

Tibon's Goju Gazette

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Welcome New Black Belts Competing in Canada!

Janelle Hiers Sr. 1st Dan Sho Dan Ho Black Belt
Devin Collins Jr. 1st Dan Sho Dan Ho Black Belt
Tim Cronin Sr. 1st Dan Sho Dan Ho Black Belt
Liliana Sanchez Jimenez Jr. 1st Dan Ho Black Belt
Mario Evangelista Sr. 1st Sho Dan Black Belt
Cristian Embry Jr 2nd Degree Ni Dan Black Belt
Jack Gonzales Sr. 2nd Degree Ni Dan Black Belt
Michael Brian Embry Sr. 2nd Degree Ni Dan Belt
Andrew Moore Sr. 2nd Degree Ni Dan Black Belt
Black Belt Banquet will be at La Iguana Wanna's
7555 Pacific Ave. Stockton

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Surprise 60th Birthday Party for Sensei Toshihiro Oshiro Our Weapons Master at Tibon's Goju Ryu for the past 12 years.



Masters from around the country gathered in Foster City at the Royal Crown Plaza

Sensei Michael Shimabukuro from Hawaii, Sensei Mike O'Donnell from Seattle, Sensei Andre Tippett also all Pro Linebacker and NFL Hall of Fame Football Player from New England, Sensei Gene Tibon from Stockton all wishing Sensei Oshiro Happy Birthday!

**Tibon's Goju Ryu Fighting Arts
Advertisement in your
Stockton Record.**

**Pass on the Word
Or Pass on This Coupon to your
Friends!**

Tournament Results

The last the weekends members of Tibon's Goju Ryu Fighting Arts Karate Studio travelled to Portland, Oregon for the 2009 37th Northwest Classic International Karate Invitational.

Mark Canevari 1st place boys 15-16 yr old Black Belt Kata, 1st place 15-16 yr old Black Belt Kumite.

2009 36th Annual Steveston International Karate Championships Richmond, B.C. Canada.

Jack Gonzales 3rd place men's Black Belt Open Weight Kumite.

Andrew Moore 3rd place men's -75 Kilo Black Belt Kumite.

Sensei Oshiro Weapons Classes

Moves to Every Other Month

If you are studying Weapons you should be Attending These Seminars

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

The Dates for the 2009 Kobudo Weapons Seminars Are: June 14, Aug.2, Oct. 11, Nov. 15

Upcoming Karate Tournaments, Technical Seminars, and Events

- USANKF Junior Olympics and US Open in Las Vegas, Nevada Caesar's Palace April 10-12, 2009
- USANKF of Northern California National Qualifier May 3rd, 2009 Delta College Stockton, Ca.
- 2009 Summer University Games July 1st, 2009.
- USANKF National Championships and USA Team Trials Fort Lauderdale, Florida July 14-19, 2009
- Long Beach Internationals August 7-9, 2009
- Tibon's Goju Ryu Annual Picnic August 22nd Micke Grove Park.
- David Crockett's Itosu Kai International Invitational September, 2009
- West Coast Open/Tacoma, WA Sensei Chuck Sweigart September 2009.
- Disney Martial Arts Festival at Walt Disney World® Disney's Wide World of Sports Complex Oct. 16-18, 2009.
- 2009 Tibon's Goju Ryu Annual IN HOUSE Karate Tournament and Black Belt Testing December 2009.

Welcome New Students - Tibon's Goju Ryu Karate Organization

Tibon's Goju Ryu - Joshua Mariani Rodulfo Fierro Brandy Hillmon Aaron Hazel
Brixton Delaserda Willie Miranda

Hiers Goju Ryu – Xander Porteous Tyler Nies Julius Ellis Haley Jorgesen

Welcome back David Holtz

Stockton GymStars – Graciella Biagini Alex Carrillo Kenneth Xiong Armani Ramirez
Emilee Reeves Emma Auser Logan Gorham Adam Banks Ethan McLaughlin Donald Hunter
Sergio Gonzalez

Modesto GymStars - Michael Haworth Benjamin Martinez Julio Ramirez



**USA-NKF of Northern California, Inc. RSO
Triple National Championships Qualifier
San Joaquin Delta College
May 3, 2009**

This Tournament qualifies you to the USA National Karate Federation Championships and USA Team Trials in Fort Lauderdale, Florida July 14-19,2009, and we will also be hosting the Classical Japanese Okinawa Karate & Kobudo Qualifier for the finals as a part of the 2009 Disney Martial Arts festival at Walt Disney World®Wide World of Sports® Complex in Orlando, Florida in Oct. 16-18th.

This tournament will also be host to the US Filipino Martial Arts Federation's Stick Fighting Qualifier also a part of the 2008 Disney Martial Arts Festival at Walt Disney World October 16-18, 2009.

Athletes can even compete just for the sake of competition with some of the best athletes in Northern California.

The door registration will start at 8:00am. The tournament will begin at 9:00am. There will be Officials Meeting at 8:45am. The USA-NKF Rules of Karate Competition will be used in all divisions except the WKF Division to which the WKF rules of Karate competition will apply.



Top 10 athletes in each division qualify for the Classical/Traditional Japanese Okinawa Karate & Kobudo at the Disney Martial Arts Festival in Disney's Wide World of Sports®Complex in Orlando, Florida

Central Valley Karate Boosters Presents

**Tibon's Goju Ryu, Hiers Goju,
GymStar's Stockton, Gymstars
Modesto Karate students & their
families of all ages are invited to
join us at Swenson Park for an
Easter Picnic!**

**Saturday April 11th at Swenson Park
from 12:00 noon to 3:30 pm
*Weather permitting**



**Parents who want their children
to participate in the egg hunt
should bring a dozen colored
hard-boiled eggs to hide in the
park.**

*This event will be “Potluck”
“style”... Guests are encouraged
to bring their own beverages and
additional food & utensils for
their families. So grab your picnic
baskets, portable grills, blankets
and chairs and join us for this fun
celebration!*

www.centralvalleykaratebooster.com

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 \$15.00 will apply; a return check charge of \$20.00 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 months between each level to properly be prepared for the test. This is based on two days per week program.
- 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. Also have to be registered with Goju Ryu Uchiage Kai membership three years consecutive before allowed to test.
- 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!
- 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 \$65. Any classes over four is equal to a full month or \$75.
- All Dojo Information see www.tibonkarate.com

Special Announcement! Please look for all of the Great Products that we are selling on our website under “Links and Products” “Products” will now feature the famous “Monavie” Health Drink with the “Acai Berry” and the 19 other power fruits that may well be the Healthiest Drink on the Planet.

We are now selling “SANBON” Martial Arts Clothing also on line our website. All custom shirts.
www.tibonkarate.com



Tibon's Goju Ryu America's Finest Program

Is a new program Sensei Gene Tibon has dedicated to the Law Enforcement Officers of Stockton, Lodi, Manteca, Lathrop, Tracy, Dept. of Corrections, Parole Agents, Fire Fighters, EMT's, and our Military.

When an Officer, Fire Fighter, or Military Personnel is able to show us an I.D. or a badge Tibon's Goju Ryu will give them the 50% monthly rate of \$65.00 per month. The purpose is our way to say thank you for these Public Safety Officers, First Responders, and our Military Soldiers who put their lives on the line each day to protect the family's of our dojo's.

If you have any of the above in your family and they are interested in taking classes have them call Sensei Tibon or Yvonne Tibon at the main dojo at (209) 465-0943.

Our Military Kids, Inc.

Has Approved

Tibon's Goju Ryu Fighting Arts Karate Organization

For Special Military Kids Grants

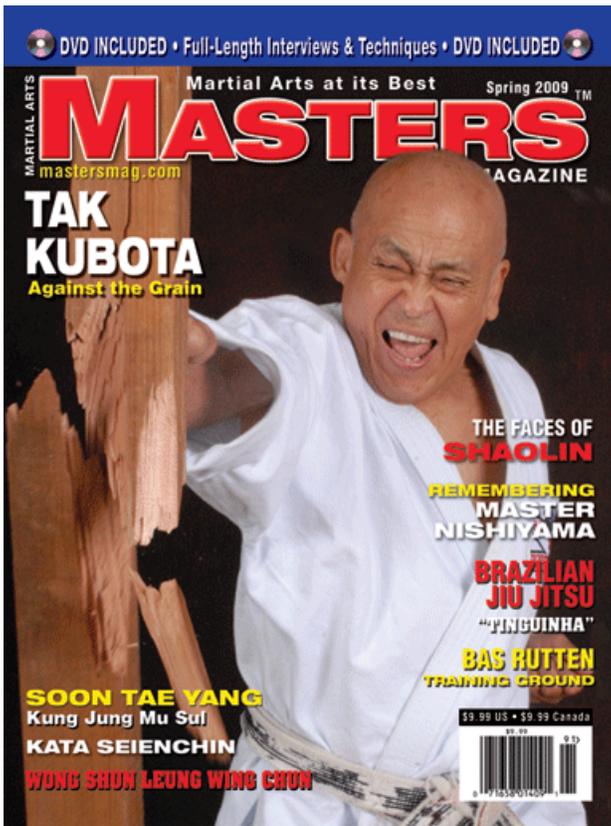
For Children of Military Parents who have been called to Active Duty

Tibon's Goju Ryu is proud to be an approved program to help serve the young children of parents who have been called to active duty and deployed while being a Reserve or National Guard military parent.

If a member of your family qualifies for this grant contact "Our Military Kids, Inc." at (703)734-6654.



Sensei Gene Tibon Interview Just Hit Your Local News Stands



SPRING 2009 ISSUE ON SALE NOW!

This issue features instruction and insight from these modern masters:

- Tak Kubota (**Karate**) - "**Against The Grain**"
- "The Two Faces of Shaolin" (**Kung Fu**)
- Mauricio "Tinguinha" (**Brazilian Jiu Jitsu**) - "**A Force of One**"
- Gene Tibon (**Karate**) - "**Still Waters Run Deep**"
- Jimmy Pedro (**Judo**) - "**A Piece of Glory**"
- Masterpoints (**Kenpo Karate**)
- Soon Tae Yang (**Kung Jung Mu Sul**) - "**A Treasure of Knowledge**"
- Hidetaka Nishiyama - "**A Measure of a Man**"
- The Bruce Lee Chronicles - **Oakland**
- Bas Rutten (**MMA Training**) - "**Training Ground**"
- Wong Shun Leung Ving Tsun - (**Kung Fu**)
- Hu Jianqiang - "**Wushu Ambassador**"
- Takahiko Ishikawa (**Judo**)
- SEIENCHIN - **Shitei Kata** by Sensei Kunio Miyake
- 2009 NEW SECTION! **COMPARING KICKS - Tae Kwon Do vs. Savate vs. Karate!!!**

Included is a 118 minutes DVD with techniques, interviews, training tips and much more...!

Next Masters Magazine
In April 2009

Will be Featuring Sensei Gene Tibon's USANKF of Northern California Grassroots
YODP Karate Pilot Program held at the US Olympic Training Center in Colorado
Springs, Col.

This exceptional magazine will be highlighting the historic trip of some of our
outstanding athletes we hope to be some of our future Olympic Hopefuls in the
Summer Olympic Games in 2016



***Goju Ryu Uchiage Kai Annual Memberships Are Due!
Please fill out your sheet or see Mrs. Tibon for Information***

California Tribal TANF Partnership



Parents and students who are of Native American Indian decent, Tibon's Goju Ryu Fighting Arts is now working with the California Tribal TANF Partnership program for scholarships for our Native American Indian students. If you are interested in information please contact them to see if you are eligible for a California Tribal Indian Scholarship give us a call at the main dojo at (209) 465-0943.

Attention Parents!
New T&T Dragons Program
Tiny & Tough 2-4 yr old Pre Karate Program
Well on It's Way! We Still Have Room in Classes!

Behavioral Development for young students entering into Karate program, Pre-school program, helps with sibling interaction, physical development, discipline, patience, respect, responsibility, listening skills

Call to reserve your child's place now at 465-0943 list is already filling up!



Connecting Waters Charter School

Connecting Waters is Fully Accredited by the Schools Commission
of the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC)



We have many students in the Connecting Waters Charter Schools that come to Tibon's Goju Ryu Fighting Arts Programs for their physical education requirements. If you have questions about our program and how to qualify through Connection Waters Charter Schools just call our main Karate school at (209) 465-0943.

Receive Physical Education High School Credit!



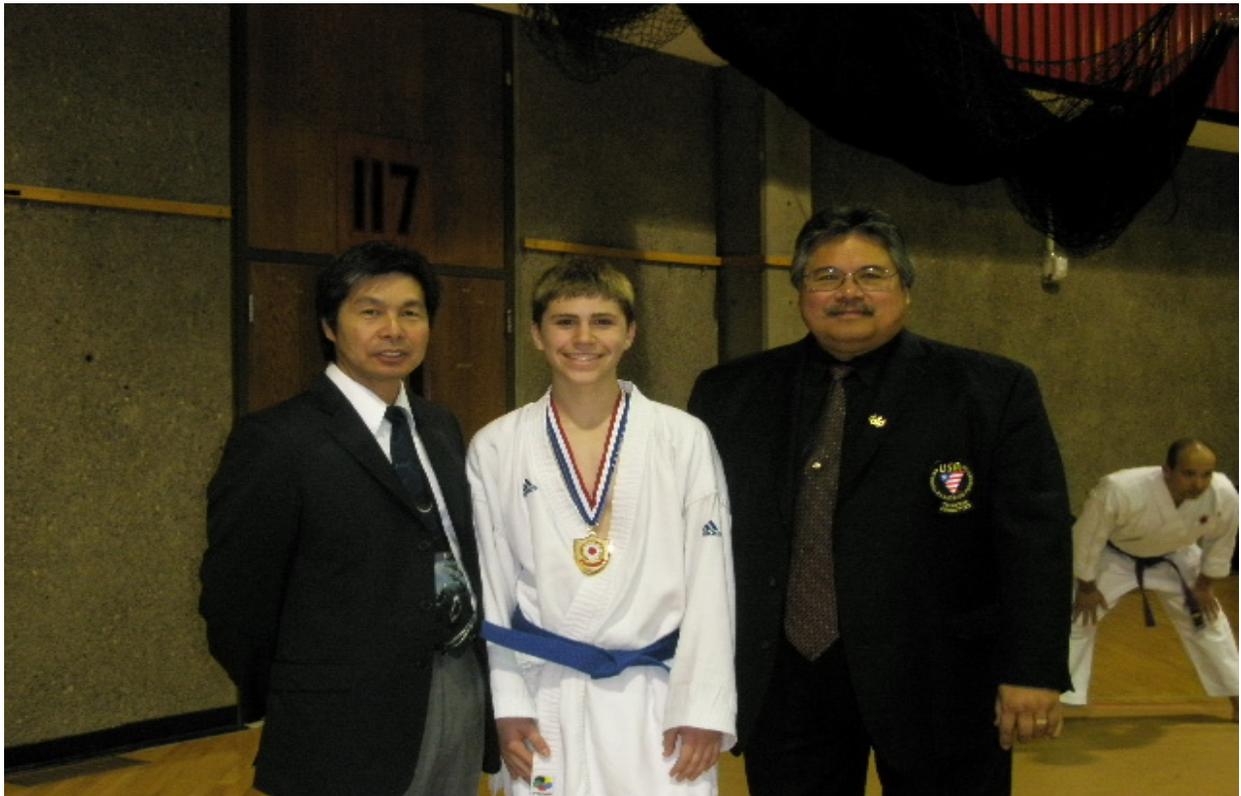
Tibon's Goju Ryu Fighting Arts Karate Studio
Approved as a Physical Education Alternative for
St. Mary's High School & Lincoln High School

Most all Stockton Unified School District High Schools accept Tibon's Goju Ryu Karate Program as a Physical Education alternative, just check in with your Counselor.

Moments in March 2009



Senpai Jack Gonzales and Senpai Andrew Moore Run Paddle Kumite in Canada



Mark Canevari Wins Double Gold Black Belt 15-16 yr olds in Portland, Oregon
USA Head Coach Hideharu Igaki and Technical Committee Sensei Gene Tibon