



GMA news Aug 25

***Congrats to our newest lil dragon graduate: Liam Phelps
Big Congrats to Wesley Yoshida on a top 5 finish at Parkour Nationals and being invited to worlds.***

UPCOMING EVENTS and CALENDAR

Aug 2 rd	Demo practice 9:00-11:00
Aug 11 th	LD Testing (no LD classes)
Aug 15 th	TKD testing 5:30 No TKD class
Aug 16 th	Demo Team 9:00-10:30
Aug 16 th	Black belt prep 10:30-12:30
Aug 16 th	Summer Attendance party 6:30-8:30 (nerf wars)
Aug 30 th	Stickfighting 9:00-11:30
Aug 31 st	Paragon Parade 6:00 (arrive Paragon Elementary 5:30)
Sept 1 st	No Classes. Happy Labor Day
Sept 6 th	Catch up camp 9:00-11:30
Sept 6 th	Demo Team 12:00-1:30
Sept 13 th	CPR/SFA staff training –others are welcome to join. 8:30-1:00

Paragon Parade

Once again, we will be participating in the Paragon Homecoming Parade on 6:00 pm on Sunday Aug 31st. Please arrive at Paragon Elementary by 5:30. Attire is Dobok pants, belt, and a GMA t-shirt. We appreciate your help supporting community events like parades.

BACK TO SCHOOL LETTERS

As students go back to school, it is a time to make good impressions and get into good habits for the new school year. As always, our students will receive a letter to take to their teachers toward the end of the month. Please be aware.

Catch up camp!

Summer disrupts routines, and we have lots of students who need a little extra help to get back into the swing of things. Others just want some extra help with their testing requirements. Or if you just want to get a head start on new stuff or extra practice....whatever your goal, we are offering a mini camp that is solely focused on rank requirements to get people polished up on their core material. We keep it super cheap to give as many people as possible a chance to catch up, and also counts for three classes! Sept 6th. Cost is \$20.00

Quotes of the Week, Character Development

To coincide with our respect for teacher's letter, we will be talking about respect and the importance of making a good first impression.

NEW WAY TO GIVE FEEDBACK and GET ANSWERS

We realize it can be difficult to catch us to have an in depth conversation before or after many of the classes. We have created a new email dedicated to helping us address any questions or concerns you have about training, or any customer service experience/problems that you might have. We sincerely want your feedback and to address any concerns you have, so please don't hesitate to use it: comments@gentrymartialarts.com



Training Anniversaries:

We want to recognize those students who have trained for a year (or multiple years) this month:

Phil Salamander (TCC 10 yrs.)	Holly Brown (TKD 10 yrs.)	Kaiden Cedeno (TKD 9 yrs.)
Wyatt Northern (TKD 7 yrs.)	Malachi Watkins (TKD 7 yrs.)	Connor Watkins (TKD 7 yrs.)
Jared Hamilton (BJJ 7 yrs.)	Suzanne Gens (TCC 7 yrs.)	William Yoshida (TKD 6 yrs.)
Sara Moore (TCC 5 yrs.)	Collin Goodner (LD,TKD 4 yrs.)	Clara Gibson (LD, TKD 4 yrs.)
Jonas Stewart (TKD 4 yrs.)	Deborah Kaufman(TKD 3 yrs.)	Jasper Scott (LD, TKD 3 yrs.)
Thomas Otero (LD, TKD 2 yrs.)	Daniel Lauck Jr. (LD 2 yrs.)	R. J. Arney (TKD 2 yrs.)
Weston Swafford (TKD 2 yrs.)	Eloise Overby (TKD 2 yrs.)	Jencyn Lee (LD 2 yrs.)
Aiden Maxwell (TKD 1yr.)	Brycen Byrum (KBJJ 1 yr.)	Nash Perry (LD 1 yr.)
Paislee Dake (LD 1 yr.)	Luna Walker (TKD 1 yr.)	Sutton Scott (LD 1 yr.)

Happy B-day to these students in August

Cooper Lietz	8/1	Rob Snyder	8/2	Evan LaPointe	8/2
Samantha Bradley	8/2	Kellan Gray	8/7	George Cooley	8/7
Marrek Walls	8/8	Nathin Plummer	8/11	Ethan Pasborg	8/12
Ryder Metz	8/12	Jamie Kirk	8/14	Lucas Stapleton	8/17
Marrok Mascoe	8/17	Adiah Smith	8/19	Lynne Stewart	8/20
Clara Gibson	8/20	Thomas Otero	8/21	Rylan Gillespie	8/22
Dan Williams	8/23	Ronnie Sachs	8/23	Cameron Gregory	8/25
Aedric Hogan	8/26	Kaiden Cedeno	8/27	Joey Schilling	8/30

This Month in Martial Arts History (selected from “Dates with Destiny” in *Martial Arts Success* by John Corcoran.

Aug 11th, 1946, Tai Chi and Chin-na master, instructor to Mr. Sieg, Dr. Yang Jwing Ming’s birthday
Aug 13, 1932 (-Feb 1, 2006) BJJ Pioneer Carlson Gracie’s birthday
Aug 16, 1940 (-Aug 20, 2007) JKD pioneer, Larry Hartsell, whom we trace lineage through Sifu Jason Winkle, B-day.
Aug 25, 1931 (-Jan 8, 2007) HKD GM Bong Soo Han’s birthday
Aug 2, 1964, Ed Parker hosts the first Int. Karate Champ, where Bruce Lee gives his famous demonstration.
Aug 1998 Tae Bo is released.

Movie premieres this month include Return of the Dragon (Bruce Lee vs Chuck Norris), 3 Ninjas, Rapid Fire, Only the Strong, Mortal Kombat, Blade, Hero, and the Power Rangers on TV

Dear Black Belt Mom

Starting next month, we will have a new feature “Dear Black Belt Mom”. Similar to Dear Abby, at Black Belt Mom will answer any questions you have about your child’s (or your own) journey through martial arts. Our black belt mom has had children go through all the ranks and also trained herself, so she has seen and heard it all. From questions about how to motivate your student, to uniform issues, to testing issues, ask away. Send your questions to: comments@gentrymartialarts.com, (see below) and put **Dear Black Belt Mom** in the subject line. All questions will remain anonymous.

Example:



