

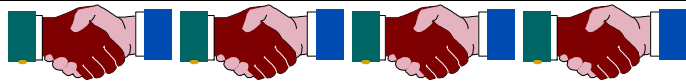
NINJA NEWS

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Welcome New Students!

Please join us in extending a warm welcome to these new students and their families...

Teens: Harmony Sauers

Youth: Luz Smith, Adrian Reyes & Aiden Bearce

“A Special Time”

Here we are, winding down another year. The snows have already begun to fall, and the cold weather has set in. In a few short weeks, we will be entering another year and another opportunity for growth in our lives.

Every year New Year's rolls around and I often hear people wishing for things in their lives - changes for the better, a new car, a better job, new love - the list goes on and on. We as students of the Ninja's life ways have a responsibility to ourselves not to merely wish for things, but to make them happen. So when New Year's comes again this year, devote some time to planning your goals for the not-so-distant future, and how you intend to achieve them.

This year will also be a bigger and better year for all of us here at WCI. There are a lot of things in the works keeping all of the staff very busy, but we are very excited about the progress we ourselves have been seeing both here in the dojo and in our personal lives. There will be many more improvements this year to keep everyone growing and developing on the warrior path. In fact, the 2023 year promises to be extremely productive.

This is also a time of the year with very magical aspects to it. This is a time where giving is the norm, family are the most important parts of our lives, and smiles are abundant. Take time this holiday season to tell somebody close to you that you love them, or to say hello to a stranger and smile. The magic of this time of year is for everyone, not just for children. And, as ninja and adults, we should be role models to the rest of the world, especially the children of tomorrow - examples of the peace and happiness the world needs and deserves.

Peace & Happiness,

Dai Shihan Miller

NEW BELT PROMOTIONS

Mighty Tigers (Youth)

Green/White Belt

Bryce Leininger

Blue/White Belt

Mya Tilton

Wyatt Tilton

Yellow Belt

Taylor Strevig

Adults & Teens ('Ninpo Taijutsu')

Green/White Belt

Drew Yerger

Terry Leininger

Jeannie Leininger

Madison Leininger

Orange/White Belt

Fred Strickland

Blue Belt

Emily Sees

Blue/White Belt

Aaron Maurer

Rachel Albedo

*Congratulations to everyone
on a job well-done!*

REMEMBER:

*Every class, every Belt Graduation moves you one
step closer to BLACK BELT!*



STUDENT OF THE MONTH!

The following student is being honored as WCI's Student of the month for December, 2022! This student is an excellent example of the qualities leading to Warrior Mastery! Be sure to offer congratulations when you see them in class.

Kinsley Duttry - is a student in the Little Dragons program. She is 5 & a half years old, but she started training at WCI just after her fourth birthday. She just got her orange-purple belt back in October. She is amazingly inspirational.

Kinsley is one of our most enthusiastic and fearless students. Kinsley's mother, Lauren, brings her from Sunbury to the dojo for classes with Sensei McLaurin every Tuesday and Thursday, and usually her little sister comes along to watch. Kinsley is always excited and disciplined in class, and her fearlessness and enthusiasm help make the tots class extra enjoyable. We look forward to the day we get to move her up to the Mighty Tigers Class! Keep up the great work, Kinsley!

Be sure to congratulate Kinsley when you see her again!

New Dojo App!

Watch for an E-mail from "Aquila"!

New Attendance Procedure

We are in the process of updating our electronic dojo interface and attendance procedures. You will be getting a special invitation to download the EFC Aquila Application to your phone. Once you download the application, you will get your own QR code to scan to keep track of your class attendance.

Important:

Once you get the app, you will need to "book" your classes in advance to let us know when to expect you. Then at the dojo, you will be able to scan your QR code for the classes that you have booked in advance.

The app has cool new features that will allow you to keep track of all the skills needed to get to your next belt, and you will be able to access your workbooks and more directly from the app. In addition, it will allow instructors to give you timely feedback about your performances on your test as well as suggestions of next steps for you to work on in your training.

The Following Staff and Students are Celebrating a Birthday this Month!!!

Happy Birthday Happy Birthday Happy Birthday

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December Birthdays

Michelle Murphy

Chris Enck

Josh Blum



Don't forget to wish them well!!!

Happy Birthday Happy Birthday

... and consider the following perspective from Soke Hatsumi on the importance of a warrior's heart.

People who aspire to the martial arts must have a true heart, moreover they must maintain it constantly. The most important thing is to have compassion at every step along the martial way.

-Masaaki Hatsumi

THOUGHT OF THE MONTH

"The difference between a sage and a warrior is that, if something happens, a warrior will be alive tomorrow"

-- Shihan Jack Hoban



Kanshi's Korner

The Warrior's Heart

In the spirit and tradition of the Warrior, regardless of the culture or era, there has always been a common thread - a common ideology - which has guided the men and women who have chosen this path. Through all of the philosophical expressions and explanations about "engaging the world," "overcoming limitations," or "protecting self and loved ones," the path of the warrior has always involved one very special quality: the giving of self for the benefit of others.

During this time of year which also symbolizes the aspect of "giving," let us be reminded of a long history passed to us by those who have given the ultimate gift, the gift of life, so that others may live in peace and comfort.

This gift, or sacrifice, is rarely given with an expectation of a return or reward for the warrior. No, he or she gives of themselves, not for reward but, because they can. It's what they do. It's who they are.

At WCI, we have an established set of beliefs and values that, together, express the heart of a warrior. It is who 'we' are and what 'we' hold to be important in our world. Here they are:

Our Beliefs and Values

1. Y kj qw' n{ cn' en'gpw. "H'kpf u' (" hco kn' . "pqj kpi else matters.
2. Qwt " o quv' xcncdrg" cu'gw' ctg" qwt " u'ch' c'pf " qwt vision."
3. Vj gtg" ku" i tgc'v' ut'gpi vj " kp" pwo dgtu' (" y j cv' vj g world needs is more individuals who are powerful, confident and in-control of themselves and their lives."
4. Y g'ctg" g'zr gt'u'kp" vj g' h'grf " qh' u'grh' r tq'vex'kqp" c'pf personal development. That's it. That's what we do."
5. Y g'y kn' ut'kxg' "v' eq'pux'cpw' " ko r tq'xg' qwt " r tqf we'u facilities, programs and services."
6. Y g' r tq'xf g' c' uwr r qt'v' i tq'w " c'pf " eg'p'ten' o gg'kpi place for like-minded individuals seeking to unlock their untapped potential."
7. Vj gtg" ku" gp'qwi j " n' kpi . " kn'wuk'qp" c'pf " u'grh' ugt'xkpi manipulation. We will always be honest with ourselves, our clients and our world."
8. Vj gtg" ku" pq' r vtr qug' hqt' y ctt'kqt " un'kmu" cul' g' " h'qo the protection and security of life."
9. Y ctt'kqtuj kr 'ku' o wej 'o qtg' vj cp' h'ki j v'kpi 'hqt' v'qr j k'gu or the job' of a soldier - it's a mindset and a way of life.
10. Qwt " eq'tpgt' qh' vj g' y qtrf " y kn' dg' c' dg'wgt' r r'ceg because we are here.
11. Not only will our client's lives, homes & families be safer and happier, but our community as well because we enable our staff to serve with compensation.



DONT FORGET!

*Tuition is due monthly regardless of
your attendance schedule.*

Students and parents must remember that in order for us to maintain a full-time school and keep tuition costs down, we must receive your tuition when it is due.

Upcoming Important Dates

The following dates and times are already set but may not be a complete listing. Students and parents should listen for changes and additions during class announcements.



December

- 7-8th Street clothes days
- 14-15th Buddy Days! Share the gift of training with your friends!
- 23rd Dojo Holiday Party at 7:00 pm (No Classes!)
- 24-31st Dojo Closed for Christmas and New Year's
- Jan. 2nd Test Night! Tots 4:30, Youth 5:00, Adults 6:30

Save the Dates Daikomyo Sai weekend training workshop
1/6-1/8



TEST NIGHT

Monday, January 2nd

The following requirements must be met for a student to be allowed to test*:

1. Intent to promote forms, job sheets & book reports must be handed in on or before Test Night.
2. All missed classes must be made up before the test date.
3. Student must be wearing clean, neat, complete uniform with patches correctly sewn on.
4. Tuition MUST be current.
5. Weekly Job Lists, Intent to Promote Form (youth), and reports turned in

* Students not meeting the above qualifications in addition to those listed on their curriculum sheet will not be permitted to test -- NO EXCEPTIONS.

Daikomyo Sai

Join Dai Shihan Miller January 6-8th, 2023 for a weekend of intense Ninja training! Daikomyo Sai, also known as "Celebrating the Great Cosmic Light" celebrates Grandmaster Hatsumi's birthday and provides you with the unique opportunity to kick off your New Year with intensive Ninjutsu training. Be sure to start your New Year in the best way possible, with focused intention and directed action. This weekend intensive training will guide you through topics and study areas of the Ninja's personal protection and life mastery system that we just cannot fit into the context of regular classes. So, if you're serious about getting all you can from your training... you can't miss this powerful, Mastery-focused training opportunity!

Through hands-on training and study, you will be lead into the mind, body and spirit realms of what makes a Ninja Warrior and Master different from a conventional martial artist. You will learn why the Ninja were considered the most powerful warriors ever! The *Dai Shihan and Shidoshis*, as always have joined forces to bring you a training event like no other! You will learn more about yourself, your world, and your martial art in two and half days than most people learn in a lifetime!

Cost: \$175 before October 31st; \$300 on November 1st.

Space is limited to the first 25 participants. Lock-in your space today!

**Register now for your
Authentic Ninja Training
experience!**

The biggest
compliment you can
give your teachers, is
to recommend your
dojo to others!

--Your Instructors



BLACK BELT CORNER

During the month of November,
all Black Belt students and

Shinobi-kai members will be working on the requirements for advancement to Shodan, Nidan, & Sandan, 1st - 3rd Degree Black Belts, in the Warrior Concepts Mastery Advanced Mastery Curriculum.

All students should bring a training knife, bokken, bo, hanbo and a notebook to each class.

**Life is Short
Dream Big - Play Hard - Laugh Often - Live Free - & Be Happy!**

This is not only our belief, it is our promise. A promise to not only achieve our goals, but to help others and to leave the world a better place than we found it. What are your beliefs and values? What guides your Warrior's Heart?

End-of-Year Party

We will be holding our annual Holiday Party on Friday, December 23rd from 7 to 9pm here at the academy.

The event is open to all active training members, their family and friends. **Please be sure to sign up** and let us know how many will be attending with you so that we can make sure we have sufficient seating.

As always, we ask that all families (and single folks) bring two dishes - one main dish (meat, casserole, etc.) and either a salad, dessert, or snack. Also, please remember to bring serving utensils and mark items to avoid mix-ups and mistakes.

We will be eating at 7:20pm and begin presentation gifts and the like at 8pm. There will be games and lots of fun. So, please plan to attend even if you cannot be here for the entire evening.

"Under the Tree Special"

Give your friends or family the gift of self-protection and personal development this holiday season. Get them one month, three months, or six months of classes starting at just \$199! Each package comes with a gift certificate and a gift wrapped uniform! Get these packages at the 2022 prices for family and friends, and they don't have to start their classes until after the new year.



Gifts for Your Favorite Martial Artist!

At the Dojo:

We offer gift certificates in all amounts. Plus come in on **Saturday December 17th from 9am-11am** and everything in the pro-shop is 15% off the marked prices! Mark your calendar now so you can take advantage of this opportunity!

Special orders:

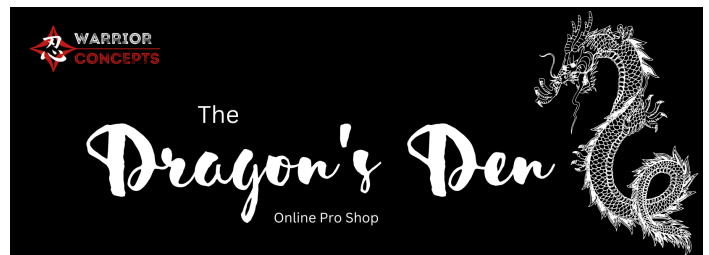
Forms are now available at the front desk for you to order unique and useful gifts for your favorite martial artist. Remember: Orders placed after **December 12th** cannot be guaranteed for delivery before we close for the year. So, whether you need an extra special gift or just a stocking stuffer idea (or you want to treat yourself to something), give us a call or stop in at the Pro Shop and let us help you make your Christmas and real kickin' holiday!

Training Gear

Required Training Gear: Take a quick look inside your curriculum book. Do you have the gear and books required for this or upcoming ranks. If you are current, ask a staff member or senior student to recommend a good book or video.

Speaking of Training Gear: Why not get everything you need for your training program and save! We have complete training packages for students. Each package comes complete with all sparring gear, training equipment, and books needed to succeed. Plus, the Mastery Leadership package includes a WCI training bag large enough to carry all your gear, uniform (and many small children!). Save 20% off now **through December 12th only.**

Home Training: Are you really able to practice effectively at home? Our Wavemaster striking bags come in a wide-range of styles and sizes and are perfect for that corner workout area in your room or basement. Take a few minutes each day or a couple of times a week to develop real striking and kicking power (or just blow off some steam). You can practice basic strikes or your own strike and kick combinations to really be able to deliver knock-down power in a self-defense situation!



Check out our new online store: The Dragon's Den at <https://www.wcidragonsden.com> to get the latest Warrior Concepts branded merchandise!!

For a limited time get 15% off with promo code: DEC2022, but the code expires at midnight on 12/22/22



Self-Development Topic:
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December 2022

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