

Oct 08 Newsletter for Gentry Martial Arts

Congrats to Our New Black Belts—Good Luck to Others

Congrats to Mr. Jared Hamilton for earning his black belt in the USHF HKD.

Additionally, following the KHF seminar at DPU, several of our students earned black belt certification in the Korea Hapkido Federation, that we hope will help open some neat doors down the road. Congrats to Rob Snyder and Jeremiah Deckard (2nd dans) and Mary Weston, Greg Hamilton, Vince Kreipke, Nathan Kross, Adam Hamilton, Jared Hamilton, and Evan Mathews for earning their 1st dans in the KHF

Lastly, good luck to our TKD students who hope to achieve the same accomplishment on Oct 4th. Good luck to Alex Hermann, Alex Hamilton, Greg Hamilton., Caleb Allen, Zach Rupert, Shae Brouse, Ariel Stuard, and Mr. Seth Wilson (bo test).

Upcoming Events:

RAK's are now due*

Oct 2 nd	Mandatory Demo Team practice 7:45 to 8:30 or later if possible. No BBC		
Oct 4 th	TTCA tournament in Corydon IN		
Oct 4 th	TTCA black belt testing following the tournament		
Oct 9 th	Fall Foliage demo on the square-6:00-6:30		
	NO TKD classes except BBC		
Oct 11 th	Black belt class/stripe testing 10:00 am.		
Oct 12 th	Fall Foliage Parade (see below for details)		
Oct 18 th	USHF Hapkido Fall seminar: 10:00-5:00 at IU		
Oct 24 th	USHF HKD testing		
Oct 25 th	Lil Dragon Testing (beg 9:00-10:30; int 10:30-12:00, adv 12:00-1:00)		
	Professor Caique seminar in B-ton (time TBA)		
Oct 31 st	Costume class for those who have class		
Nov 15	TTCA Black belt ceremony		

^{**} TTCA colored belt testing is proving difficult to schedule with all the special events and DPU fall break to work around. When we have it figured out, we will let you know as soon as possible. Thanks for your patience.

Parent's Committee News and Notes

Cookie dough sales—the major fundraiser for the parent committee for the entire year—runs through Oct 21st in order to make sure the orders are here by the holidays. We appreciate everyone's continued support of this annual event.

The school Halloween party will be Nov. 1st 7:30-9:00. As always, we will need help with set up and take down. Each student should bring in a bag of candy anytime between now and the party to help ensure a total sugar high that night.

Lastly, thanks to everyone who helped make fun night a huge success. Not only was a good time had by all, but we raised over 300 food items for a local food pantry

Tournament News and Notes:

- Remember to wear your Team Gentry and GMA Parent t-shirts to show your support. The parents committee is organizing a "show your pride" day at school the same day—wear your Gentry stuff to school that Friday to send off the competitors
- Make sure all gear is clean and white.
- GMA group photo will be taken at 9:30 at venue of the tournament. This is the photo to be used for the local paper, website, etc. There will likely be a line into the room at that point, so don't be stuck in line while we are doing the photo. Please be in full uniform at that time.



Class Adjustments/Cancellations

Please make note that we have to juggle the schedule on account of a few events. Fall Foliage Demo forces us to change a few things.

First, NO BLACK BELT CLUB class on Thurs Oct. 2nd. We need that time to put the final touches on the demo. Thurs Oct 9th Fall foliage demo—no TKD classes EXCEPT black belt club will meet. Black belts may also come to work on black belt testing requirements before BBC but after the demo.

Nov 1st will be the Halloween party after testing. No regular classes will be held, but we do hope that you will join us for the party.

FALL FOLIAGE PARADE

As usual, we will be doing the fall foliage parade on Oct 12th. We will be in Division II unit 15 (in case you have to ask) in the Martinsville High School parking lot. Everyone needs to be in place by 12:30. All participants need to be in dobok pants, belts, and character counts t-shirt. If it is cold, a WHITE long sleeve T or sweatshirt can be worn UNDER the character counts T-shirt. Parents will be expected to pick up their kids promptly when we are finished with the parade, not when the parade ends. Keep in mind that the parade will be going long after the first groups are finished, and that the parade will affect the travel routes back to the school.

Make sure to bring acceptable footwear to class in order to practice marching outside the week prior. Acceptable footwear for the parade is white tennis shoes or TKD shoes (lighter, easier to kick for 2 miles!)

Anyone wishing to help with the float can meet at the school at 10:00 am.

GMA Wishes a Happy Birthday to:

Jared Holt	10-2	Mr. Sieg	10-12	Jared Hamilton	10-21
John Speer	10-5	Devin Arthur	10-16	Miciah Weaver	10-23
Rebekah Wiley	10-6	Woody Shotts	10-19	Ethan Rupert	10-28
Zada Neal	10-7	Doug Bailey	10-19	-	
Nate Wilson	10-10	Vanessa Acuff	10-10		

Training Anniversaries

Special Congrats to those who started with us a year or multiple years ago.

Shawn Burkes (HKD 6 yrs)	Patrick Mosby (TKD 4 yrs)	Jared Hamilton (TKD 2 yrs)
Kira Weaver (TKD 4 yrs)	Logan Scott (TKD 4 yrs)	James Cummings (TKD 1 yr)
Haley Sieg (TKD, LD, 4 yrs)	Miciah Weaver (TKD 3 yrs)	
Chris Mosby (TKD 4 yrs)	Isiah Roach (TKD 2 yrs)	

Quotes of the Week--Perseverance

This month we have a several key events that are great examples of perseverance, and offer great lessons to our students. Marching our legs off in the parade will be a real test for some of us. We also have black belt testing, which is a great example of perseverance in the martial arts, over the long haul. This month, we are hoping all of our students will learn a bit more about the importance of not giving up.

Halloween Party and Costume Class

Our annual Halloween party will be from 7:30-9:00 on Nov 1st, after testing. While we know for a fact that our students can be scary, we encourage our students to dress as heroes or role models or something fun.

Those students who have class on Halloween night (the 31st), feel free to wear your costume to class that night. Keep in mind it is still a class, so please no fake limbs that will go flying, spikes off your back that will poke your partner in the eye, etc.