

Tibon's Goju Gazette

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Andrew Moore Rupert Espinosa Joane Orbon Members of Team USA Headed to El Salvador 29th Jr. Pan-American Karate Championships With 35 countries in the competition

Andrew Moore and Joane Orbon were both Successful in winning a spot on the United States Karate Team to Rabat-Morocco in November for at chance to represent United States with over 113 countries in the competition. This will be only the number one best of each nation to Compete in these WKF JR. Cadet World Championships. We will be having fundraisers for Andrew and Joane to Help them achieve a dream.

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Sensei Gene Tibon and Younger Brother Darren Tibon Both Honored August 8, 2009 in Long Beach Convention Center for Induction into the “Masters Hall of Fame”



Sensei Oshiro Weapons Classes Now Every Other Month
If you are studying Weapons you should 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.

The Dates for the 2009 Kobudo Weapons Seminars Are: Nov. 15

Seminars, and Events

- **David Crockett's Itosu Kai International Invitational Sunday September 20, 2009 Soka University in Aliso Viejo, Ca. ******
- **West Coast Open/Tacoma, WA Sensei Chuck Sweigart October 3, 2009. Grassroots YOKP Team traveling to this tournament. ******
- **US WadoKai Karate do Federation 2009 Ajari Cup Sunday October 11, 2009 Downtown Oakland YMCA 2350 Broadway, Oakland, CA 94612**
- **Disney Martial Arts Festival at Walt Disney World@ Disney's Wide World of Sports Complex Oct. 16-18, 2009.**
- **USANKF of Northern California Grassroots YOKP Camp at United States Olympic Training Center in Colorado Springs, Co. Nov. 20 -23, 2009**
- **2009 Tibon's Goju Ryu Annual IN HOUSE Karate Tournament and Black Belt Testing December 6, 2009.**
- **USANKF of Northern California Western States Invitational Karate Championships two day event Disney Qualifier and Filipino Legacy Tournament February 20-21, 2010 SJ Delta College Blanchard Gym. ******
- **Uchiage Kai International Karate Championships March 6th, 2010 Richmond B.C. Canada**
- **Rybu Kai Internationals Junki Yoshida's Goodwill Competition Grassroots YOKP Competition and world seminars March 13-14, 2010**

**** Means Grassroots YOKP Teams to Participate

Welcome New Students - Tibon's Goju Ryu Karate Organization

Tibon's Goju Ryu - Vincent Gemma Kelsey Ladao Shoe Lynn Cabanting Jaron Guarrero Roman Aguilar
Alec Brown Thomas Sudderth Javier Delgado
Welcome back: Elliott Rinehart Katelyn Rinehart

Hiers Goju Ryu – Madison Biglow Justin Meissner Welcome back: Zack Crum Morgan Crum
Maggie Hahn Nicolas Lozano Madison Lozano Elisa Cabrera

Stockton GymStars – Nidhi Madhure Yves Tuazon Paola Dwinell Sabrina Searls Sam Kirkland
Norbutas Bobby

Modesto GymStars - Derrik Smith Tyler Anderson Jordan Taylor Xavier Portis Alora Akustad Madison Stoker
Arnav Krishnomoorthchi Valerie Barragan Michael Shelton Cody Shull Zachary Weiner Matthew Aitken

Tibon's Goju Ryu Fighting Arts Organization's Annual Karate Picnic Micke Grove Park Another Great Time with our Wonderful Families! Thank you!

The 2009 Annual Tibon's Goju Ryu Karate Picnic was another well-planned hit. With a schedule of different events like the Poker Fundraiser for Andrew Moore, Joane Orbon, and Rupert Espinosa, the famous Watermelon eating contest, with watermelons donated by Perry Celli Farms, sponsored Outback Steak House Hamburgers care of Mr. Craig Curit and Outback, great music by Sensei Justin Love, mini carnival, Karate piñata, the dynamic Karate demonstrations by Tibon's Goju Ryu Demo Team, which also featured a dynamic chair routine by Sensei Robert Lawrie and Sensei Eric Bonjoc. The food was great, the money raised from raffle prizes, the Central Valley Karate Boosters Snow Cone machine, and the Poker Fundraiser came to about \$3,600.00 fundraiser for our athletes. Dr. Solar Medicine Show, and the great Cooking Contest won by Lincoln McKay for steak salad, and Sandy Cabagbag for best main dish even made the menu better. We look forward to all of the great food next year while parents hunt for that winning recipe. Thank you again to all of our Leadership, Robert & Pam Gonzales, Liz Lawrie, Roger & Lynn Moore, Martin & Deb Toy, Lysia Espinosa, Jon & Anna Orbon, Kathleen Curtright, Kristine & Mike Embry, Yvonne Tibon, and parents who help us host this wonderful event.



Long Beach Internationals at the Long Beach Convention Center

Rupert Espinosa Jr. 1st place Japanese Okinawa 15/16 yr old black belt Kata, Grand Champion for 17yr old and below black belt Kata. **Mario Evangelista** 1st place Japanese Okinawa black belt short weapons, and Grand Champion for all Japanese Okinawa Weapons, 1st place in 17 yr old black belt Kumite, 3rd place in J/O 16-17yr old Kata, 1st place 16-17yr old J/O long weapons. **Michael Brian Embry Jr.** 1st place men's black belt Kumite open weight, 2nd place in J/O men's black belt Kata. **Andrew Moore** 1st place men's black belt J/O Kata, 2nd place men's J/O short weapons, 3rd place men's J/O long weapons. **Conner Curit** 1st place 8-9yr old intermediate Kumite, 2nd place J/O long weapons. **Cullen Curit** 1st place 6yr & below intermediate Kumite, 3rd place in J/O Kata. **Alessa Ohata** 1st place 9yr and under intermediate short weapons, 1st place 9yr and under intermediate long weapons, 1st place 7-8yr old J/O Kata, and 1st place 7-8yr old female Kumite. **Noah Helsby** 2nd place 6yr & under boys Kumite, 2nd place boys 6yr & under J/O Kata, 3rd place boys J/O short weapons. **Jessica Aguilar** 1st place female 16yr & under long weapons, 1st place female 16 & under long weapons, 2nd place female 15 & 16 yr old intermediate Kata. **Jordan Saunders** 5th place boys intermediate J/O Kata, 5th place boys intermediate Kumite. **Michaela Mariani** 5th place girls intermediate J/O Kata, 5th place intermediate Kumite.

GSKA World Championships

Noah Helsby 2nd place 6yrs and under Novice J/O Kata, 3rd place 6 & under novice Kumite. **Jacob Ruiz** 3rd place 8-9 yr old intermediate J/O Kata. **Andrew Moore** 3rd place men's black belt Japanese Okinawa Kata.

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 \$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!
- 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 \$65. Any classes over four is equal to a full month or \$75.
- 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.**

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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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If a member of your family qualifies for this grant contact **"Our Military Kids, Inc."** at **(703)734-6654**.



Attention Parents!
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Congratulations!

Cooking Contest won by Lincoln McKay for steak salad, and Sandy Cabagbag for best Main Dish



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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.

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Disney's Martial Arts Festival, October 16-18, 2009

Disney's Wide World of Sports® Complex WALT DISNEY WORLD® Resort Near Orlando, Florida, USA

PRE-REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN: Disney's Martial Arts Festival pre-registration is now open. Take advantage of the first specially-priced registration fee, which ends July 5, 2009. You may register by going to www.disneymartialartsfestival.com and click on the October event, then on the registration link in the upper left corner or click on the specific discipline information links in the middle of the page.

In addition to Classical Karate & Kobudo competition:

Make plans to attend **Disney's Martial Arts Festival Saturday Night Showcase**. Watch spectacular demonstrations, champions of all ages and masters perform. Admission ticket is included in the length of event, Saturday spectator tickets, and participants' fee.

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Thank you, look forward to seeing you at **Disney's Martial Arts Festival** and please let me know if I can be of further assistance. **Senior Coordinator for Classical Karate & Kobudo**

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**2009 USANKF of Northern California
Grassroots YOKP Development
Youth Olympic Karate Development Camp
November 20-23rd, 2009
United States Olympic Training Center
Colorado Springs, CO.**

Sensei Gene Tibon is the National Coordinator for USANKF Grassroots YOKP (Youth Olympic Karate Program) in the United States. He will be hosting the second USANKF of Northern California Grassroots YOKP Camp at the United States Olympic Training Center in Colorado Springs, Co. on November 20 – 23, 2009. Athletes from Northern California, Southern California, Arizona, Oregon, Washington, Hawaii, New Orleans, Colorado, and Florida. Athletes and Coaches will be arriving from all over the country to learn drills and coaching techniques to develop our Grassroots YOKP program into the model of the nation. The goal is to create Grassroots YOKP developmental training to raise the level of quality competitors in the United States. This program will enhance our traditional programs, develop our athletes, and raise the level of our United States Junior and Senior National Karate Teams for world competition.

In Masters Magazine Summer 2009 Edition Sensei Gene Tibon's USANKF Grassroots YOKP Camp was highlighted as the first ever in history at the US Olympic Training Center. Many of our athletes at Tibon's Goju Ryu Fighting Arts were part of that historic event. We look forward each year to create new history. With you're on going support we will make history with your family members who are a part of our program.

For questions about our USANKF of Northern California Grassroots YOKP training seminars and camps you can call our main dojo at (209) 465-0943

BOOSTER HIGHLIGHTS

The Booster Club has also finally received it's non profit number. This means that we can really start fund raising. Come to the meetings with your fund raising ideas, and let's raise some money for the Booster Club and help all of our athletes from the youngest to the oldest.

As many of you know the USA-NKF National Championships and Team Trials were held in Fort Lauderdale, Florida on July 17 through 19. There were many notable competitors, and we qualified one of the largest team pools in recent memory with over 15 competitors in our RSO qualifying for the USA team pool. However congratulations must be extended to Andrew Moore, Joanne Orbon, Rupert Espinosa and Crystal Lee who battled fiercely and earned a spot on the Junior National Team. The four travel to San Salvador, El Salvador on Monday, August 31, 2009 for the Junior Pan American Games and I know that each and every one of us wishes the team the best of luck.

It should also be noted that Andrew Moore, Joanne Orbon and Crystal Lee have also qualified to compete in the Junior World Competition in Morocco in November 2009. Congratulations to all who competed.

Elections have finally been held and new officers have been elected to the Executive Board. The new members of the Executive Board are as follows:

President:	Martin Toy	Vice President:	Aaron Helsby
Secretary:	Pam Gonzales	Treasurer:	Dee Daniel
Communications Officer:	Kristine Santana	Legal Officer:	Roger Moore

Congratulations to the outgoing officers. Thank you for a great year of service. Remember the Booster Club cannot operate without you. Together we can make everyone's participation in Karate a rich and fun experience.

Special Congratulations to Sensei Tibon and Yvonne on the birth of their fourth and fifth grandchildren Rylee and Avery on Monday, August 24, 2009. We know that these twin girls will be the darlings of the Tibon family and will have Sensei wrapped around their fingers in no time.

Also, Special Congratulations to Sensei Justin Love and his fiancée Kristine Santana on their upcoming wedding. We all wish them many decades of happiness.

Remember the next Booster Club Meeting is Friday, September 18, 2009 at 5:45 p.m. at the main dojo, 923 N. Yosemite Street, Stockton, CA. Please plan to attend and remember to bring your fund-raising ideas!!!!

September

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
		1	2	3	4 Mighty Mites 430-530p Weapon 7-8:30p	5 930-10 TNT 10:00-12:00 Mighty Mites NO Tokubetsu
6 Congratulations! Sensei Justin Love and Christina Santana Jr. Pan-Am's El Salvador Joane, Rupert and Andrew No A-Team	7 Labor Day! Dojo Closed! Make up classes During week	8	9	10	11 Mighty Mites 4:30- 5:30p No Weapons Promotion Ceremony Whit/yell 7:15p Color belts 8:15p	12 930-10 TNT 10:00-12:00 Mighty Promotion Testing White/Yellow 12:15 Orange & Up 2:30 Tokubetsu 5-7pm
13 A-Team 10-12 Leadership 1-3p	14 Weapons 730- 900pm	15	16	17	18 Mighty Mites 430- 530p Weapon 7-8:30p Boosters Meeting 5:45p-6:45p	19 930-10 TNT 10:00-12:00 Mighty No Tokubetsu Traveling to Sensei Crockett's Tournament Soka!
20 Sensei Crockett's Tournament YOKP Soka University! All Tokubetsu and Grassroots	21 Weapons 730- 900pm	22	23	24	25 Mighty Mites 430-530p Weapon 7-8:30p	26 930-10 TNT 10:00-12:00 Mighty Tokubetsu 5-7pm
27 A-Team 10-12	28 Weapons 730- 900pm	29	30			

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