

# RSKKR Newsletter

## Ryukoku Seidokan Karate Kobudo Renmei

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It's hard to believe the Ryukoku Seidokan Karate Kobudo Renmei 2012 International conference has come and gone. I believe most consider it an astounding success for everyone involved. A day doesn't go by that I don't reflect back on all the faces that made it possible. From the highest ranked Blacks Belts to the newest additions to the dojo, we all played a vital roll when it came to supporting this special event. The success of this organization depends on the dedication of each person within this Renmei. During this seminar I witnessed Seidokan at its best. The overall "CAN DO" attitude and commitment of everyone left a very positive imagine, not only with me

but also with the Okinawa Karate Masters that taught us. For example: Sensei Nakamoto had a conversation with a local vendor (Ippon-Do store manger) and said, 'The Seidokan members were a unique group of Martial Artist. He was shocked at how open-minded and hard working we were. Every Okinawan Sensei had excellent comments on our Karate abilities and our eagerness to learn.

Our group of Seidokan practitioners has decades of Martial Arts experience under our belt and there's nothing we can't do as long as we work together. Our rich Seidokan history under Master Shian Toma must continue to flourish and there's no doubt we

have a bright future ahead of us. This surreal 2012 Seidokan experience coming together echoed way beyond our Seidokan boundaries and I look forward to our next event. Remember, no matter how big or how small a training session is, it's important for each of us to make a conscious effort to be at the event if at all possible. I BOW to you all and Stay Okinawa Strong!!

Sensei Ron Nix 9<sup>th</sup> Dan President, RSKKR



Opening of 2012 RSKKR International Seminar Koza Budokan, Okinawa City, Japan

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...be the Sensei that inspires.



Day #1 Monday, July,2,2012





Training Session #1: Sensei Yamauchi - Tuide











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Day #3: Wednesday, July 4, 2012



Training Session #3: Sensei Tagamiyagi -Motobu Ryu





Training Session #4: Sensei Hokama -Goju Ryu













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#### **Black Belt Promotions at RSKKR Dojos**

Note: Black Belt promotion certificates signed by Sensei Toma are listed here.

#### Carbajal Martial Arts Sensei Juan Carbajal 28 June 2012

Juan A. Carbajal Sho-Dan Salvadore Briseno Sho-Dan Christopher Espinoza Sho-Dan Rodrigo Martinez Sho-Dan Elizabeth Munoz Sho-Dan

#### Okinawan Seidokan of Jacksonville Sensei Keith James 21 June 2012

Abel Davila Sho-Dan

#### Seidokan NY Sensei Joe Diliberto 11 Nov 2011

Peter Diliberto Sho-Dan Gerry Diliberto Sho-Dan Mike Masco Sho-Dan

# Okinawan Karate Academy of Harrisburg Sensei Benjamin Rocuskie 24 May 2012

Chad Billy Sho-Dan Ryan Andrew Billy Sho-Dan

#### Wylie Karate Dojo Sensei Dennis Sukut 11 Apr 2012

Collin Edwards Sho-Dan

16 Aug 2012

Daniel Peterson San-Dan

#### Colorado Seidokan Karate Club Sensei Rodney Grantham 18 Aug 2012

Nora Knisken Ni-Dan Michael Aman Sho-Dan

#### Okinawan Seidokan Karate Kobudo Dojo Sensei Ricardo Emerson 7 Mar 2012

William Gonzalez Go-Dan
Jose Roque Go-Dan
Eliezer Velazquez Go-Dan
Jaime Torres Yon-Dan
Jose Quintero Sho-Dan

#### Sensei Donnie Hayhurst 1 July 2012

Paul Sadwick Ni-Dan



## 2012 Seminar Promotions July 2012 Okinawa

Chris Caggiano Nana-Dan luan Carbajal Nana-Dan Akemi Nix Roku-Dan Steve Scott Jr. San-Dan Francois Auclair Ni-Dan Jackelyn Pearson Ni-Dan Braiele Dempsey Sho-Dan Domenic Notarpasquale Sho-Dan John Daniel San-Kyu Massimo Notarpasquale San-Kyu

### Congratulations to newly certified RSKKR Member Dojos July 2012

Seidokan of Collegeville Sensei Chris Caggiano

Carbajal Martial Arts Sensei Juan Carbajal

Torii Dojo Sensei Matt Kohler

Seiber Okinawa Martial Arts Sensei Kurt Seiber RSKKR Newsletter Page 6



Field trip to Okinawa World and Nakamoto Kobudo Museum



Training Session #5: Sensei Nakamoto - Kobudo Naha Budokan





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Day #5: Friday, July 6, 2012



Training Session #6: Sensei Nix - Kata Katsuren Castle Ruins









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Training Session #7: Sensei Helio Damiani - Jujitsu











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#### Closing ceremony and awards dinner



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Salvador Briseno
Daniel Carbajal
Juan Carbajal
Leticia Carbajal
Chris Espinoza
Juan Carlos Gomez
Joel Heredia
Veronica Lopez
Rodrigo Martinez
Elizabeth Munoz
Jorge Ramirez
Rocio Rodriguez-Saucedo

Adolph Pearson, Sensei Briaele Dempsey

John Daniel Vicki Daniel

Jackie Pearson

Matt Kohler, Sensei

Joseph Diliberto, Sensei Francois Auclair Mike Bonanno Dan Cannan Kevin Cannan Lou DeLucrezia Marisa Diliberto Blair Masco Mike Masco Domenic Notarpasquale Masimo Notarpasquale Steve Scott Ed Shill

Chris Caggiano, Sensei

Rodney Granthan, Sensei

Ricardo Emerson, Sensei

Kurt Sieber, Sensei

Keith James, Sensei

Ron Nix, Sensei Daniel Arce Debbie Arce Ezequiel Arce Scott Bennett Alma Bobbitt Kevin Bobbitt Chris Butler Erica Butler Maria Butler Frank Delattre Emilio Del Vecchio Julie Del Vecchio Tim Dull Beau Geil Cindy Geil Dalton Kobs Nicole Kobs Masaya Kudaka Ayako Kurio Lindsey Leyo Ben Madeira Tiffany Mountin

Ruka Ogasawara
Dave Plattsmier
Lauren Rhodes
Chris Robertson
Aya Shimabukuro
Kaito Shimabukuro
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Youki Viveaqua
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lan Wallace
Karen Wallace
Brianna Wallace
Tre Witherspoon

Thank you to everyone who attended the July 2012 RSKKR Seminar

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