

October, 2010

# NEWSLETTER



## OCTOBER TEST RESULTS

My apologies for having missed this month's test. I understand that besides a lack of bowing and hustle, everyone did a good job.

Congratulations to everyone on earning their new ranks!

### *White Belt w/ Yellow Stripe*

**Austin Williams  
Chaise Chaffee  
Clayton Hoyt  
Taofiq Liadi**

### *Yellow Belt*

**Blake Patterson  
Bryan Fick  
Erdem Ozdemir  
Jennifer Semaan  
Megan Hanoush  
Olivia Roe  
Rachel Semaan  
Sevil Ozdemir**

### *Purple Belt w/ Green Stripe*

**Trevor Easterbrook**

### *Green Belt / Blue Stripe*

**Audrey LeBeau  
Heather Pezanowski  
Ryan Siegle**

### *Blue Belt*

**Joey Sosnowski**

### *Red Belt w/ Double Black Stripe*

**Francesca Montana**

## THE HISTORY OF HALLOWEEN

### Ancient Celts

Centuries ago, people believed in spirits, both good and evil. They believed that spirits sometimes helped and hurt people. Some of those people who lived long ago were known as the Celts. They lived in what are now England, France and Ireland. The Halloween story begins when these people spent all spring and summer growing food to last them through the winter. When it was time to harvest all the food, the Celts held a festival to thank the good spirits for their help. This festival was called Samhain (pronounced sow-en). It was held on the day that marked the end of warm light weather and the beginning of dark cold weather - November 1. As part of the celebration, people wore costumes, told fortunes and ate plenty of good food. They also made sacrifices to keep bad spirits away.

### All Saint's Day

Several hundred years later, other beliefs and religions spread to the Celtic lands. The new religion, Christianity, believed that November 1 was a day to honor people who died for their religion. Celtic people understood how November 1 was a good day to honor good spirits-they had been doing it for centuries. The day became known as "All Saint's Day" or "All-hallowmas." The night before the festival day, October 31, became known as "All-hallows Eve" or "Hallowe'en."

### Early Halloween

Because November 1 was a day for good spirits and souls, the night before was thought to be the time for bad spirits to roam free. Halloween turned into a scary time for people who believed that evil spirits would wander the earth to do mischief and cause trouble. To feel safe, people began to put lanterns in their windows and in front of their doors to scare away spirits.



They made lanterns out of carved turnips and other vegetables and, in general, did not consider the time a happy Halloween.

### Modern Halloween

Today's Halloween celebrations combine the joyous fun and food of the Samhain festivals of the Celts with the more creepy and spooky aspect of All Hallows Eve. Costumes, pumpkins and imaginary spooks all combine to make one of the more popular holidays in the United States where people wish each other a "Happy Halloween."

# K Community

## Birthdays this month:

Colton Brewer  
Drake Divozzo  
Lilly Haydon  
Joshua Mathews  
Zachary Perilstein  
Antonio Viassapoulos  
Jacob Klobuchar  
Catie McDade  
Ryan Stachurski

*Please provide the office with details on any item you'd like to have included in our newsletter.*

## S.M.A.R.T. RESOURCES

### 3D Heating & Cooling

Derek 586.532.1266

### Auto Repair

Rich Metz 586.323.4290

### Dance Instruction

Pauline Gatt 248.515.6777

### Embroidery & Alterations

Michelle Schoenek 586.453.6291

### Financial Planning

David Smolarek 248.498.4821

### M & B PRINTING

Bob Roberson (248) 929-1136

### Plumbing

Len Pezanowski 586.948.2822

### Telecommunications

Jim Gatt 248.670.5004

### Web Development & Advertising

Tom Makowski 248.244.8822

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## WORDS OF WISDOM

Failure is simply the opportunity to begin again

... more intelligently.



A blind boy sat on the steps of a building with a hat by his feet. He held up a sign which said: "I am blind, please help." There were only a few coins in the hat.

A man was walking by. He took a few coins from his pocket and dropped them into the hat. He then took the sign, turned it around, and wrote some words.

He put the sign back so that everyone who walked by would see the new words. Soon the hat began to fill up. A lot more people were giving money to the blind boy. That afternoon the man who had changed the sign came to see how things were. The boy recognized his footsteps and asked, "Were you the one who changed my sign this morning? What did you write?"

The man said, "I only wrote the truth. I said what you said but in a different way." I wrote: "Today is a beautiful day but I cannot see it." Both signs told people that the boy was blind. But the first sign simply said the boy was blind. The second sign told people that they were so lucky that they were not blind. Should we be surprised that the second sign was more effective?

## Moral of the Story?

Be thankful for what you have.. Be creative. Be innovative. Think differently and positively. When life gives you a 100 reasons to cry, show life that you have 1000 reasons to smile. Face your past without regret. Handle your present with confidence. Prepare for the future without fear. Keep the faith and drop the fear.

The most beautiful thing is to see a person smiling... And even more beautiful, is knowing that you are the reason behind it!!!

If you appreciate this message, please share. You may touch someones heart today and forever. Enjoy your weekend with a heart of gratitude...

Faith is not about everything turning out OK; Faith is about being OK no matter how things turn out.

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**NEXT TEST  
TO BE HELD ON  
November 7th, 2010**

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## Wednesday 7:15 pm Specialty Class Schedules

*We wish to remind students that to be a part of these classes you are required to teach!*

October	06	Bo Staff
October	13	Aiki Jujitsu
October	20	Kali Sticks
October	27	Aiki Jujitsu
November	03	Bo Staff
November	10	Aiki Jujitsu
November	17	Kali Sticks
November	24	Aiki Jujitsu
December	01	Bo Staff
December	08	Aiki Jujitsu
December	15	Kali Sticks
December	22	Aiki Jujitsu
December	29	Open Training