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Editorial: SHOUT-OUTS

by Dr. AnnMaria DeMars



Who is doing great stuff around the country? Too many to mention but let me give a few shout-outs. Our front cover shows a shot from the Judo Forum Camp. What would you do if you were 21 years old and just made your second Olympic team? **Ronda Rousey** came to a USJA co-sponsored camp in Oceanside and gave private lessons to young players. Shout-outs to Neil Ohlenkamp, also on the front cover, Mr. Judo Forum himself, who founded, moderates and is the brain trust for the most visited judo site on the Internet, www.judoinfo.com. There is even a [USJA section](#).

Another photo is from the USJA/USJF National Novice and Brown Belt Championships. This was a great event from all accounts. It is not often that young brown belts get to be in the spotlight. Many, like **Gavin Purdy**, who won the Open Division, or **Yazmin Boca-Bat**, silver medalist in women's lightweight, did not start judo at a very young age and despite talent and hard work are at a disadvantage competing against black belts with twice their experience. The Novice and Brown Belt championships give high school, college students and other adults a chance to test their skills on an even playing field on other competitors from throughout the country with an equal level of experience. A shout-out to tournament director Mitchell Palacio for bringing this event back, and to all of those who had the courage to compete and those who had the kindness to help run this event.

The USJA Junior Nationals was a successful event with 470 competitors, followed by a USJA co-sponsored training camp with clinicians **Jim Pedro, Sr. and Jimmy Pedro, Jr.**, among many others. Shout out to them, to Jerry Hays and John Miller and the other volunteers for helping the tournament run smoothly, to all the medalists, listed in this magazine and to their parents. Just a state away, the Mayo Quanchi training camp, with **Serge Boussyou** was another event offering intense judo training. Way down south, **Jeff Miller** from Louisiana hosted Serge, Katelyn and Ahmani from Rhode Island. Just the thought of that mix of accents makes me laugh.

Speaking of south, **Keith Worshaim** brought judo back into the Mississippi State Games, assisted by Tony Comfort from the USJA/USJF West Coast Training Center who both gave an athlete clinic and then competed, Deb Fergus who assisted with both clinics and pooling and Jimmy Takemori (hey, we can give a shout out to our buddy from the USJF, why not?) Shout out to **Gary Goltz** who is working hard on the USJA Winter Nationals and to **Paul Nogaki** who will be organizing the coaching clinic. Another shout out goes to Deb Fergus for organizing the Fight Like a Girl camps. THANK YOU to Bob Treat, Deb Fergus and Southside Dojo for their \$250 donation to the USJA and to an anonymous donor for another \$250.

A special shout-out from the heart to Frank Fullerton. If success is measured by how many people are sorry you are gone, Frank was a very successful man. A shout-out to Dr. James Lally, who not only has donated thousands of dollars to the development fund, but who regularly restores my faith in humanity. When I witness people who use judo to pander to their basest instincts, I feel like quitting, and then I think of folks like all of those mentioned above and realize this really is by and large, a good organization with good people and worth supporting.

P.S. If you miss hearing from me between issues you can check my blog at <http://drannmaria.blogspot.com>

Changing the Focus for Elite Competition

by Jim Pedro, Sr. , Chair, USJA Coaching

There has never been an Olympic Trials for judo without problems. Ever since the first Olympic trials I attended in 1972 when they changed the rules after the first day and had to bring in the National Guard because of the players protesting. I have never been to a Trials where we have sent all of our best athletes to the Olympics. I bring my players going into the Trials knowing there are going to be biased calls and errors. Like everyone else who watched the most recent Olympic Trials I was appalled. I have never seen so many refereeing errors as in this competition. Not all of the referees did poorly, of course, but some of our best referees were not there, and it showed.

Let me ask an unpopular question: Who do the Olympic Trials benefit? One group who really wants an Olympic Trials are those players who are not number one because they want a chance to go to the Olympics and they know anything can happen on one day. Most of those players who are number two through eight, if you asked them, would tell you honestly that they do not believe they are able to win the Olympics, but they would still like to go, and would go represent the United States if they won. This is not meant as disrespect to those players, for example, Mindy Chow from Hawaii and Katelyn Boussyou from Rhode Island are outstanding players for their age, but both are in middle school and are still years away from winning an Olympic medal. As a coach with many years of experience, I believe they would benefit more from money spent sending them to camps, in Japan, Europe and in the U.S., to junior tournaments that would foster their development. Brewster Thompson is over fifty years old, and may be a great role model of conditioning and in other ways, but he is not going to win an Olympic medal. So, we spent a lot of money to host a Trials where the majority of people who stood to benefit did not have a chance of winning a medal but wanted to go to the Olympics anyway. Further, I would argue that, even for the young athletes with great potential, sending them to the Olympics would not have been the best use of our funds.

Who else benefits? The referees benefit from the recognition and they gain in power by officiating at the trials. A wrestling coach asked why judo announced the referees' names on the mat, when the wrestling referees go out there, no one announces their names. They just referee. He asked, puzzled, "Who cares who the referee is?" Referees have become more important than the athletes in this country when a refereeing error in a single event can determine who goes to the Olympics. Parents are cautioned to keep quiet and not complain too much because calls may go against their son or daughter and keep them off a team. This kind of veiled threat has silenced a lot of people who have been unhappy with funding, selection of coaches and other administration of judo.

Who do the Olympic Trials put at a disadvantage? The number one player certainly is disadvantaged by the trials. In most cases, he or she has spent at least two years traveling the globe qualifying the division. The only two possible outcomes for him or her are to stay in the same place, as number one, or lose and not go.

Right now, we don't have the depth or caliber of athletes to have a Trials. If we were paying out of our own pockets we would never send seven men and seven women to the Olympics because we cannot honestly argue that we have 14 people who have a chance to medal. Would we pay to send someone to a tournament so they could have a 'great experience' or would we send them somewhere they could train for a week or two to move to the next level? I think this question answers itself.

This is the smallest team we have ever sent to the Olympics, ten out of the fourteen

weight divisions. That just shows our caliber and depth that we have in judo in the United States. Taking the number one international point players in each weight class takes who goes to the Olympics out of the hands of the referees. Doing so, we send our best players who have a chance to win internationally. Just think about this logically for a moment, not emotionally. Yes, Cinderella stories are great but honestly, to pick the person who has the best chance of success in an international event, the Olympics, select the person who has had the most success at international events. Why have a Trial and compete against Americans when they are not going to fight another American in the Olympics or worlds?

Wrestling has Trials because they have depth and no matter who wins the Trials they have a chance to medal. There are only four or five top countries in the world that have really good wrestling programs, including the U.S. So, depending on the draw, an American wrestler may only have to beat one or two top wrestlers to make it into the medal rounds. This is why they continually medal in wrestling. Judo on the other hand, has 10-15 countries that we must beat in order for us to medal. In the past three years, we can't even beat second-tier countries, not to mention the 10-15 top countries. I am simply stating the facts that I have observed in the pool sheets from the A-level tournaments. If you look at our record in the Olympics, the people who have placed in the Olympics from the U.S. have placed in an A tournament before that. Jimmy won the world championships, Margie Castro had a silver medal in the worlds, and Lynn Roethke won the Austrian Open. Those are just a few examples. Let the world and Olympic team be picked by the players on the mat and not by the referees. Yes, anything can happen on any given day, but a player's performance over many tournaments over a long period of time has been shown to be a better predictor of performance than a single day. USA Judo could use the money they save on trials to reimburse the expenses of athletes who win internationally. If you win, you get money. Those who are not yet ready to win internationally should stay and train at home. We have plenty of clubs in the USJA who can help players develop, both through their coaching, the camps they offer, and the facilities they offer. Clubs that are not producing Olympic-level players are almost always, in my experience, willing to allow those players to visit once or twice a week to get in extra practices, let them practice drills, randori extra rounds and even give some technical and training tips. It's nice to have Olympic dreams, but how about Olympic plans, or an Olympic development system for those who have that as their goal? Let's make the focus more on the athletes and less on the referees.

JUDO FORUM CAMP – co-sponsored by USJA, USJF and California Judo, Inc.



Campers from Gardena, Hayastan, San Shi and Encino judo clubs working together on power uchikomi drills.

Rick Hawn and Ronda Rousey in randori (below right)



And Master's player Kala Crosby getting picked up in kata guruma, below left.



Photos courtesy of Loren Bentley, Roswell Judo Club, Roswell, NM

BOEING JUDO CLUB: All in a day's work(-out)

Boeing Judo Club (yes, at the air craft company), extends a special thank you to Sheriff Deputy Wayne Yoshimura, former Police and Firemen's Olympics World champion for demonstrating his Uchi mata - all in a day's work out.

Photo courtesy of David McDonald.



Meet the people of the USJA

Paul Nogaki, at right, is a long-time USJA member. He is chair of the mini-camp subcommittee of USJA Development. Here he is demonstrating nage no kata at the Judo Forum camp, which he worked tirelessly with Neil Ohlenkamp and Bill Caldwell to bring off without a hitch. Paul's next project is working with Jim Pedro, Sr. and Gary Goltz to coordinate the USJA/ USJF Winter Nationals coaching clinic.



Oh, yes, and there is that little matter of the mini-camp we would like to do at Paul's club in the

fall that we forgot to tell him about. Paul, if you read this, call me.

AT-LARGE JUDO CLUB PROVES LARGE DEVELOPMENT CONCEPT

On a topic of JUDO DEVELOPMENT... about a year ago I came up with the concept of starting a competitive INTRO TO JUDO program with a ZERO \$ budget. My simple objective was to start a program and bring 10 NEW actively competing judo players to the sport.

At the Cal State Games, I'm proud to say that our MEDAL RATE was 100% !!!

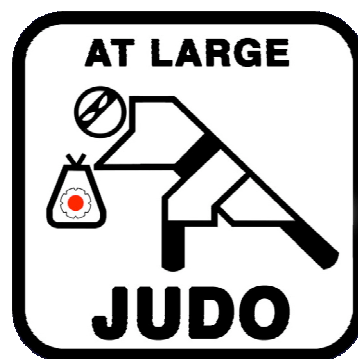
We had 6 competitors including myself...

2: Gold's and 4: Silver's.

Of course I placed 1st ... because I'm unbeatable, due to my super human judo abilities! I'm just happy I didn't end up in Guantanamo charged with Ashi-Waza terrorism!

We work out only 1 day a week, and ONE time in the last 10 months I did get 10 people at the 'Sunday only' work-out. Haha! Two were girls so now I've always got my eye out for possible female players. My Sunday program averages approx. 6 people per work-out. Now for the DISCLAIMER: two of the silver medalists only had one other person in their division. But the IMPORTANT thing is that they had FUN!

An interesting result of our 100% medal rate is that all the members of the judo program are CHARGED and the Brazilian Jiu Jitsu club, where my intro-program is conducted is EXTREMELY SUPPORTIVE!



P.S. A good portion of my concepts and coaching style come DIRECTLY from working with you and everyone at West Coast. So thanks for all you do.



USJA Sanction # 08-036

Date: Aug. 9 and 10, 2008 Judo Camp

Where: Southside Dojo 8534 Portage Rd. Portage, Mi. 49002, 269 385 0111

Deb cell 269 208 1069 defrgs6@cs.com

All judoka are welcome to join in at 1pm to 3pm for a Joint work out Sunday, August 10th after the Judo Camp

Clinicians:

JACQUI LLOYD, Sandan, **the Budokwai**, London

- “I have been teaching Judo since 1985. I have taught with many different coaches whose various styles have profoundly influenced my own Judo, and given me a varied and wide grounding for my own style.
- I believe that regardless of age or ability, all the participants of my classes will have the opportunity to achieve a higher level of learning, co-ordination and skill, but that first and foremost all will learn through fun and enjoyment. Thus improving self discipline, confidence and personal skills.”

Frances Glaze, Kelsi Bostic Jr. PanAm team, Jamie Blake

Pre Registration Judo Camp: Saturday or Sunday only session \$20.00,
Saturday and Sunday, \$30.00

Contact: Deborah Fergus, <mailto:defrgs6@cs.com> Please fill in the last sheet of this Flyer and e-mail or post to: Deborah L. Fergus, 2006 Wickwire Rd. Benton Harbor, Mi. 49022. Pre-registration will be appreciated in order to plan the events and meals for the Judo campers.

JUDO COMPETITION REINSTATED INTO THE STATE GAMES OF MISSISSIPPI

After a seven-year hiatus, Judo has been reinstated as a featured sport for the State Games of Mississippi. While the Opening Ceremonies and most of the competition occurs in Meridian, Mississippi, Keith Worshaim, Judo Commissioner for the Sate Games of Mississippi, was able to have the Judo competition venue relocated to the campus of the Mississippi University for Women. The competition took place at the Emma Ody Pohl Gymnasium on Saturday, June 7, 2008. It was combined with the Mississippi Challenge to allow out of state competitors a chance to compete against the State Games of Mississippi champions.

The State Games competition drew competitors from all over the state and the Mississippi Challenge drew competitors from as far away as Los Angeles, CA. Prior to Saturday's competition, the Wakaishu Judo Club held a week-long "Introduction to Judo" seminar at the T. V. James Center located within the Columbus Housing Authority. The featured clinicians were: James Takemori, Washington (D.C.) Judo Club; Deborah Fergus, Southside (Portage, Michigan) Judo Club; Tony Comfort, , Los Angeles Community College; Harold Pritchett, Wakaishu Judo Club (Louisville, KY); and Keith Worshaim, Wakaishu Judo Club (Columbus, MS).



Participants of the State Games of Mississippi / Mississippi Challenge Judo Tournaments

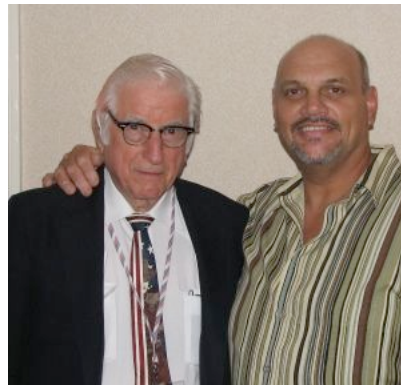
Frank Fullerton, Semper Fi!

by Dr. Martin L. Bregman

People will remember Frank as the first President of United States Judo, Inc. (now USA Judo), or that he was a gruff Marine Brigadier General (two tours in Nam as a helicopter pilot), or as a Lawyer with a great command of legal knowledge. I remember Frank as a friend and a tireless worker.

There was a Ladder Tournament held in Arkansas back in the 80's. He got there early as did I (I was to be the Chief Referee). They were still setting up the mats. We both took off our jackets and started unloading tatami. That was the kind of man, & President, Frank was.

Photo of Frank Fullerton and Eddie Arrazcaeta at the Junior U.S. Open, courtesy of Jerry Hays.



Proudly patriotic he was always looking out for U.S. interests among the international politicians of our sport. Sometimes he could be very frustrating, but he was always true to himself. I remember being in Hamilton, Ontario for the Pan-American Championships, which was an International B exam for referees. One of the American candidates made a mistake in every match. When it came to the end of the event, that candidate had the second lowest grade among candidates. The only poorer candidate was an elderly man from Peru who Carlos Catalano Calleja wanted to pass so that Peru (which had no international referees at the time) could have a chief referee and begin a referee development program. The old man would never again officiate himself. But since the PJU wanted the Peruvian to pass Frank insisted that the U.S. referee should also pass (over my objections as the American candidate had done such a poor job). If you were an American he was in your corner (even if you didn't deserve it.)

Many people don't know that when the U.S. needed to send a team to an event, and there were no funds to cover the trip, Frank would fund the team out of his own pocket. I don't recall any of the succeeding Presidents doing that. During his administration the US Open was always either an IJF-A or IJF-B exam. When he was defeated after serving for 14 years as President, he was still the Technical Advisor to the Pan-American Judo Union. The United States has not had an A exam since his defeat. At our meetings he always treated the Class A body presidents with respect and consideration during his tenure.

I spoke with him often in the 90's, but only sporadically the last few years. He called me to see how I was doing around New Years. He was very kind to me during the time that my wife was losing her fight with cancer. He called to talk to me at least once a week during the year after she died (and loaded me down with committee work to keep my mind off of my own problems).

He is one of the few people that enriched my judo and life experience. I will miss him as I do the other people who were very close to me and that have made up my life and now are gone. The Judo community of the United States, the Pan-American Union, and the International Judo Federation have lost a tireless worker, and a very good man.

INVITATION TO THE GOLDEN STATE OPEN

Fellow Judo Members,

As an attempt to continue the growth and promotion of judo in the United States the Guerreros Judo club is hosting the Golden State Open E-level event. This allows junior level players as well as senior level players an opportunity to gain a point on the senior level roster. For those who are not of age or caliber we regularly attract 400 competitors annually, giving out some of the nicest awards in the country, while keeping entry fees to a minimum. It is great incentive for kids and adults alike. Last year first place awards were around two and a half feet tall. In an attempt to keep our awards creative 12 x 12 tiles will be given out for first.

The Guerreros Judo Club would like to cordially invite you to our annual event. I personally guarantee you will not be disappointed by our seven mat area hosted in a 30,000 square feet arena. Last year's attendance reached 435 competitors and we are trying to increase that number to over 500. With the help of clubs like you and those around you this can be achieved. There are very few tournaments in the United States that attract the attendance we do and we are trying very hard to maintain this number.

In an attempt to attract more numbers from out of state we have moved our tournament to Saturday to give you that night and Sunday to do some local sightseeing just minutes from the area. The Hampton in West Covina is local too many different activities in the area, it is guaranteed not to disappoint. Please join us in the pursuit to promote judo and continue the growth of judo in the United States and West Coast.

Eric Sanchez
GSO Co-Director

LOCAL ATTRACTIONS NOT TO MISS before or after the tournament

- **Disneyland Resort Anaheim 20 minutes away**
- **Knott's Berry Farm amusement park Buena Park**
- **Medieval Times Dinner Show Buena Park**
- **Angel Stadium (20 minutes)**
- **The Honda Center in Anaheim (20 minutes away)**
- **Walking With Dinosaurs**

USJA/ USJF NATIONAL BROWN BELT AND NOVICE CHAMPIONSHIPS

San Francisco, CA
July 12-13

At right: Gavin Purdy of Goltz Judo Club en route to winning two medals. Eighteen-year-old Gavin picked up a silver medal in the 81 kg brown belt division and then topped off his day with a gold medal in the Open division.

Below: Amber Butts of Los Angeles City College judo club takes the gold medal in the women's brown belt division, defeating Maddyson Post, Amador Judo for silver and Tuoi Taylor, Goltz Judo Club for bronze.

Tournament director Mitchell Palacio and his support team from City College of San Francisco and other northern California judo clubs brought off a greatly successful event after a twenty year hiatus. He explained,



“People who begin judo as adults, often in college programs, seldom have a chance to compete at the national level. Even those who put in great effort and have a lot of talent are at a disadvantage against black belts who may have begun judo ten years earlier. This event gives us a chance to show case the collegiate and other adult judo players and recognize their hard work. It also is an opportunity for young brown belts on their way up from the junior ranks.”

The following are the results for the 2008 USJA Junior National Judo Championship held at Boston, MA

Contestant's Name (Hometown / State Code / Club Name)

DIVISION: Female Juvenile A; 36 Kg

1. Lauren Kikuchi (Arcadia, CA / San Gabriel)

DIVISION: Female Juvenile A; 48 Kg

1. Katelyn Bouyssou (Hope, RI / Mayo Quanchi)
2. Amanda Gomez (Brockton, MA / Tohoku)
3. Monika Burgess (Kitchener, CAN / Asahi Judo Club)

DIVISION: Female Juvenile A; 53 Kg

1. Brianna Padron (Davie, FL / Panther Judo)
2. Katie Germain (Lakeland, FL / Summerlin Judo)
3. Ashley Hunt (Brooklyn, NY / Legrosports/Starrett)

DIVISION: Female Juvenile A; 64 Kg

1. Meghan Arena (Medford, MA / Pedro's Judo Club)
2. Teannie Hernandez (Pembroke Pines, FL / Budokan Judo Club)
3. Shelby Schlicht (Alvaton, KY / Bowling Green Kentuc)

DIVISION: Female Juvenile A; +64 Kg

1. Brandie Sullivan (Medford, MA, MA / Pedro's Judo Center)
2. Anna f. Petrov (New Britain, CT / Valiant Martial Arts)
3. Caitlin Searles (Derry, NC / Derry Judo Club)

DIVISION: Male Juvenile A; 36 Kg

1. Tyler Noury (North Scituate, RI / Mayo Quanchi)
2. Donald iii Moseman (San Carlos, CA / San Jose Buddhist)
3. Shayn Levesque (Bristol, CT / Valiant Martial Arts)

DIVISION: Male Juvenile A; 40 Kg

1. Serge Bouyssou (Hope, RI / Mayo Quanchi)
2. Joshua Noury (North Scituate, RI / Mayo Quanchi)
3. Nathaniel Colicci (Warwick, RI, RI / Mayo Quanchi)

DIVISION: Male Juvenile A; 44 Kg

1. Justin Lawrence (Middleton, MA / Pedro's Judo Club)
2. Andrew Stone (Adelphi, MD / College Park Judo)
3. Villy Grapp (Staten Island, NY / Combat Sambo)

DIVISION: Male Juvenile A; 48 Kg

1. Johnny Nagy (Guelph, CAN / Kaizen)
2. Benjamin Branson (Anderson, IN / Anderson YMCA Judo C)

3. Tyler Shimamoto (Whittier, CA / San Gabriel)

DIVISION: Male Juvenile A; 53 Kg

1. Yanick Tremblay (Waterloo, CAN / Asahi Judo Club)
2. Devin Hurst (Warwick, RI, RI / Mayo Quanchi)
3. John Mediros (Fall River, MA / Takigawa)

DIVISION: Male Juvenile A; 58 Kg

1. Ian Traversy (Oromocto, CAN / Dragons)
2. John Tucker (Brooklyn, NY / Legrosports/Starrett)
3. Dennis Shtatnov (Newtown, PA / Liberty Bell Judo)

DIVISION: Male Juvenile A; 64 Kg

1. Millen Wan (San Jose, CA / Cupertino Judo Club)
2. Dalton Ahern (Old Saybrook, CT / Shoreline Judo)
3. Thuc Tran (Springfield, VA / Phan University of M)

DIVISION: Male Juvenile A; 73 kg

1. Dante Vinciarelli (Lynn, MA / Pedro's Judo Club)
2. Ryan Neals (North Andover, MA / Pedro's Judo Club)
3. Matthew Koch (West Paterson, NJ / Camal Judo)

DIVISION: Male Juvenile A; +73 kg

1. Akbar Iminov (, NY / Spartak Sports Judo)
2. Patrick Hickam (Jacksonville, NC / Mayfield Martial Art)
3. Connor Lenfest (Salem, NH / Derry Judo Club)

DIVISION: Female IJF Junior; 48 Kg

1. Katelyn Bouyssou (Hope, RI / Mayo Quanchi)
2. Sandra Chevalier (Hope, RI / Mayo Quanchi)
3. Shea Favorite (Clermont, FL / Central Florida Judo)

DIVISION: Female IJF Junior; 52 Kg

1. Brianna Padron (Davie, FL / Panther Judo)
2. Madison Hatch (Lebanon, CT / Mayo Quanchi)

DIVISION: Female IJF Junior; 57 Kg

1. Hana Carmichael (Wellington, MA, MA / Pedro's Judo/Team Fo)
2. Crystal Butts (Fontana, CA, CA / LACC)

DIVISION: Female IJF Junior; 63 Kg

1. Bryanna Sullivan (, MA / Pedro's Judo)
2. Aneta Kielkucki (Staten Island, NY / NY Dojo)
3. Teannie Hernandez (Pembroke Pines, FL / Budokan)

DIVISION: Female IJF Junior; 70 Kg

1. Michelle Macura, (Talmouth, MA / JW Judo)

DIVISION: Female IJF Junior; 78 Kg

1. Kayla Harrison (Wakefield, MA / Team FORCE)
2. Ronni Aragona (Glenville, NY / Jason Morris Judo Cl)
3. Malinda Bridges (Caventry, RI / Mayo Quanchi)

DIVISION: Male IJF Junior; 55 Kg

1. Ricondo Cole (Providence, RI / Mayo Quanchi)
2. Everett Desilets (Providence, RI / Mayo Quanchi)
3. Alex Shustorovich (Marlboro, NJ / Camal Judo)

DIVISION: Male IJF Junior; 60 Kg

1. Aaron Kunihiro (Wakefield, MA / Team Force)
2. Austin Cook (Chapel Hill, NC / Bushido judo school)
3. Alex Hayek (East Greenwich, RI, RI / Mayo Quanchi)

DIVISION: Male IJF Junior; 66 Kg

1. Brad Bolen (Glenville, NY / Jason Morris Judo Cl)
2. Amani Tavarez (Providence, RI / Mayo Quanchi)
3. Nick O'connell (Cranston, RI / Mayo Quanchi)

DIVISION: Male IJF Junior; 73 Kg

1. Robbie Sullivan (, MA / Pedro's Judo)
2. Max Kafka (St. Paul, MN / Midway Judo Club)
3. Ethan Farrell (Narragasset, RI, RI / Mayo Quanchi)

DIVISION: Male IJF Junior; 81 Kg

1. Tony Sangimino (Glenville, NY / Jason Morris Judo Cl)
2. Anthony Vennitti (Queens, NY / NYAC/ITC)
3. Chris Jessup (Fayetteville, NC / Fayetteville/Ft Brag)

DIVISION: Male IJF Junior; 90 Kg

1. Carlos Morau (Clifton, NJ / Camal Judo)
2. Torazo Karagiannis (Weehawken, NY / Kokushi Budo Institu)
3. Ethan Davis (Waynesville, NC / Waynesville Kodokan)

DIVISION: Male IJF Junior; 100 Kg

1. Kyle Vashkulat (Scotia, NY, NY / Jason Morris Judo Ce)
2. Igor Bazilevich (, NY / Spartak Sports Judo)
3. Michael Alonso (West New York, NJ / East Coast Bushido)

DIVISION: Male IJF Junior; +100 Kg

1. Freddy Koss-kersey (Greentown, PA / Murty's Judo Center)

DIVISION: Girls Intermed. 2; 31 Kg

1. Sofia Greco-bryne (Jamestown, RI / Mayo Quanchi)
2. Haley Meara (Malden, MA, MA / MMA Judo Club)

DIVISION: Girls Intermed. 2; 34 Kg

1. Naomi Oken (North Woodmere, NY / Starrett)
2. Marie-maude Lafrance (Sept-Iles, CAN / Academie Judo)
3. Mercedes Tibett (Kings Park, NY / Smithtown Judo)

DIVISION: Girls Intermed. 2; 38 Kg

1. Jayde Katagihara (Arcadia, CA / San Gabriel)
2. Sabrina Rostkowski (Farmington, CT / Valiant Martial Arts)
3. Jessica Scremin (Sept Iles, CAN / Academie Judo Sept-I)

DIVISION: Girls Intermed. 2; 42 Kg

1. Camilla Kaluzny (Huntersville, NC / CAJA)
2. Miriam Thauer (Jackson, TN / Jackson YMCA Judo Cl)
3. Katrina Hoskyns (Malden, MA, MA / MMA Judo Club)

DIVISION: Girls Intermed. 2; 48 Kg

1. Olivia Winsor (Lynnfield, MA / Pedro's Judo Club)
2. Janelle Sullivan (, MA / Pedro's Judo)
3. Jessica Shell (Waynesville, NC / Waynesville Kodokan)

DIVISION: Girls Intermed. 2; 53 Kg

1. Casey Pedro (Methuen, MA / Pedro's Judo Club)
2. Wilessa Rivera (FALL RIVER, MA / Mayo Quanchi)
3. Amanda Galib (Pittsfield, MA / Jason Morris Judo Cl)

DIVISION: Girls Intermed. 2.; 56kg

1. Rebecca Regan (Foxboro, MA / Mayo Quanchi)

DIVISION: Girls Intermed. 2; +56kg

1. Rebecca Regan (Foxboro, MA, MA / Mayo Quanchi)
2. Destiny Mcconf (Cumberland, RI, RI / Mayo Quanchi)
3. Emily Abreu (Lynn, MA / Pedro's Judo Club)

DIVISION: Girls Intermed. 1; 26 Kg

1. Natalie Rygielski (St. Clements, CAN / Asahi Judo Club)
2. Elianna Oken (North Woodmere, NY / Starrett)
3. Kyra Deeter (Canton, NC / Waynesville Kodokan)

DIVISION: Girls Intermed. 1; 30 Kg

1. Sydney Freund (Brooklyn, CT / Mayo Quanchi)
2. Kelcie Boling (New Castle, IN / Hahn's Martial Arts)

3. Helen Woodruff (Synnyvale, CA / Cupertino Judo Club)

DIVISION: Girls Intermed. 1; 34 Kg

1. Antonia Vinciarelli (Lynn, MA / Pedro's Judo Club)
2. Megan Roberts (Perris, CA / Temecula Valley Judo)
3. Madison Geores (Middletown, CT / Blue Dragon Judo Clu)

DIVISION: Girls Intermed. 1; 38 Kg

1. Julia Demars (Santa Monica, CA / West Coast Judo)
2. Kayla Campbell (Little Falls, NJ / Camal Judo)
3. Gabrielle Proksa (DUNBARTON, NH / Granite State Judo I)

DIVISION: Girls Intermed. 1; 43 Kg

1. Kaylin Deschenes (Lynn, MA / Pedro's Judo Club)
2. Jelena Veskov (South Riding, VA / Sport Judo)
3. Katherinne Lieby (Pembroke Pines, FL / Panther Judo)

DIVISION: Girls Bantam 3; 23 Kg

1. Victoria Goncalves (Danbury, CT / War memorial judo cl)
2. Taylor Skelley (Upper saddle river, NJ / Camal Judo)

DIVISION: Girls Bantam 3; 27 Kg

1. Erica Oliver (Mansfield Center, CT / New London County)
2. Julyeiska Colon (New Britain, CT / Valiant Martial Arts)
3. Erica Mallon (Madison, CT / Shoreline Judo)

DIVISION: Girls Bantam 3; 35 Kg

1. Elizabeth Wright (Hilwkley, CA / Barstow Judo Club)
2. Rene Gangarosa (Rochester, NY / Bedroc Martial Arts)
3. Olivia Yerian (Derry, NH / Derry Judo Club)

DIVISION: Girls Bantam 2; 25 Kg

1. Sierra Widmar (Dilltown, PA / Dilltown Judo Club)
2. Yael Oken (North Woodmere, NY / starrett)
3. Julia Boyle (Rowley, MA / Pedro's Judo Club)

DIVISION: Girls Bantam 2; 30 Kg

1. Alyssa Quaintance (Rochester, MA / Wareham Judo Club)
2. Emma Montanile (LYNNFIELD, MA / PEDROS JUDO CENTER)
3. Joslyn Deschenes (Lynn, MA / Pedro's Judo Club)

DIVISION: Girls Bantam 1; 19 Kg

1. Bridget Mason (East Greenwich, RI / Mayo Quanchi)

DIVISION: Girls Bantam 1; 23 Kg

1. Katherine Jordan (Boxford, MA / Pedro's Judo Club)

2. Ariel Hines (Brooklyn, NY / Legrosports/Starrett)

DIVISION: Boys Intermed. 2; 28 Kg

1. Peter Ray (, MA / Pedro's Judo)
2. Dylan Skelley (Upper saddle river, NJ / Camal Judo)
3. Salvatore Desimone (Coraopolis, PA / Kims Martial Arts)

DIVISION: Boys Intermed. 2; 31 Kg

1. Ean Katagihara (San Gabiel, CA / San Gabriel)
2. David Yefroyev (Forest Hills, NY / Spartak Sports Club)
3. Jonathan Deschenes (Uncasville, CT / New London County)

DIVISION: Boys Intermed. 2; 34 Kg

1. Daniel Nikitine (Thornhill, CAN / Tsunami Club)
2. Greg Zaw (Forestdale, MA / JW Judo Club)
3. Dustin Freund (Brooklyn, CT / Mayo Quanchi)

DIVISION: Boys Intermed. 2; 38 Kg

1. Aesa Ramirez (Hillside, NJ / Cranford JKC)
2. Luke Boyle (Rowley, MA / Pedro's Judo Club)
3. Max O'connell (Cranston, RI / Mayo Quanchi)

DIVISION: Boys Intermed. 2; 42 Kg

1. Trevor Allen (Honolulu, HI / Shobukan)
2. Armani Ellison (Brooklyn, NY / Legrosports/Starrett)
3. Matthew Landry (Forest Dale, MA, MA / JW Judo Club)

DIVISION: Boys Intermed. 2; 48 Kg

1. Denzel Hunt (Brooklyn, NY / Legrosports/Starrett)
2. Alexander Dubinkin (Brooklyn, NY / Combat Sambo Center)
3. Jonathan Kenis (Holland, PA / Liberty Bell Judo)

DIVISION: Boys Intermed. 2; 53 Kg

1. Aaron Wu (Cupertino, CA / Cupertino Judo Club)
2. Ryan Wong (Claremont, CA / San Gabriel)
3. Vincent Amoroso (Smithtown, NY / Smithtown Judo)

DIVISION: Boys Intermed. 2; 61kg

1. Caleb Brown (Falmouth, MA / JW Judo)
2. Ishmael Mcginty (Fayetteville, NC / Fayetteville/Ft Brag)
3. Andrew Topanian (Woburn, MA, MA / MMA Judo Club)

DIVISION: Boys Intermed. 2; +61kg

1. Devin Sobay (Wichita Falls, TX / Texoma Judo Jujitsu)
2. James Lynn (Norfolk, VA / Norfolk School of Ju)

DIVISION: Boys Intermed. 1; 26 Kg

1. Adam Valdez (Barstow, CA / Barstow Judo Club)
2. Ricky Pedro (Methuen, MA / Pedro's Judo Club)
3. Lucas Molak (Caventry, RI / Mayo Quanchi)

DIVISION: Boys Intermed. 1; 30 Kg

1. Cameron Kato (Kaneohe, HI / Shobukan)
2. Matthew Puzhitsky (Toronto, CAN / Tsunami Club)
3. Tyler Elliott (Philadelphia, PA / Liberty Bell Judo)

DIVISION: Boys Intermed. 1; 34 Kg

1. Tyler Allen (Honolulu, HI / shobukan)
2. Eric Oshima (Palo Alto, CA / Palo Alto Judo Club)
3. David Toledo (Miami Lakes, FL / Budokan Judo Club)

DIVISION: Boys Intermed. 1; 38 Kg

1. John Boyle (Rowley, MA / Pedro's Judo Club)
2. Quentin Cook (Anderson, IN, IN / Anderson YMCA Judo)
3. Hagop Yeghukian (Forest hills, NY / Spartak Sports Club)

DIVISION: Boys Intermed. 1; 43 Kg

1. Aj Pedro (Methuen, MA / Pedro's Judo Club)
2. Antonino Marino (New Britain, CT / New Britain Judo)
3. David Gray (Worthville, KY / Owen County Judo)

DIVISION: Boys Intermed. 1; 50kg

1. Anthony Fraumeni (Medford, MA / Pedro's Judo Club)
2. Nicholas Martino (Johnston, RI / Mayo Quanchi)
3. Michael Berucci (Marstons Mills, MA / Cape Cod Judo & Jiu-)

DIVISION: Boys Intermed. 1; +50 kg

1. Matt Sullivan (, MA / Pedro's Judo)
2. Daniel Kruglyak (Brooklyn, NY / Combat Sambo)
3. Jimmy jr Ferguson (Manchester, NH / GSJI)

DIVISION: Boys Bantam 3; 23 Kg

1. Joshua Gobencion (Newark, NJ / Camal Judo)
2. Jacob Statires (Bedford, NH / GSJI)
3. J. r. Foster (Ocean Springs, MS / Gulf Coast Judo)

DIVISION: Boys Bantam 3; 27 Kg

1. Timothy Korottchenko (Concord, CAN / Tsunami)
2. Semeon Tartakovski (Richmond Hill, CAN / Tsunami)
3. Quinton Mason (East Greenwich, RI / Mayo Quanchi)

DIVISION: Boys Bantam 3; 31 Kg

1. Kevin Shea (Falmouth, MA, MA / JW Judo)
2. Nikita Afanasyev (Staten Island, NY / Combat Sambo)
3. Christopher Kwmuntis (Peabody, MA / Pedro's Judo Club)

DIVISION: Boys Bantam 3; 35 Kg

1. Daniel Shleyger (Staten Island, NY / Combat Sambo Center)
2. Matthew Blois (Wakefield, MA / Pedro's Judo Club)
3. Tyler Riggs (Scituate, RI / Mayo Quanchi)

DIVISION: Boys Bantam 2; 21 Kg

1. Naum Shuster (Staten Island, NY, NY / Combat Judo)
2. Nicolas Botello (Mashpee, MA / JW Judo Club)
3. Braden Riggs (Clyde, NC / Waynesville Kodokan)

DIVISION: Boys Bantam 2; 25 Kg

1. Edward Kam (Staten Island, NY / Combat Sambo Center)
2. Justin Vodoff (Brooklyn, NY, NY / Combat Sambo)
3. Samuel Faynleyb (Staten Island, NY / Combat Sambo)

DIVISION: Boys Bantam 2; 30 Kg

1. Giuseppe Inserra (Stafford, VA / sport Judo)
2. Julien Legros (Yorktown Heights, NY / Legrosports/Starrett)
3. Navy Shouler (Waynesville, NC / Waynesville Kodokan)

DIVISION: Boys Bantam 1; 19 Kg

1. Edward Lacson (Lexington, MA / Pedro's Judo)

DIVISION: Boys Bantam 1; 23 Kg

1. Isaiah Ramirez (Barstow, CA / Barstow Judo Club)
2. Brian Orshansky (Staten Island, NY / Combat Sambo Center)
3. Ivan Khvaline (Richmond Hill, CAN / Tsunami)

DIVISION: Boys Bantam 1; +28 Kg

1. Max Rogers (Waynesville, NC / Waynesville Kodokan)
2. Thomas Moreau jr. (Derry, NH / Moreau's Training Ce)

DIVISION: Boys Bantam Jr.; 19 Kg

1. Mark Botello (Mashpee, MA / JW Judo Club)
2. Youssef Mahgoub (Nashua, NH, NH / MMA Judo)
3. Zachary Gershkowitz (Staten Island, NY / Combat Sambo)

DIVISION: Female Juvenile B; 44 Kg

1. Katherine Heffernan (Waterloo, CAN / Asahi Judo Club)

DIVISION: Female Juvenile B; 48 Kg

1. Shea Favorite (Clermont, FL / Central Florida Judo)

2. Whitney Lohnes (Bridgewater, CAN, CAN / Bridgewater Judo Kwa)
3. Mariah Abelha (Fall River, MA, MA / Tahi-Gawa)

DIVISION: Female Juvenile B; 52 Kg

1. Viktorua Sokolovska (Richmond Hill, CAN / Tsunami)
2. Madison Hatch (Lebanon, CT / Mayo Quanchi)
3. Inna Rokhvarg (Feasterville, PA / Liberty Bell Judo)

DIVISION: Female Juvenile B; 57 Kg

1. Crystal Butts (Fontama, CA / LACC)
2. Janessa Diaz-sosa (Fall River, MA / Mayo Quanchi)
3. Kelsey Lenfest (Londonderry, NH / Derry Judo Club)

DIVISION: Female Juvenile B; 63 Kg

1. Anna Kielkucki (, NY / NY DOJO)
2. Sarah Crosby (, CA / West Coast Training)

DIVISION: Female Juvenile B; 70 Kg

1. Katinna Rodriguez (Anchorage, AK / All Star Judo/AK Jud)
2. Sonia Ran (Arlington, MA / Tohoku)
3. Aleesha Allen (Pittsburgh, PA / Kim's Martial Arts)

DIVISION: Male Juvenile B; 51 Kg

1. Everet Desilets (Providence, RI / Mayo Quanchi)
2. Anthony Sek (Providence, RI / Mayo Quanchi)
3. Jose Pantoja (Mexico, MEX / CNAR)

DIVISION: Male Juvenile B; 55 Kg

1. Ricondo Cole (Providence, RI / Mayo Quanchi)
2. Stephen Sanders (Jones, OK / OKCDT)
3. Paris Casal (Taveres, FL / Central Florida Judo)

DIVISION: Male Juvenile B; 60 Kg

1. Kevin Wu (Cupertino, CA / Cupertino Judo Club)
2. Victor Wong (Saratoga, CA / Cupertino Judo Club)
3. Edward Grist (Oromocto, CAN / Dragons)

DIVISION: Male Juvenile B; 66 Kg

1. Max Golembo (Vernon Hills, IL / Cohen's Judo)
2. Rolando Ruiz (PEMBROKE PINES, FL / Budokan Judo Club)
3. Patryk Obiedzinski (Queens, NY / PSC Judo)

DIVISION: Male Juvenile B; 73 Kg

1. Akram Iminov (, NY / Spartak Sports Judo)
2. Mathew Brady (Kirrelon, NJ, NJ / Camal)
3. David Bynum (Maysville, NC / Mayfield Martial Art)

DIVISION: Male Juvenile B; 81 Kg

1. Jeremy Galib (PITTSFIELD, MA / Jason Morris Judo CI)
2. David Gomez (Plainfeild, NJ, NJ / JKC)
3. Peter Bertucci (Marstons Mills, MA / Cape Cod Judo & Jiu-)

DIVISION: Male Juvenile B; +90 Kg

1. Igor Basilevich (Fortest Hills, NY / Spartak Sports Club)



At left: Jessica and Kala do ju no kata on the beach at the Judo Forum camp.

Below:

British Bulldog at Judo Forum camp with judo players from Encino, Temecula Valley and Simi Valley on top and Ronda Rousey being swarmed.



2008 ARIZONA DEVELOPMENTAL JUDO TOURNAMENT

Sponsored by: Buckey Judo, Desert, Judo and Tucson Dojo

DATE: Saturday 16 August 2008

LOCATION: Millennium High School, 14802 W Wigwam Blvd, Goodyear, AZ 85395

REGISTRATION and WEIGH-INS: At tournament site
Friday 15 August from 6:00-8:00pm and Saturday 16 August from 7:00-8:30am

COACH / REFEREE MEETING: Saturday 16 August at 9am

TOURNAMENT START: 10am Junior divisions; 11am Senior and Masters divisions

JUDO GIS: Please have your students wear **white** Judo gis only.

ENTRY FEES: Make checks payable to **Desert Judo / Judy Gaines**

\$25 first division if post-marked before Friday 8 August 2008

\$30 first division on-site or if post-marked after Friday 8 August 2008

\$20 each additional division, requires a separate entry form

Mail form, fee and copy of USJA/USJF/USAJudo card to **Larry Gaines, 6115 W Juniper, Glendale AZ 85306**



REFEREE and TABLE STAFF TRAINING: Available and encouraged! Signup at registration table.

ELIGIBILITY: Proof of current insurance membership in USJA, USJF or USA Judo required. Foreign players must provide current insurance membership in their country's recognized national Judo organization. *Membership applications for US organizations will be available at registration.*

DIVISIONS: All divisions are determined at time of weigh-ins and are subject to modification based on entries. Each skill, gender and age category will be separated into weight divisions, generally: light, middle and heavy. All decisions by the tournament director are final. **Men and Women Novice** are defined as players: who hold a rank of yonkyu or below; who have NOT won any advance divisions; who have NOT won 2 novice divisions; who have no more than 1-year of Judo experience. **Men and Women Brown** are defined as players who hold a rank of sankyu, nikyu or ikkyu. **Junior Novice** are defined as players who hold a rank of yellow belt or below.

<u>Skill</u>	<u>M/F</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Skill</u>	<u>M/F</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Skill</u>	<u>M/F</u>	<u>Age</u>
Novice	boy	5-6 years	Novice	girl	5-6 years	Novice	men	
Novice	boy	7-8 years	Novice	girl	7-8 years	Brown	men	
Novice	boy	9-10 years	Novice	girl	9-10 years	B & B	men	
Novice	boy	11-12 years	Novice	girl	11-12 years	Masters	men	-40 years
Novice	boy	13-14 years	Novice	girl	13-14 years	Masters	men	-50 years
Novice	boy	15-16 years	Novice	girl	15-16 years	Masters	men	50+ years
Junior	boy	5-6 years	Junior	girl	5-6 years	Novice	women	
Junior	boy	7-8 years	Junior	girl	7-8 years	Brown	women	
Junior	boy	9-10 years	Junior	girl	9-10 years	B & B	women	
Junior	boy	11-12 years	Junior	girl	11-12 years	Masters	women	
Junior	boy	13-14 years	Junior	girl	13-14 years			
Junior	boy	15-16 years	Junior	girl	15-16 years			

RULES: All matches will be conducted using the current IJF Contest Rules with the following modifications:

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| 1. No shime-waza (chokes) under 13 years old | 5. No kanibasmi (flying scissors) in any division |
| 2. No shime-waza (chokes) in any junior novice division | 6. We are using pre-2003 medical rules |
| 3. No kansetsu-waza (armlocks) under 17 years old | 7. We are using pre-1994 contest rules regarding safety zone and out of bounds area |
| 4. No kansetsu-waza (armlocks) in senior novice/brown divisions | |

TOURNAMENT DIRECTORS: Edwin Eng, Larry Gaines, Steve Owen

INFORMATION: Larry Gaines at 602 439 4343 or ljudo@qwest.net

SANCTION: USJA# 08-056

Montana YMCA Summer Martial Arts Camp
Friday August 15th-Sunday August 17th 2008
USJA SANCTIONED

Location: Helena Family YMCA Camp Child, McDonald Pass (Elliston), HWY 12
Approximately 25 miles west of Helena on Hwy 12

Start Time: Opening Ceremonies at 3:00 pm Friday Afternoon

Check-In: 11:00 to 2:00 Friday All Camp attendees/coaches must check in. Fees should be paid at this time unless already pre-registered and release forms submitted.

****GUEST INSTRUCTOR Marisa Pedulla, Olympian and 2004 Olympic Judo Coach**

Coaches/Instructors Meeting: 2:15 Friday & 8:15 am. (Saturday)

◆ ALL SENSEIS ARE ASKED TO HELP TEACH, PLEASE CONTACT GREGG

camp Pre-Registration/Weigh-in: Using the "honor system", clubs conduct their own weigh-in and send the information (**listing names, weights, ranks, ages, birth date, sex**) **Mail to Gregg Trude, Helena YMCA, 1200 N. Main St. Helena, MT 59601.** The Camp director reserves the right to change a camper's Division any time during the Camp to even up groups of campers.

Registration Fee: * \$70.00 per camp attendee. * ***includes all meals and lodging, parents can come to camp for \$50.00, this covers food costs***

Deadline for Receiving Registrations: Thursday, August 8, 2008

Eligibility: Contestants must be members in good standing with their respective Judo Associations. Release forms **must** be filled by any competitor and handed in before competitor is allowed on the mats.

Camp Director: Mr. Gregg Trude

Technical Advisors: Steve Reardon,

The camp will consist of 2 (two) 1 hour training periods on Friday and 5 on Sat and 3 on Sunday. Adults will have 2 on Fri & 6 on Sat, 3 Sunday. Each period will teach a different aspect of Judo (competition throwing, kata, arm bars and chokes, turnovers, competition rules, etc. Camp attendees will divide up in groups and will attend each training period over the course of the camp. There will be several breaks and use of the YMCA facilities such as the lake will be available. All campers should bring swimwear. Gatorade will be available at all times. * All campers will get their own t-shirt at check in. Put size on info sheet to reserve a t-shirt. **All meals and lodging are provided.**

If you have any questions please call Gregg Trude @ 406-439-1576
COME EXPECTING GREAT FUN and GREAT JUDO!

**GOLDEN STATE OPEN JUDO INVITATIONAL
E-LEVEL TOURNAMENT SANCTIONED BY USA Judo # 2008-040
August 22-23, 2008**

DATE & TIME:	Saturday August 23, 2008 – Contest begins at 9:30 a.m. E-LEVEL SENIOR DIVISIONS BEGINS AT 9:30AM
Location:	Fairplex Fairgrounds, 1101 W. McKinley Avenue, Pomona, CA. 91768
HOST HOTEL:	Sheraton Suites Fairplex 601 West McKinley Avenue, Pomona, CA., 91768. Hotel is located off (10) freeway at White ave. go north. 24 hour shuttle service to Ontario Airport. Free five mile shuttle to restaurant and attractions. Phone number is (909) 622-2220. Rates are approximately \$130 for double beds. New Hotel: Golden State Open Special at the Hampton Inn West Covina 3145 E. Garvey Ave N. West Covina, CA 91791. Phone number is 626.967.5800. The rates are \$79.00 for double beds it is approx. 10 min from tournament site. Please reserve by august 8 th , 2008. If transportation from the hotel is needed to the tournaments please contact the tournament director for accommodations.
Fees:	\$50.00 for e-level divisions and \$40.00 for all other divisions if pre-registered and postmarked by August 15, 2008. Anything after and walk-up registration will be \$60.00 for E-level and \$50.00 for all other divisions. Two in the same immediate family will be \$75 dollars and three in the same immediate family \$105 Make checks payable to East Valley Boys & Girls Club, and mail to Frank Sanchez 1106 W. Pine St., West Covina, CA 91790.
REGISTRATION & WEIGH-IN:	Registration/weigh-ins will be held on August 22, 2008 at the Fairplex of Pomona (E-Level competitors must weigh-in on FRIDAY) from 5:00pm till 8:30pm. Additional weigh-ins will be on Saturday August 23, 2008 at the Fairplex (tournament site) from 7:30 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. for 12 years and under, 8:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. for 13 to 16 year olds, and from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. for Senior Novice & Masters only. All Senior E-Level Division must have proper photo and tournament identification during weigh-ins on FRIDAY.
ELIGIBILITY:	Each contestant must be currently registered with, USA Judo (USJI), USJF or USJA.
RULES:	Round Robin on all division of 5 or less. All other divisions will be modified double elimination. Divisions with 2 or less contestants will be full double elimination or can be moved up at the tournament committee's discretion (except for Senior E-Level Div.). The tournament will be conducted in accordance with the contest rules of the International Judo Federation as modified by the Tournament Committee. Full IJF Rules will be for E-Level Divisions only! E-Level competitors may compete in only one category. In addition they must compete in the weight category that conforms to their measured weight. EXCEPTION: The male 55 kg and female 44 kg categories are PJU weights and are not "Olympic" weights. These competitors can opt to move up to the next higher category only (<u>See Tournament Rules</u>). IJF modification: Pre-2003 medical.
AWARDS:	Two post trophies will be given to 1 st , 2 nd & 3 rd places. Team awards will be given for First, Second and third.
Tournament Directors:	Frank Sanchez Jr. (626) 806-8120 and Eric Sanchez (626) 961-6000.
Head Referee:	Referees' meeting will begin at 8:30am
Coaching Passes:	Two free coaching passes per dojo. Extra coaching passes available at \$10.00 each under discretion of tournament director. <i>No one will be allowed to coach without a pass!</i>
Spectator Fee:	There will be a spectator fee of \$3.00 for adults and \$1.00 for children 6 thru 16 years of age. Parking Fee: \$8
Hosted By:	Guerreros Judo Club

COACHING OPPORTUNITIES/ COACH CERTIFICATION

The 2008 Southern California Judo Conference

Do you need to be certified? Want more information on judo? Improve your judo? Or need continuing education credits? Then The 2008 West Coast Conference is where you want to be! Be the first to sign up since space is limited in some of the Certification areas. This conference has been approved for certification by USJA, USJF and USA Judo.

Dates: August 29 – 31, 2008

Co-sponsored by: Nanka Yudanshakai, California Judo Inc. USJF and USJA.

Place: Los Angeles City College, 855 North Vermont Avenue, Los Angeles California 90029.

Telephone number: (323) 853-4000 extension 2860

Coordinators: Ryan Fukuhara and Hayward Nishioka

Times: Friday 6:00 PM – 9:30 PM, Saturday, Sunday 9:00 AM – 10:00 PM.

Registration fee: \$50.00, to attend any or all sessions. Make checks payable to Nanka Judo Yudanshakai.

Presenters:

- Dr. AnnMaria DeMars**, World Champion, and Director of Development for USJA, Senior Statistical Consultant, University of Southern California. Topic area: Trends and qualities needed for the development of judo for the next quadrennial.
- Mr. Hal Sharp**, World renowned author and videographer, Advisor for Gardena Judo Club, Topic Area: Electronic scouting of the opposition.
- Professor Steven Seck**, L.A. Trade Technical College, Member of the 1980 US Olympic Judo Team. Topic Area; Trends and techniques in Modern Judo
- Kenji Osugi**, President of Nanka Judo Yudanshakai, Head Instructor, Sawtelle Judo Dojo. Topic Area: Regional Kata Judge Certification.
- Frank Morales**, International Judo Federation class “A” Referee, Member of USA Judo Referee Commission. Topic Area: Regional Referee Certification.
- Professor Hayward Nishioka**, Los Angeles City College. USA Judo Level “A” Coach, Coaching Committee, Topic Area: Level “E” Coaching Certification.
- Professor Mitchell Palacio**, President of California Judo Inc., City College of San Francisco. Topic Area: Assistant Instructors Certification. (Limited to 10 candidates.) This is a special program requiring the candidate to attend only the three day AI sessions. Students are required to purchase a manual which must be read prior to attending the class. Due to the seriousness of this program participants are rigorously examined to meet high standards of performance. Candidates fulfilling the requirements of this course may also qualify for the Level D or “E” coaching certification.

SCHOLARSHIPS ARE AVAILABLE FOR USJA MEMBERS. CONTACT ANNMARIA DE MARS AT DRANNMARIA@YAHOO.COM

HOW DO I GET CERTIFIED AS A USJA COACH?

by Dr. AnnMaria DeMars

No matter how many times we answer this question, it comes up again and again. We understand why. When you don't need certification, you don't think about it, you're busy. When you do need it, you find yourself saying, "Okay, how does a person get certified?"

In the USJA, we try to make it as convenient as possible for our coaches. You need to meet a few criteria:

1. Be at least a brown belt (sankyū)
2. Be at least 18 years of age
3. Pass a background screening. There is a form you can download from the website. You mail it in with a check for \$16 to the address on the form.
<http://www.usja-judo.org/committees/coacheducation/coaches.html>
4. Pass an APPROVED coach certification course. This course includes an on-the-mat exam.
5. Mail \$25 made payable to the USJA and a completed coach application form to the address on the form. The course application form can be downloaded from the same website above. It must be signed by the course instructor or he/she may send a list of the coaches who passed the course to the USJA coach chair.

USJA coach certification is good for four years. To get a coaching card, send a 300 dpi photo to Katrina.Davis@usja-judo.org include your name and mailing address. She does not recognize you all on sight. The coach card is free, paid for by USJA sponsor Zebra Mats.



HOW DO I MOVE UP IN CERTIFICATION?

When initially certified, you are a D level coach (if shodan) or E level (brown belts). To stay at D level, you must attend two continuing education activities in four years. Continuing education events scheduled include the 2008 Southern California Judo conference (see above), Camp Bushido West in northern California, the coach clinic at the All-Women's Tournament in Michigan in November, coach clinic at the USJA/ USJF Winter Nationals in December.

HOW CAN I GET A CERTIFICATION OR CONTINUING EDUCATION EVENT IN MY AREA?

If you have an event already planned that you would like to have approved for continuing education credit, please contact USJA Coaching Chair Jim Pedro, Sr. at USJAcouch1@yahoo.com. At a minimum, include date, time and location proposed, topic area, number of hours on the mat and in the classroom and the name and credentials of the instructors.

If you would like to sponsor a continuing education event in your area and need assistance with planning, please contact regional coordinator chair Joan Love, judolady210@aol.com. She has

coordinated some highly successful events, such as the Great American Workout and can give you a lot of advice with the details as well as put you in touch with the regional coordinator for your area.

What would YOU like to make happen in judo?

Want to give scholarships for kids to go to camps? Support young brown and black belts to become coaches? Promote women's development? Fund a clinic in your area of the country?

Make a donation to the USJA Development Fund. Call (877) 411-3409 and tell them you would like to make a donation to the DEVELOPMENT FUND. We take credit cards. You can specify if you would like the donation to be made to junior judo, senior judo, camp scholarships, coach education or just a general donation to the development fund. Or you can make a check to USJA Development and mail it to:

USJA 21 North Union Blvd, Suite 200 Colorado Springs, CO 80909-5742

Any amount helps and we really do appreciate your support; 100% of funds go to support activities such as the camps and clinics you read about here.

CONGRATULATIONS ! To Jim Pedro, Sr. for winning the Goodyear "Get There" award. He was one of three 'medalists' chosen from around the country for their support in helping athletes achieve at the level necessary to get to the Olympics .

<http://sev.prnewswire.com/sports/20080728/CLM10228072008-1.html>

Thanks...

Thanks to Deb Fergus, Bob Treat and the Southside Dojo for their \$250 donation this month.

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