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2000 IMA World Championships Held in London For First Time!

London, England was the place to be on June 24, 2000. There was the thrill of international competition, the fun of meeting new friends, and a whole weekend filled with excitement! Master Nar and the Great Britain Tang Soo Do Association had prepared for months to host the World Championships and its weekend of related activities.

The tournament drew hundreds of competitors, with a delegation of nearly fifty representing the USA alone. By days' end hundreds of trophies were awarded in addition to the Grand Champion Trophies and Team Trophy. The coveted team trophy was taken by the team from Woodbury, New Jersey, USA, headed by Team Captain Master Florence Solomon (see photo below). Grand Champion Juniors 2000 went to Russel Green (USA). The male and female Grand Champions were Mike Santoro (USA) and Faith Howell (GB), respectively.

A spectacular Masters Demonstration featured Grandmaster Ki Yun Yi performing a repertoire of traditional Tang Soo Do forms, from basic to masters level, including Gicho Hyung Sam Bu, Pyung Ahn Cho Dan, Ro Hai and So Ho Hyung. Master Nar and the GBTSD Demo team dazzled the crowd with their stunning moves!

The day's excitement continued long into the evening with a "Millennium Championship Party" at the Norfolk House Hotel. Sunday was devoted to sight-seeing!

Great job Master Nar, Great Britain Tang Soo Do Association, and everyone who worked so hard to make this tournament such a resounding success!



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Congratulations To Our New Black Belts!

The results are in from the Fall 2000 Black Belt Test, held on November 18, 2000 at the IMA Headquarters in Woodbury, NJ. I am immensely proud to announce the dan promotion of the individuals listed below. I commend you for your dedication in pursuit of advancement through Tang Soo Do. I'm especially proud of the six master instructors who took part in masters testing during this cycle. They have shown great dedication in achieving their advanced rank, and in doing so, they enrich our martial arts family immeasurably. (See article page 3) Tang Soo! - **Grandmaster Ki Yun Yi**

3rd Dan-

20035 Richard M. Cooper Maple Shade, NJ
 21475 Susan J. Fazzio Medford, NJ
 21757 Sallieann Calderwood Deptford, NJ
 21781 Alfredo Quinones Wenonah, NJ

2nd Dan-

21968 Samuel Brown III Turnersville, NJ
 21969 Jennifer M. Brown Turnersville, NJ
 22016 Mary Jean Allocco Palmyra, NJ
 22036 Ronald McCracken Minotola, NJ
 22060 Jana Buttram Sewell, NJ
 22061 Jerome Calderwood Deptford, NJ
 22062 Joyce A. Calderwood Deptford, NJ
 22066 Christopher Nestor Woodbury, NJ
 22075 Alexander Chianese Sewell, NJ
 22077 Louis D. Solometo Sewell, NJ
 22087 Kyle T. Monaco Swedesboro, NJ
 22091 Rashad Brown Swedesboro, NJ

1st Dan-

22220 James H. Wall Camden, NJ
 22221 Dylan Berman Woodbury, NJ
 22222 Andre S. Parylak Sewell, NJ
 22223 Connor Wisely Woodbury, NJ
 22224 Mohammad Nasim Cherry Hill, NJ
 22225 Dina Amer Mt. Laurel, NJ
 22226 Dalya Amer Mt. Laurel, NJ
 22227 Ramon Reyes Camden, NJ
 22228 Richard Gershman Swedesboro, NJ
 22229 Dennis W. Bonanni Mullica Hill, NJ
 22230 Keith A. Parks Ypsilanti, MI
 22231 Lisa A. Adams Sicklerville, NJ
 22232 Samuel Brown IV Turnersville, NJ
 22233 Julie J. Kim Cherry Hill, NJ
 22234 Caren L. Altieri Sicklerville, NJ
 22235 Guy DuBeck Shamong, NJ
 22236 Nick A. Trotta Southampton, NJ
 22237 Johnathan Do-Hyun Yi Marlton, NJ
 22238 Richard Baliban Marlton, NJ
 22239 Kyle L. Kramer Vincentown, NJ
 22240 Ryan N. Wright Marlton, NJ
 22241 Christina Mackain Egg Harbor Twp., NJ



Awards Presentation Held During Annual Holiday Party



Spirits were high, and the atmosphere was upbeat and festive as over a hundred guests dined and danced the night away at the Yi's Karate Annual Holiday party held on December 16th in Oak Valley, NJ.

The high point of the evening was the presentation of awards by Master of Ceremonies Florence Solomon for "2000 Instructor of The Year" for Yi's Karate Institutes and "2000 Most Dedicated Student of The Year" for several local branch schools. (Recipients listed below).

An unexpected surprise was the presentation to Master Solomon of an engraved marble plaque by the Woodbury NJ Demo Team honoring her dedication and devotion as their Team Caption!

2000 Instructor of the Year- Master Waldemar Bonilla

2000 Most Dedicated Student of the Year-

Woodbury School - Mr. Richard Dobbins
 Washington Twp. School - Mr. Walter Jones
 Swedesboro School - Ms. Cheryl Renicki
 Egg Harbor Twp. School - Mr. & Mrs. Dix
 Cherry Hill School - Mr. William Fuentes
 Berlin School - Mrs. Susan Fazzio

Mark Your Calendars!



Saturday, January 20, 2001

Seminar - Hyung and One-Steps Black Belt Evaluation

(Woodbury, NJ Headquarters)

- Masters Seminar and Evaluation
6:30 AM
- Junior Black Belts and Cho Dan Bo
Clinic: 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM
Evaluation: 11:00 AM - 12:15 PM
- Adult Black Belts and Cho Dan Bo
Clinic: 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM
Evaluation: 2:00 PM - 3:15 PM

Saturday, April 7, 2001

25th Anniversary Garden State Invitational Championships

Gloucester County Community College

25th Anniversary Garden State Invitational Championships Scheduled for April 7, 2001

It's one of the largest and most prestigious tournaments on the East Coast, and this year it will be even bigger and better than ever! It's our 25th Anniversary Garden State Invitational Championships scheduled for April 7, 2001. To accommodate the larger crowds expected, this year's tournament will be held at the Gloucester County Community College.

There are nearly 500 trophies to be awarded in addition to 5 towering Grand Champion trophies. The Masters' Demonstration and Team Demonstration promise to be real crowd pleasers. Come out to compete or just as a spectator. This is one tournament you won't want to miss!

IMA Welcomes New Members From East Coast Karate

The IMA extends a heartfelt welcome to its newest members from East Coast Karate. Located in picturesque Westhampton, Burlington County, NJ, the school has been in operation for nearly a decade. Master Waldemar Bonilla, a 4th Dan Black Belt and long standing member of the IMA, recently took over as Chief Instructor of the school.

In addition to offering traditional Tang Soo Do instruction, East Coast Karate also offers classes in Cardio-Kickboxing and Jiu-Jitsu. East Coast Karate also boasts a top notch Demo team! Don't miss their performance at the upcoming 25th Anniversary Garden State Championships!

Thank You From The Yi and Kim Families -

On behalf of myself, the Yi family and the Kim family, I would like to express our gratitude and appreciation for the outpouring of condolences and sympathy we received from so many of you in our time of bereavement. The passing of Yun-Sik Kim, my father-in-law, and the father of Master Chom San Kim and Master Hung San Kim, on December 14, 2000, left a void in all of our hearts. Your warm thoughts and sentiments at this sorrowful time were sincerely appreciated. Thank you.

- Grandmaster Ki Yun Yi

Fall 2000 Masters' Promotions



Master Martin Carson, 6th Dan

Martial arts is a lifetime pursuit for Master Carson, who began training in 1972. He is the Secretary General of the IMA, and also its Senior American Master Instructor. He currently serves as Chief Instructor of Yi's Karate Boum Dee Dojangs in Egg Harbor Twp, NJ, Vineland, NJ and Ft. Lauderdale, FL. Master Carson is a former member of the US Tang Soo Do Team that competed in China in 1984.



Master Edward Mills, 5th Dan

Martial arts is a family affair for Master Mills, who started training with his teenage daughter in 1976. At 70 years young, Master Mills credits his martial arts training with keeping him vigorous and feeling great! Master Mills continues actively training 3 times a week and teaching one day a week at Yi's Karate Institute of Cherry Hill, NJ. Daughter Regina Glover, now a 4th Dan Black Belt, trains there too!



Master Florence Solomon, 5th Dan

Master Solomon is the highest ranking female master in the IMA! She serves as Treasurer of the Yu Dan Ja Club in addition to being involved in everything from Tournament and Special Event Planning to Promotion Testing to instructing children's classes! With an impressive tournament career behind her, she is proud that her 4-year old grandson is continuing the tradition of TSD training that began with her and her 3 young sons 20 years ago!



Master Brian Dinger, 5th Dan

At age 28, Master Dinger is the youngest master instructor in the IMA! Master Dinger has been training for nearly 20 years and has been an instructor for nearly a decade at the Woodbury Hdqtrs. School. Most of us are familiar with Master Dinger from his spectacular performances in Demonstrations. He left the spectators in awe at the 2000 Garden State Championships when he shattered ten 125-lb. blocks of ice with a soo do chop!



Master John Dickinson, 5th Dan

Chief Instructor of Yi's Karate Institute in Berlin, NJ, Master Dickinson began training at Yi's Karate at the age of 15. He has distinguished himself in tournament competition and is seen frequently in masters demonstrations. A graduate of Rowan College who majored in Secondary Education, Master Dickinson is also a certified personal trainer with a growing clientele in the NJ/PA region.



Master Joseph Monahan, 5th Dan

Master Monahan had a broad martial arts background before he began studying TSD nearly 20 years ago. Through those years he's amassed innumerable trophies in competition, and proudly watched daughter Denay rise to the level of 2nd Degree BB. Now an instructor at Yi's Karate in Washington Twp., NJ, under Master C.S. Kim, he says, "TSD is an art that you can practice your entire life and still have more to learn."

2000 IMA World Championships

GRAND CHAMPIONS

Grand Champion Juniors 2000
Russell Green

Grand Champion Females 2000
Faith Howell

Grand Champion Males 2000
Mike Santoro

Grand Champion Teams 2000
Woodbury TSD, New Jersey, USA



HYUNG FORMS RESULTS

1st / 2nd / 3rd

Dan - 12 Yrs & Under

Riana Cordoba / Alex Lukens / Wade Dix

Dan - 16 Yrs & Under

Russell Green / Raiza Cordoba / Sallie Calderwood

1st Dan-17 Yrs & Over-Male

Carl Morphew / Nico Claasen / Riaan Ehlers

1st Dan-17 Yrs & Over-Female

Jana Buttran / Marinda Classen / Jill Sushka

2nd Dan-17 Yrs & Over-Male

John Wilken / Dwayne Maynard / Nick Richards

3rd Dan-17 Yrs & Over-Male

Aaron Woodburn / Mike Santoro / Andy Young

2nd & 3rd Dans-17 & Over-Female

Anne Wilken / Faith Howell / Odette Botha

10th-8th Gup-12 Yrs & Under

Hendrik Tempel / Leia Ryan / Daniel Aldham

7th-6th Gup-8 Yrs & Under

Alexandra Thorns / M. Fairweather-Moore / Matthew Bond

7th-6th Gup-12 Yrs & Under

Marli Van Straten / Antonio Lira / Sarah Pierce

8C

Samuel Frank

5th-3rd Gup-12 Years & Under

Gunther Horn / Tielman Bosch / Jordana Heard

2nd Gup-Cho Dan Bo-12 & Under

Fanie Van Tonder / Amy Trembling / Reinhard De Nysschan

10th-8th Gup-16 Yrs & Under

Karlene Young / Ajay Kalyan / Aurelio Dallman

7th-6th Gup-16 Yrs & Under

Fabian Whittaker / Karlene Thomas / Ashley Williams

7th-6th Gup-17 Yrs & Over

Anthony Web / Debbie Sikora / Salmaan Islam

5th-4th Gup-16 Yrs & Under

Kaitlin Westman / Alexandra Jones / Kirsty Heard

5th-4th Gup-17 Yrs & Over

Deanne Konstantinious / Emma Heard / Helen Morphew

3rd-2nd Gup-16 Yrs & Under

Gorm Young / David Barton / Lashaleah Manning

3rd-2nd Gup-17 Yrs & Over-Male

Albert Omensa / Paul Harvey / Gabe Lango

1st Gup-Cho Dan Bo-16 & Under

Gerhard Van Sittert / Ravi Pithya / Chanda Chavda

1st Gup-Cho Dan Bo-17 & Up-Fem

Mandeep Kaur / Chetna Chavda / Yogeeta Chavda

All Gups-38 Yrs & Over

Karen Honey / Barbara Pulun / Danny Wiltsaire



2000 IMA World Championships



WEAPONS HYUNG RESULTS

1st / 2nd / 3rd

- 3rd-Cho Dan Bo-8 Yrs & Under**
Duncan McWilliam / Rialo Cordoba / Romana Collinson
- 3rd-Cho Dan Bo-12 Yrs & Under**
Fanie Van Tonder / Mark Hoffman / Amy Trembling
- 3rd-Cho Dan Bo-16 Yrs & Under**
Oliver Parkhouse / Ravi Pithya / Ronell Van Niekerk
- 3rd-Cho Dan Bo-17 & Over-Male**
Albert Omensa / Natasha Collinson-Beije / Paul Harvey
- 3rd-Cho Dan Bo-17 & Over-Female**
Natasha Foster / Mandeep Kaur
- Dans-12 Yrs & Under**
Wade Dix / Chris Nestor / Aaron Austin
Riana Cordoba
- Dans-16 Yrs & Under**
Russell Green / Lois Exell / Harish Chavda
- 1st Dans-17 Yrs & Over-Male**
Jerry Calderwood, Sr. / Riaan Ehlers / Carl Morphew
- 1st Dans-17 Yrs & Over-Female**
Marinda Classen / Sandri Anderson / Jana Buttran
- 2nd Dans-17 Yrs & Over-Male**
Scott Keating / Harry Winstain / Nick Richards
- 3rd Dans-17 Yrs & Over-Male**
Aaron Woodburn / Mike Santoro / Matt Elphick
- 2nd & 3rd Dan-17 & Over-Female**
Faith Howell / Anne Wilken / Odette Botha

DAE RYUN (SPARRING) RESULTS

1st / 2nd / 3rd

- 10th-8th Gup-8 Yrs & Under**
Jordan Tyler / Miguel Moore / Connor McCrea
- 8th-6th Gup-12 Yrs & Under**
Wouter Tempel / Quintus Labuschagne / Antonio Lira
- 5th-3rd Gup-8 Yrs & Under**
Dwayne Dayley / A. Bukowski-Kruszyna / Michael Hoffman
- 5th-3rd Gup-12 Yrs & Under**
Chintan Barot / Gunther Horn / Tielman Bosch
- 2nd-Cho Dan Bo-12 & Under**
Fanie Von Tonder / Amy Trembling / Mark Hoffman
- 10th-8th Gup-16 & Under**
Donovan Strydom / Aurello Dallman / Jason Daly
- 10th-8th -17 Yrs & Over-Fem**
Astrid Wendel / Debi Sikora / Karlaine Young
- 7th-6th Gup-16 Yrs & Under**
Ashley Williams / Fabian Whittaker / Alex Skalnik
- 7th-6th Gup-17 & Over-Male**
Shane Jaarsveld / Kevin Humphrey / Felipe Jauregui
- 5th-4th Gup-16 Yrs & Under**
Lashaleah Manning / Ronnell Van Niekerk / Kaitlin Westman
- 5th-4th Gup-17 Yrs & Up-Fem**
Helen Morphew / Emma Heard / Deanne Konstantinious
- 5th-4th Gup-17 Yrs & Up-Male**
Andrew Manning / Gabe Longo / Ryan Dannenhauer
- 3rd-2nd Gup-16 & Under-Male**
Sam Bass / Gorm Young / Nishaan Singh
- 3rd-2nd Gup-17 & Over-Female**
Natasha Foster / Yogeeta Chavda / N. Collinson-Bieje
- 1st Gup-CDB-16 & Under-Male**
Gerhard Van Sittert / Ravi Pithya
- All Gups-38 Yrs & Over-Male**
Adrian Swain / Danny Wiltshire / Mitch Polun
- All Gups-38 Yrs & Over-Female**
Karen Honey / Nancey Mondelli / Liz Pearson
- Dan-12 Yrs & Under**
Wade Dix / Riana Cordoba / Chris Nestor
- Dan-16 & Under-Female**
Sallie Calderwood / Raiza Cordoba / Claire Maloney
- Dan-16 & Under-Male**
Russell Green / Pratik Chavda / Harish Chavda
Mike Ahn
- 1st Dan-17 Yrs & Over-Female**
Jana Buttran / Jill Sushka / Natasha Lessing
- 1st Dan-17 Yrs & Over-Male**
Riaan Ehlers / Paul Goldsmith / Nico Claassen
- 2nd & 3rd Dan -17 & Up-Female**
Faith Howell
- 2nd Dan -17 Yrs & Up-Male**
Dwayne Maynard / Scott Keating / Peter Van Niekerk
- 3rd Dan-17 & Over-Male**
Mike Santoro / Charles Vertolli / Greg Hart
- Dan-40 Yrs & Over-Male**
Nick Richards / Jerry Calderwood, Sr. / Charles Bates
- Dan-40 Yrs & Over-Female**
Joyce Calderwood / Jenni Styling / Angela Lacy

GREETINGS FROM KWAN CHANG NIM

Looking forward, looking back...

This April 7th marks the twenty-fifth anniversary of the Garden State Invitational Championships - a quarter of a century! It promises to be our biggest and best tournament yet! But it is also a time that makes me naturally look back to the year it all began. . .

The year was 1977. Jimmy Carter was President of the United States. On TV, people were watching "Charlie's Angels" and "Happy Days." The top box office hit of the year was "Star Wars."

But I didn't get to watch TV or go to the movies much in those days. I had come to the United States only three years earlier, to teach Tang Soo Do at the request of the association I was a part of at that time. By 1977, I had been running my first small karate school in Woodbury, NJ for 3 years. It was not very far from the current Woodbury Headquarters School. And I was making preparations for my very first tournament!

Twenty-five years have passed. And the freckle faced children in the photos from that very first tournament have grown into adults with children of their own! I have taught two, and sometimes three generations of one family! IMA member schools span four continents

now. My Tang Soo Do family has grown from a few dozen to thousands. And in a few short months, many of those people will come together at our 25th Anniversary Tournament.

For 25 years, the Garden State Invitational Championships have been a place for martial artists to showcase their talents and to grow through fair competition. But more than that, it is a time for our large and extended Tang Soo Do family to come together, even if it is only for a day!

The year is 2001. George Bush will soon be President of the United States. "Charlie's Angels" came back as a movie. "Star Wars Episode 2" is due out later in the year! And I am in the Woodbury, NJ Headquarters office making preparations for the 25th Garden State Invitational Championships. The world has changed a lot in 25 years, but some things haven't changed much at all!



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