



MARTIAL ARTS NEWS

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Once you Learn to Quit, It becomes a Habit! - Vincent Lombardi

CALENDER OF EVENTS:

Current Weapon: Tonfa - Order Yours Today!

Current Student Life Skill: Black Belt Attitude / Leadership Life Skill: Creativity

Saturday, May 7th - 3rd Indiana State Karate Tournament "Spring Smash"

Saturday, May 14th - USA Seminar - We will have regular classes also!

Friday, May 20th - GRADUATION - NO REGULAR CLASSES

Need to have name on List by Monday, May 9th

Need to Pay Graduation Fee by Tuesday, May 17th

6 pm - 6:30 pm - Lil Dragons All Ranks / 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm Beginner Graduation & Weapons

7:30 pm - 9:00 pm Intermediate & Advance Graduation

6:30 pm - 9 pm Those Graduating 1st Brown or Higher

Saturday May 28th & Monday, May 30th - SCHOOL CLOSED - MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND

Saturday, June 4th - Kobayashi National (4th Indiana State Tournament) Kokomo, IN

Saturday, June 18th - GRADUATION - NO REGULAR CLASSES



NEW STUDENTS!

Fabian Osiel, Michael Irving, Chndler Floyd, Emalie Floyd,
Aric Floyd, Demetrius Phillips, Storm Mitchell, Tesha
Mitchell, Katelynn Willoughby, Michael Pierce, Syed Omar
Badshah, Ahleiya-Naye'v Davis, Miguel Moreno, Sam
Robinson, Charlee Clous, Jeremiah Craig, Tenisha Jones,
Fredy Bran Vasquez, Latisha Poulard

NEW LEADERSHIP STUDENTS!

Shayla Whitehead

A NOTE FROM SENSEI:

We know the month of May can be busy time of year for children and parents who are finishing the school year. We know this can sometimes slow down the attendance, but it does not have to stop! Make it whenever you can. Don't be discouraged, you can still do it!

I am really looking forward to the Semianr this Saturday, May 14th. It will be a great opportunity to work out with some of the other master instructors in our karate style. If you have not registered, do it today! All Ranks are invited. They even have special sessions just for children!

- Kyoshi Sensei Ken Piper

Proverbs 3:13-14

Happy is the man that findeth Wisdom and the man that getteth understanding. For the merchandise of it is better than the merchandise of silver, and the gain thereof than fine gold.

Graduation Friday, April 22nd Congratulations!



Lil Dragon Graduation -

White/Yellow Belt - Richard Cauley, Kalid Flores, Angela Rodriquez

White/Orange Belt - Sabrina Hutchison

Belt Graduation -

Gray Belt - Pedro Arroyo, Nathan DeMyers, Aketzali Flores, Jose Flores, Anna Ramirez, Paulo Rodriquez (jr.), Paulo Rodriquez (sr.), Lesa Sigler

Tan Belt - Ravyn Brown, Emmanuel Buggs

Yellow Belt - Israel Galan, Christopher Leavell-Carr

Blue Belt - Robert Davis, NiCole Keith, Skyler Roehlk

3rd Brown - Hannah Hurst

2nd Brown - Joseph Hurst

1st Brown - Ehrich Hurst, Joshua Hurst

Weapons -

Nunchaku Level 1 - Joseph Hurst, Joshua Hurst, Ehrich Hurst, William Sailes, Edward Schneider



Happy Birthday

MAY 2011 BIRTHDAYS

Steffie Roehlk (3),

William Sailes (13), Jeremy Bates (15),

Hambamia Molina (15), Guadalupe Olmos (18), Paulo

Rodriquez (jr.) (18), Uriel Atzala (22), Trinity Barnes

(22), Jotham Suarez (26),

Paulo Rodriquez (sr.) (29),



It's Not Fair!

At this last tournament, I was stunned by something I have seen many times but it hit me with a different view. I saw twice two adults who complained about judges calls that involved their student who was competing against Kelsey. Both of these people told me, after they had vented their complaints to the judge, that they just wanted to make sure their student got treated "fair."

I especially know the one instructor had complained multiple times at this tournament with different judges, and does so frequently at tournaments, to make sure that the judges are not making "bad calls" on his students.

I find this whole concept of fairness very bothersome. This same instructor even threatened to take the child out of the match even though she still had a chance to win (and did win.) Why would he want to teach her to quit because things do not seem fair?

I am amazed that people live life expecting it to be fair when we were taught as children that it is not. I have always taught my children and students, if they are good enough, bad calls by referee's or judges will not stop them from winning. I believe this is an important concept to teach our children and students. I have seen people argue more for the point of fairness than to encourage pushing for success. People who want things to be fair always have an excuse why they do not succeed. Those who forget fairness and push for the goal with determination will not let unfairness stop them from getting to their goal!

3rd Indiana State Tournament

"Spring Smash"

Kelsey Piper

- 2nd Place Kumite (Fighting)

Steffie Roehlk

- 4th Place Chanbara (Sword Fighting)

Skyler Roehlk

- Great Participation in Kata, Kumite & Chanbara