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## SPRING/WINTER NEWSLETTER 2014

### From the Desk of Sensei Becky



Gosh, I love this time of year! Spring and Summer are such wonderful times to get outside and have fun! Looking over our OKC Calendar of Events for the studio, you will see lots of fun activities planned for our spring and summer months and we hope you will be able to join us! We will also be making some creative design changes to our studio and can't wait to get started on these projects – we are very excited about them! So take a close look at this newsletter so you don't miss a thing and we'll see you in class!

### BBC/G.O.L.D. Team Kicks Off!



Our G.O.L.D. Team members are off and running! Our May 9th Induction Ceremony and G.O.L.D. Team training was a huge success and we are pleased that our brown and black belt students are so willing to accept their new responsibilities. Take a moment to see our photo board in the lobby so that you see just how many of our OKC students are a part of this new leadership program – it's pretty awesome! Congratulations and Welcome to all of our new G.O.L.D. Team leaders and members! We are very proud of you!

## **OKC Parents Come to Karate Class!**



Moms Training Days will be held on May 14th and May 15th ; our Dads will be joining us on June 11th and June 12th. Parents, don't miss the chance to join your child in their karate class! Since 1995, this OKC annual event has proven to be two tons of fun for everyone! Parents should wear comfortable work-out clothing and be prepared to punch, kick, and have a really great time! You know what we always say..."The family that kicks together, sticks together!" Hope to see YOU in class!

## **OKC Dojo Tournament, May 30th / 6-9 PM**



Don't forget to get your tournament registration forms in by May 16th – that's the last day to register! Hope to see you ringside and good luck to all of our competitors!

## OKC Friday Summer Day Camps



Once again we will be offering our exciting Friday Summer Day Camps on June 20th, July 18th, and August 15th. We think the activities we have planned for this summer will be the best ever, so sign-up today! Last day to register is June 1st .

## OKC Buddy Days

Got a friend who might like to try-out karate? Bring your buddy to class on either July 16th, 17th August 20th or 21st and let them try a class with you for FREE! All they need is a written permission note from their Mom or Dad and they can come train as your guest! Got questions, please see Sensei Becky or Sensei John. The more the merrier!

## Coming this Fall 2014 – Saturday Karate Classes!!!

We are excited to announce that beginning in late August/early September, OKC will be offering karate classes on Saturdays to all of our members. All white and yellow belts will be able to train from 9:00 to 10:00 am and our orange through brown belts will be able to train from 10:00 to 11:00 am. These classes are open to ALL students in our OKC Youth, Jr. High, Teen and Adult programs.

## Congratulations to Sensei Jennifer Davis Sensei Tyler Elsberry!

Many of you may remember having Sensei Jenny as a black belt instructor here, at OKC. We are still blessed to have her in attendance at black belt testings and other special events. It is an honor to announce that on May 23rd, Sensei Jenny will be receiving her Masters Degree in Mathematics from California State University – Long Beach and we are very proud of her! A Masters in Math is a tremendous accomplishment and she has worked very hard for this degree. Way to go Sensei Jenny! Go Beach!!

In addition, students may remember Sensei Tyler Elsberry who also taught for us and trained earning his black belt from OKC a few years ago. Sensei John and Sensei Becky were honored to be invited to witness Sensei Tyler as he received his Eagle Scout award on May 4th. This is a great achievement and represents, literally, hundreds of hours of work and we are very proud of Sensei Tyler, too! Congratulations Sensei Tyler on work well done!



## Bark-Bytes from Olivia



“Woof! Woof!” It’s Spring! These are the days I like! Plenty of sunshine, a light breeze in my fur and squirrels to chase!!! Plus, at my house when the weather gets nice, we BBQ and that means tasty treats for me!!! I haven’t been to the dojo too much because I love spending time in my big back yard! If I’m not chasing after squirrels (who, so far, won’t come down out of our trees to play with me) I am tracking the birds as they fly across our yard. I have also learned how to dig a few holes! Sensei Becky isn’t too thrilled with that discovery, but it does lead me into my message...

To all of my OKC friends who are finishing up their school year and looking forward to summer vacation...now is the time for you to “dig in” during these final weeks. Keep up with those homework assignments and be sure you are getting plenty of rest so that you can be ready for your final exams. My best wishes to all of you and I hope to see you soon ... Oh wait! Gotta run! I just saw another squirrel!!! Until next time, “Chow”!

### Holiday Closings at OKC

So that you can plan ahead, please make a note of the following dates that our studio will be closed:

- May 23rd thru May 26th – Memorial Weekend
- July 4th thru July 6th – 4th of July Weekend
- August 22nd thru Sept 1st – Senseis Summer Break and Labor Day Weekend

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