# Tibon's Goju Gazette

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Jesse Toy and Joane Orbon at Worlds in Malaysia

We have Team USA at the World Championships in Malaysia winning a medal in Kumite, Kata, and Team Kata. It was great experience for out two athletes Joane Orbon won her first match against Bulgaria then lost to Arab Emirates 4-1. Jesse Toy lost to Turkey 7-0, then to Taipei 5-0. Jesse says he thought he was in great shape, but the competitors were extremely fast and we have to get our athletes in the world class physical shape so they can compete with these athletes who are paid by their government and are training 6 -8 hours a day all year to prepare for this tournament. This is why we have A-Team and Tokubetsu it is the only classes that can help prepare our athletes compete at this level and win.

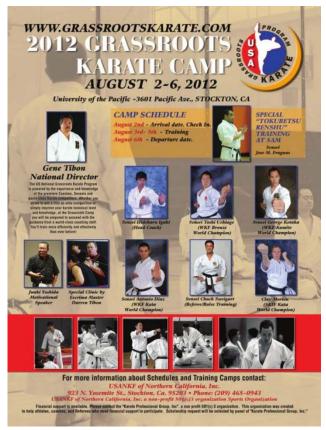
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13.1miles

Yvonne Tibon serves as a motivational spirit for us all. Her family and friends cheered her on while she jogged in at the finish line with her oldest son Gino, two grandsons, and her niece Francis Boca. Both Frances and oldest son Gino ran side by side with Yvonne supporting her every step of the grueling 13.1 miles. Sensei Tibon was with the grandchildren cheering, and was the official photographer to catch this outstanding moment in Yvonne's life. She set her goals 4 months ago to do this 1/2 marathon of 13.1 miles, and kept to her word by training every day to get ready for it. Just a few years ago she had an heart issue that required an angioplasty that slowed her up, but the doctors wanting her to get some exercise in she took this challenge on that has changed her life as well as many others like mine. Yvonne is a real motivator and an example to set your goals and go after them no matter where you place, the main objective is to finish what you start. What a gal! I'm so proud of her! My younger son Adam Tibon also ran and finished 19th in his age group, and Mimi Nguyen finished 30th in her group.



2012 USA Grassroots Karate Program National Director Sensei Gene Tibon

For Ages 8yrs - 80 yrs old

New USA Grassroots Karate Camp Posted for 2012! Take Advantage of Early Discount ON LINE Registration Soon!

You Can Now Register for 2012 USA Grassroots Karate Camp ON LINE At www.karateTmaster.com

Take Advantage of Early Sign-up Discount and now Payment Arrangements ON LINE with Credit Card!

This USA Grassroots Karate Camp Is already Rated #1 Karate Camp This side of the World

### Upcoming Karate Tournaments, Technical Sensei Oshiro Weapons Classes Now Every Other Month

If you are studying Weapons you are suppose to be attending these seminars. Sensei Oshiro world renown as one of the foremost experts in the world has been teaching seminars in Japan and Europe. He has finally made his rounds across the country and comes back to Tibon's Goju Ryu Fighting Arts Main Dojo at 923 N. Yosemite in Stockton.

Weapons Seminar for 2011 Nov.20

#### **Seminars and Events**

- 2011 Tibon's Goju Ryu Annual IN HOUSE
  Karate Championships at San Joaquin Delta
  College December 4<sup>th</sup>, 2011 Sunday Blanchard
  Gym. All of our dojo's plus some of our friends.
  Need parent volunteers and all Leadership for help.
- Advance Goju Ryu Uchiage Kai Seminar with 7<sup>th</sup>
  Dan Sensei Takeshi Uchiage followed with Black
  Belt Testing December 3, 2011 Saturday main
  Dojo.
- Steveston Goju Ryu Uchiage Kai International Karate Championships in Richmond B.C. Canada January 28<sup>th</sup>, 2012. If you are testing for Black Belts this year you need to make plans to go to receive your Dan Certification at the event from International Chairman of Goju Ryu Uchiage Kai Sensei Takeshi Uchiage.



### 2011 Tibon's Goju Ryu Annual IN HOUSE Karate Championships San Joaquin Delta College Blanchard Gym December 4<sup>th</sup>, 2011 Sunday

Spectator- Can Food Drive 1-Turkey or Ham Adult Admission or 10 Can Food for Adult - and 5 - Cans for Child Admission Register Now ON LINE at <a href="https://www.karateTmaster.com">www.karateTmaster.com</a>



Tibon's Goju Ryu Fighting Arts Organization dojo's have developed many national, international, and Pan-American Karate Champions over the past 30 years. This IN HOUSE Tournament is where it all begins in giving our athletes a first class tournament to develop their experiences before entering national level competition. This IN HOUSE tournament is developed to have all of our athletes compete even if they just started a day ago. We have the Obstacle Course, basically "how fast can the kids pick up their toys," and our famous "Paddle Kumite" for competition that test eye/hand, and eye/foot coordination response drills. Come and participate, bring the grandparents they will absolutely love watching their grandchildren compete and have a great experience. All of our Black and Brown Belt Leadership will work as referees; they are great role models for the kids. We will have guest dojo's from the Bay area, Fresno, Merced, and San Jose, which will also be great experience and competition for our athletes. See you there! Register ON LINE <a href="https://www.karateTmaster.com">www.karateTmaster.com</a>. Black Belt testing and Advance Goju Ryu Uchiage Kai Seminar on Saturday Dec.  $3^{rd}$ .

#### Welcome New Students - Tibon's Goju Ryu Karate Organization

**Tibon's Goju Ryu** - Turner Banks Andante Hutchings Tiffany Banks Olivia Allen Zachary Gaona Hugo Panulo Lorylen Bucio Tristan Ingong Brandon Wood Kellan Azevedo

**Stockton GymStars -** Douglas Abbott Jacob Delaney Max Guerrero Justin Jacobson Nicholas Abbott

Modesto GymStars -

Hiers Goju Ryu - Welcome Back:

Diamond Springs - N/A

# Friendly Reminder: Attention Parents and Students! Monthly Tuition Increase Jan 2012 Please See New Brochures!

Please note, prior to last year to assist our students and their families during difficult economic times; Tibon's Goju Ryu had not raised it's tuitions for the past three years. Unfortunately we now find we must raise our monthly tuition, because of our rising operating costs.

Effective January 1, 2012, an increase of an additional \$5.00 per month, per student will be assessed. This nominal increase is less than .65 cents per class, and represents only a small portion of the increases we are experiencing.

It is our expressed wish; these new tuition fees will not present a hardship to anyone, and please realize we always try very hard to give the best value in instruction and investment, for all of our students training in traditional karate and Kobudo.

A quick survey of our local competitors, assures us we are offering quality instruction at a more modest rate, for up to twice the amount of real class-time instruction. Further, we feel we have a proven record of being a karate school that strives for excellence in developing our students to reach a national and international level of development. This is confirmed by our ability to place athletes on the U.S. National Karate Team every year.

We hope you understand the necessity to raise tuitions, to compensate for higher costs in doing business and in order to keep our programs at the high level of technical quality that you have come to expect.

If you are interested in pre-paying your tuition, a discount program is in place, please ask myself, or Mrs. Tibon for more information.

Thank you for your continued business, support and cooperation.

#### Sincerely, Sensei Gene & Yvonne Tibon



# Tibon's Goju Ryu Fighting Arts Tournament Results West Coast Open Tacoma Dome Tacoma, Washington

Sensei Gene Tibon with West Coast Open Tournament Host Sensei Chuck Sweigart, World Kumite Champion George Kotaka, and World Kata Champion Antonio Diaz during a VIP Banquet hosted in Tacoma, WA during the West Coast Open International Karate Championships. It was an exceptional tournament with our Tokubetsu students who competed dominated their divisions. Justin Gilmour took double gold medals in Kata and Kumite in advance division, Andrew Moore took double gold in men's Kata, and men's Black Belt Team Kumite with Washington Team. Aleesa Ohata also took a gold medal in weapons and moved up and age division for competition and gained some great experience with some the top Canadian competitors. Kaitlyn Gilmour took a bronze medal in female advance kumite. Jordan Saunders was an honorable participant, he found some great experience to learn from and will get better at each event.

Members of Tibon's Goju Ryu Fighting Arts Karate Studio traveled to the West Coast Open International Karate Championships at the Tacoma Dome in Tacoma, Wa this weekend and did very well. The following are the results:

Andrew Moore 1st place Men's 18-34 yr. old WKF Black Belt Kata (Forms), 1st place men's black belt team Kumite (Fighting).

Justin Gilmour 1st place in boy's 12 & 14 yr. old Black Belt Kata, and 1<sup>st</sup> place boys 12-14 yrold Black Belt Kumite.

Aleesa Ohata 1st place female Advance Kobudo (Weapons).

Kaitlain Gilmour 3rd place 10 yr old advance Kumite.

San Francisco Shotokan National Championships & Team Trials Tournament Results Correction on Stats.

Julian Garibay 2nd place boys 7 yr old, beginning Kumite





World Referee Sensei Chuck Sweigart, World Kata Champion Antonio Diaz, World Kumite Champion George Kotaka, and National Director USA Grassroots Sensei Gene Tibon Double Gold Black Belt Medallist Justin Gilmour from Modesto GymStars Karate Program







Sensei Gene Tibon Yvonne Tibon with Carol and Andy Prokop, the San Joaquin United Way CEO at the special VIP Party at Bare Ranch in Lodi, CA for winning the #1 Gold Winner "Best of San Joaquin for Best Martial Arts Center" in all of San Joaquin. Those cities include Stockton, Lodi, Tracy, Manteca, Lathrop, and Ripon. An article On Tibon's Goju Ryu Fighting Arts will be in the current Edition of "San Joaquin Magazine." Other categories were also on sight for recognition for winning the "Best in San Joaquin"





On September 21, 2011 Sensei Gene Tibon received a Letter from Denise Castles-Stenger Selection Committee Chair that Sensei Tibon will be inducted into the Stockton Athletic Hall of Fame on November 16, 2011 At the Stockton Civic Auditorium. Tickets are available To attend for \$40 per person you can call Denise Castles- Stenger at (209) 464-4641 or Jack Ferrill at (209) 462-5259.

Mrs. Yvonne Tibon and Courtney Embry are also taking orders for those who may want to go to the awards presentation we have a deadline of November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2011 for ticket orders to all sit together. Please contact us if would like to sit the Tibon's Goju Ryu Karate Group.

This induction will be one of many Hall of Fame award Sensei Tibon Has been inducted into. Due to this award being outside of Martial Arts, this Hall of Fame means much more due to Karate being included with all sports. The impact on the community that Tibon's Goju Ryu has had with it's students are being acknowledged at its highest level.









## **Central Valley Karate Boosters Information Page**

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who attended the Booster Club "SPOOKTACULAR" picnic at Micke Grove Park on October 15, 2011 and made the event a huge success. A good time was enjoyed by all. It was good to see all the kids in the spirit of Halloween with their costumes. Thank you to everyone who brought potluck dishes. The food was unbelievable.

I would also like to thank all of the volunteers who took the time to help out with the preparations, setting up, cleaning up, making the raffle baskets, and donating many items for the raffle baskets.

A special thank you to Sensei Justin Love for providing the music and DJing the event. Special thanks also to Sensei D for being the MC for the costume contest, raffle, and other activities.

The Booster Club is looking ahead to some upcoming karate tournaments in Canada (January 2012), Oregon (March 2012), and Las Vegas (April 2012) to see if it would be feasible to provide funds to competitors to help offset costs. In order for the Booster Club to be able to provide funds, we will need to hold fundraisers. We are planning to start a Candy Sales fundraiser very soon, but we will need to hold other fundraisers as well. Keep in mind that the Booster Club voted on a new system for the distribution of funds. If you are interested in attending any of these tournaments and would like to be eligible for funds, I invite you to attend upcoming Booster Club meetings to find out how you may become eligible for funds.

The next General Booster Club meeting will be on Saturday, November 5, 2011 at 5:00PM at the Main Dojo during Tokubetsu. Hope to see you at the meeting.

### Thanks. MITS OHATA



Central Valley Karate Boosters Halloween Costume Contest at Annual Picnic



### **Attention Parents!**

Now Accepting New Applications to our T&T Dragons Program
Tiny & Tough 2-4 yr old Pre-Karate Program
Well on It's Way! We Still Have Room in Classes!
See Our New Programs at our main dojo on Yosemite St. and at our
Stockton GymStars Karate Program

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!



Receive a \$10.00 credit for referral if student starts!



Tibon's Goju Ryu America's Finest Program Program In Place Since December 1, 2009

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 active Military.

When an Officer, Fire Fighter, or Military Personnel is able to show us an I.D. or a badge Tibon's Goju Ryu Karate School will give them FREE LESSONS in our adult class, if they have their children signed up in our regular program. 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.

Have Supported Athletes Who have Trained At 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.

# **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

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. Lincoln High School and Tokay High School require athlete be in the Elite Karate Training program to qualify – See Sensei Tibon on those requirements!

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