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- * CONCISE, well-written and proofread.
- * Contain correct details (dates, contact information, etc.) and include hyperlinks to event forms.
- * In WORD format (not PDF!) or in the body of the email.
- * Send photos as separate attachments in JPG (preferred) or another standard form (GIF or bitmap OK).
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- * Has "**Growing Judo**" or "**GJ**" in the subject line of your email.

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The next issue of USJA's Growing Judo will be September, 2011. If you have any news and/or any planned events, please submit your information PROMPTLY: by August 24th or earlier if possible.

Please understand that it may not be possible to include information submitted after that date.

IMPORTANT NOTICE Regarding the Relocation of the USJA National Office



July 15, 2011

To The Membership of the USJA:

I hope everyone is enjoying the summer and making the best of your time. I wanted to remind all of our members that as of August 5th, 2011 the National Headquarters will begin its relocation process from Colorado Springs to the state of Florida. I have taken every possible precaution to have as little down time as possible. As many of you might imagine, it is quite an endeavor to move both a business and a home across the country.

The move will begin on August 5th, 2011. During this time the USJA will be available to help all our members by calling our toll free #877-411-3409. We will be able to provide membership cards only during this time via email. On August 11th, our Server will be shut down and moved. We will be closed on August 11th and 12th. We will resume business on August 15th, 2011. Please note our new mailing address; USJA- P.O. Box 1880, Tarpon Springs, FL 34688-1880. Please start sending all correspondence to this address on July 31st, 2011.

I would like to thank those of you that have contacted me for your unwavering support. I assure you that the transition has been organized to be as smooth as possible. For those of you who were previously unaware, I ask for your patience for the few days in which services may be limited.

While there may be unforeseen challenges, please know that everything we could think of is now in place and ready to go, so that we may continue to be the model for any judo organization in the country.

It is with some wonderful memories that I leave Colorado Springs. Now, a new chapter is ready to unfold in the place I wish to be for yet another twenty years.

Again, I cannot begin to thank you all for your support and I look forward to improving our service to our members for that is and has always been my ultimate goal in supporting and growing Judo.

My next correspondence will be to inform you of the wonderful progress we have set in motion to make the office the most efficient it could possibly be. There are some very exciting and positive changes to take place in the coming months.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Katrina R. Davis".

Katrina R. Davis
USJA Executive Director

News and Notes from the Club Support Services Committee, Joan Love, Chair

REMINDER: Club Dues to take Effect September 1, 2011 for USJA Clubs with less than 10 active members.

In the January 2011 issue of *Growing Judo*, we announced that effective September 1, 2011, a \$25.00 charge will be assessed to clubs with less than 10 active members in order to be a USJA chartered club. "Active members" are current annual members or sustaining life members.

This policy does NOT affect clubs with 10+ active members, which will continue to receive a club charter and a certificate of insurance upon request. Clubs that have less than 10 active members will be sent a notice. Payment must be received by August 31, 2011; otherwise a certificate of insurance for liability will not be issued and the club will be put on a "hold status."

Club Leaders: now is the time to make sure that your students' USJA memberships are current so that your club meets the threshold of 10 active members!

This change was a tough decision by the USJA Board of Directors, but it was discussed in depth and determined to be a necessity in moving forward so we can continue to raise funds and provide more services to our coaches and members and maintain our overhead.

AND did you notice?

The USJA website now lists the Top 50 USJA Clubs on its website! Is your club listed? If not, be sure all of your students' memberships are up-to-date and check it again next month:

<http://usjamanagement.com/public/charteredTop20/>

The USJA Club Support Services includes a Marketing Subcommittee chaired by Michael Dobbs. His team is working on several resources for club owners, and is considering the development of a resource website for local clubs. The goal is to make it easier for local clubs to develop and launch a quality web site. We are looking for one or two Web/Internet experts who can give advice on how to proceed, most likely through a series of conference calls.

If you understand the internet and web development and are willing to take part in this, please contact Michael Dobbs at sensei@sr2.com. Thank you for your help and support!

USJA Regional Coordinators: Help Wanted!

Regional Coordinators are volunteers that provide news for *Growing Judo*, help with communication between USJA national committees & local clubs, and help to facilitate the growth of Judo in their area by encouraging clubs & individuals to participate in & host judo events.

Here is a listing of Regional Coordinators: <http://www.usja-judo.org/committees/regional.html>.

Please contact the RC in your area if you would like to work with him/her. If there is no one designated for your area, please consider volunteering to help us out! Please contact Joan Love (judolady210@aol.com) for more information.

Dear Grassroots Judo™ Teacher/Coach and Leader:

We are exploring a relationship with the Blind Judo Foundation to help develop the teaching of judo for the special needs population. As a first step we are trying to determine some facts: what you as a Teacher, Coach and/or Leaders (i.e., club, instructors) know and feel about judo for the blind and the related barriers.

We have created a very brief 9 question survey that will take less than 5 minutes to complete. It is our understanding that some of you may have been asked to respond to a previous study. We would appreciate you responding to this specific questionnaire **by August 31st**, even if you responded to the previous request. The survey can be found at: <http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/VRMX97Z>

For those interested in finding out more information about the Blind Judo Foundation, Ron Peck invites you to view the YouTube video about the Blind Judo Foundation at: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1b-mEUYHf8U>. He would also appreciate your clicking "Like" if appropriate, to increase their reach and visibility.

Thank you for your participation and cooperation.

*Gary Goltz, USJA President
Neil Simon, USJF President*

A FEW THOUGHTS ON COACHING JUNIORS

At times we forget that our very youngest charges do not really learn in the same way adults or even teens do. Your instructions to an 8 year old should be more visual and less verbal. Attempting to correct every element of a throw is not productive for adults, but it is even less effective for children. Concentrate on having the children repeat full motions and as times goes on you can begin to correct various elements of the skills they are developing. Lengthy multi-step instructions like "grip like this, pull this way, step here then back there, drop your hips, etc." tend to confuse children. By demonstrating the skills correctly for them, you will have a better chance of them translating the skills into judo for themselves.

Another consideration is the actual length of the class. Having 6-10 year olds in classes that last 2 hours or more is not productive. Children just do not have the attention span needed to gain from a class this long. Where possible, have their classes last just one hour. Make the sessions action packed: games, randori, races to see who can do the highest number of tai otoshi-into-yokoshiho gatame repetitions, "sharks and penguins," "touch the crown," seoinage carrying drills, etc.

On a final note, if you have students move up to another class at a certain age, think about easing them into it gradually. For example, if your teen/adult class follows your children's class, you can start by having the 12 year-olds stay a bit longer, just for the beginning part of the teen class. This way they can acclimate mentally and physically to the differences.

I hope everyone's summer is going well. If you went to the Junior Nationals in Toledo, thank the hosts. They conducted a very well run event.

Talk to you soon,
Bill Montgomery,
Chair, USJA Coach Education and Certification Committee

Beef--It's What's For Dinner by *Bill Myers*

Most people remember that slogan for the beef industry. It was good enough because all they cared about is that you bought some kind of beef; they really didn't care what kind.

For us instructors, "Judo, it's what we're doing tonight" isn't enough to plan a great class around. "Ne waza..." is only slightly more specific. "Koshi Jime (aka Clock Choke)" is getting to something specific. Many times, our plans for the evening are something like: I'll teach koshi jime for a few minutes, then we'll do some ne waza randori, then I'll go over Ippon Seoi again, we'll do some uchikomis, and finish with standing randori. It will make your students work, they'll sweat, everyone goes home happy. But, could they (and you) be happier?

I was thinking about judo camp today (the YMCA International Judo Camp, it's not too late to arrange to attend this year). My favorite lessons at camp are when the instructor ties the techniques together, either a combination of throws, a throw and a few setups or a counter, a sequence of ne waza, or maybe a group of techniques to use from the same ne waza position. It's this last idea that I want you to think about for a minute.

It's hard sometimes to decide what to teach in class. Having a big master plan helps narrow that down considerably. But your students then also have a lot of disparate techniques to remember if you teach a different one every class. If they miss a class, they'll miss that one. In ne waza, one thing you can try is positional attack combinations. Let's talk about attacking the turtle from the head. The first thing that might pop into your head is a sankaku. What happens if your opponent is defending against that? Maybe a rolling choke is an option. And if they're worrying about that, maybe a hook under the arm and a roll into a hold might work. Turn this into a race by making each partner cycle through the three techniques three or four times. Then turn this into a drill by adding a counter technique and giving your students 30 seconds to make progress from this position, both uke and tori. Switch positions and partners and repeat several times.

This can then become one of your standard matwork drills, adding to your repertoire, which will give your students the review and repetition to remember these techniques.

In conclusion, starting with a position instead of a single technique, or several unrelated ones, can lead you to a different plan for the evening. A plan that will make your students think more, work more variety, and drill harder. Everyone might even go home happier.

USJA Treasurer's Report, May 2011

The overall financial health of the organization continues to remain good and stable. Current assets as of the end of May 2011 were \$81,963 which includes the endowment fund. Current liabilities were \$1,229. The current ratio is a healthy 60+ to 1.

Revenue in May was \$41,819; as expected the largest portion was generated from membership fees. Expenses were \$33,720 including cost of goods. The net profit for May was \$8,089. The year to date net income is \$24,291.

The Executive Director has taken measures since the beginning of the year to lower operating expenses to help the USJA continue to operate without a loss, while not sacrificing any quality of services to its members.

--Paul Nogaki, Treasurer, United States Judo Association, June 30, 2011

Second Annual USJA-USJF Joint Junior National Championships

Toledo, Ohio -- July 1-3, 2011



(Above) During the Opening Ceremonies of the Junior National Championships, USJA President Gary Goltz presented George Harris's 10th dan certificate to Jim Bregman and Mrs. Janice Harris. Mr. Bregman paid tribute to his friend and 1964 Olympic teammate.

Neil Simon, USJF President, and Gary Goltz, USJA President, honored Isaiah Ramirez, from the Barstow Judo Club, Barstow, CA with a 2011 USJA/USJF Grassroots Judo™ Achievement Award (right).



**The 2011 USJA/USJF Junior National Championship Tournament Staff
would like to say THANK YOU to ALL of the:**

- Competitors
- Coaches
- Parents
- Officials
- Medical Staff
- Table Worker Teams
- Volunteers
- USJA & USJF
- Judan Judo of Toledo Staff



Due to everyone's participation and assistance this tournament turned out GREAT!

To viewing a listing of the brackets and place winners from the 2011 USJA/USJF Junior National Championships please visit : http://www.2011judojuniornationals.com/bracket_results

Editor's Note: It was requested that specific individuals NOT be mentioned, due to the large number of people who made this event's success possible and the fact that it is impossible to list them all!

The 2nd Annual Grassroots Judo™ Joint Junior Nationals brought more than 600 competitors and their families to Toledo over the 4th of July weekend. Once again the USJA and USJF proved that their joint cooperative relationship is far more than just words and that what started six years ago with the 1st Winter Nationals has really taken seed.

I'm proud to be part of our Board of Directors and the Grassroots Judo™ movement. Our aim is to grow judo by facilitating a way for the most skilled and talented instructors, competitors, coaches, and referees in the country to give back to judo through the USJA and USJF.

Walking around the hotel water park and the tournament venue it was apparent that people were enjoying themselves. Old and new friends had a chance to catch up, do some judo, and learn. Hats off to Gary Monto and his team for hosting a terrific event!

--Gary Goltz



Thanks to our photo contributors, including R. A. Charles, C. Halporn, E. Thibedeau, A. Lee, J. Reuter, R. Clark, G. Goltz & H. Rommelmann



Congratulations to all participants!



A full-day USJA Coaching Clinic was held prior to the Junior National Championships. Bill Montgomery, USJA Coaching Education Chair, led the clinic and was assisted by Joan Love. The clinic was a mix of classroom discussion on critical topics such as age-appropriate lesson planning and legal considerations. The on-the-mat portion of the clinic gave participants an opportunity to experience examples of dynamic drills and linked techniques, and then to collaborate to develop their own. A total of 20 new candidates from as far away as Hawaii and Nevada participated, as well as two other coaching course instructors.



Thanks to all of the referees that helped to make the tournament possible!

Kata at the Junior Nationals



The Kata Event at the Junior Nationals included a clinic by Eiko Shepherd (*above right*). The featured kata was Kodokan Goshin-jutsu.

A Junior Division and an older/more advanced Youth Division were contested for three judo kata: Nage-no-kata, Ju-no-kata, and Katame-no-kata. After the competition, place winners and kata judges gathered for a group photo (*below*).





The Greatest Camp on Earth , June 23-25, 2011 by Vic Reavis



It's just not fair. That is what so many folks say about *The Greatest Camp* each year. "It's not fair that I don't have the energy to do all of the classes I wanted." "It's not fair that so many fun classes are going on at the same time." "It's not fair that I can only learn from one superstar instructor at a time."

While these are certainly among the truest of statements about *The Greatest Camp* each year, the most resounding statement is, "It's not fair

that we can't have Camp several times a year." What is truly not fair is that you were not there. Those who attended Camp this year understand this. For those who missed it, join us in 2012 and see for yourself.

If you have never been to Camp, which is typically the Thursday, Friday and Saturday after Father's Day each June, here are some things that you missed:



Igor Yakimov taught kids and adults alike, his never-ending smile always engaging, and he welcomed questions that he loves to help answer.



Judo and Jujitsu examiners such as Gene Fodor, Tony Zimkowski, Gary Monto, Tom Reiff and so many others were ever-present for instructors who wished some of their students tested for rank at Camp. For those who have never tested for rank outside of their own dojo, it can be scary to have instructors with 30, 40, 50 or more years of experience looking at their technique. Just remember, they want you to succeed. Don't be intimidated; it's as a chance to show off your skills!

(Right) Vitor "Shaolin" Ribeiro taught BJJ and grappling to both BJJ and Judo players and was an instant favorite. His smile, energy, and technique were engaging to kids and adults alike.

(Below) Ryan Reser, from the US Olympic Judo team, was -- OUTSTANDING! Ryan showed the endless energy we typically see only in kids, the teaching attitude that encourages learning in everyone, and of course, the skill and talent of an Olympian.



A select few got to grow their teaching skills by participating in the Kelly's Capers class led by Joan Love (*below left*). With seven or eight mats running simultaneously, there was something for everyone; and with instructors like Ryan Reser, Nick Lowe (*below right*), Igor and Vitor, there was no shortage of tired and happy campers at the end of each day of training.



For me, my personal "It's not fair" statement would read something like this: "It's just not fair that I can't remember all of the phenomenal techniques in the classes I attended."

Take my advice and do the following; you certainly will not regret the decision:

1. Make plans to attend *The Greatest Camp On Earth* in June 21-23, 2012.
2. Bring a notebook for taking notes.
3. Bring a camera to take lots of stills or videos so you can review them through the year and make the most of your time at Camp.
4. Work on your smile and be prepared to use it. It's so much fun that you will not be able to help yourself.

My name is Vic Reavis and I missed Camp one year in the last ten. I'll never make that mistake again. I look forward to seeing you all at *The Greatest Camp* in 2012. Play hard but have fun!





Dr. Ronald Allan Charles, Professor Don Tyrell and Ed Thibedeau ran the USJA Coaching Course at the Greatest Camp. Congratulations to the six newly certified coaches and two others who attended for continuing education

Professor Ernie Cates (*below, left*) received a special award from the USJA. Presenting the award at the Greatest Camp on Earth is his longtime friend and former USJA Executive Director, Ed Szrejter (*right*), and Ronald Allan Charles, USJA Awards Committee Chair (*center*).



Thanks to the photo contributors for this feature, including R. A. Charles, D. Rucker & E. Thibedeau



A WARM WELCOME to Our NEW USJA Clubs!

July, 2011

Club Name: **Guttenberg Judo Yudanshakai (Class C)**
Head Instructor: **Lazaro Rodriguez**
Email: guttenbergjudo@yahoo.com

Location: **Guttenberg, NJ 07093**
Phone: **570-421-6158**

Club Name: **Merced Mixed Martial Arts Academy (Class C)**
Head Instructor: **Marcos Tome**
Email: marcotome23@hotmail.com

Location: **Merced, CA**
Phone: **209-596-5577**
Website: www.oakdalemma.com

Club Name: **New York City Judo**
Head Instructor: **Sal Della Croce**
Email: judopsycho@yahoo.com

Location: **Staten Island, NY 10302**
Phone: **347-820-1972**
Website: www.newyorkcityjudo.com

Congratulations to our Newly Certified USJA Coaches

- ★ Adam Culp, Delray Judo Institute, Boca Raton, FL
- ★ Gary Glenn Evans, Greensboro Judo Club, Ruffin, NC
- ★ Alice McCleary, McCleary Martial Arts Center, Dallas, GA
- ★ Benjamin Walker, Middle Georgia Judo, Bonaire, GA
- ★ William Scott Anderson, Yama Hogosha Dojo, Morgantown, WV
- ★ Victor Otero, New Britain Judo Club, New Britain, CT
- ★ Michael Saxton, Boys and Girls Club Judo/Jujitsu, North Port, FL
- ★ Jeffrey Todd Lucas, Desert Judo Club, Anthem, AZ
- ★ Matthew Nordyke, Ridgewood Judo Club, Paterson, NJ
- ★ Jefferson Davis, Indiana University Judo, Bloomington, IN

Special thanks to these new Life Members for their commitment to the USJA

- ★ Timothy Reitz, Golden Dragon Judo Club, PA
- ★ Del Conkright III, School of Hard Knocks Judo Club, TX

We would like to express our sincere appreciation to the following individuals for their generous support of the United States Judo Association:

- ★ **Andrew Connelly, School of Hard Knocks Judo Club, Spring, TX**

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Please contact USJA Executive Director Katrina Davis at 877-411-3409 or katrina.davis@usja-judo.org.

We are pleased to offer the newly released [Everything You Should Know About Seoinage](#), DVD for anyone who donates \$100.00 or more. We will also include a free DVD with a NEW LIFE MEMBERSHIP! **This offer has been extended until the end of August 2011.**

The USJA has many more services to offer and we can achieve our goals sooner with help from all of you. Our goal at the National Office is to provide the best possible service to all of our members.

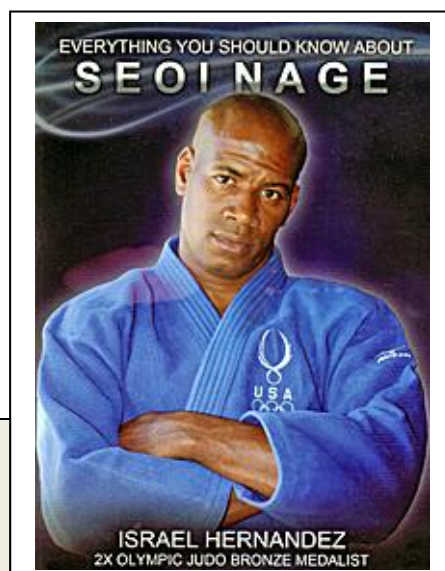
We are asking you to please support the USJA and give what you can. For those that can give \$100.00 or more you will have a great DVD to improve your judo and add to your collection.

We want to thank all of you for supporting your USJA!

Sincerely,

Katrina R. Davis, USJA Executive Director

Two-time Olympic Bronze Medalist Israel Hernandez and Olympian Valerie Lafon Gotay have teamed up to develop this exciting DVD that provides a comprehensive study and examination of seoinage using slow motion and various angles: grips, common mistakes, variations, defenses, counters, combinations, fusion techniques, and supplemental exercises.



Judo News From Around the Country

Maryland, June 11

Budokan Judo club in Chesapeake Beach was privileged to host a Kelly's Capers Clinic. Pete Mantel presented the clinic with his typical excellence. Kelly's Capers provides a logical and sensible way of teaching Judo to all judoka and particularly beginners. It makes perfect sense but requires a paradigm shift from thinking old traditional teaching and training principles. It emphasizes the "ju" principle of Judo – giving way.

We employed Kelly's Capers in our first class after the clinic. Our students had a ball. We continue to use Kelly's Capers in our classes. Thank you, Sid Kelly for giving us Kelly's Capers. Thank you, Pete Mantel for the excellent job in presenting Kelly's Capers.

--Rev. Marshall R. Coffman, Yodan, Mid Atlantic Regional Coordinator

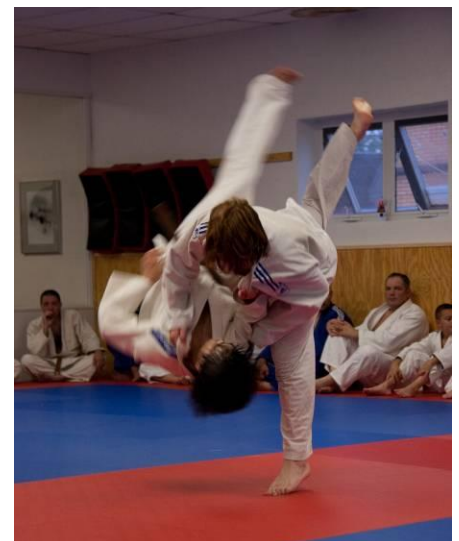


Jordan, age 12 was the youngest and also the newest to Judo participant. She has only been in Judo 10 weeks

Pennsylvania, July 11

Twenty students from the two locations of Kim's Martial Arts were promoted in the kyu ranks and eighteen to their next dan level. The promotional testing was overseen by Master Kyu Ha Kim, Master Ron Pardini, Master Eugene Kim, Dr. Larry Driscoll and Gary Goltz, USJA President. Mr. Goltz began his Judo training under the elder Master Kim and has a very special place in his heart for his first teacher and club.

The night was filled with demonstrations of technique and performances of the Nage no kata, Katame no kata and Ju no kata by those testing for sankyu and above. Everyone impressed the promotion board, which lead to cheers from the gallery of family and friends who came along to support our judoka. Following the belt presentations and traditional throwing of the promoted black belts, we ended the evening with food, cold drinks and time to bond as a judo family.





USJA Life Member Chris McMahon and USJA member Chris Moore, both longtime students and assistants at Kim's, were promoted to Yodan. Tyler Kim became a third-generation black belt, as he was presented with his shodan by his grandfather, Master Kyu Ha Kim.

--Anthony Roscoe

Virginia, July 16

"Simple and Effective" was the theme in Sensei Gary Goltz's recent visit to the Akari Judo Club of Richmond. His clinic started with a demonstration of drills to teach footwork and body positioning for the three main entries for rear throws: Osoto Gari, Uchi Gari, and Kouchi Gari. He then demonstrated a similar drill for a "regular" and an "irregular" entry (the cross step) for forward throws. These exercises serve not only as practice for proper body positioning, but also as an excellent low-impact warm-up.

Sensei Goltz then showed a simple and effective (*see the theme here?*) Sasae Tsurikomi Ashi, and explained that this throw can function like a boxer's jab - a low risk way to harass your opponent and set them up for other throws. We practiced for a bit, then then looked at combinations into and out of Sasae (using Osoto Gari and O Guruma, respectively). Sensei Bernie Gill, Godan, was particularly a fan of this approach, stating that this is how you build great Judo: find your throw, then figure out a way to set it up, and how to follow it up if it fails.

Lastly, just before bowing out, Sensei Goltz surprised our very own Leo Valdes by presenting him with his promotion to Yodan. This was a fitting way to end a great seminar in which everyone, whether experienced or novice, could take away something to add to their own Judo. We at Akari Judo, Hantei Judo, and VCU Judo really appreciate Sensei Goltz's taking the time to work with us, and will definitely be integrating his drills into our practice.

--Chad Morrison



New York, July 21



Gary Goltz and Sauveur Soriano visited the West Hempstead PAL Judo club to give a clinic on French Judo training methods. The event was hosted by Sensei Charles Schweizer, Chief Instructor for the West Hempstead Judo Club. Students came from West Hempstead Judo Club, Nassau County PAL, Carle Place PAL, Go-Rin Dojo, and Westchester Judo.

After bow in Gary Goltz, spoke about the importance of learning different training methods from those countries that have been successful and adapting their methods to fit American Judo. With that,

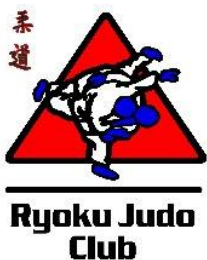
he turned the lesson over to Sauveur Soriano, who ran the class through several drills and training techniques designed to isolate and develop core muscle groups that are utilized in various Judo techniques.

The methods were refreshing in their simplicity. Each drill was explained and quickly developed. As the drills progressed, Gary and Sauveur went around to make minor corrections and assist participants, so that each student was able to understand and perform the skills effectively.

--Charles Schweizer



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(Inside China Town)



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Editor's note: With the increased popularity of USJA's *Growing Judo* magazine, which reaches thousands of people, has come numerous requests to publicize events that are not sanctioned by the USJA. Please understand that this magazine is a huge undertaking by USJA volunteers and the national office staff, and that there are expenses associated with its production and distribution. Our policy is:

- Free listings in the Upcoming Events section will still be offered for USJA-sanctioned events.
- Domestic events (tournaments, clinics, etc.) that are open to USJA members but sanctioned by other organizations can be published with a nominal advertising fee:
 - \$15 for a text-only listing in the "Upcoming Events" section (up to 5 lines) formatted as below.
 - 1/4, 1/2 or full-page paid ads are also available.
 - For either of these options, please contact USJA Executive Director Katrina Davis.

Upcoming Events

*If you are a USJA club and have any **Upcoming Events** that you would like listed in USJA's *Growing Judo*, please send your information, in the format below, to Joan Love at: judolady210@aol.com*

Month & date of event

Official Title of the Event, location (building/institution, street address, city, STATE)

A couple of sentences of pertinent information, if applicable (description of the event, presenter's credentials if a camp/clinic, etc.). Please be concise; include time/schedule & price;

Contact person with phone number & email; url for forms if available.

Please note that this information needs to be in a WORD document or in the text of an email. Full event flyers and PDF documents cannot be included. You may include a relevant photo if you have one.

AUGUST

August 5-6

State Games of America Judo Championships, Jenny Craig Pavillion, University of San Diego, Murrieta, CA. Juniors, Seniors and Masters, hosted by Unidos Judo and Karate Club. Contact Jesse Jones, jesajoa@aol.com, 951-461-1661.

August 6

3rd Annual Judo for Juvenile Diabetes, for Juniors, hosted by After School Judo Academy, 15320 S. Cornice St., Olathe, KS. Contact Donald Hinchliff 913-851-2851.

August 13-14

Fight Like a Girl Camp, Southside Dojo, 8534 Portage Rd. Portage, Michigan. Open workout after camp on 8/14. \$30.00/both days; \$20.00/one day. Campers bring sleeping bag; meals Saturday night/Sunday day included. Contact: Deborah Fergus, defrgs6@att.net or 269-208-1068.

August 14-20

INTERNATIONAL JUDO CAMP, Huguenot, NY. Featuring **Clyde Worthen** and **Leonardo Victoria**.

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Information: www.newyorkymcacamp.org/judo;

Brochure: <http://www.newyorkymcacamp.org/forms/judo/2011-Judo-Brochure-WEB.PDF>

Financial aid: <http://www.newyorkymcacamp.org/forms/Financial%20Assistance%20Packet.pdf>

Contact camp co-Director George Pasiuk at mr1judo@optonline.net or 914-413-9944 if you have any questions

August 22-26

Moreau's Training Center Kids 2011 Summer Camp, Londonderry YMCA, 206 Rockingham Road, Londonderry, NH. 8:00am to 5:00pm Monday-Friday. Each day will include a field trip plus judo session(s). Contact Thomas Moreau, tom@moreaustrainingcenter.com, 603-421-4732.

Saturday, Aug. 27

Gentle Ways Invitational Shiai. Red River Dojo, 1335 Main Avenue, Fargo, ND. Weigh-in 11:00 a.m.; Competition starts at 1:00 p.m. Senior Rank and Novice rank divisions dependent upon attendance.

Ne Waza Clinic with Dean Markovics, 8:30-11:30 AM. USJA/JF or USA-J membership required. Competition fee is \$20, Clinic fee is \$50. A "Victory and Consolation" social afterwards, location to be announced. Contact Jeff Ficek Dakota@roughriderjudo.com for more information. No advanced sign-ups; forms available at the door.

SEPTEMBER

September 10

2011 America's Cup Judo Championship at Pendleton Heights High School, One Arabian Dr, Pendleton, IN
Kata, Juniors, Masters, Newaza, Grappling & Seniors. For more information and entry packet:
<http://andersonymcajudo.datapitstop.com/> Hosted by Anderson YMCA Judo Club, John Branson, 5th dan-Head Instructor 765-621-3416.

September 24-25

7th All Women's Judo Championship, Cloverleaf Recreation Center, 8525 Friendsville Rd. Lodi, Ohio.
Registration, weigh-in, Kata, Coaches & Referee Certification Clinics 9/24 (evening); Kata and Shiai Competition on 9/25. Contact: Deborah Fergus, deffrgs6@att.net or 269-208-1068.

OCTOBER

October 1

Juugatsu Open Judo Tournament, Gentle Way Judo Club, 530 Birch Street, Bristol, CT. USJA local level event. \$20 entry fee. Junior, Senior, Masters, Newaza Divisions. Event flyer/details at www.gentlewayjudoclub.com

October 7-8

Jack Bradford Memorial Tournament & Clinic, Deer Valley Middle School, 21100 N 27th Ave., Phoenix, AZ.
Contact Steven Owen, 602-430-5361 or cheri.mckeown@gmail.com

October 15th, 2011

2011 LA Open Judo Tournament, Hebron Baptist Church Gym, 24063 Hwy 16, Denham Springs, LA.
Annual event hosted by Wall to Wall Martial Arts. Divisions for Kata, Juniors, Masters, and Seniors. Individual medals and Team Awards. Contact James Wall wallmartialarts@att.net.

October 15 (note date change)

Dr. Z Memorial Club Tournament, sponsored by Goltz Judo at the Alexander Hughes Community Center, 1700 Danbury Rd., Claremont, CA, \$15.00, \$10 for additional family members.
Contact Gary Goltz, 909-702-3250, gary@goltzjudo.com, www.goltzjudo.com for more information.

NOVEMBER

November 5

1st Annual Gateway Invitational Judo Tournament, Overland Community Center, 9225 Lackland Rd, Overland, MO. For Juniors, Seniors & Masters and featuring a Men's and Women's Grand Master Champion division. Hosted by White Dragon Judo. Contact Tracy Hangle, 314-960-4228

DECEMBER

December 2-4

Friday – [National Coaching Clinic](#), Alexander Hughes Community Center, 1700 Danbury Rd., Claremont, CA.



Saturday & Sunday – [USJA/USJF 6th Winter Nationals](#) at Damien High School, La Verne, CA.

Go to [Winter Nationals Website](#) or contact Gary Goltz, 909-702-3250, gary@goltzjudo.com, www.goltzjudo.com for more information.



In Memoriam

We are saddened to report that we have lost the following people in the judo community. They will be sincerely missed. Our sympathies go out to their families and friends:



Vincent Ursone (1947-2011) of Stamford, CT, Godan and USJA Patron Life Member # 791, passed away on July 1, 2011.

"Vinny" started Judo with Kiyoshi Shiina, Hachidan, and was active in Connecticut and regional Judo. He served as the director of the Samurai Judo Club for a number of years and was a National Referee. He hosted the 1977 USJA Junior Nationals and the 1981 U.S. Open Judo Championships, and served as manager of several International Teams in the 1970-1990s. He developed several Junior and Senior

National Medal winners.

Mr. Ursone was Chairman of the NYAC Judo Club for several years. He was instrumental in starting the New York Open Judo Championships and was its Tournament Director for 16 years.

--Richard Celotto

Mr. John Crawford "Piggy" Ford Jr., (1942-2011) of Chambersburg, PA, Nidan and USJA Life Member # 987, passed away suddenly on Friday, June 3, 2011. He started his judo career at the Chambersburg YMCA, and went on to earn his black belt and help teach judo at the YMCA. John was an active competitor who was respected regionally and nationally. He touched the lives of many of his judo students and will be remembered fondly.



USJA Promotions: July, 2011

Congratulations to the following individuals on their achievements:

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