



# GMA newsletter

## March 03 # 2

### **Congratulations to our new TKD black belts**

We want to extend our congratulations to Katie Roe and Kathy Husmann, who both passed their Cho-dan test in Louisville before the tournament. Thank you for all your hard work. Black belt ceremony will be announced as soon as possible.

### **Upcoming events and testings:**

Hapkido Testing (Martinsville). Friday April 4<sup>th</sup>.

Black belt ceremony and TTCA testing. TKD testing may be at the end of April or may be in Louisville, depending on when the black belt ceremony is scheduled. We will announce both as soon as we know.

Dragons testing (Spencer). The TTCA black belt ceremony is holding us up from declaring a certain date, but Miss Dill is polling parents for either a Sun, April 13<sup>th</sup> or a Wednesday or Friday evening. Please make sure to communicate your preferences to her as soon as possible, and we will give you as much notice as we can.

USHF Spring Seminar and black belt test will be hosted by our DPU hapkido club on April 12<sup>th</sup>. Registrations begins at 9:30 and runs till 4:00. Matt Gaunt and David Yoshida will be testing for their black belts that evening, starting at 6:30. Black belt ceremony will immediately follow. Everyone is welcome to watch the testing. Look for separate flyers and a USHF newsletter to provide more information about the days events. Students who are not USHF members already should join the federation before the seminar so that various paperwork can be taken care of before that day. (easier on administration that way.)

Master Chen will be holding his Tai Chi workshop on the IU campus on April 25, 26, and 27<sup>th</sup>.

Workshop flyers will be mailed soon or you can download the registration form at this site: <http://www.indiana.edu/~taichi/schedule.html>. The next time he will be in the area will be the Indianapolis workshop typically in December, so take advantage of this rare opportunity. Also look for Master Chen and his daughter Tiffany on the cover of Inside Kung-fu

### **Kudos to our demo team.**

We are still getting compliments and emails about the demo put on at the TTCA tournament. It was a huge undertaking given the age and rank differences we had, but the performance was credit to everyone's hard work. Demo team will not be practicing on a regular basis until another opportunity presents itself (and if anyone has one, don't hesitate to let us know.) We will eventually put together another show, but we are going to rest for a while ☺

### **Fighting fit is back on the schedule in Martinsville**

With the culmination of the demo team practices, fighting fit is back on the schedule on Fridays nights and is open to all black belt club or GMA club members.



## Tournament Results.

We are very proud of everyone who competed at the TTCA tournament. It seems a great time was had by all. We are still looking for additional video footage, as it is hard for any one person to get everything when there are six rings going at once.

The first impression is that we maybe didn't win as many as normal, but those that did win brought home a lot more gold. Highlights include having our black belts win 1<sup>st</sup> in all of their matches at the finals, and being in the finals in every division we represented, Q and Kyle going 1 and 2 in forms and sparring in men's yellow, and our mini-peewee yellow belts taking 3 out of 4 places in both forms and sparring. This also marked the first time our Spencer school had the opportunity to compete. A special nod should go to the trailblazers from that school: Max, Wesley, and Chris.

Here is a list of those who placed—if there is a mistake or someone was omitted, please let us know for our records.

Mr. Sieg	sa-dan division	4 <sup>th</sup> in forms
Mrs. Yoshida	womens black	1 <sup>st</sup> in forms
Miss Dill	womens black	1 <sup>st</sup> in sparring
Mr. Yoshida	mens black	1 <sup>st</sup> in forms, 1 <sup>st</sup> in sparring, 1 <sup>st</sup> in PTF
Katie Roe	womens brown	1 <sup>st</sup> in sparring
Derek Smith	mens purple	2 <sup>nd</sup> in forms, 1 <sup>st</sup> in sparring
Laura Lempke	womens purple	2 <sup>nd</sup> in forms, 2 <sup>nd</sup> in sparring, 1 <sup>st</sup> in PTF (forfeit)
Jessica Mason	womens green	2 <sup>nd</sup> in forms
Qiming Deng	mens yellow	1 <sup>st</sup> in forms, 1 <sup>st</sup> in sparring
Kyle Cissell	mens yellow	2 <sup>nd</sup> in forms, 2 <sup>nd</sup> in sparring
Alex Townsend	white belt juniors	2 <sup>nd</sup> forms, 1 <sup>st</sup> in sparring
Griffin Selch	mini peewee yellow	4 <sup>th</sup> sparring
Taylor Green	mini peewee yellow	2 <sup>nd</sup> forms
Tylor Martens	mini peewee yellow	4 <sup>th</sup> forms, 3 <sup>rd</sup> sparring
Dylan Ostrum	mini peewee yellow	1 <sup>st</sup> sparring
Grant Ksenak	mini peewee yellow	3 <sup>rd</sup> forms
Chacity Selburg	peewee yellow	4 <sup>th</sup> forms
Makayla Nenedjian	mini peewee green	1 <sup>st</sup> sparring
Catie Willhardt	mini peewee green	1 <sup>st</sup> forms, 3 <sup>rd</sup> sparring
Brittany Nenedjian	peewee green	1 <sup>st</sup> forms, 1 <sup>st</sup> sparring
Case Biesiada	peewee green	3 <sup>rd</sup> forms, 3 <sup>rd</sup> sparring
Shelby Moler	peewee green	2 <sup>nd</sup> forms
Jayse Willhardt	peewee purple	4 <sup>th</sup> sparring
Christina Riffel	junior green	1 <sup>st</sup> sparring