

Tibon's Goju Gazette

July 2006



Janet Tibon

My father Gene Tibon Sr. his son's, Gene Tibon jr., Darren, his daughters Leslie, Regina, Jackie, our wives, husbands, grandchildren, and great grand children would like to say Thank you to all of our Karate friends and families who supported our family and the dojo during the recent passing of our mother, Janet Tibon on June 4th, 2006.

Our Mother was a kind and wonderful person, who only gave of herself for others. She was diagnosed with Multiple Sclerosis while she was an assistant teacher for disabled children. We will miss her truly each day.

It is easy to say thank you, but what's hard is finding a way to let you know just how much it really meant to all of us.

The Tibon Family

Ronny Guzman & Eliza Cabanig Back from PUKO Pan-American Karate Championships in Santa Domingo, Dominican Republic



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Upcoming Karate Tournaments, Technical Seminars, & Events

- 2006 USANKF National Championships & USA Senior & Junior Team Trials Fort Lauderdale July 14-17, 2006.
- GymStars Round Up Mini-Olympics: A Western Extravaganza August 5th – Karate Demo from Tibon's/GymStars Karate Program Delta College Blanchard Gym. Sensei Robert Lawrie & Sensei Amber Ramirez.
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- Tibon's Annual Karate Picnic August 13th 2006 Oak grove Regional Park 8 Mile Rd.
- XVII Junior Pan American Champions Curacao, Netherlands Antilles September 16-24, 2006.
- 2006 Nihon Karatedo Itosu-kai Invitational Tournament Soka University 1 University Drive Aliso Viejo, CA by Sensei David Crockett September 24, 2006.
- Ed Litfin Photography at Dojo on Yosemite St. Stockton Oct. 1st, 2006 1:30 – 6:30pm Please schedule with Yvonne!
- Tibon's In House Tournament Nov. 5th Sunday & Black Belt Testing November 4-5th, 2006 TBA.
- Spring of 2008 Tokyo, Japan – Hokkido, Sendai, Kyoto, Hiroshima, Nara, Tenri & sightseeing also. We hope you could join us.



Sensei Oshiro Weapons Class

Sensei Oshiro has been teaching seminars around Europe and has finally returned to the USA. He will resume his monthly seminars at Tibon's Goju Ryu Dojo at 923 N. Yosemite St. in Stockton.

The Dates for the 2006 Kobudo Weapons Seminars Are:

July 2	Aug 6	Sept 10	Oct 8
Nov. 19	Dec 10		

Attention Hiers Goju Ryu Families!

Sensei Chris Hiers and Janelle are updating all of their student registration records at Twin Arbors location, and will need parents and students to fill out new registration forms as soon as possible. Please pick one up at Twin Arbors location with Sensei Chris. Also new rates for private lesson cost are now \$40 & \$45 per half an hour. See Janelle for scheduling.

2006 USANKF

National & USA Team Trials

It's time to Get Serious!

Fort Lauderdale, Florida

July 14-16, 2006

Make sure you have all of your Gear!

Attention Business Owners!

We are looking for ways to raise money for our Regional Sports Organization for Karate.

USANKF of Northern California, Inc. Is a 501 (c) 3

A Non-Profit Public Charitable Organization for the Development of Traditional Karate in Northern California

We are lucky to have been accepted by some companies in Northern California as a Community Non-profit that they will allow employees to designate monthly community donation to help the development of traditional Karate in Northern California.

If you would like to be a part of our community fundraiser program for the USANKF of Northern California, Inc. like **Pacific Gas & Electric Company**, and now **Compass Mortgage Mr. Richard Tinney**. Mr. Tinney will donate 15% of his origination fees on loans that are referred by anyone in the organization who **mention USA-NKF**. Mr. Tinney is also working with **Tibon's Goju Ryu Karate** with the same donation towards upgrading Karate equipment in our programs by **mentioning Tibon's Karate**.

We have a new sponsor who had joined our group Mr. Joshua E. Bossuat, a New York Life Agent. Joshua is an energetic young man, who has vowed to help our families with our student's college investments, retirement investments, and insurance needs. He has sponsored 4 new computer scoreboards for our athletes, which you will see at the 2006 National Qualifier at Delta College. He has dedicated himself to be involved with our organization. You can contact him at (209) 955-2469. Mrs. Tibon and I have already invested in an IRA account with Joshua already.

Any businesses interested in helping raise funds for our local athletes who travel around the world representing USA please contact RSO President Gene Tibon at (209) 465-0943

Welcome New Students to

Tibon's Goju Ryu Karate Organization

Tibon's Goju Ryu

Angelo Jacquez Arely Rodriguez Naomi Cantu Oscar Cantu Danilo Saldavia

Samantha Kimberly Brandt

Welcome Back: Ethan Crone Alyssa Botello

Hiers Goju Ryu

Brian Harrison Starla Smith Jagger Williams Max Starkovich Nathan Starkovich
Jack Gobel Dale Immelcos Marcus Anderson

Stockton GymStars

Yasmin Zambano Joshua Chou Michelle Chandler Dominick Coleman Cassandra Adams
Noah Perez Ryan Willard Daniel Spoelstra

Modesto GymStars

Evan Dion Garrett Allan Kimble Morris

Mark Your Calendars for Karate Photo Shoot at 923 N. Yosemite Stockton Main Dojo

Photography by Ed Litfin

Schedules are being set up now! Call Yvonne at (209) 465-0943

Attention GymStars Students and Parents!

Parents and students please sign your Karate children up for the Mini Olympics in Modesto and Stockton. Please to the front counter for sign up. Please let your Sensei know so they can put together their demo teams.

If your child's name does not appear on the GymStars Roll Call List you must report to the front desk to verify your class participation. If you are doing a make-up class also let the front desk know prior to the class. There are no exceptions with this rule.

Congratulations to 2006 Academic Pentathlon Winners!

Students from Tibon's Goju Ryu organization participated in the 2006 Academic Pentathlon at Annunciation School. We have several students who demonstrated their mental strength in this competition of knowledge. Bianca Malaspina, from Presentation school, took 2nd place overall, winning a \$100 savings bond, as well as 2nd in Essay, 3rd in Science and 4th in Literature. From Annunciation School, Blue Team Sarah Fernandez who won 2nd place in Literature, 5th place in Science, and Michael Martini a member of the Gold Team took third place out of sixteen teams. Former Karate student Eric Essoyan took 5th place in Math, 2nd place in Literature, 5th place in Science he also was recognized by San Joaquin County recognizes the top ten scorers in the competition win a \$100 savings bond.

The new team sweats have been ordered and we are expecting them before Nationals. We would like to extend a special Thank you to Kristine Embry for all of her hard work in organizing the order.

Ronny Guzman & Eliza Cabanig Back from PUKO Pan-American Karate Championships in Santa Domingo, Dominican Republic

Ronny Guzman found a very tall Haitian as shown on page one, but that didn't stop Ronny Guzman from beating him 8-0 and moving to the next round against Argentina, who he lost to 6-4. The Argentinean lost his next match to take both he and the chance for Ronny Guzman to follow up in the next round for a shot at the medal bracket.

Eliza Cabanig found herself going up against the top competitor in Kata this side of the world in her first round and lost with the majority of the referee flags going to her opponent. Her second round of Kata was against Ecuador who is also a very strong competitor who had won in last years Pan-American championships also.

Both Ronny and Eliza had some tough matches, but still held strong to give their opponents an intense challenge. Both Eliza and Ronny have also been named as possible Team USA members for the FISU University World Championships in August in New York. We'll keep you posted!

If You Want to Order Equipment or New Karate Uniform

Parents and students you can order new Karate uniforms, patches, equipment, Karate member T-shirts, and Karate bags. Just check the (attached) order sheet in this newsletter and give the order sheets to your Sensei to be filled at the main dojo in Stockton. You can also fax directly to Tibon's Goju Ryu in Stockton at Fax (209) 465-1517 or for information call Yvonne Tibon at (209) 465-0943

Tibon's Goju Ryu Annual Picnic is scheduled for August 13, 2006 Oak Grove Regional 8 Mile Road and I-5



Picture says it all! Get Ready to have some Fun!



DOJO REMINDERS

Please make sure you pick up your child on time.

- All tuition payments are due by the 10th of each month – NO EXCEPTIONS. A late charge of \$10.00 will apply; a return check charge of \$15.00 will apply.
- Sensei Oshiro continues to give Kobudo instruction here at the Dojo. Students should take advantage of being taught by one of the foremost weapons instructors in the world. Only \$25 per class plus you must provide your own weapons.
- Per the Goju Ryu Uchiage Kai rules, there will no longer be any rank skipping, unless you pay for each level of the test. This may seem rather harsh, but traditional training makes the student wait at least six month between each level to properly be prepared for the test. This is based on two days per week program.
- There will be a one-year wait on the last leg of the green belt. In addition, the Brown Belt Kyu tests are one year apart, and 100 assisted classes minimum are due before each promotion. A requirement of 300 assisted classes by the brown belt must be logged before allowing testing for Black Belt candidate.
- Private lessons MUST be prepaid, or they will be canceled. We are sorry to announce this, but lately we have had an abundance of no-shows, or last minute cancellations. There are no refunds on these types of issues.
- We still have had complaints about people parking in the street waiting to pick up their children. Please pull into a parking place, circle the block, or park in the rear of the school so this does not create an unsafe condition while picking up your child. Thank you!
- Current students are encouraged to bring in a friend in to try out a class. If the guest decides to continue and join the program, the student who referred will be awarded a \$10 gift certificate for the referral.
- Please see Yvonne about any make-up classes you need to schedule. She is always happy to help you! Please Note: Four classes equal one half month which is \$55. Any classes over four is equal to a full month or \$65.