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## Tibon's Goju Gazette



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**December 2018** 

#### **Tournaments & Events This Year**

Tibon's Goju Ryu 34<sup>th</sup> Annual Winter IN HOUSE Karate Championships December 2, 2018 Lincoln High School, And Advance Seminar and Black Belt Testing Dec.1' 2018 Saturday

46<sup>th</sup> Annual Steveston International Karate Championships Richmond B.C. 4111 Moncton St. Richmond, Canada February 23, 2019.

#### Welcome New Students Tibon's Goju Ryu Organization

Katelyn Philpott Alex Garcia Thari Townsend Tcari Townsend Tsari Townsend Keloni Wright Jamie Yen Mathew Rodriguez Jameson Stern Paxton Stern Angel Filo Isabella Sunseri Ahmad Sabri Naek Singh



#### **Promotion Testing!**

December 7th Promotion Ceremony 7:15p Friday December 8th Saturday Promotion Testing 2:15pm White & Yellow, Orange and Up Combined testing! Start checking in 2pm



Sunday Leadership December 9<sup>th</sup> 11am – 1pm Leadership Meeting Ranking Green 3 –Black Belts Only! Main dojo meeting location.

**Tibon's Karate Camping Trip – Signups** South Lake Tahoe–Camp Richardson–June 20-24<sup>th</sup>, 2019

18 so far signed up!





Tibon's Goju Ryu Fighting Arts 34<sup>th</sup> Annual Winter IN HOUSE Karate December 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday



JOIN Kick-a-thon Fundraiser for Competition Team Raffle Baskets Silent Auction Get your Pledge Sheet from Main Dojo!

**ONLY Few Days Left Until Karate Our Event!** 

Prepare for a great time and incredible competition for our athletes.

You can register now at: www.karateTmaster.com

#### A Message from Sensei Chris Hiers Of Hiers Goju Ryu in Lodi - Tibon's Goju Ryu Satellite Program

Twin Arbors was set to close its doors on November 30th. After 23 years at Twin Arbors Athletic Club we were struggling to find a new location for our school. We were notified in mid-October that the club was purchased by a long time member of Twin Arbors, David Claxton. We were able to meet with David, and we are staying at Twin Arbors. There will be extensive improvements to the dated facility, and we are so excited to work with David and his wife into the future. We are so blessed to continue being a part of Tibon's Goju Ryu, Uchiage Kai organization.

This great news for our Tibon's Goju Ryu Fighting Arts Organization started 35 years ago, Hiers Goju Ryu founded and Instruction by Sensei Chris Hiers our longest satellite program at Twin Arbors for 23 years, the next being Stockton GymStars for 19 years started with Sensei Eliza Cabanig Balanon, now being taught by Sensei Asa Thurston, Modesto GymStars for 14 yrs. started with Sensei Adam Tibon, now being taught by Sensei Eric Bonjoc, and VOMAP Victory Outreach Martial Arts Program for 8 years founded and Instruction by Sensei Justin Love. Our programs continues to impact the San Joaquin Valley with martial arts excellence, being voted the "2018 Best in San Joaquin," "Best in Martial Arts Schools" as listed in San Joaquin Magazine and the Stockton Record this year. Congratulations Instructor Team!

#### Due to Teen Impact Center Unable to Secure No Christmas Talent Show This Year!

The last 5 years Tibon's Goju Ryu Fighting Arts was able to secure and host the annual Christmas Talent Show Potluck Party at the Teen Impact Center in Downtown Stockton. Due to the Teen Center being open on the weekends we were not able to get the facility this year. We'll try again next year to host the event at another location we the Teen center is not available again in 2019.

Tibon's Karate Camping Trip – Signups
South Lake Tahoe–Camp Richardson–June 20-24th, 2019
18 so far signed up!



Please students and parents we are needing committed families to register so we can lock in our camping area all together. Come out and have an incredable time! The signup list is at the Front Counter at the Main dojo on Yosemite St. or call and have your names added to the list. Deadline is January 2019 for camp deposit. Contact Mrs. Tibon or Mrs. Helsby at (209) 465-0943

#### Bay Area Cities Karate and Kobudo Championships November 11, 2018 at San Mateo High School

#### The results are as follows:

**Asa Thurston** gold medal adult black belt Kobujutsu(weapons Bo)

**Armando Lopez** gold medal boys 11-12 yr. old advance Kumite( fighting), gold medal boys advance Kata(forms), gold medal mixed synchronized Kata, gold medal Kobudo (sai)

**Angelina Nguyen** gold medal girl's 11-12 yr. old advance Kumite( fighting), gold medal girls 11-12 yr. old advance Kata(forms), gold medal mixed synchronized Kata, silver medal Kobudo(sai)

**Tristan Sin** gold medal boys 7-8 yr. old advance Kata, gold medal mixed synchronized Kata, bronze medal boys 7-8 yr. old advance Kumite, silver medal Kobudo(sai), silver medal in Kobudo (bo)

Annie Tran gold medal girls 14 -17 yr old advance Kata, and gold medal in girls 14-17 yr. old advance Kumite.

Sydney Tran gold medal girls 6 yr. old intermediate Kata, and bronze medal in 6 yr. old intermediate Kumite.

Aaron Tran gold medal in boy's advance 15 -17 yr. old Kata, gold medal in boy's advance 15-17 yr. old Kumite.

Amy Tran gold medal girls intermediate 11-12 yr. old Kata.

**Jayden Mariano** gold medal boy's 15 -17 yr. old intermediate Kata, gold medal boy's 15 - 17 yr. old intermediate Kumite

**Zoe Harrison** gold medal girls 7 -8 yr. old girls and boy's beginning Kata, gold medal in 8 yr. old Taikyoku Kata competition, and received a Special Award for "Outstanding Acknowledgement in the Art of Karate-do"

Ava Valenzuela gold medal 11 - 12 yr. old girls intermediate Kata, and silver medal Kihon Kata.

Mary Valenzuela gold medal 9 - 10 yr. old intermediate Kata, and gold medal Kihon Kata.

**Andre Orosco** gold medal in Boy's black belt 11 - 12 yr. old Kata, gold medal Kobudo (sai), gold medal boy's 11-12 yr. old Kumite.

Ethan Fong gold medal in boy's 11 - 13 yr. old advance Kumite, bronze medal 11 - 13 yr. old advance Kata.

Frances Yang gold medal men's black belt Kumite, silver medal in black belt Kata, bronze medal in Kobudo (bo)

**Chris Gong** gold medal 11-13 yr. old black belt Kobudo bo), gold medal 11-13 yr. old black belt Kobudo (sai), silver medal black belt 11 -13 yr. old Kumite.

Ellis Chen gold medal men's black belt Kata, silver medal men's black belt Kobudo (bo), bronze medal men's black belt Kumite.

**Jaden Orosco** silver medal 9 -10 yr. old boy's intermediate Kumite.

Cat Vaughn silver medal girls 14-17 yr. old advance Kata.

Christopher Inman silver medal boy's 15 -17 yr. old black belt Kata and silver medal boy's black belt Kumite.

Daniel Inman silver medal boy's advance 11 -12 yr. old Kumite.

#### American Junior Karate League Elite Competition ESPN Wide World of Sports Complex in Orlando, Florida

Cayla Gapusan gold medal in 14-15 yr. old black belt elite Kata, bronze medal in 14-15 yr old black belt elite Kumite.



**Bay Area Cities Karate and Kobudo Championships Photos** 



**Congratulations November 2018 Promotion Ranking Students** 





The Leadership Team of Black Belt, Brown Belt, and 3 Stripe Green Belt Leadership Class and Training Next Leadership Meeting December 9<sup>th</sup>, 2018 Sunday 11am - 1pm

Leadership training is exactly that, it teaches our students to become role models, leaders, positive examples, interns to the assistants, to the Instructors. It helps develop confidence, taking initiative, understanding customer service, builds teamwork relationships with the instructor team. This class teaches one how to take initiative towards addressing an issue, and developing a creative idea in making a person who can work in developing anyone.

Our Leadership program teaches our students about business and corporate understanding. This class will affect them in school, work, clubs, organizations, and jobs along with the development of their interpersonal skills.

Once a month we have a Leadership meeting for two hours, which will includes lunch. After receiving the black belt, our Leadership Instructors work to maintain an excellent grade point average, which has been beneficial for preparation when going off to college or university to achieve their degrees. Once they have received their Associates, Bachelors, and/or Master's Degree, they find that our Leadership Class has prepared them for the Management positions they may have applied for.

We go beyond teaching great martial arts. During their training in Goju Ryu Karate; we teach our students to be successful in life, understanding business, customer service, and how to apply these skills into their lives. We welcome the new Green Belts 3 strips, whose next level is Brown Belt to our Leadership Program.



#### Look Who Popped in From Kazakhstan!

Sensei Joane Orbon WKF Fighter #6 in the world, and Kazakhstan Coach Sensei Tareq in Stockton this weekend for Thanksgiving mini camp. Come work off that turkey gut, get a private lesson, sharpen your techniques and come with questions to prep yourself for your next big tournament. Rare oppourtunity at Tibon's Goju Ryu dojo in stockton.

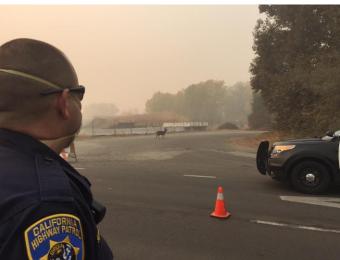


Final Class before Thanksgiving!
Everybody Else is Cooking or Shopping – Happy Holidays to All!



#### A Message from Our Sensei Justin Love VOMAP Sensei - CHP Officer in Paradise Camp Fire





Extremely sad and eerie. An abandoned school bus completely burned to its frame still on the street! I pray all got out to safety when the fire hit. Just some of the carnage and devastation I witnessed last night. It is wide spread. I've made it back earlier this morning from my shift but felt compelled to urge others for your support to this struggling community. The Camp Fire has burned 20,000 acres already, including almost the entire town of Paradise, population 26,000. The Woolsey and Hill fires to the south have also burned thousands of acres. The Camp and Woolsey fires are threatening almost 50,000 homes and almost 100,000 residents have been ordered to evacuate. Schools are closed, some hospitals have been evacuated, thousands are without power and several major highways are closed.

The Red Cross and local governments have numerous evacuation centers open where hundreds of people are seeking refuge, along with centers which are accepting animals. Weather forecasts call for more hot and dry weather, which could lead to more fires. The Red Cross is working with local officials to monitor the situation and respond as needed. Members of the Red Cross stopped by late last night where I was assigned and brought our squad coffee and snacks! I really needed coffee too! A small gesture of gratitude that went a long way. Especially when I was cold and breathing in heavy smoke for several hours. I always supported donated blood and money to the Red Cross. If you feel the need to help the situation. Please donate! I've seen first-hand the Red Cross in action.

HOW YOU CAN HELP The Red Cross works 24/7 to be ready to respond to disasters like wildfires and other countless crises. Please donate to the Red Cross now to help.

https://www.redcross.org/donate/donation.html/?donamt=0





# Attention Parents and Students! Monthly Tuition's to increase Jan 2019 Friendly Reminder See New Brochures!

Please note that Tibon's Goju Ryu has not raised prices for the last 3 years to help our families during these hard economic times, we unfortunately have to raise our monthly tuition due to the rising costs of operating cost of a business, and new business laws starting January 1, 2019. 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 and investment into your family member in traditional karate and Kobudo instruction.

With the new rates in effect, we can still offer quality instruction at \$25 - \$130 a month LESS than our competitors. The average costs of monthly tuitions nationwide are \$130.00- \$200 per month, and are contractual. 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. It is a common knowledge, and a proven business fact that we strive for excellence in developing our students in karate and life skill development. That is why we are a national rated developmental program, and place athletes on the United States National Karate Team every year.

We have placed students like Sensei Joane Orbon on the USA World Team this November, Sensei Noah Helsby on Team USA to Brazil earlier this year, and Senpai Arin Helsby to the USA National Team Pool as one of the top 3 athletes in the country in her respective black belt division. Only the best black belt athletes in the USA are selected to Team USA National Federation, member of the US Olympic Committee.

I hope you understand our reasoning for raising the tuition; these economic times have also been a strain on us also. Due to the new State of California mandates for business minimum wages, we are trying to be more reasonable and affordable than our competitors without sacrificing our technical quality. **If you are interested in prepaying your tuition, a discount is offered.** This may be discussed with billing personnel, see our brochure. Thank you for your business, support, and cooperation.

Sincerely,

Gene & Yvonne Tibon Sensei

# Tibon's Goju Ryu Karate 34th Annual Winter IN HOUSE Karate Championships Lincoln High School Gymnasium 6844 Alexandria Pl, Stockton December 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2018 Sunday



Spectator option – Can Food Drive 1 –Canned Turkey or Canned Ham Adult Admission or 10 – Can Foods for Adult and 5 – Cans for Child Admission to help the needy in the Stockton Community

Register ON LINE Soon at: www.karateTmaster.com

Be a part of the "Kick for USA Grassroots Karate" Fundraiser for Competition Team Fundraiser Kick-a-thon during our event! Get your pledge sheets early - Donation to USANKF of Northern Calif. Inc. non-profit 501(c)3

Opening Ceremony with Stockton Bukkyo Taiko Dan Demonstration, Karate Demo, and Grand march

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XNaGM5oBrAQ

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TmUT4-wtLM0&feature=youtu.be

Sensei Tibon is currently asking for our students and parent volunteers to help with our annual event. We will need setup at Lincoln High School on Saturday 4p-7pm, and loading of equipment in the early part of the day. Volunteer list is on the counter at the main dojo. Please we need your help to have a successful event for our athletes.

Thank you, Sensei Tibon

Register now at: <a href="https://www.KarateTmaster.com">www.KarateTmaster.com</a>

### Special Awards to Be Presented Tibon's Goju Ryu 34<sup>th</sup> Winter IN HOUSE Karate Championships

<u>Student of the Month Awards:</u> Melissa Garcia Joseph Garcia Desmen Acosta Nathan Serrano Iran Resendiz Logan Embry Conner Marquez Cameron Kellar Matthew Camiwet Valintina Saenz Jose Manuel Eguiliuz Malia Spence

5 Year Awards

Trenten Billings-Cardoza Andrew Ellis Evan Embry Caleb Stanley
Andre Orosco Andrew Thomas Caitlin Vaughn Caleb Stanley
Zoe Harrison Kalista Shek Ethan Hernandez Owen Hernandez Paul Stanley

10 Year Awards

Noah Helsby Ronald Jacob Ruiz Allison To

15 Year Awards

Alyssa Santos

25 Year Award

Justin Love Sr.

If you think you should be on this list for 5, 10,15,20,25 years of training award please call the Main Dojo (209) 465-0943 so we can verify your start date of training. Don't wait until the last minute to contact us!



#### **Charter School Students**

Tibon's Goju Ryu Fighting Arts Karate is accepted by Most Charter Schools in San Joaquin

For P.E. Alternative School Program

Check Your Charter School to see if they will fund your Karate Lessons at

Tibon's Goju Ryu Fighting Arts Karate Studio – (209) 465-0943

We are currently working with the following:
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Visions in Education Charter School
New Jerusalem Elementary Charter Program
Pacific Charter Institute Charter Program
Rio Valley Charter School
St. Mary's High School P.E. Alternative Grades
Great Valley Academy Charter Home School
Lincoln High School X-Sports Program

