

## Newsletter - August 2012

## Message from Professor Bob McKean

A big thanks goes out to Professor Sam Luke, Professor Danny Saragosa and the American Jujitsu Institute for hosting the 2012 Ohana in Hawaii, July 6-8. It takes a tremendous amount of time, work and expense to put on such a large event. Unfortunately I was not able to attend due to family commitments. I have heard from several people, who did attend, that it was a great event.

PJA members, Professor Kevin Colton and Sensei Kerry Sego were able to attend this year's Ohana. Professor Colton represented the Pacific Jujitsu Alliance at the Danzan Ryu Ohana Alliance meeting.

The Pacific Jujitsu Alliance will be co-hosting the 2014 Ohana along with our good friends, the Kilohana Martial Arts Association. More information on the 2014 Ohana will be coming soon.

Stay safe.

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## **PJA Black Belt Promotion**

At the conclusion of this years K.I.T.W. in Crescent City, Sensei Jon Sylvia was promoted to the rank of Godan by the Pacific Jujitsu Alliance. Sensei Sylvia has held the rank of Yodan for ten years and has been active as the school head of Jobu Shin Kan in Eureka, CA. Congratulations to Sensei Sylvia for a well deserved promotion.

Professor Troy Shehorn and Sensei Robert Korody were both presented with a PJA Mokuroku, by Professor Bob McKean, for their many years of study and service to Danzan Ryu Jujitsu.

## 2013 Danzan Ryu Ohana Black Belt Weekend

Professor Bob McKean

Mark you calendar. The Danzan Ryu Ohana Black Belt Weekend will be held on June 1 & 2, 2013. The Pacific Jujitsu Alliance will be co-hosting the event along with the Kilohana Martial Arts Association and Shoshin Ryu Yudanshakai. Professor Rory Rebmann will be hosting the event at his dojo, Amador Judo & Jujitsu Studio, in Livermore, CA.

The 2013 Danzan Ryu Ohana Black Belt Weekend will be open to DZR black belts from all the DZR organizations. More information on the event will be made available to everyone soon.

## News from Amador Judo & Jujitsu

Earlier this summer, Amador Judo & Jujitsu joined the Pacific Jujitsu Alliance. Professor Rory Rebmann and his wife, Patricia, run a full time dojo and have a student membership of approximately 180 members.

Members of Amador Judo and Jujitsu competed in the Ohana Jujitsu National Championships held at the 2012 Ohana in Hawaii. The Amador teams were coached by Sensei Ashley Rebmann. Congratulations go out to all of those who competed.

#### 5-7 Division B

2<sup>nd</sup> place Andre Valle / Alexa Firestone

#### 8-9 Division A

3<sup>rd</sup> place Sonja Kehoe

#### 10-11 Division A

2<sup>nd</sup> place Raphael Valle / Xavier Pelican

#### 12-13 Division A

1<sup>st</sup> place Fabiolla Valle 3<sup>rd</sup> place Alexander Kehoe

#### 14-15 Division B

1<sup>st</sup> place Paige Hawkey / Charlemagne Pelican

#### **Adult Division C**

1<sup>st</sup> place Raphael Valle Jr. / John Kehoe

## An Instructor Profile of One of Our Own

Sensei Dominic Beltrami began his training in Danzan Ryu Jujitsu in 1988 at the age of 13 under Sensei Frank Borges of Renkiohen Budokai in St. Helena, CA. He received his Shodan from the American Judo & Jujitsu Federation in 1994. He concurrently studied under the late Professor Bob Krull from 1999 until his passing in 2004. In 2004 he became the sensei of Renkiohen Budokai when Sensei Frank Borges retired from martial arts.

Sensei Beltrami is currently a student of Professor Bob McKean and holds the rank of Godan from the Pacific Jujitsu Alliance and Yodan from the American Judo & Jujitsu Federation. He also holds a K.I.T.W. Advanced Combat Knife Instructor certificate and is a graduate of the PJA Senior Black Belt Shingin No Maki course. He was presented with a PJA Mokuroku in 2011.

Sensei Beltrami, and his dojo, are members of the Pacific Jujitsu Alliance, Kilohana Martial Arts Association and the American Judo & Jujitsu Federation.

## Historical Timeline of Danzan Ryu Jujitsu

Professor Bob McKean

I would like to thank everyone in *The* Danzan Ryu community who has helped with compiling information for the *Historical Timeline of Danzan Ryu Jujitsu*. Since I first released *The Historical Timeline of Danzan Ryu Jujitsu*, I have received enough information to include eleven additional pages. The document is now up to 59 pages and growing.

The information found in *The Historical Timeline of Danzan Ryu Jujitsu* does not belong to anyone person. Names, dates, locations and events are in the public domain. *The Historical Timeline of Danzan Ryu Jujitsu* is not a copyrighted document. It is being made available free of charge to the Danzan Ryu community for historical and educational purposes. The history of Danzan Ryu does not belong to any one person. It belongs to the Danzan Ryu family – our Ohana.

Updates of *The Historical Timeline of Danzan Ryu Jujitsu* will be periodically posted on the Pacific Jujitsu Alliance website, www.pacificjujitusalliance.com

## **Something to Think About**

Provided by Sensei Bruce Anders

"Karate-do aims to build character, improve human behavior, and cultivate modesty; it does not, however, guarantee it."

Yashiro Konishi (Developer of Karate in Japan, early 1920s.

# 2012 Knives in the Woods Professor Bob McKean

The 19<sup>th</sup> annual KITW was once again held in the beautiful redwoods outside of Crescent City, CA and was hosted by Sensei Robbin Miller. Of the 35 individuals who attended this year's event, 26 were PJA black belt members.

Congratulations to Jesse Ellis, Jim Nicholas and Phil Paramo who received their advance instructor certifications, and to Jon Sylvia and Cameron Smith who received their basic instructor certificates.

A special thanks goes out to Chris Nicholas who as able to procure 80 new aluminum training knives and Brandon Hamlet and Brandon Johnson who wrapped all the handles with Para-cord. Great job, guys.

Next year will be the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of K.I.T.W. A special event is being planned. The dates for next year's special event will soon be announced.

## **Japanese Martial Arts Character Dictionary**

Professor Thomas Jenkins spent several years researching and writing a Japanese martial arts character dictionary specifically designed for English speaking martial artists.

"The people of the English speaking world who study traditional Japanese martial arts are confronted with the challenge of learning the terminology of the Japanese martial arts. Conventional Japanese dictionaries supply words necessary for daily communication in society as a whole but unfortunately lack the technical words of the martial arts. The purpose of this dictionary is to provide the English reader with an accurate listing of the words and phrases of the Japanese martial arts, along with their appropriate Chinese characters, and the English translations from a martial arts point of views. The dictionary can serve as a reliable reference regardless of the reader's skill level in the Japanese language."

The Japanese text of this dictionary was proof-read by Dr. Kimihiko Nomura, Professor of Japanese Language and Culture, California State University, Chico, CA.

A download version of this 960 page dictionary is available for only \$40.00. For ordering or more information about the Japanese Martial Arts Character Dictionary, contact Professor Jenkins at:

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