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Martial Arts for Education



December / Juunigatsu 2023

Thank You for Your Support in 2023 Let's Keep the Martial Arts Going in 2024!

2023 has been a very good year for our Martial Arts Program. We started the year getting back to teaching our after school program at Sandia Vista Elementary. It was great seeing new faces and even some from before the pandemic. Anchor Point Church Annex continues to be a great place to train and new students keep coming and joining. We love Rio Vista Park but the Winter has pushed us indoors on Saturdays to Sabana Grande Recreation Center. So far it works great! The Summer Program went well and had our first Archery Classes since moving out of our Dojo. We even added two Fall Archery Day Camps! In September we were able to resume our Enchanted Hills Elementary class with a bunch of great new students. Also we had a belt test and a great Marathon for Martial Arts. (see below) November was busy with Archery and we ended our special activities with a Belt Test in December. Our classes go through December 23rd and back on January 6th, 2024. **HAPPY HOLIDAYS!**

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Last Test
for 2023
Great Job!



9th Kyu Testers:

Aiden
And
Bradley

Nicely Done!



8th Kyu Testers:

Gavriel, Charlie, Greyson

7th Kyu Tester:

Oenomaus

Judges/Helpers: Vicente, Owen, Russell, Jonas, Nia, Gavin, Alexandria, Bradley, & Lovieanna



Party Pics—Left to Right:
Group Photo after Dodge Ball, Everyone showing their extra Prizes, Enjoying Pizza and Treats. It was a super group of Martial Artists enjoying a great day.

2023 Martial Arts

Marathon

Almost Hits \$6,000

Remember—
Martial Arts for
Education is a
501 (C-3) all
Donations are
Tax Deductible.
Ask if you need a
Receipt.
Thank You!



Top Fund Raisers:

#1 Skye

#1 Emily

#2 Nia

#3 Baylee

Showing Prizes.

As of December our 2023 Marathon for Martial Arts raised **\$5,950!** This is a super response given our reduced numbers. **Twenty-three** students helped with fundraising and all raised **\$100 or more!** The party was in the park with soccer, football, dodge-ball, plus Prizes, Pizza, and Treats. It was a perfect day and everyone enjoyed the celebration. *With all your donations we will stay strong in 2024.*

Thanks again for keeping our Martial Arts Program going!

All Classes Will Continue Through December 23rd & Resume January 6th

Fall Archery Day Camps

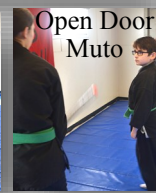


Archery Day Camps are action packed starting with an Archery Session, then a Wilderness Hike followed by another Archery Session and ends with Real Shiriken Throwing or Origami with Hisae.

Wednesday Classes at Enchanted Hills Elementary

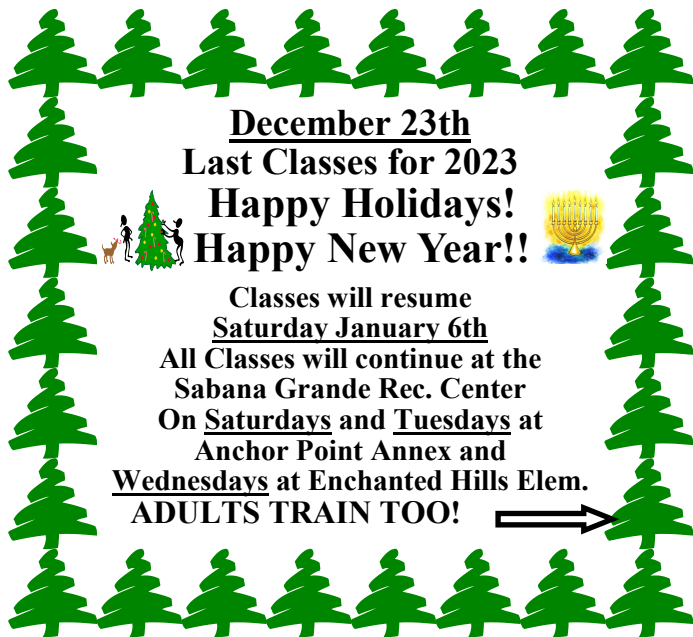


More Pictures of December Test



Get Ready to Test February/March 2024 Keep Working on Skills, Focus, & Discipline!

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December 23th
Last Classes for 2023

Happy Holidays!
Happy New Year!!

Classes will resume
Saturday January 6th
 All Classes will continue at the
 Sabana Grande Rec. Center
 On Saturdays and Tuesdays at
 Anchor Point Annex and
Wednesdays at Enchanted Hills Elem.
ADULTS TRAIN TOO! ➡

December Birthdays



Nia
 Peyton
 Bella
 Orion
 Zeke



January Birthdays



Stellan
 Ilaria
 Charlie
 Ryan



Happy Birthday!



**Bye to Rio
 Vista Park
 for Now.
 Thanks for
 The Great
 TRAINING!**

Saturday Training at Sabana Grande Rec. Center



Next to MVD

9am-Basics (all)
 10am-Greenbelts
 11am-7Up

Saturday Training has moved indoors. We are lucky to have a great room with mats, outdoor playground area and two bathrooms.

Adult Class at the Anchor Point Annex.

Adult classes will focus on physical skills

For Health and Self-defense.

Tuesdays 7:30pm-8:45pm



Tuesday Evening Classes

Anchor Point Annex

5:30pm-Basics

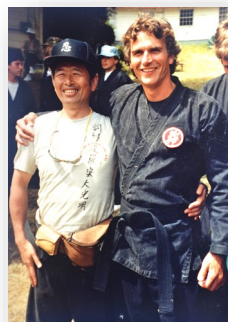
6:30pm-Greenbelt

7:30pm-Adult



Guardian of Ninja and Samurai Arts Grandmaster Hatsumi Masaaki Turns 92!

Born on December 2nd, 1931, Hatsumi-Sensei was an expert in many Japanese martial arts when he met Takamatsu-Sensei a recognized master of the Ninja and Samurai Arts. Hatsumi became *Soke* (Grandmaster) after Takamatsu-Sensei's death. He brought these ancient arts to the modern world and founded the *Bujinkan*. *Bujinkan Budo-Taijutsu* is the art we study and we are grateful to the Grandmaster for allowing us to benefit from the wisdom of this Samurai and Ninja traditions. *Happy Birthday Soke!*
 (Below—Left to Right: Hatsumi-Sensei and Robert 1989; Soke, Robert, Tohbi, Hisae 2018; *Ichimonji Kamae* by Soke.)



Remember: First 2024 class Saturday Jan. 6th