

Tibon's Goju Gazette

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Attention Parents and Students! Monthly Tuition's to increase Jan 2008 See New Brochures

Please note that due to the rising costs of owning and operating a business, and several locations we find it necessary to raise the tuition at the Dojo's. Effective January 2008, the increase will amount to an additional \$5.00 per month more per students, which amounts to only 62 cents a class, less than a can of soda. I certainly hope this doesn't present a hardship to anyone, and please realize we always try very hard to give you more than your value in instruction than you pay for.

With the new rates in effect, we can still offer quality instruction at \$25 - \$130 a month LESS than my competitors. The average cost of monthly nation wide is \$120.00 per month. In addition, most of my competitors only offer 45-minute classes and do not possess the ability to teach at our level of technical quality. You all know that we strive for excellence, and I hope you understand my reasoning for raising the tuition. If you are interested in prepaying your tuition, a discount is offered. This may be discussed with billing personnel. Thank you for your business, support, and cooperation. **NOTE: GymStars Stockton, GymStars Modesto tuition will go into effect January 1, 2008.**

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- Tibon's Goju Ryu Organization has to increase tuition to maintain quality business affective January 1, 2008.
- Annual IN HOUSE Organization Tournament Dec. 1 & 2nd Caesar Chavez High School.
- Tournament Schedule for 2008 Mark your calendars
- 2008 Disneyland Martial Arts Festival February 16, 2008, mark those calendars!
- National Internet Seminar interview with Sensei Gene Tibon on our website www.tibonkarate.com You can access the Replay and listen to the interview.



Happy New Years!

It's hard to believe another fantastic year has gone by. The accomplishments of the Tibon's Goju Ryu Organization athletes has been extra ordinary, and we look forward to the 2008 year to be a world class year for our program and our athletes.

We have many competition opportunities that all families are welcome to participate in. We have a competition class designed to develop those students who want to compete on a local, state, national, and international level.

We would like to highlight these years' outstanding accomplishments for each month See page 4.

Tibon's Goju Ryu's Karate Boosters Central Valley Karate Boosters

2nd Annual Crab Feed

January 26, 2008

Moose Lodge #391

9035 Davis Road Stockton, Ca. 95209

Non-profit Fundraiser

For athlete competition travel

Crab Feed Tickets

\$30.00 Child 9 yrs & under

\$40.00 10 yrs & up



No Host Cocktail
Dinner
Demo & Dancing

5:30pm-6:30pm
6:30pm-8:00pm
8:00pm to closing

Upcoming Karate Tournaments, Technical Seminars, & Events

- 2008 Disneyland Martial Arts Festival February 16, 2008 Anaheim, Ca. Grand March inside Disney's California Adventure® Park on Feb. 17th Sunday.
- Junki Yoshida's International Karate Championships Portland, Oregon February 23 & 24th, 2008. Sensei Gene Tibon is Teaching Goju Ryu Seminar day before the Tournament.
- Ryobu Kyu Sensei Gary Tsutsui Golden Colorado, Colorado School of Mines Feb 9th 2008.
- Uchiage Kai Internationals March 8st, 2008. Richmond B.C. Saturday.
- Spring of 2008 Tokyo, Japan – Hokkido, Sendai, Kyoto, Hiroshima, Nara, Tenri & sightseeing also. We hope you can join us.
- US Open and USANKF Junior Olympics Caesar's Palace in Las Vegas March 21-23, 2008. (702) 731-7110 \$119.00 per night.
- USANKF of Northern California, Inc RSO National Qualifier San Joaquin Delta College April 20th, 2008
- USANKF Nationals & USA Team Trials Houston, Texas July 18-20, 2008
- Disney Martial Arts Festival Qualifier and Classical Japanese Okinawa Karate and Kobudo, and USFMAF Filipino Martial Arts. August 2008.
- 2008 Disney Martial Arts Festival Walt Disney World® Wide World of Sports® Complex Orlando, Florida Oct. 24-26, 2008

Sensei Oshiro Weapons Class

Sensei Oshiro has been teaching seminars around Europe and has finally returned to the USA. He will resume his monthly seminars at Tibon's Goju Ryu Dojo at 923 N. Yosemite St. in Stockton.

The Dates for the 2007 Kobudo Weapons Seminars Are:

**Jan 13 Feb 10 Mar 16 April 13 May 4 June 22
July 27 Aug. 17 Sept. 7 Oct. 19 Nov. 16 Dec. 14**

Disney's WIDE WORLD OF SPORTS.

Mark Your Calendars!

**2008 Disneyland Martial Arts Festival
Anaheim Convention Center**

February 16, 2008

President's Day Weekend

**A Martial Artist Grand march Sunday,
February 17th**

**Disney's California Adventure® Park.
On-line registration is slated to go
live December 5th**

Sensei Gene Tibon

Is Again the 2008 National Coordinator for Classical Japanese Okinawa Karate & Kobudo as a part of Disney's Martial Arts Festivals

Countrywide Home Loans By Geno Tibon

With all the news about the mortgage industry, I felt it is a good time to reach out to the families at Tibon's Goju Ryu. I would like to put everyone's mind at ease and tell you a little bit about Countrywide. **Countrywide is America's number one home loan lender, and has been serving customers for nearly 40 years.** Over the years, Countrywide has focused on a commitment to top-tier customer service. We have continually improving products and services, which have helped Countrywide, emerged as a diversified financial services leader.

Right now is the best time to purchase and or refinance. Rates are low again and those interest only arm loans are about to reset, which will cause your payments to increase. **Right now Country Wide is offering no appraisal fee!**

Most of you know or have heard of me through my parents. I have either trained or refereed you or your child. Please contact me if you have any Home Loan needs. My phone number is **530-521-2504** information is below. **Please inquire about a free month of Karate or a free half hour private lesson.**

Welcome New Students - Tibon's Goju Ryu Karate Organization

Tibon's Goju Ryu - Welcome Back : Ryan Huisman

Hiers Goju Ryu – Madeline Woznick Riley Woznick

Stockton GymStars – Caleb Brown Camile Brown Nicholas Selby Sasha Selby
Zachary Lindo Lawrence Cottingham Charlie Chastain Ashari Pitman

Modesto GymStars - Sevannah Lucero Joshua Fried Richard Varga Christian Rou Guyn
Brandon Taylor Delaney Hensley Harrison Delahunty Logan Kayser

TIBON'S GOJU RYU ANNUAL BLACK BELT TESTING DECEMBER 2ND, 2007 **Congratulations to our Black Belts**

Ronny Guzman 2 nd Degree Black Belt	Tyler DeBoer 1 st Degree Black Belt
Justin Love 2 nd Degree Black Belt	Andrew Moore 1 st Degree Black Belt
Robert Lawrie 2 nd Degree Black Belt	Mario Evangelista 1 st Degree Candidate Black Belt
Jack Gonzales 2 nd Degree Candidate Black Belt	Mark Canevari 1 st Degree Candidate Black Belt
Rupert Espinosa Jr. 1 st Degree Candidate Black Belt	Cristian Embry Jr. 1 st Degree Black Belt
Joane Orbon Jr. 1 st Degree Candidate Black Belt	Michael Brian Embry 1 st Degree Black Belt
Patrick Johnson Jr. 1 st Degree Candidate Black Belt	Eric Bonjoc Jr. 1 st Degree Candidate Black Belt

Congratulations Students of the Month Award

Justin Gilmour - January 2007	Justin Gomes - Feb 2007	Kaitlyn Gilmour – March
John Rowlands- April 2007	Starla Smith - May 2007	Jerrin Hicks - June 2007
Alvin Nguyen - July 2007	Breanna Elias - Aug. 2007	Noah Helsby - Sept. 2007
Leseamus Howard - Oct. 2007	Jessica Aguilar - Nov. 2007	Jessa Durero - Dec. 2007

5yr 10 yr 20yr & over 40yrs of Training Congratulations

Desarae Finck-Fugazi Huy Le Kevin Trieu-Nguyen Logan Bettencourt Nicole Stratton Raymundo Bravo Ryan
Stratton Juan Abundes Victor Gemma Dominic Borra Kendrick Ladao Joane Orbon Jovy Orbon Sara
Paper Demytryk Del Rio Eliza Cabanig Adam Tibon Sensei Gene Tibon

Sensei Award

Mr. Craig Curit for Parent Outstanding Support of Dojo and Organization

Congratulations

Robert Lawrie won Tibon's Goju Ryu Instructor of the Year Award, Robert teaches currently at Modesto GymStars, Stockton GymStars, and advanced weapons class at Tibon's Goju Ryu main Dojo. Robert did an outstanding job this year specializing in developing his students and weapons class. He has also taken on the position of the USANKF of

Northern California, Inc. Website Content Administrator working with Webmaster Danny Menzies. He currently is attending Delta College taking computer graphics classes to develop his expertise in working on or RSO website with technical information for the development of Karate in Northern California. Robert works closely with the President Gene Tibon of USANKF of Northern California, Inc. RSO with providing information for all styles of Japanese Okinawa Karate and Kobudo in Northern California.

Michael Brian Embry won Tibon's Goju Ryu Assistant Instructor of the Year Award this year. Brian assisted in Modesto GymStars with Sensei Adam, assist at Stockton GymStars, and at Hiers Goju Ryu in Lodi, and at the main dojo at Tibon's Goju Ryu. Brian is an extra ordinary talent who works with young athletes and has inspired many of the young teenagers in developing their Kumite. Brian is one of our key demonstration on the advance demo team for Tibon's Goju Ryu, he has also been a member of the United States Junior National Karate Team representing the United States in International competition in Montevideo, Uruguay, and Curacao Antilles Netherlands where he won silver medal in Kumite.

Tibon's Goju Ryu Organization's 2007 Years Re-Cap



January Sensei Gene Tibon named National Coordinator for Disneyland® Martial Arts Festival for Classical Japanese Okinawa Karate & Kobudo, **February** Tibon's Goju Ryu Karate Demo Team demonstrate at Disneyland® in the "Journey through Martial by Disney Show, **March** new group of black belts receive their Dan certificates and belts at awards banquet at "On Lock Sam" Chinese Restaurant, **April** Stockton Sports Commission, Tibon's Goju Ryu Karate, T-Bone Productions Sports Consultants, and US Filipino Martial Arts host first Duel Qualifier Tournament for Disney Martial Arts Festival in Orlando for Classical Japanese Okinawa Karate and Kobudo, and Filipino Stick Fighting Escrima, and the USANKF National Championships at Delta College, **May** Jason Kaley makes Team USA Senior Pan-American Karate Championships in Mexico City fundraiser held in the Tibon Dojo to raise money for Jason's trip, **June** Sensei Adam Tibon graduates from Cal State University Sacramento with Bachelor of Arts Degree in Business Communications Modesto dojo is run by other Senior black belts including Sensei Gene Tibon, **July** Tibon's Goju Ryu travel to Charleston, WV for USA Nationals and USA Team Trials Brian Embry and Jack Gonzales make the Jr. National Team Pool and almost have a chance to compete in Quito, Ecuador, **August** Tibon's Goju Ryu Organization Annual Karate Picnic all dojos at Oak Grove Regional Park on 8 Mile Rd over 800 attend, **September** PG&E parents donate to USANKF of Northern California RSO Campaign for the Community donations first time, **October** Sensei Gene Tibon wins 2007 Coordinator of the Year for Disney Martial Arts Festival in Orlando, Florida and introduces Omega 360 Television to Disney Martial Arts Festival with State of the Art Video broadcasting for promotion of Classical Karate around the world, **November** new generation of black belts Andrew Moore, Jack Gonzales, Mario Evangelista, and Demytryk Del Rio sweep Sensei Ajari's Wado Cup Invitational Karate tournament, **December** Great IN HOUSE Tournament with over 300 competitors an outstanding Leadership Team hosting a great potluck with Sensei Uchiage after Black Belt

DOJO REMINDERS

Please make sure you pick up your child on time.

- All tuition payments are due by the 10th of each month – NO EXCEPTIONS. A late charge of \$10.00 will apply; a return check charge of \$15.00 will apply.
- Sensei Oshiro continues to give Kobudo instruction here at the Dojo. Students should take advantage of being taught by one of the foremost weapons instructors in the world. Only \$25 per class plus you must provide your own weapons.
- Per the Goju Ryu Uchiage Kai rules, there will no longer be any rank skipping, unless you pay for each level of the test. This may seem rather harsh, but traditional training makes the student wait at least six month between each level to properly be prepared for the test. This is based on two days per week program.
- The Brown Belt Kyu tests are one year apart, and 100 assisted classes minimum are due before each promotion. A requirement of 300 assisted classes by the brown belt must be logged before allowing testing for Black Belt candidate.
- Private lessons MUST be prepaid, or they will be canceled. We are sorry to announce this, but lately we have had an abundance of no-shows, or last minute cancellations. There are no refunds on these types of issues.
- We still have had complaints about people parking in the street waiting to pick up their children. Please pull into a parking place, circle the block, or park in the rear of the school so this does not create an unsafe condition while picking up your child. Thank you!
- Current students are encouraged to bring in a friend in to try out a class. If the guest decides to continue and join the program, the student who referred will be awarded a \$10 gift certificate for the referral.
- Please see Yvonne about any make-up classes you need to schedule. She is always happy to help you! Please Note: Four classes equal one half month which is \$60. Any classes over four is equal to a full month or \$70.
- All Dojo Information see www.tibonkarate.com

Special Announcement! Please look for all of the Great Products that we are selling on our website under "Links and Products" "Products" will now feature the famous "Monavie" Health Drink with the "Acai Berry" and the **19 other power fruits that may well be the Healthiest Drink on the Planet.**

We are now selling "SANBON" Martial Arts Clothing also on line our website. All custom shirts.