ginowan City, Okinawa and began teaching. In 1977 he moved to the US and opened Arizona Martial Arts Academy in Phoenix. He has taught Martial Arts in the valley since.



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MILAN SHELDEN.....PIONEER

In September 1961 at the age of 3 began his training in American Kenpo under instructor, Tony Tolner. He received his 1st degree black belt in 1970. He subsequently obtained his eight-degree in **Chito-ryu Karate**, **fifth-degree** in Shotokan Karate, and **sixth-degree** in **Shorinji -ryu Jujitsu** under the instruction of Harley (Swiftdeer) Reagan. Mr. Shelden also holds degrees in Tae Kwon Do, Gung Fu, and Chinese Kempo Karate. He began working as an extra in movies, *The Hindenburg*, *Sgt. Peppers Lonely Hearts Club Band* and *Buck Rogers in the 21st Century*. He moved to television to work as a fight choreographer for *Charlie's Angles*, *Starsky and Hutch* and *Baretta*. He suffered a motorcycle accident that greatly reduced the movement of his left ankle. The doctors indicated he would not walk correctly and, never be able to perform martial arts. Mr. Shelden spent the next two years to rehabilitate himself. He examined similarities between the forms of martial arts that he had studied. And over 30 years developed Shou Yuan Chuan or *Small Circling Fist*. Mr. Shelden has been inducted into the Martial Arts Hall of Fame for "*Legend Landmark*", "*Soke of the Year*" and "*Platinum Achievement Award*". Mr. Shelden's prized awards is a *FOSHAN Wing Chung* tee shirt worn a pallbearers who carried IP Man and one of three books written by IP Man. In 2005, Mr. Shelden was promoted to tenth-degree black belt and Soke for his development of Shou Yuan Chuan.

CARLOS SILVAINTERNATIONAL INSTRUCTOR OF THE YEAR

Grandmaster Carlos Silva started his Martial Arts training in 1973. He has studied numerous Martial Arts including Hapkido, Karate, Ninjutsu, Jujitsu, Tae Kwon Do but is mostly known for his system of Brazilian Kickboxing. He helps to organize Martial Art events in Brazil and the United States

GURJOT SINGH.....GOLDEN LIFE AWARD

Mr. Singh is a member of the World Martial Arts College, The US Grandmasters Association, American Tai Chi, Qigong Association, IKF, and NAGA. He holds and 8th Degree Black Belt in the Style of Internal Boxing under Dan Walth and Khadi Madama. He has been studying the Martial Art for 40 years and teaches at the YMCA.



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HARRY WHEELER.....GOLDEN LIFE AWARD

Mr. Wheeler holds an 8th Dan in Kenpo Karate. He has been involved in the Martial Arts since 1964. His study began with Boxing, Wrestling, Shorei-GoJu Karate, Shotokan, Kyokushinkai, Brazilian jiu-jitsu, and Cooper Ryu Jujitsu. Mr. Wheeler has also been the Lead Instructor in Defensive Tactics and Physical Training for the Cook County Sheriff's Training Academy.

ERRON WRIGHT SR.GRANDMASTER

Mr. Wright has been in the Martial Arts for 41 years. He holds the Rank of 10th Degree Black Belt in the Art of Goju Kempo under Professor Rick Wiggington. He is a member of the Missouri martial Arts Hall of Fame and The Southwest Missouri Association Tournaments.



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TERRENCE ADLAWAN.....GRANDMASTER

Mr. Adlawan holds the rank of Judan in the Art of Jujitsu under Professor Fransico Limbago. He has also studied Kenpo Karate and Judo. He has been training in the arts for 56 years. He is a member of the American Jujitsu Institute, The World Judo Association, and The World Organization of Martial Arts. He is an active Instructor teaching at the Alaska Jujitsu Institute.

LEE EICHELBERGER.....PIONEER

Mr. Eichelberger is a 10th Degree Black Belt in Kodenkan Jujitsu, A 10th Degree in Small Circle Jujitsu and is one of two Professors in Small Circle Jujitsu, the other being Professor Leon Jay. Professor Eichelberger was the senior student of Professor Wally Jay for many years. He has been involved in Jujitsu for over 50 years, both as a student and an Instructor. He was a founding member and past President of Jujitsu America.

ALLEN FISCHER.....WARRIOR

Mr. Fisher has been involved in the Martial Arts since 1966. He has studied multiple styles including Moo Duk Kwan Tae Kwon Do and American Karate. Mr. Fisher now holds the rank of 7th Degree Black Belt and is a member of IMAC. He is currently studying American Kenpo under Chief Adrain Roman and Combat Jujitsu under Michael DePasquale Jr.

ROBERT JANECEK.....GOLDEN LIFE AWARD

Mr. Janecek now a 9th Degree Black Belt in the Art of Shorei Goju. He also has studied Judo, Kali, Eskrima, Arnis, Aikido, Tae Kwon Do and Jeet Kune Do. He has been in the Arts for 49 years and is an active Instructor at Dragon Fire Karate. He is a member of Chicago Judo and Karate Centers and The Martial Arts Karate Association.

ROY KING.....GRANDMASTER

Mr. King has 55 years in the Martial Arts. He currently holds an 8th Degree Black Belt in Hapkido and Ho Kuk Mu Sul. He is the United States Representative for The Song Moo Hapkido Association. His training and rank is accredited by numerous Associations including World Kuk Sool Association and The World Moon Moo Do Federation



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TONY MONDEJAR.....PIONEER

Mr. Mondejar has been in the Arts for 53 years. He holds the rank of 9th Degree Black Belt in Judo and Jujitsu. He has also studied Arnis, Weapon Disarming and Karate. He is a member of the USMA, USJA, and The IJF. He is the owner and Master Instructor at the Ada Judo Club and Women's Self Defense in Ada, Oklahoma.

ALFREDO QUINONES.....MASTER OF THE YEAR

Mr. Quinones has been training in the Martial Arts for 50 years in the Art of Tang Soo Do where he currently holds the Rank of 5th Degree Black Belt under Grandmaster Ki Yun Yi. He has also studied Tae Kwon Do, Goju, and Northern Praying Mantis Kung Fu. He is a member of the International Martial Arts Association.

RICHARD ROCKBURN.....PIONEER

Mr. Rockburn has been practicing Martial Arts and Self Defense for 56 years. He has been teaching since 1975. He is an 8th Degree Black Belt in Shaolin Wing Chun. He is a certified Florida Defensive Tactics Instructor. He is a member of the Florida Black Belt Association, The US Grandmasters Council. He teaches at the American Chinese Kung Fu School.

MICHAEL ROMINES.....GRANDMASTER

Mr. Romines began his Martial Arts training in 1963, where he studied Judo and Shotokan, receiving Black Belts in both Arts. In 1965 he began to study Tang Soo Do .In Feb 2012 he received his 9th Degree Black Belt under Grandmaster Hwang Kee, the Founder of Tang Soo Do Moo Duk Kwan.

EDWARD SEALY.....GRANDMASTER OF THE YEAR

Mr. Sealy started learning the Martial Arts at 23 years old. His teacher was Master William Reeders. He has now studied the Martial Arts for 50 years, making him 73 years of age. He has studied Kun Tao, Judo, Jujitsu and Hyastin. He has received the Pioneer Award and Golden Life Award at previous Hall of Fame Events.

MARK SHUEY SR.PIONEER

Mark Shuey Sr. holds the Rank of Founder and 10th Degree Black Belt in the American Cane System. He also holds a 6th Degree Black Belt in Tang Soo Do, 8th Degree Black Belt in tae Kwon Do and a 7th Degree Black Belt in Hapkido. He has over 55 years in the Arts and has made the



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Combat Cane and the name Cane Master World famous. He has been featured in numerous Martial Arts magazine publications and television shows throughout the United States.



Honorary Guest

CHUCK MARTINEZ.....IRON DRAGON AWARD

Bustillo to speak about.

MIKE GOLDBERG.....MAN OF THE YEAR

Nate Quarry to accept and say a few words

Goldberg, 48 (11/24/64), is one of the most diversified talents in the broadcast business, he is best known as the play by play announcer for the Ultimate Fighting Championship. Goldberg recently called his 200th UFC in May 2013, in addition to hosting live events; Mike hosts UFC Unleashed on Fox Sports One as well as many other UFC Specials and DVD productions. Mike is presently beginning production with EA Sports for the release of the new UFC Videogame. Goldberg will be featured extensively in his long time role as play by play announcer.

Goldberg also served as the host for 2 seasons of Shaq Vs on ABC, the nationally televised entertainment series where Shaquille O’Neal competes against the greatest in the world on their fields, in their specialties.

In addition to the UFC and ABC, Mike served as preseason television play by play announcer for the NFL Arizona Cardinals and was featured extensively on their radio network during the regular season. Goldberg has also served as host of Fox Sports Net’s national coverage of College Football and College Basketball, serving as studio anchor for College Football Saturday as well as ACC Sunday Night Hoops. Mike also served as Guest Host of the Best Damn Sports Show Period on FSN, as well as performing play by play duties for AVP Beach Volleyball and the Red Bull Air Race World Series. In addition, Mike has done play by play for NFL Europe and has been utilized as a sideline reporter for FOX Sports on their coverage of the National Football League (NFL).

Prior to his many national duties, he spent 3 seasons as the play by play announcer for the NHL’s Minnesota Wild. Before joining the Wild for its inaugural season, he spent three years working for FOX Sports Net as a play-by-play announcer for Atlantic Coast Conference (ACC) men’s basketball games, and NCAA basketball and football games. In addition, he performed play-by-play duties for Florida State Seminole football. Prior to his role with FOX Sports Net, he spent one season (1996-97) as the NHL’s Detroit Red Wings play-by-play announcer.



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The 1986 Miami (Ohio) University Graduate served as a play-by-play announcer for ESPN and ESPN2 for two years (1994-96) where he worked NHL, NCAA basketball and football and CFL games. From 1993 to 96, he worked as a play-by-play announcer for Raycom Sports, broadcasting Big Ten basketball and football games. Goldberg spent six years (1989-95) working for SportsChannel Chicago as a play-by-play announcer for college baseball, basketball, football and hockey games. He hosted the SportsChannel Report and served as a sideline reporter for the Chicago Bulls, during for their 1st 3 World Championship runs. Goldberg also worked for Prime Network, performing play by play for the College Football Game of the Week and the Conference USA Basketball Game of the Week.

He and his wife, Kim, have a daughter Kiarra (15) and a son Kole (13). Goldberg enjoys coaching hockey, playing hockey, watching his daughter perform in the theatre, traveling and spending time with his family. They reside in Phoenix, Arizona.

JINHENG LI.....WUSHU LEGEND

Master Jinheng Li began his martial arts training at age 11; he was selected to attend the prestigious Beijing Sports School. This is a "live-in" school where students focus not only on their academic subjects but also train several hours daily, 6 days a week under the tutelage of the best martial arts masters in China. Master Li's classmate was famous movie star Jet Li. Master Jinheng Li was a senior member of the Beijing Wushu Team and trainer of China Junior Team. Master Jinheng Li has won many National Gold Medals in Wushu Competitions in China, and so have his students. He has also starred in many TV series and movies. Master Li is an internationally acclaimed Chinese martial arts expert in many styles of Tai Chi, Wushu and Kung Fu.

AUSTIN BOX.....GOLDEN EAGLE AWARD OF EXCELLENCE

Mr. Austin Bent Box, (Chu pat ich dech), is from the Southern Ute people of Colorado. He began his martial arts training in 1957 in Judo while in the USAF. Later he moved to Shotokan Karate under the tutelage of Sensei Vincent Cruz from the Nishiyama Hidetaka lineage. Mr. Box has trained in Chung Do Kwan while serving tours in Viet Nam in the early 1960's. Part of his training has involved Hapkido and Tai Chi Chuan. He has coached at the USA Indigenous Games, refereed local competition levels, participated in martial arts promotions and his sincere love of teaching of Native American heritage. Mr. Box is the founder of the Hana Dai Ichi Karate Association (Translated: One within One) which began in Colorado Springs in 1965. Since then he has over 300 Black Belts promoted over the 47 years. He is a current member of the



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International San Ten Karate Association. This will be Mr. (Hanshi) Austin Box, 4th time USMAHOF membership and special recognition.

GK LEE.....DISTINGUISHED GRANDMASTER

Chief Master GK LEE is a member of Masters Council & one of founding of American Taekwondo Association and World Taekwondo Union. He is Master of the Doh-Yi System, a Chief Master with the Dao-source Group and a Grandmaster in the Black Belt Secret Society. He is currently featured on the cover of Black Belt Magazine and now with us at the Martial Arts Hall of Fame

CHUCK MERRIMAN.....PIONEER

Mr. Merriman began his Martial Arts training in 1960 in the Art of Judo under Korean Judo Master In Soo H'Wang and Nakabayashi Sadaki Sensei. In 1966 he began Karate Instruction under Grand master Peter Urban he has served as Chief Arbitrator and Chief referee for the AAU Karate Championships. He has been the Head Coach for numerous US Karate Teams, wining gold, silver and bronze. In 1980 he was inducted into Black Belt Magazine Hall of Fame as Instructor of the Year. He has traveled the world as a Coach, Competitor and Instructor. He has worked as a bodyguard for Diana Ross and Gene Simmons with the band KISS. Mr. Merriman holds the Rank of Grandmaster Hanshi in Okinawan Goju Ryu Karate Do, a 3rd Dan in Kodokan Judo and 1st Dan in Hakkoryu Jujutsu. Mr.Merriman is a true Grandmaster and a mentor to Traditional Martial Artist.

DANNY NETZER.INTERNATIONAL EXPERT IN KRAV MAGA INSTRUCTION

Mr Netzer began training in Hand to Hand combat in 1991. Over the years, has trained in a wide variety of martial arts and specialized in Thai Kick Boxing and professional boxing. In 1999 he became the Senior Instructor for the Israeli Defense Forces, responsible for the accrediting of all IDF hand to hand combat instructors. He headed the Instruction of groups of children and adults in Israel for hand to hand combat as well as participation in security projects around the world. He is the Senior Martial Arts Instructor at the Knesset and Court Guard's State School. In 2011 with the retirement of Ran Nakash, Mr. Netzer became the Chief Commander of the Israeli Defense Forces for Krav Maga hand to hand combat. Making him responsible for the entire field of hand to hand combat in the IDF.

He is also the Senior hand to hand combat instructor at the National Security Training Academy in Israel for the courts and Judicial system. He is a founding Instructor for Nakash Krav Maga in Israel.



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ITAY DANENBERG.....INTERNATIONAL EXPERT IN KRAV MAGA INSTRUCTION

Mr. Itay Danenberg began his service in Israel Defense Force's Krav Maga instruction division where he served for three years as Instructor and Head Instructor. During his service Mr. Danenberg worked closely with almost all of IDF's units including IDF's most elite units, counter terrorism school as well as with the border police special units. Not only that, Mr. Danenberg was responsible for the certification of chosen soldiers to Krav Maga instructors in all of IDF's divisions and units, and was also responsible for their operational qualification preservation. In addition to training, Mr. Danenberg was responsible for the development and implementation of the Krav Maga training method in diverse defense forces units. From 2004 to 2007, Mr. Danenberg served as Instructor at the Krav Maga and security training school for Israel's Judicial and Parliament branches where he trained the security guards in diverse twenty four hours security areas such as VIP protection, critical infrastructure security, riot control, use of nonlethal weapon and more. Mr. Danenberg has trained multiple defense organizations and individuals worldwide, such as German Army and police units, U.S Military Branches and more. Itay is one of the Founding Instructors of Nakash Krav Maga located in Israel.

RAN NAKASH.....INTERNATIONAL EXPERT IN KRAV MAGA INSTRUCTION

Ran Nakash is the Former Chief Commander and Head Instructor of the Israel Defense Forces, Krav Maga Instructional Division. Before being appointed as Chief Commander of the IDF, Ran Nakash Headed the Krav Maga Division of the Security Center of the Israeli Court System. During his tenor he has taught and certified thousands of Special Security Personal who later on became personal body guards of judges, senators, councilmen and business men. These personal body guards were trained in 24 hour personal security for V.I.Ps and included: neutralizing threats at home, in a vehicle, at an office, or any other public place, with an emphasis on neutralizing an attacker armed with a knife or gun, multiple attackers, kidnapping attempts and more. During his years as the Head Instructor for the IDF he worked closely with the IDF's most elite units and special forces, he not only trained the soldiers in Krav Maga, but trained and certified soldiers to become Krav Maga instructors in their own respective units as well as, Creating the curriculum and instruction of the IDF's anti terror school. This is the highest ranking professional authority in IDF Krav Maga. Ran also holds a professional boxing record of 26 wins with 18 by knockout and only one loss. He scored his latest victory on January 21, 2012 defeating Derek Bryant by unanimous decision. Nakash's only loss occurred on April 2, 2011 against WBO Cruiserweight champion Marco Huck. Despite accepting the fight on short notice as a late replacement for Giacobbe Fragomeni, Nakash fought a competitive fight, highly pressing his opponent throughout the 12-round bout, though Huck was ultimately awarded the victory on points. The WBO has labeled Ran Nakash as the "World's Deadliest Man." Nakash was featured on the Discovery Channel's Fight Quest where he demonstrated the techniques of the Israeli combat system of Krav Maga.