Axe Taekwon-Do Newsletter

September 2022

Birthdays in September



Happy birthday to the following students of Axe Taekwon–Do: Ms. Param, Ms. Buckley, Mr. Garber, D., Mrs. Kelly, and Mrs. Buckley. Please email Grand Master Todd at ustfneb@cox.net if your name is not listed.

Promotion Testing—Axe Taekwon-Do:



Testing will be held at the Youth Center on **September 8th**. We moved this to accommodate several students. The test forms have been handed out and we request they are turned in with payment prior to the testing. There is no black belt test-

ing during this test. Future promotion testing will be held in November. Remember if you are in 7th grade or above you will take a written test for every belt promotion. Students in 6th grade and below will take an oral test where they will be asked the following questions:

- 1. Meaning of your belt
- 2. Number of moves in your pattern
- 3. Diagram of your pattern
- 4. Definition of your pattern

You can refer to http://www.axetkd.com/PDF/Guide/ParentGuide.pdf
For assistance with the oral questions.

USTF Tournament— Saturday, August 27th 2022, Kirksville, Missouri:

This was an outstanding tournament, a little smaller than in past years but overall, a great event. Attending this year were: Grand Master Todd, Mrs. Ragone, Mr. Toppi, Mrs. Buckley, Mr. Buckley, Ms. Chamberlin, Ms. Ragone, Mrs. Chamberlin, Ms. Grant, Ms. Buckley, and Mr. Jensen. Pictures borrowed from the Facebook page for Kirksville TKD. More pictures on the next page.





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- Oct 15th—Referee Seminar—
- Oct 16th—Tournament—CO
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Youth Center AF Child and Youth Programs Parent Portal Account Registration: All students registered for Taekwon-Do classes will receive an email that requires you to sign up through the Youth Programs portal. This is not a scam and is required. I need every student enrolled through this program.

The email will state:

AF Child and Youth Programs (CYP) uses an online management system for program participation.

By clicking on the below link, please create a user account and complete your family's profile. Your profile and any other registration paperwork (i.e., a copy of current immunizations, health assessment, if applicable medication authorization, allergy exposure response, asthma action plan, emergency medication action plan, special needs package, etc.) must be completed prior to your child's/youth's attendance in CYP. Note: If your child/youth has been identified with a special need, an Inclusion Action Plan must be approved prior to enrollment. There will also be two links below this email, one to register online and the other to log in. If you have questions, please contact the Youth Center.

Thanks,
Offutt AFB SAC/YP

Recruiting:

Sr. Grand Master Sereff in the past would always say that once you earn your black belt you owe a debt to your instructor to bring a student into Taekwon-Do that trains until they are a black belt. I have done this a hundred times in my career. I am challenging all of you to step up to this challenge now. Due to COVID, our beginning ranks have dwindled. I will work with the Youth Center again on some ideas to grow the class, but it takes YOU to help. The class has always grown by word of mouth and students recruiting other students. When you see someone watching a class stop by them and introduce yourself. When you are teaching make it exciting, new students want action, self-defense, etc. They don't want gymnastics or the mental knowledge that comes later in training. Remember when you joined what attracted you? Use that with the new students.

Promotion Testing November —Axe Taekwon-Do:

The final testing for 2022 will be held at the Youth Center on **Saturday**, **November 12th**. The start time will be 9:30 am. This will be a large test so we will hold it on Saturday. We also plan to have a luncheon after the testing to celebrate the promotions and your year of accomplishments.

Testing for black belt ranks will be: for 4th degree black belt, Ms. Ashleigh Ragone, Mrs. Sheila Duralia, Mrs. Elizabeth Chamberlin, and Ms. Brianna Grant. To 3rd degree black belt, Mr. Anthony Garber and Mr. Kiel Matos. To 2nd degree black belt, Mr. Dameon Garber and Ms. Hope McDermott. To 1st degree black belt, Ms. Marsaili Kelly. Also, hopefully, all color belts will be tested. Remember if you are in 7th grade or above you will take a written test for every belt promotion.

Axe Taekwon-Do

Axe Taekwon-Do was formed in 2004 at Offutt Air Force Base. Grand Master Todd and Master Bushor formed Axe Taekwon-Do which is an authorized school under the United States Taekwon-Do Federation.

USTF Taekwon-Do has been active at Offutt Air Force Base, Youth Center since 1988. The classes were originally founded by Mr. Vince Dowd, a 3rd degree black belt from Colorado. In 1989, the late Sr. Master Gary Meek took over the classes and renamed the school Meek's International Taekwon-Do. In 2004, the school was renamed Axe Taekwon-Do and Grand Master Todd and Master Bushor took over the teaching.

Classes are taught on Tuesday & Thursday.

Beginners: 5:30—6:30 pm

Advanced: 6:30-8:00 pm

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USTF Tournament—Saturday, September 17th, 2022, Casper, Wyoming:

This is another tournament for students to attend. Casper Taekwon-Do typical-



ly sends students for our Axe Taekwon-Do tournament and we should plan to support their event. This event is open to all ages and ranks. The cost is \$45 per student. This tournament will provide the required participation in a tournament as a competitor and judge for students this year. You can obtain the registration flyer and more information at: http://www.axetkd.com/PDF/WyInvit2022.pdf

Thus far attending: Grand Master Todd, Mrs. Ragone, Mr. Palmer, Ms. Grant, Mr. Jensen, Mrs. Lewis, Mr. May, C., Mr. May, M. We need a few more students to attend this event. Please contact Grand Master Todd asap to add your name to the list.

USTF Referee Seminar—Saturday, October 15th, Broomfield, Colorado: I will be teaching the USTF Referee Seminar at Sereff Taekwon-Do in Broomfield on Saturday, **October 15th, 2022.** The referee seminar is for red belts (blue belt red stripe adults) and above. This seminar will allow participants to certify at the Class A, B or C level or provide refresher training. It is also an excellent way for black belts to obtain 8 hours of continuing education which is required annually. The costs are \$75 for the initial certification or upgrade. The cost for refresher training is \$50. You can obtain the registration flyer and more information at: http://www.axetkd.com/PDF/USTFRefereeflyer22.pdf

USTF Tournament—Sunday, October 16th, Broomfield, Colorado:

The Annual Sereff Taekwon-Do tournament will be held **October 16th**, **2022** in Broomfield, Colorado. This is an excellent tournament for students to attend and it will be the largest tournament of the year. If you are interested in participating in a large tournament, this is one to attend. This event is open to all

ages and ranks. The cost is \$45 per student. This tournament will provide the required participation in a tournament as a competitor and judge for students this year. You can obtain the registration flyer and more information at:

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