



To ISKF-Alaska from Sensei Nakazawa:

We had a wonderful camp experience this year! It was an honor to have classes taught by Master Okazaki, Sensei Cathy Cline, and Sensei Ed Fujiwara. It was a very special camp as we honored Master Okazaki for his 50 years of teaching in the United States. In recognition of his contributions we dedicated Okazaki Hall at our recent 2011 Alaska Summer Karate Camp. (See attached pages for photos.)

In addition we experienced excellent training, fun camp activities, day-camp for kids, good meals, and time for new and old friendships. A special congratulations to those of you who took their kyu and dan examinations and to Lenita Walsh who was awarded the 2011 Summer Camp's Cheryl Phillips Spirit Award.

I would like to take some time to thank a few people who helped make this camp a success:

- A very *special* Thank You goes to Camp Directors Susan Jones and Tina Racy for making the camp a success. They started many months ago on camp planning, coordination and registration as well as devoting many hours of their time in keeping the camp running this year.
- Thank you to Sensei Pat Andrews, who was always active in coordinating and running this camp, and for being the "most excellent" camp MC.
- An *extra special* Thank You to Sensei Mike Tavoliero, with assistance from Sensei Catherine Pinch, for designing and donating the special 50th anniversary gift to Master Okazaki, as well as the special commemoration gifts for Sensei Cline and Sensei Fujiwara.
- Thank you to Lenita Walsh for running the Day Camp and the T-shirt auction.
- Thank you to James Peters for organizing the camp registrations and for helping with camp check-in.
- Thanks also to the Peters family for donating the turkeys for a great meal!
- So many people helped tremendously and all with great spirit: Kyle Lindsey, who directed the meal crew at the Head Table; Andy and Susan Rembert provided assistance for the out-of-town camper travel as well as hosting the camp store – great to have you folks back in Alaska; and, Andrew and Abram Tooyak for their leadership in the field games – and generally always there anywhere and anytime.

It is always great to see old friends Beckie Brocies and Ben Cheesemen now in Washington State and Andy Krohn now at Northern Arizona University in Flagstaff; plus our ISKF Alaska group from all around Alaska — Juneau, Fairbanks, Bethel, Homer, Wasilla, and our dojo in the village of Gambell on St. Lawrence Island (located between Russia and Alaska) for making the special effort to attend. And a special thanks to have Sensei Grady (Renbukai) and Sensei Young (Goju) attend our special Master Okazaki Hall presentation dinner and event, and to Mr. Robert Tasso for the great pictures of our event. (See attached pages for photos.)

Lastly, if you have any questions or comments on our 2011 Summer Camp, please email them to Camp Director Tina Racy at tyracy@gmail.com. In the near future we will be having our *Fall ISKF Alaska Planning Audio Meeting* to go over our 2011 Summer camp and make regional plans for 2012's events. Sensei Holness, ISKF Alaska National Team Coach, will update us on our Alaska Nationals Team; and, we will make the announcement of 2011's ISKF Alaska Meritorious Service Award!

Keep Training!



Okazaki Hall



Dedicated on August 13, 2011, by ISKF Alaska Region at the Alaska Shotokan Karate Camp in gratitude to Master Teruyuki Okazaki, 10th Dan, on the occasion of his 50 years of leadership of the International Shotokan Karate Federation to the US and worldwide.

Master Okazaki speaking to group





Above is the Alaska ISKF Shotokan region's 50th Anniversary gift to Sensei Okazaki. The plaque is a very fine piece of lapis lazuli, a semi-precious stone, with the kanji, Go-Ju (50), inscribed in 24 karat gold. It was presented to him at the dedication of Okazaki Hall at the Alaska Shotokan Summer Camp in Chugiak, Alaska on Saturday, August 13, 2011.

s/Michael Tavoliero



Sensei Cline Congratulation Comments



Lenita Walsh teaching class



Campers at Okazaki Hall dedication



Summer Camp Participants with Master Okazaki

