

# Diamond Blast

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## Birthdays in June/July

Jun 08: Scott Hayes  
Jun 09: Larry Buttell  
Jun 17: Destiny Diaz  
Jun 20: Gisela Touzard  
Jun 22: Angel Caban  
Jun 27: Suzanne Kauffman  
Jun 28: Peter Robustelli  
Jun 29: Victoria Santa Lucia  
Jul 01: Henry Kuchta  
Jul 03: Alexander Recio  
Jul 11: Anthony Alvino  
Jul 14: Colin Sperandio  
Jul 19: Joshua Nolan

## Upcoming Events

Jun 29: Black belt test (6pm)  
Jul 07: Melbourne tournament  
Jul ??: Bowling party  
Aug ??: Family picnic  
Aug 23: Next rank test  
Sep 01: Panama City tournament  
Sep 15: Pt. Charlotte tournament  
Sep 21: Next black belt testing  
Oct 16-21: Orlando Nationals  
Nov ??: Outdoor camping trip  
Mar 16: Las Vegas Nationals  
Apr 20: Boca tournament

## Summer Camps

There's still time to sign up for our summer camps. Our camps involve many fun and enriching activities, and run from 8:30am to 4:30 pm. We train, learn, play, explore, and most important... WE HAVE FUN!

These camps are primarily for the benefit of our students, but enrollment is open to all children, so if you would like to have a great time with your friends, ask them (and their parents) if they would like to attend.

See Master Nelson for details.

## Melbourne Tournament

The Melbourne tournament is coming soon – Saturday July 7. It's close enough to travel there in the morning, compete, and be home well before bedtime. History shows that the more we support our sister schools' tournaments, the better our tournament does. If you have any questions (like can I get a ride), just ask any of the senior instructors. For tournament information, see: [www.haskinsata.com](http://www.haskinsata.com).

## Student of the Month

**Emily Derkovic**  
**Congratulations!!!**

## Congratulations

Congratulations to our World Championship competitors. They represented our school superbly!

P. Oliver, P. Lewis,  
P. Robustelli\*, Jennifer Wartberg,  
N. Wehbe, Jr.\*, Jack Forney\*,  
Jeannie Forney, Jessica Wartberg,  
V. Lewis, Mitchell Lewis,  
S. Hayes, K. Hayes,  
J. Fletcher, A. Segovia\*,  
N. DiPerna\*, N. Wehbe, Sr.,  
S. West\*, K. Fletcher\*,  
M. Brown\*, M. Robustelli\*

## Becoming an ATA State/World Champion

Are you interested in becoming an ATA State or World Champion? To achieve one of those goals, you have to meet eligibility requirements and you must participate in tournaments.

When you place first, second, or third, you get tournament points in that category of competition (for example, forms, sparring, traditional weapon forms, creative weapon forms, etc.). At the end of the tournament season (which starts with the World Championship in Arkansas), the state champion in a given division (black or color belt) is the competitor in that state who has the most tournament points.

For each division and category of competition, the top 10 black belts from all around the world who have the most tournament points participate in a special competition at the World Championship in Little Rock to see who will be that year's ATA World Champions. It's an honor just to be in the Top 10, but the highest honor is to be a World Champion.

The complete rules are available at [www.ataonline.com](http://www.ataonline.com), but if you're interested in pursuing one of these goals, see Master Nelson or any of the other senior instructors.

## May Rank Testing

Students tested for higher rank on May 24. Congratulations to all who tested and best of luck to today's testers!

