

# Tibon's Goju Gazette

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**Sammi Calloni**  
**At Disney Martial Arts Festival**  
**In Orlando, Florida**  
**The Lone Tibon's Goju Ryu**  
**Student to Represent**

**Congratulations Sammi!**  
**Gold, Silver, and Bronze Medal**

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**Merry Christmas!**

Mrs. Tibon and Sensei Tibon, along with all of the Black Belt instructors, and our Leadership Team would like to wish everybody a very Merry Christmas, and a Happy Holiday's.

We would also at this time thank you for your ongoing support in being a part of our Karate organization. With your support we again have developed some of the most outstanding Karate students this side of the country. We look to 2009 to be even a better Karate year of development.

**Mark Your Calendars!**  
**2009 Disneyland Martial Arts Festival**  
**Anaheim Convention Center**  
**March 26-28, 2009**



## Upcoming Karate Tournaments, Technical Seminars, and Events

- **Tibon's Goju Ryu Annual IN HOUSE Tournament Dec. 6<sup>th</sup> Black belt testing and advance seminar, Saturday Dec. 7<sup>th</sup> Sunday Tournament starts at 9:30am Cesar Chavez High School Gym**
- **Washington State Karate Championships Tacoma, WA.**
- **Uchiage Internationals Richmond B.C. Canada March 6, 2009**
- **Junki Yoshida Rybou Kai Internationals Porland, Oregon March 20-22<sup>nd</sup>, 2009**
- **2009 Disneyland Martial Arts Festival Anaheim Convention Center March 26-28, 2009.**
- **USANKF Junior Olympics and US Open in Las Vegas, Nevada Caesar's Palace April 10-12, 2009**
- **USANKF of Northern California National Qualifier May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2009 Delta College Stockton, Ca.**
- **2009 Summer University Games July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2009.**
- **USANKF National Championships and USA Team Trials Fort Lauderdale, Florida July 14-19, 2009**
- **Long Beach Internationals August 7-9, 2009**
- **David Crockett's Itosu Kai International Invitational September, 2009**
- **Disney Martial Arts Festival at Walt Disney World @Disney's Wide World of Sports Complex Oct. 16-18, 2009**

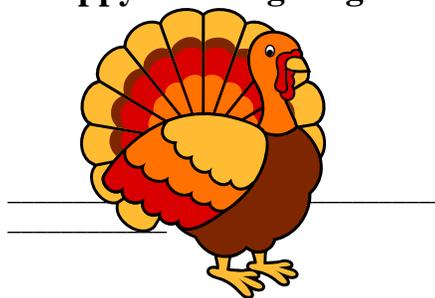
## Sensei Oshiro Weapons Classes

### Moves to Every Other Month

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

**The Dates for the 2008 Kobudo Weapons Seminars Are: TBA**

## Happy Thanksgiving!



**Gratitude is the memory of the heart. ~Jean Baptiste Massieu, translated from French**

**If the only prayer you said in your whole life was, "thank you," that would suffice. ~Meister Eckhart**

**If you have lived, take thankfully the past. ~John Dryden**

**I would maintain that thanks are the highest form of thought; and that gratitude is happiness doubled by wonder. ~G.K. Chesterton**

**For each new morning with its light,  
For rest and shelter of the night,  
For health and food, for love and friends,  
For everything Thy goodness sends.  
~Ralph Waldo Emerson**

**If a fellow isn't thankful for what he's got, he isn't likely to be thankful for what he's going to get.  
~Frank A. Clark**

**He is a wise man who does not grieve for the things which he has not, but rejoices for those which he has. ~Epictetus**

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

**Tibon's Goju Ryu** - Janee Woodward Joey Ryan Isaac Russel Sadie Rose Bryson  
Brian Gray Trey Woodward Meglian Debudey

Welcome Back: Gleaden Samones Alfred Acac Sonia Oviedo Lesette Oviedo

**Hiers Goju Ryu** – Alexis Wulf Matthew Bender Sean Kennedy Vincent Montgomery  
McKenzie Evanger Steven Whitting Ben Plath

Welcome back: Kyle Fleming Zack Flemming Morgan Crum Zack Crum Johnny Graves Gerr  
Graves Alex Graves Yeng Graves Rad Graves Maddie Berry Katie Berry Lucas Sherman  
Jaime Quesada

**Stockton GymStars** – Dylan Evans Niko Valdez

Welcome Back: Tyler Jones MacKenzie Jones

**Modesto GymStars** - Zachary Dressel Jacob Tognotti Matthew Hernard

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**Attention Parents!**  
**New T&T Dragons Program**  
**Tiny & Tough 2-4 yr old Pre Karate Program**  
**Starting September 1<sup>st</sup> Still Room in Class**

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!

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**TIBON'S GOJU RYU ANNUAL BLACK BELT TESTING DECEMBER 6<sup>th</sup>, 2008**

Chris Hiers Eliza Cabanig Michael Brian Embry Jack Gonzales Mario Evangelista  
Cristian Embry Andrew Moore Devin Collins Janelle Hiers Tim Cronin  
Liliana Sanchez Jimenez

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**Students who will Receiving Awards at the IN HOUSE Tournament**  
**Please be in Attendance!**

Justin Love Andrew Moore Jack Gonzales Matthew Tolentino Harrison Del Hunty Joshua Medel  
Jazz Umipig Paul Garza Gizelle Gamza Joshua Dasalla Logan Smith Garrett Daniels Laura Widerick  
Joshua Merrill Tiffany Huynh Brendan Curtright Nicholas Curtright Kevin Huang Isabel Perrott  
Sophia Perrott Dominick Pinasco Vincent Pinasco Noah Vieira Spencer Takechi Kayla Molina  
Michael Platt Tim Cronin Anna Cronin Dean Kirn Raquel Kirn Lincoln MacKay Jacob Jordan  
John Rowlands Tyler Rowlands Kyle Fleming J.C. Roek Kobe Roek Paul Moore Miram Moore  
Anthony Marquez Robert Lawrie Michael Brian Embry Amber Ramirez

## Central Valley Karate Booster Corner



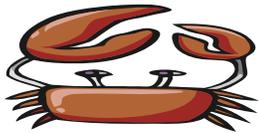
### "Fundraising Days"

Café Acacia 946 N. Yosemite St. Friday, December 12<sup>th</sup> and Sat. December 13<sup>th</sup> Bring Flyer and Café Acacia will donate 20% excluding alcoholic beverages.



### IN-HOUSE Karate Tournament

Snack Bar Volunteers Sunday Dec. 7<sup>th</sup> 2008. Snack bar proceeds to replenish General Fund. Volunteers Needed! Please contact Christina Santana 209-406-6603 Rhonda Villalos 209-986-3871



### Save the Date!

### Annual Crab Feed Saturday January 24<sup>th</sup>, 2009

More details to follow! Interested in chairing a committee or volunteering your time? Contact Mrs. Tibon 209-465-0943 or Rhonda Villalos 209-986-3871/mureta @Comcast.net

Check our our website for updates and information at:

[www.centralvalleykaratebooster.com](http://www.centralvalleykaratebooster.com)  
Happy Halloween!



## DOJO REMINDERS

### Please make sure you pick up your child on time.

- All tuition payments are due by the 10<sup>th</sup> of each month – NO EXCEPTIONS. A late charge of \$15.00 will apply; a return check charge of \$20.00 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. Also have to be registered with Goju Ryu Uchiage Kai membership three years consecutive before allowed to test.
- 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 Tibon's Goju Ryu T-Shirt 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 \$75.
- All Dojo Information see [www.tibonkarate.com](http://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.  
[www.tibonkarate.com](http://www.tibonkarate.com)



## Tibon's Goju Ryu America's Finest Program

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 Military.

When an Officer, Fire Fighter, or Military Personnel is able to show us an I.D. or a badge Tibon's Goju Ryu will give them the 50% monthly rate of \$65.00 per month. 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.

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### **Our Military Kids, Inc. Has Approved 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.



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**US Olympic Grass Roots Development Program  
USANKF of Northern California, Inc. Pilot Program  
US Olympic Training Center  
Colorado Springs, Col  
Nov. 21-24, 2008**

The USA National Karate-do Federation's (YODP) Youth Olympic Development Program is well on its way this year. The USANKF of Northern California, Inc. Regional Sports Organization for Karate is the pilot program for the YODP Grassroots program set for the November 21-24th, 2008 at the US Olympic Training Center at Colorado Springs, Col. was a huge success.

RSO President Gene Tibon of Stockton, Ca. with the approval of USANKF CEO Luke St.Onge took the bull by the horns to develop a Grassroots program that will be the first ever in history. Athletes will be developing to become Olympic hopefuls for Karate if accepted into the Olympic Summer Games family in 2016. This program will setup our Grassroots development for our athletes and coaches around the country. The ripple affect of this program will energize our way of Karate to the public, and at the same time develop a higher level of athlete and coaches at the Grassroots level.

The talent at the USANKF Team Trials for Junior and Senior teams will grow to higher level of standard each year the Grassroots (YODP) Youth Olympic Development Program is expanded to all corners of the country.

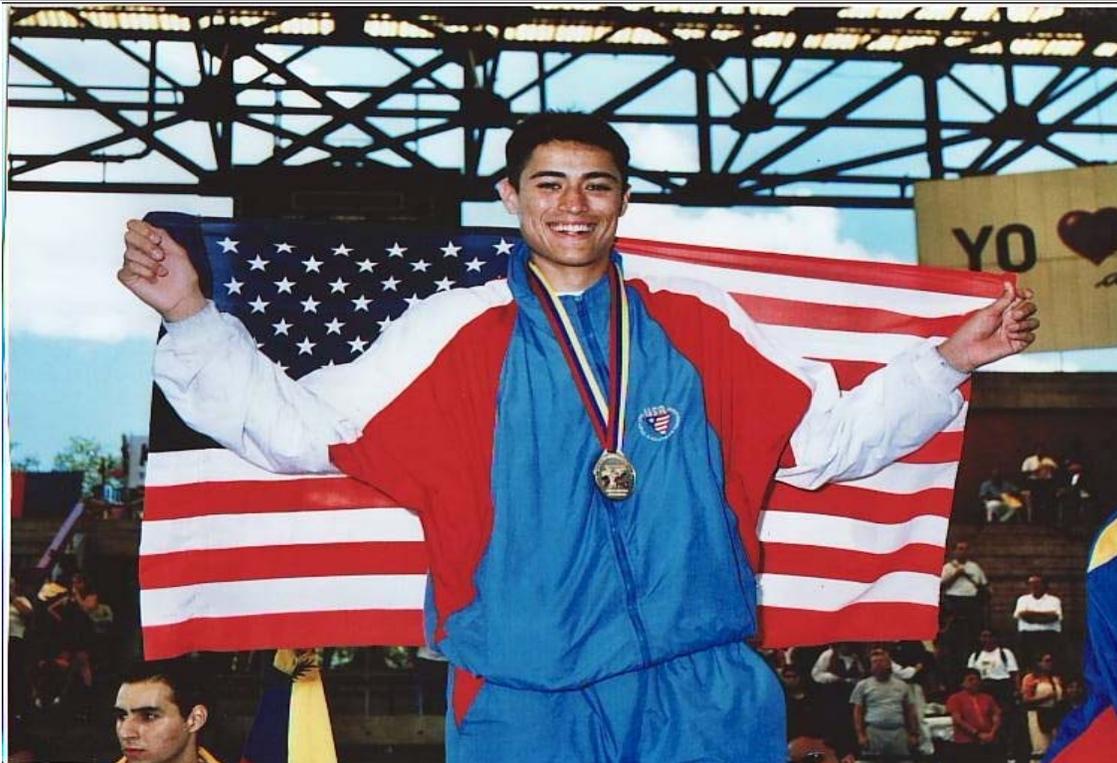
**Athletes from Tibon's Goju Ryu Organization are as follows:**

Courtney Embry    Joane Orbon    Sara Paper    Rupert Espinosa    Mark Canevari    Devin Collins  
Tim Cronin    Jack Gonzales    Andrew Moore    Cristian Embry    Jesse Toy    Crystal Lee  
Keanu Karsevar    Kendrick Ladao    Michael Brian Embry    Raquel Kirn    Anna Cronin    Eric Bonjoc  
Mario Evangelista    Coaches Ronny Guzman    Justin Love

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**TIBON'S GOJU RYU ANNUAL IN HOUSE KARATE TOURNAMENT AND  
BLACK BELT TESTING DECEMBER 6<sup>th</sup> Advance Seminar with Sensei Uchiage  
December 7<sup>th</sup>, 2008 Sunday  
CAESAR CHAVEZ HIGH SCHOOL**

**Prepare for a Great Day of Experience and Competition!**



**Adam Tibon  
Being Inducted to the  
2009**

### **2009 Stockton Mexican Sports Hall of Fame**

**Adam Tibon** started learning karate at the age of 3 yrs old. Like his brother Gino also earned his first international 1<sup>st</sup> Degree Black belt at 16yrs of age. He started teaching his own junior program of 3-5 year old juniors in our Mighty Mite program, and eventually teaching the more advance Karate programs.

**Adam Tibon Special awards:** 23 yrs.old 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree Black Belt Head instructor at GymStars/Tibon's Karate Program in Modesto, Ca., and a Senior Instructor at the Hombu Dojo at 923 N. Yosemite St. Ca. in Stockton. Adam graduated from St. Mary's High School in 2000-2001 wrestled twice in Sub-sections, awarded most outstanding JV Wrestler, awarded most improved, and most outstanding Varsity Wrestler for St. Mary's, inducted into **St. Mary's Wall of Fame for Wrestling**, played on St. Mary's Varsity Soccer Team, who team went to the SAA Quarter Finals All League Soccer Championships, awarded 1<sup>st</sup> Team All League Defender for Soccer 2000-2001, Adam also was awarded the **City of Stockton Teen of the Month by Mayor Gary Podesto**, in 1999-2000. After receiving his Associated Arts Degree from San Joaquin Delta College, he transferred to

University California State Sacramento where he graduated with a Bachelor's Degree in Business Communications in 2007. After 30 days of graduation Adam was hired as a **management employee for Woosley Ferguson Company in Sacramento** rated 254 on the Fortune 500 list.

**Adam's Competition profile as member of United States Karate Team:**

USA National Karate-do Federation (USANKF), the national governing body for Karate in the United States, member of the USA Olympic Committee. In 1999 won Gold medal in men's black belt Team Kumite (fighting), bronze medal in USA Team Trials for Junior World Championships in Bulgaria in Charleston, West Virginia, in 2000 member of USA Team at the 2000 Junior Pan-American Championships Bronze medal -75 kilo in Orlando, Florida, won silver medal WKF -75 kilo Kumite, member of the 2001 USA National Karate Team to the Junior and Senior National Karate Team to Athens, Greece, and PUKO Pan-American Karate Championships in Trinidad, Tobago Spain, 2002 member of the USA National Karate Team to Paris Open in Paris France, and member of the United States Karate Team to the 3<sup>rd</sup> FISU University World Championships in Puebla, Mexico, won gold medal at the Pan-American Karate Championships in Caracas, Venezuela, in 2003 won the Bronze medal at the PUKO Pan-American Karate Championship in Vancouver, Canada, was Co-Captain for WKF Cadet World Championships in Marseille, France and represented Team USA in the -75 Kilo and the Men's Black Belt Kata Team, 2005 USA Team member to the Pan-American Karate Championships to Buenos Aires, Argentina, 2006 bronze medal winner at USA Team Trials in Fort Lauderdale, Florida, and was a 2006 member of the USA National Karate Men's Black Belt Team for the WKF World Championships in Tampere, Finland.

**Halloween Central Valley Karate Booster Style!**





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  
Lincoln High School

&

Most all Stockton Unified School District High Schools  
Connecting Waters Charter Schools

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Most Charter Schools Approved at Request

Attention students and parents, many times our son's and daughters are getting ready for college and have to take many classes to achieve the grade point average they need to graduate. But it is also mandated that the student have to participate in Physical Education class. We now have an alternative during Summer school, and during school year.

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Eligibility is restricted to 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> grade students who need P.E credits towards graduation, maintain full 7 period schedules (no TAs or free periods), and participate in competitive sports programs at the national, state or local level.

Underclassmen whose elective coursework in fine or performing arts does not allow time in the school day to schedule PE may also be eligible. (i.e.band students with full schedules.)

Also every student who has taken Karate as their Senior Project have received A's on their grades. This is also a great opportunity to learn martial arts for a class grade.