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Founder*

United World Taekwondo Association

Mission Statement: An organization designed to maintain alignment with the global Taekwondo organizations and to ensure our school operations are providing the most current and highest quality program to the students

Message From Our CEO



As we end the 2nd quarter of 2015, the UWTA continues to experience growth in the United State and throughout the world. We implemented new automation to better track student membership and ensure all members are receiving their rank certificates at their school in a timely manner. Our goal is to better serve all of you and to continue to provide the finest Taekwondo program available anywhere in the world.

Throughout 2015, we will strive to have even higher quality events for our members. Improving your Taekwondo experience and journey is paramount. I look forward to seeing you at our events throughout the year. Check out our new website www.uwta.org where you can get information on upcoming events, register for tournaments, renew your membership or just keep up on what's happening in the TKD world.

As we have taken on an increased global presence, it can become necessary to update our mission statement.

THE UWTA MISSION STATEMENT:

The UWTA is a Global Taekwondo Organization. The UWTA is a business support organization designed to provide Taekwondo school operators with the highest quality curriculum, advanced teaching system, proven business strategy and personal growth journey available any-

where in the World. The UWTA provides school owners and operators guidance to ensure their Dojangs are aligned with international curriculum standards as set by the Kukkiwon and utilized for competition by the World Taekwondo Federation and National Governing Bodies in each Country. The UWTA also provides a tournament circuit that is designed to ensure all students have access to a safe competition environment where they can hone their competition skills, gain valuable experience and better prepare themselves for entrance into their National, International and World Class competition. The UWTA does not compete with any countries National Governing Bodies and sees itself in a supporting role to create successful Dojang that provide all Taekwondo students with a rich cultural exposure to Taekwondo and a place where future athletes can be created.

— **Grand Master Clinton Robinson**

New UWTA Black Belt

"World" Championship Circuit

This year we will be expanding our Black Belt Tournament Circuit to include competitors from our new U.S. States/Regions and our International Circuit by launching the UWTA World Championship Circuit.

So, how does this work? Simple; you continue to compete within your Region; compete in other regions such as Bay Area, Southern California, Washington, Nevada and rack up the points. At the end of the year, we will bring the top 4 Competitors for the U.S. Regions to compete with the top 4 international competitors in a bracket of 8 competitors (1/8, 2/7, 3/6, 4/5) and the winners will go to the semi-finals and then finals to be crowned the UWTA World Champion. This will occur for both Poomsae and Sparring.

Many have asked, "is there a limit on the number of tournaments you can compete". Answer, for 2015, Yes you can only compete in a maximum of 8 tournaments to accumulate points. But, to get 8, you are going to have to do a little travel to the new regions to compete.

So, where are those regions and how do we find out about the events? Easy, visit www.uwta.org in the tournaments section. All events are listed with flyers.



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"60 Years of Dedication"

A Taekwondo Pioneer

A young Grand Master Lee began training in Taekwondo during his high school years in the early 1950's in Seoul, Korea. In 1957, he was promoted to 1st Degree Black Belt in the MooDukKwan by Grand Master Myung Kyu Kang at the Young Dong Po Dojang. He also began teaching at the Dojang shortly thereafter. As a young black belt, he joined the Korean Army as a Taekwondo Instructor. After serving his military obligation, he returned to the Dojang. In 1964, he was promoted to 4th Dan and took over as Chief Instructor when Grand Master Kang moved to Sacramento to attend college.

In 1968, Grand Master Lee was invited to travel to the US to compete in the first USA vs. Korea Taekwondo event, which happened to be hosted at the Memorial Auditorium in Sacramento, CA. After receiving permission from the Korean government, he and several other Masters arrived in Sacramento to be picked up at the airport by a very young Grand Master Clinton Robinson. The Korean team included himself, Byong Yu, Ju Kim and Young Ahn against USA's Robert Haliburton, Joe Lewis and Ron Marchini. Master Lee defeated Joe Lewis at this event and the Korean team was victorious.

After the event, Master Lee and Master Kim began teaching for Grand Master Kang at his Dojang in Sacramento. In 1969, Master Lee moved to Roseville and opened Lee's Taekwondo, which he operated for



Grand Master Jong Hwan Lee.

42 years. Today, it serves at our UWTA Headquarters building.

In 1992, after Master Robinson had left to serve in the military, built the ATA and decided to return to his roots, he joined Grand Master Lee to form the UWTA. Their vision was to unify not only all of their students in the local area; but to build an organization that would bring back a focus on character development, enhanced skills and to share their vision globally. They saw commercialization of Taekwondo hurting the art and wanted to build an organization that would bring back quality and focus on the art.

Throughout the years, Grand Master Lee, a Kukkiwon 9th Dan has received numerous awards and accolades. In 2010, he was appointed to the Kukkiwon Technical Advisory Committee and in 2011 he received the "Lifetime Achievement Award" from the U. S. Grand Masters Society. This is the most prestigious Taekwondo award given in the United States.

In his acceptance speech, he summed up a lifetime of Taekwondo when he said, "As many of you know,



Yong Dapo Moo Duk kwan School South Korea, Mid 1960's.

Jong Hwan Lee

Contribution to Taekwondo"

I have dedicated over 60 years of my life to the art of Taekwondo. Throughout these years, I have seen Taekwondo evolve with many improvements to our teaching systems, competitions and the professionalism of instructorship. I am proud to have been a part of this.

My desire to spread Taekwondo in America was driven by my Korean National pride in the early years and later by my belief in the social contribution I was making through Taekwondo within my community and in my students.

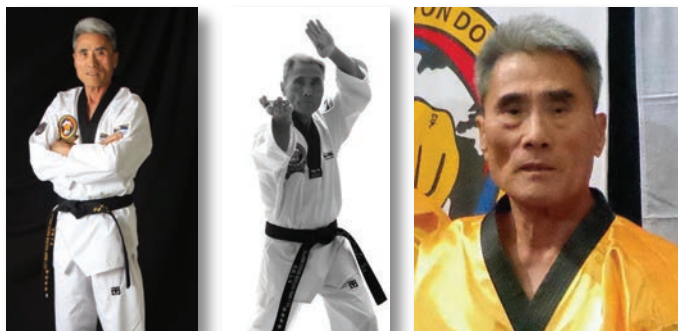
Today, as I reflect back on my journey, I am thankful for the opportunity that was provided to me through Taekwondo and of my fellow countrymen who were dispatched throughout the world, who have



1968 Competition.



UWTA Instructor and title badges.



shared this noble profession and felt the weight of responsibility that comes with keeping the Taekwondo Spirit alive and passing our sacred art of Taekwondo on to future generations".

Today, Grand Master Lee continues to dedicate his life to Taekwondo as he focuses his energy on passing on his legacy to the seniors of the UWTA at weekly workouts at headquarters. He also spends his time ensuring that the moral compass of the UWTA is focused on maintaining a balance between traditional values, modernization of our art and Taekwondo as a business. He ensures that the UWTA Taekwondo program is enriched with the culture, philosophy and traditionalism that was passed on to him many decades ago; thus ensuring that the Taekwondo passed on to the students of the UWTA represents Korean Taekwondo in its purest form.

The Karate Kid Turns 30

By Bob Cox



Ralph Macchio Then and Now.

He may be all grown up today, but for many of us, Ralph Macchio will always be a kid... **The Karate Kid.** Ralph George Macchio, Jr. was born in Huntington, New York in 1961 to an Italian-American family. He got his start as a teenager, appearing in campaigns for Bubble Yum and Dr. Pepper. In 1980, Macchio landed his first major role, a recurring gig on the family sitcom, **Eight is Enough** before going on to film Francis Ford Coppola's 1983 drama, **The Outsiders**.

The following year, Macchio secured his biggest role to-date—playing the lead role in the martial arts drama, **The Karate Kid**. The film featured Macchio as Daniel LaRusso, a high school student who uses the art of karate to defend himself against a pack of ruthless bullies. It became an instant classic, spawning two

sequels as well as a fourth movie featuring a then-unknown Hilary Swank, plus a 2010 reboot starring Jaden Smith and Jackie Chan.

In an interview in October 2014 with Chris Strauss, Macchio shared his thoughts about this pop culture classic 30 years after its release.

Q: Did you have any idea that *The Karate Kid* would be what it became?

A: No and neither did (director John) Avildsen. What I did feel when we were making the movie is that Pat Morita and I had a natural organic ease in our acting styles. Those scenes just really – I don't know how to describe it. If there was anything evident on that set, it was evident that relationship was very natural and real. It seemed like it had a shot of being that once it got on the screen. Forget about the whole pop culture, "Put him in a bodybag," "Wax on, wax off," catching flies with chopsticks, "Sweep the leg." That stuff – anyone who says they knew that would be what it is today, literally today, almost a third of a century...it's a long time. No one could ever predict that. If they could, that person would be running a very successful studio.

Q: If there was an ideal sports project for you to star in or produce or direct, who would it be about?

A: I love great baseball movies. I'm a sucker for *The Natural*, *Field of Dreams*, *Eight Men Out*. *The Rookie*...I go hook, line and sinker. I'm gone. I'm a mushbag. "Dad, do you want to have a catch?" Forget about it.

Q: What do you think Daniel LaRusso (*The Karate Kid*) grew up to become?

A: I think LaRusso would be a family man. If you want to be funny in a crowd you can always say he became a serial killer, but I think all the Miyagisms made him a good family man and decent dad. I'm sure if his son was picked on he'd know how to answer some of those questions.



Today's karate kids.



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UWTA Fall International Testing & Tournament

Taekwondo Fireworks in Reno



In the fall of each year the United World Taekwondo Association hosts three international events:

1. UWTA National and International Championship. A tournament based on accumulated points and a top 4 fight-off to determine the National and International Champion for the UWTA.

2. International Black Belt Testing: This is a final qualitative check of curriculum taught in UWTA schools before advancing the most sought after degree of Black Belt.

3. The UWTA Black Belt tea ceremony is an honored and recognized tradition of the UWTA to honor

those students who have successfully met the requirements and standards of the UWTA to advance to Black Belt.

This is one of the most exciting events of the year which is held in Reno, Nevada. The "Biggest Little City" in the state. The host hotel is the beautiful Silver Legacy Hotel Resort Casino. The event is opened to all spectators.



Hall of Fame Inductee Chief Master Willie Rankins

By Don Crumlin

The Quiet Chief Master — In a very tastefully done multi-media presentation, Chief Master Rankins was inducted into the UWTA Hall of Fame and honored with a well-deserved historical review of his many accomplishments, accolades and contributions to Taekwondo, and the co-founding of the UWTA. Chief Master Rankins has demonstrated tremendous passion, excellence, dedication, commitment and a “relentless pursuit of perfection”, with a considerate, gentle heart, that has spanned a 40+ year career in martial arts. Few people realize that Chief Master Rankins has quietly and consistently made numerous contributions to both the global and local martial arts community throughout the greater Northern California area. He has spearheaded many local and International events as a true “Ambassador of Good Will” to the global Taekwondo world, but also as a dedicated and well-rounded quintessential martial artist.

Chief Master Rankins was also a pioneer of video as an instructional tool and was quick to ride the “Tae Bo” wave when it first appeared, while always staying true



Chief Master Willie Rankins was inducted into the UWTA Hall of Fame.

to his Taekwondo roots. Back then he told me the prophetic truth that Taekwondo would always be in his school long after the Nautilus machines were gone.

As a legendary leaper, he used to jump over sports cars to break stacks of boards on the other side. His signature pole-vaulting technique with a Bo Staff is “icing on the cake” for his spectacular skill with the entire rainbow of martial arts weapons that he can dazzle with precision, power and super fast speed.

An incredible innovator, Chief Master Rankins created and customized a combined Taekwondo/Bo staff Poomsae called “Old Man in the Forest” that he developed into a brilliant skit for his TKD Demo Team. He taught the Poomsae to a senior black belt student he had dress as an old man with a pouch of belongings on a stick (Bo Staff). The “old man” was then assailed by 3 bullies while walking in the forest. Using the Bo Staff and TKD techniques, the “old man” quickly and efficiently dispatched the assailants and proceeded with his journey on the path through the forest unharmed, showing that TKD was excellent for fitness and self-defense at all ages.

History

- Began training in 1968.
- 1973: Visited Kukkiwon for the 1st World Taekwondo Championship (authorized by USAF).
- 1992: Co-Found United World Taekwondo Association.
- Has owned and operated a dojang in Rancho Cordova for over 28 years.
- Trained and taught in the Republic of China for 6 years (including Tainan Air Force Base), in the Republic of Korea for approximately 2 years and the USA for over 35 years.

Credentials

- World Karate Hall of Fame Inductee.
- ATA Licensed Instructor.
- USTU Licensed Instructor.
- Kukkiwon-Certified International Referee.
- Kukkiwon-Certified Instructor
- USAT-Certified Referee

Achievements

- 1972: Air Base MWR Instructor
- 1987: Participated in ATA Korea Training Camp in Hae In Temple, Korea.
- 1988: ATA National Champion.
- 1990 – 1992: ATA Assistant to President for College Relations.
- Co-developed the Taekwondo course for American River College and has been an adjunct professor for 22 years.
- Developed a pressure point/kubaton self-defense program for women.
- Writer/publisher of children’s books.
- Trained many national and International competitors and the ATA all-around female world champion for 1990.
- International referee at the 2008 World Hanmadang in Los Angeles.
- National referee at the 2011 National TKD Competition.

One Event, Many Accomplishments

Grand Master Robinson & Chief Master Barrios, two taekwondo friends reunite. It all started 2 years ago with an e-mail. Remembering Barrios many talents, Grand Master Robinson became interested in Chief Master Barrios joining the UWTa. His previous trips to Paraguay in the mid to late 1980's is when he first met Master Barrios.

Chief Master Rankins, UWTa Executive Vice President, was given the responsibility of memberships in all South America.

Over the past few years, Chief Master Barrios and Chief Master Rankins have collaborated on several projects and developed a strong bond of mutual respect and friendship. Their journey together in Taekwondo have led them to learn that they have the same love and dedication of the core tenets of TKD.

Chief Master Barrios' favorite things about TKD are the teaching, culture, and philosophy – from the hon-



Chief Master Teofilo Barrios (left) accepting his position as UWTa South American President. Grand Master Jong Hwan Lee (right).

ored history to the forward leaning modern evolution of UWTa TKD, which he and UWTa Executive Vice President, Chief Master Rankins have worked long and hard together to ensure their synergy and continued commitment to Taekwondo excellence.

Chief Master Barrios' son Aaron and Chief Master Rankins were clearly beaming with pride and positive energy through the entire inauguration ceremony appointing Chief Master Barrios as President, UWTa South America. Congratulations Chief Master Barrios on a job well done.



Congratulations to Chief Master Barrios from UWTa CEO, Grand Master Robinson.

United World Taekwondo Association Standardized Belt Rank System

The UWTA has adopted the Industry recognized Korean/kukkiwon Belt Ranking system. There are many belt systems in use within the United States. In the early years, Taekwondo was not a prominent martial art, meaning that it was not well known. In fact, a lot of Taekwondo schools called themselves Korean Karate as the martial arts were all lumped together under the banner of "Karate".

As a result, when Taekwondo was rolled out in America during the 1970's and early 80's many American organizations used both the Japanese and Korean belt system and combined and mixed them. In the traditional system there are 9 or 10 levels of Kup or Gup's meaning "student" rank. Originally there was not a belt for each level. The traditional belts, still used today in Korea, are white, yellow, green, blue, red and black. Americanization came in the early years and it was believed that American's needed gratification and a belt color at each level. So, what happened was the Korean and Japanese belt colors got combined. American schools were using white, orange, yellow, light green, green, purple, blue, brown and red. The orange, light green, purple and brown were belt colors found in Japanese systems.

Today, if you google Kukkiwon belts you will find the 10 Kup system with 10 Kup/White, 9 Kup/White-Yellow stripe, 8 Kup/Yellow, 7 Kup/Yellow-Green, 6 Green, 5 Kup/Green-Blue Stripe, 4 Kup Blue, 3 Kup Blue-Red Stripe, 2 Kup Red, 1 Kup Red-Black Stripe. These are the belts adopted by the UWTA.

If you look to the Kukkiwon manuals, you will find that at each Kup level there is a corresponding Poomsae that is supposed to be taught at this level. Testing at each level is supposed to also include this poomsae as part of the examination. The Poomsae and techniques in each one are deliberately designed to be taught in sequence so the student can build a strong foundation of stances,












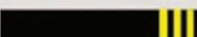



blocks, kicks and strikes. This is the only authorized belt system by the UWTA.

The UWTA allows school operators the flexibility in their teaching system to use rotating curriculums; however, a school is not allowed to teach a Kup no more than one poomse higher than their current rank. Thus, rotating systems cannot rotate teaching more than two poomsae at each level. This is important in our organization as students must perform either their current or previous poomsae at a tournament. Rotating more than two poomsae is not allowed in the UWTA.

The UWTA utilizes a structured teaching system with all instructors required to certify using the UWTA teaching system. No other system is authorized for use at UWTA facilities. Our programs include the Jr. Leadership program for black belt children 12-16 and our Instructor Trainee program for those 17 and older. The teaching system of the organization is required at all UWTA facilities in order to maintain a high quality delivery of our standardized curriculum.

Our programs, systems and curriculum are the result of hundreds of years of experience by the leaders along with studying the most successful Taekwondo systems and dojangs in the world. The world headquarters for Taekwondo research and development is the Kukkiwon and the UWTA directly aligns all programs with the kukkiwon to ensure you receive the benefits of the millions of dollars of research that go into the curriculum and systems. Our goal in the UWTA is to see that member schools deliver the highest quality Taekwondo program available anywhere in the World.

Chartered Schools using our systems do exactly that... if your at a UWTA Chartered facility, you will receive the benefits of a standardized curriculum delivered by professionally certified instructors who have your "personal taekwondo journey" in their mind, heart and hands.

Junior Grades	Intermediate	Advanced	Black Belts
			
10th KUP	6th Kup	3rd Kup	1st Dan
			
9th Kup	5th Kup	2nd Kup	2nd Dan
			
8th Kup	4th Kup	1st Kup	3rd Dan
			
7th Kup			4th Dan
			
			5th Dan Master

Top Four Tournament Winners 2014

2014 UWTA FORMS CHAMPIONS

7-8 BOYS	9-10 BOYS	11-12 BOYS	13-14 BOYS
Gemmel Coloma - 00	Christopher Benitez - 2	Amir Khatib - 0	Andrew Eugenio - 4
15-17 BOYS	18-30 MEN 1st / 2nd	18-30 MEN 3rd /4th	31-45 MEN
Cole Malibiran - 5	Brenden Neilsen - 6	Adam Frega - 4	Eric Bogard - 5
46 AND OVER MEN			
Tyrone Anub - 4			
7-8 GIRLS	9-10 GIRLS	11-12 GIRLS	13-14 GIRLS
Miko Cooper - 00	Cassie Ryan - 1	Madilynne Wong - 3	Elayne Daniels - 4
15-17 GIRLS	18-30 WOMEN	31-45 WOMEN	46 AND OVER WOMEN
Patricia Lopez - 3	Sara Marconcini - 3	Kelly Aubuchon - 3	Ruth Shacterman - 4

2014 UWTA SPARRING CHAMPIONS

7-8 BOYS	9-10 BOYS	11-12 BOYS	13-14 BOYS
Andrew Frantchouk - 0	Christopher Benitez - 2	Lorenzo Ortega - 4	Rohit Duda - 4
15-17 BOYS	18-30 MEN 1st / 2nd	18-30 MEN 3rd /4th	31-45 MEN
Cole Malibiran - 5	Jeffrey Burrough - 5	Phillip Meyer - 5	William Wong -6
46 AND OVER MEN			
Jim Cottrell - 5			
7-8 GIRLS	9-10 GIRLS	11-12 GIRLS	13-14 GIRLS
Regina DeLosSantos - 00	Cassie Ryan - 1	Madilynne Wong - 3	Maria Lopez - 3
15-17 GIRLS	18-30 WOMEN	31-45 WOMEN	46 AND OVER WOMEN
Patricia Lopez - 3	Lindsey L'Amoreaux - 4	Kelly Aubuchon - 3	Ruth Shacterman - 4

2014 UWTA WEAPONS CHAMPIONS

12 AND UNDER	13-17	18-39	40 AND OVER
Seth Baker - 0	Kasea Cirincione - 3	Brendan Neilsen - 6	Nicholas Sadowy - 5

The UWTA Journey of a

By Mike Nurse
(edited by Willie Rankins & Don Crumlin)

I began my taekwondo training in September of 1998, at the age of 41. I was involved in many team sports while growing up (hockey, lacrosse, baseball, etc.), so I know the value of being involved in sporting activities. Patrick (my eldest son) was 9 at the time – shy and not interested in sports of any sort (team or otherwise). It was; however, very important for him to understand what benefits could be drawn from being involved in a sport. It was important for me, as a senior executive in a life insurance company (and a father), to get back in physical shape and have an outlet for relieving stress. We decided on taekwondo and began our training together.

Patrick was not overly interested at first...ok, I had to drag him to class (like many parents do) for the first



month! Over time he began to enjoy it and we trained religiously together 3 times a week in Toronto. We tested together for 1st Dan/1st Poom in 2002.

Stuart, my youngest son, jumped in and began attending classes with us in 2000 (at the age of 7) and he received his 1st Poom in 2003 – with a very proud family watching.

Fast forward to today, Patrick and I are both 4th Dan, Stuart is 3rd Dan, and all of us are Kukkiwon certified. My wife Helen has been an ardent supporter of our training together and because of her interest in scrap-booking, we have albums of all of our tests. We also have a beautiful daughter (Madelaine) who elected to follow the 'dance' path, and we are very proud of her accomplishments over the years.

When Helen and I became parents, we had hopes and dreams for our kids. However, we really had no idea what the future would hold, in particular with all of the societal changes going on. The one thing we did understand was our responsibility to prepare them for the future – physically, psychologically and socially. For Patrick and Stuart, a key piece of the puzzle has been addressed through taekwondo (for Madelaine it was through dancing) – to visualize what you want and have the discipline to go after it. Helen and I take great pride in looking at them (Madelaine is now 28, and Patrick and Stuart are 25 and 21 respectively) and see well-adjusted individuals who are ready to take on new challenges and deal with change, while remaining humble and true to themselves. We are a very close, supportive family.



From left to right, Michael Nurse, Willie Rankins and Mike Nurse.

Canadian Martial Artist



I am now 58, and have been training (and teaching) for the past two years under the guidance of Senior Master Alejandro Pereira at Canadian Family Taekwondo Programs (CFTP) in Toronto. For the past two years, our association for Senior Master Pereira and the UWTa has led us to 4th Dan Kukkiwon certification. For me, testing at Reno with other 3rd Dan black belts from around the world (in front of hundreds of people) was a most exciting and rewarding experience. The format was not something that I had ever previously experienced, and I left Reno with the feeling that through the UWTa, you are part of something bigger than yourself.

Senior Master Pereira, in conjunction with the UWTa, has fostered a school culture that has allowed us to rededicate ourselves to taekwondo. We are motivated to establish new goals, with a level of support that will allow us to be the very best we can be. The UWTa is what we needed in a governing body – professional, friendly and ready to help you go as far as you want. This was in full evidence when Chief Master Willie Rankins visited Toronto just prior to Christmas, 2014.

I have never been one to look back and ask, “what if”? However, as I begin thinking about retirement, I cannot imagine myself not training in taekwondo. Those of us over 50 understand the impacts of aging... we have to work harder to stay on top of our weight, cardio, flexibility and the many taekwondo techniques. I am at ease with the fact that I cannot do some techniques now that I could do just a few years ago. I ap-

proach my retirement years with confidence because taekwondo helps me keep my body and mind fit.

For Patrick and Stuart, taekwondo has helped them prepare for the future – with understanding the importance of family, dealing with adversity, setting and working towards goals...I could go on and on.

In the final analysis, taekwondo is not just a sport – it is a way of life. If you are committed to it, the short, medium and long-term benefits are immense (at personal and family levels). I would love to see a significant expansion of the UWTa in Canada. While we are not well known at the present time, we have a global, multi-disciplinary taekwondo organization that has a lot to offer Canadian schools.

Think about this – Canada is the second largest country in the world (by area), after Russia. However, our population is roughly one tenth of the United States (35 million compared to 319 million). In fact, more people live in California than all of Canada. We have a large, geographically diverse, multi-cultural country.

Through taekwondo, we have a lot in common with our friends in the U.S., South America and other jurisdictions. However, understanding what makes Canadians unique, combined with an effective marketing plan, led by Chief Master Willie Rankins, will allow the UWTa to position itself effectively for future growth and success.



UWTa Canada Christmas party and belt ceremony.

UWTA Instructor News

Welcome everyone to 2015. The United World Taekwondo Association (UWTA) has been in existence since 1992 when it was founded by Grand Master Jong H. Lee and Grand Master Clinton Robinson. Today, the UWTA is the fastest growing Taekwondo organization in the World.

In the early years of the UWTA, the organization focused on developing a curriculum that developed highly skilled technicians. In the middle years, we focused on getting the students rank legitimacy by building relationships with the Kukkiwon and ensuring our high ranks and instructors receive certifications in the Kukkiwon Curriculum and rank systems.

In the last few years, we have focused on standardization of our curriculum, delivery systems, instructor certification and improving the quality of our students Taekwondo journey. Our school support systems have been upgraded and all schools now have state-of-the-art technology that interfaces with the UWTA and their student membership and training history. Our vision for the future is to continue to improve our systems; but, to begin to focus on delivery of a standardized and systematic Taekwondo Character element in our programs. As always, our goal is to provide all of the UWTA members, school owners and international operators the finest quality Taekwondo programs and experience available anywhere in the World. Our goal is for the UWTA to be synonymous with quality.



The UWTA would like to introduce Grand Master Ki Hong Kim, 9th Degree Black Belt, Kukkiwon to our family. Grand Master Kim is now a member of the UWTA Board of Directors and will be helping guide the UWTA Organization as we continue to grow on the international level.

Grand Master Kim is an internationally known contributor to advancing Taekwondo globally. He is a founder of the World Taekwondo Masters Union, which has been responsible for bringing many Kukkiwon programs to the USA.

Some of these events include Special High Rank Testing, US Hanmadang, International Referee Training, US Kukkiwon Cup as well as countless Kukkiwon Seminars for Poomsae and Sparring. Grand Master Kim's resume includes being President of the World Taekwondo Training Center, Director of International Affairs for the AAU and Advisory member to the Kukkiwon. In addition, he has served as the Head Coach of the US Olympic Team, WTF Delegate to the 2004 Olympics in Athens, Greece, Team U.S. Delegate to the 2000 Olympics in Australia and is a member of the U.S. Olympic Committee. Needless to say, we are grateful and humbled to have him on the UWTA Team and family.



Grand Master Ki Hong Kim, 9th Degree Black Belt.

2015 UWTA Special Seminar Series **Conducted at UWTA Training Facility** **in Roseville, CA**

- May 9:** UWTA Jiu Jitsu Level 2 12-2 @ UWTA HQ
- June 5, 6, 7:** UWTACO School Owner Business Operations
Course 10-4 pm. @ UWTA HQ
- June 13:** UWTA Bo Staff Course TBA
- July 9-18:** Taekwondo Korean cultural trip!
See below for information and registration.
- July 17-19:** UWTA Camp Winthers
- August 1:** Pressure Point Control Training Course -
12-2 @ UWTA HQ
- Sept 12, 13:** UWTA Instructor Certification & Recertification
Course 9-4 @ UWTA HQ
- Oct. 24:** UWTA Bo Staff Course (TBA)
- Nov. 21:** UWTA Jiu Jitsu Level 3 Course 12-2 @ UWTA HQ

2015 UWTA Annual **Tournament Schedule**

- June:** UWTA Pacific Northwest Regional Tournament
@ TBA
- June 20:** UWTA Regional Championships
@ Sacramento, CA
- August 2015:** UWTA Los Angeles Regional Tournament
@ TBA
- August 22:** UWTA Regional Championships
@ Sacramento, CA
- October 2 & 3:** UWTA Black Belt Test #47
and Awards/International Tournament
@ Silver Legacy Reno Ballroom, Reno, NV

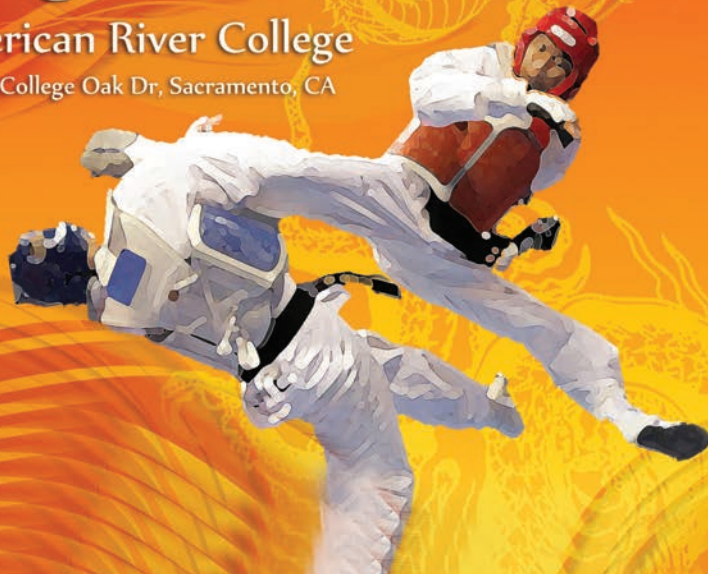


Regional Championships

August 22

American River College

4700 College Oak Dr, Sacramento, CA



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TOURNAMENT STARTS AT 9AM

CHEST PROTECTORS ARE MANDATORY FOR ALL COMPETITORS. SPARRING GEAR MUST BE IN GOOD REPAIR. (NO TAPE ALLOWED)

UWTA MEMBER \$55.00
NON MEMBER \$65.00
\$20.00 EACH ADDITIONAL EVENT
SPECTATOR FEE \$10.00
(AGE 6-UNDER FREE)

FORMS POINT SPARING
TAG TEAM SPARRING
UWTA WEAPONS OPEN WEAPONS

Kukkido Martial Arts

PRESENTS

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA REGIONAL ALL-CONFERENCE CHAMPIONSHIP

AUGUST 8, 2015



ELECTRONIC SCORING SYSTEM

VETERANS SPORTSCOMPLEX
22400 MONETA AVE, CARSON, CA 90745

CHECK-IN TIME 8:00AM
TOURNAMENT STARTS AT 9:00AM
\$6.00 ADMISSION

For Information Call 310-371-5350

Register Online at: www.socaltkd.com

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USA TAEKWONDO

SANCTIONED BY:



HTF 2015 National Championships

Saturday, June 27, 2015

Edmonds-Woodway High School
7600 – 212th Street, SW
Edmonds, WA 98026



*This tournament is also sanctioned by the UWTA
for black belt Top 10 Points.*

SPECIAL GUESTS:

(from Sacramento, CA)
Grand Master Jong Hwan Lee
9th Degree Black Belt
Gand Master Clinton Robinson
9th Degree Black Belt
Chief Master Jack Corrie
8th Degree Black Belt

TAEKWONDO DEMONSTRATION:

Woodward's Taekwondo Academy

BOARD BREAKING & PADDED WEAPONS COMPETITION

White – Black Belt, All Ages

HOSTED BY:

Master Pierce's Taekwondo
Phone: 425-744-7893
email: htf.tkd@frontier.com



UWTA Black Belt Test and World Championship Tournament

October 2-3, 2015

Silver Legacy Hotel, Reno, Nevada

Visit: www.uwta.org for Details



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UWTA CAMP

Soda Springs, CA.

July 17-19th at Camp Winthers

Only \$350.00

375.00 For non UWTA members

Camp starts Friday evening with check-in
from 5pm-6pm & ends Sunday at 1pm.



**UWTA Student Camp
& Instructor Certification Course
(mandatory for trainee and Instructors)**



ATTENTION

Taekwondo Instructors

- ◆ Do you have a Taekwondo Vision?
- ◆ Do you have an exciting curriculum?
- ◆ Do you have business support?
- ◆ Are you providing a true martial arts journey for your students?
- ◆ Do you have access to instructor camps and certification?
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- ◆ Do you have access to a safe and fair tournament environment for your students?

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Taekwondo Camp



Taekwondo Black Belt Testing



National and International Tournaments

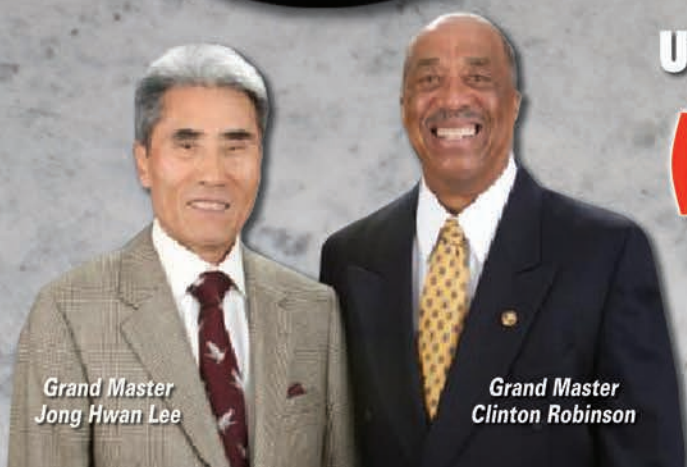


Kukkiwon International Instructor Certification

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Grand Master
Jong Hwan Lee

Grand Master
Clinton Robinson

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Intern Responsibilities:

- Edit press materials such as pitches and press releases.
- Write blog articles to aid search engine optimization (SEO)
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- Assist on customer outreach

Requirements:

- Interest in journalism (interest and/or experience in Martial Arts is a plus)
- Media savvy (digital camera and photography experience is a plus)
- Attention to detail
- Strong writing skills

How to Apply:

Please send an email to —

Chief Master Willie Rankins

8th Degree Black Belt, UWTA Vice President

[**uwtavicepresident@comcast.net**](mailto:uwtavicepresident@comcast.net)



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The UWTA is headed up by Grand Master Clinton Robinson, 9th Degree Black Belt and was founded in 1993. The UWTA has thrived ever since, due to the unique character building approach to Traditional Martial Arts Training. *Mission:*

"We are the leaders in the 21st Century Martial Arts"

The UWTA stresses the critical importance of mental and physical balance, essential to the true success in Traditional Arts of study. The UWTA assists students in leading healthier and happier lives, with an emphasis on concentration and self-confidence, needed for success in today's society.

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