

## Ka Leo O Kodenkan

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## 2015 Seifukujutsu Class

The AJI recently hosted a 3-day Seifukujutsu Class November 4-6, 2015. The classes were hosted at the Honolulu Chinese Cemetery Complex in beautiful Manoa Valley. Our hosts, Prof. Bruce Keaulani and Kehaulani Lum of Kaito Gakko, did a wonderful job in setting up the place for the many massage tables as well as providing a welcoming atmosphere. Food and refreshments were provided daily and included in the cost per attendee.

The minimum requirement was that participants were familiar with and practicing General Circulatory Massage (Anma) as taught by Prof. Henry Seishiro Okazaki. We had a total of thirty four attendees who traveled from as far away as Chicago to participate.

The instruction was presented by Prof. Ken Eddy of Mizu Shin Tao, who gave of his time to be in Hawaii to conduct the classes. He was assisted by Prof. Tom Rennie and Sensei Melissa Wiseman, also of Mizu Shin Tao. It was a pleasure to see several participants who's livelihood depends on massage, eager to learn and expand their knowledge about the great healing techniques within Seifukujutsu.

The first morning, kappo/katsu was presented, covering all eleven techniques as prescribed. During the afternoon and following days, the protocols of all 52 techniques were covered as well as discussions

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By: Professor Daniel Saragosa



Our membership is comprised of some very intelligent people. Our recent elections come to mind. Using a process we've followed for many years, our elections progressed smoothly, without a hitch. However, several members inquired about procedures as outlined in our bylaws and the board reacted quickly and decisively to make corrections. A bit of a background is in order.

During a meeting in 2012, the makeup of the BOD was changed and a new position was created, Executive Vice-President. This po-

sition has been filled for the past two elections. However, several astute members advised that they felt proper protocol may not have been followed in creating the position. A review of the process showed that they were correct. When the new position was added, it was not enacted by the proper majority of sitting members. As such, the position was improper.

In a move to ensure compliance with our bylaws, the newly seated BOD held a meeting on February 13, 2016. The elected directors voted to install the following officers as outlined in our bylaws:

President – Samuel C. Luke 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President – Daniel W. Saragosa 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President – Scott Horiuchi Secretary – Robert Hoffman Jr. Treasurer – Nolan Yonekura Directors: Mel Cansibog, Ken Eddy, Kainoa Li, Jason Spencer

As such, all persons duly elected by our membership are retained. We hope that this will clear any confusion that some members might have regarding the elections.

On another note, please make your reservations early for the upcoming Ohana. The Nugget Casino Resort is expected to be filled to capacity on the Ohana Weekend and those who wait too long might be left without a room at the hotel. The event is being held June 16-20, 2016. We've heard rumors that the event may be attended by the Dalai Lama! Please visit the Ohana Website to register and make reservations!

#### http://www.danzanryuohana.org/2016/index.asp

Aloha and be well,

Daniel Saragosa VP – AJI



## 2015 Seifukujutsu Class (Cont'd. from page 1)

on materials, oils, dangers and outcomes presented in a systematic and easy to follow process.

Classes closed with presentation of certificates to the participants along with a wonderful Hawaiianstyle dinner.

We would like to acknowledge everyone who helped to make this a very successful event: Prof. Janice Okamoto (Alameda Judo and Jujitsu Club), for her Leonard's Malasadas; Prof. Mel Cansibog (Waianae Jujitsu Dojo) for his Manapuas; Jean Daunhauer from the Island of Kauai for her Krispy Kreme donuts; and Sensei Mindy DeCastro and Sensei Jayna Yonekura for shuttle service, picking up food and running all the necessary errands that came up.

The after-party, following dinner, turned out to be a grand time for talking-story, meeting with and making new friends. Comments were very positive and we look forward to presenting this class again in the future. The final goodbye included the joining of hands and the singing of Hawaii Aloha, a fine finale to a wonderful event.

On a sad note, the last day of the event was marked by the announcement of the death of Aunty Lil Nuuhiwa, wife and figure-head of our Kaito Gakko family. She passed away at home. Prior to class, Prof. Bruce Keaulani led us in prayer and a tribute to her.

## AJI Dues Reminder

Don't forget that one of the best ways to support your organization, AJI, is to be current with your dojo's dues.

If you have yet to pay, as a famous comedian, Larry the Cable Guy says, "Get 'er done!"

Go the American Jujitsu Institute's website for information and a registration form.

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# **Inappropriate Behavior**

By, Prof. Ken Eddy

At several martial art events, including Camp Kokua 2015, I have observed ridiculing of the techniques and methods of instructors teaching various classes.

Some would call their students to the edge of the mat and show the way "they do" the technique.

Some would tell other observers, "this is not the way the technique is done".

I am sure they would not appreciate this going on if they were teaching at that time.

I remember Prof. Limbago had this happen at a class he was instructing at an Ohana event. He invited the individual onto the mat to show "his way" and he then informed the individual that, "he missed the point

entirely" of what was being taught. He said it in front of the entire class and embarrassed the instructor purposely.

He informed the class that he "would not tolerate any of his black belts showing such disrespect to someone teaching a class."

If you disagree, teach your own class.

This is totally inappropriate. The only time someone off the mat should make a comment is for safety reasons, and even then he should go to the instructor teaching the class, or some official at the event.

#### Show some respect.

You can disagree with an instructor, however, do it at the proper time and place.

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## **Pacific Northwest News**

By: Sensei Sue Jennings

Things have been very quiet the last few months in the Pacific Northwest.

The Evergreen State College decided to discontinue their leisure education department classes. This meant no more classes for not only Jujitsu, but for fencing, yoga, wrestling, etc. In one of their new management decisions to cut costs, the college decided that only current students at the college can teach classes at their recreation center. An odd move by the college, to say the least, but that means no current jujitsu classes are being taught at the college now.

"This is very sad for me because I'd taught there for the past 18 years. I'm sorry to see the program there end this way," said Sensei Sue Jennings.

We are still holding Black Belt Classes taught by Prof. Ron Jennings and Green Belt and Above classes taught by Sensei Sue Jennings once monthly at the Centralia KaishinKai Dojo. We will see what the future brings for more classes or short-term classes at other locations.

However, classes are ongoing at KaishinKai LaConner by Sensei John Doyle; and at KaishinKai Eatonville by Sensei Dana Totten, at KaishinKai Seattle by Sensei Chris Eller; and at North Portland KaishinKai by Sensei Ryan McDaniel. Prof. Len Riley, ShoshinRyu Kudan, has also recently relocated to Seattle and may be opening a dojo there soon. Sensei Dale Kahoun has also recently moved to the Oak Harbor area. We're not sure if he plans to open a dojo or not at this point. But jujitsu classes are ongoing in our area, just changing in nature somewhat.

#### Notable Promotions at KaishinKai include:

At Seattle KaishinKai - Luke Gentry, was promoted to the rank of Nikyu by Sensei Chris Eller.

At North Portland KaishinKai - Graham O'Brien Johnson was recently promoted to the rank of Nikyu by Sensei Ryan McDaniel.

Congratulations to both Luke and Graham on their dedication and hard work for their achievements. We had a successful 4-hour PNW Regional Jujitsu Clinic on Saturday, February 6, at KaishinKai Dojo. Twenty-three people attended from as far north as Seattle and as far south as Salem, Oregon.

Classes were varied from jujitsu, judo, aikido, self-defense, massage, and healing. It was a good clinic, and good to see people from all over the region attending.

Currently we are urging students to get registered for Ohana 2016 upcoming this June in Reno, Nevada. Hopefully we will have a good representation from the Northwest as well as from KaishinKai.



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## Waianae Jujitsu Club Fishing Tournament Fundraiser



The 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Waianae Jujitsu Dojo Fishing Tournament was held on Saturday, November 21, 2015. The contest was limited to pole and line fishing anywhere along the Waianae Coastline, from Ewa Beach to Waianae. No net, or boat fishing was allowed. The day started slowly with dark skies and a morning mist. This later turned into a full-on tropical storm with strong winds and heavy rains. While this turned away some participants, others braved the inclement weather and stoically fished throughout.

Thank you to Stephanie Cansibog and the parents of the Waianae Dojo who helped in planning and running the tournament. While the number of participants were small, everyone was looking towards the next tournament, hoping for wider publicity and participation. Winners were awarded medals and well as brand new fishing poles. The event was a fundraiser for the Waianae Jujitsu Club to help defray cost for the 2016 Ohana scheduled for Reno, Nv. In June.



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Main Banquet \$36
4 Day Clinic Pass \$59
Main Banquet + 4 Day Clinic Pass \$95

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