

# Kick Back

Sharkey Karate Studios Newsletter October 2006

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## Sideswipe ready to make history with Theatrics

**S**ideswipe; Since its inception 5 years ago, creator Matt Mullins has been bringing the world of extreme martial arts to the mainstream media and households of America. Based In Los Angeles Sideswipe has been entertaining audiences across the country, performing on television, live stage, sporting events and live actions shows. See more of Sideswipe at [www.sideswipepro.com](http://www.sideswipepro.com)

The concept of a 90 minute stage play had been a dream of Matt's for years. This is the first of its kind which will feature some of the top martial artists on the competition circuit today. Cast members include students of Sharkey's Karate, Team AKA, Team Sharkey and Team Revolution.

The story finds the cast in a fantastical journey where four young boys, who aspire to be great martial artist enter the dreamscape world of **Theatrics**. A world where dreams come to life in a cabaret of music and action. The performance will be held Friday October 27th at 8pm, in the historic Rialto Square Theater in Joliet, Illinois. Limited discounted tickets are now available through Sharkey's Karate Studio. Other tickets are also available through Ticketmaster or the Rialto Square Theater (815-726-6600). Don't miss out on this historic production. Order your tickets today.

### Be A Sponsor

We are putting together and ad book for this ultimate production in extreme martial arts. Those who wish to advertise in our ad book should contact Kim Dennison at the Momence school or Lisa Sanders at the Naperville school for details.

Join us as we enter the dream world of  
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A MARTIAL ARTS EPIPHANY

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Jerry Lewis Telethon

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Sergio Velazquez Presents

1st Annual

## River Valley Classic

Karate Tournament



October 22, 2006

Momence Jr. High School  
801 West 2nd Street  
Momence, Illinois 60954

Doors Open: 8:30 am  
Registration: 9:00 am  
Black Belt Meeting: 10:30 am  
Eliminations Begin: 11:00 am



AAA Rated

### It pays to refer

Once again we want to remind everyone of our referral program. If you recommend anyone to the school and they enroll into one of our programs, we will give you \$50.00. Be sure to let your friends know that you referred them at the time they come in. The more you refer the more you can earn. We also have Guest VIP passes at the pro-shop that you can hand out to your friends, family which allows them to try our classes for free. See Sensei Jeremy for more details.

## 1st Annual River Valley Classic

Don't forget to mark October 22nd down on your calendars for the 1st Annual River Valley Classic tournament in Momence Illinois, brought to you by our very own Sensei Sergio.

This tournament will be the last major tournament of the season featuring some great grand prize giveaways for both adult and kid divisions. This year's prizes will range from Nintendo DS and Video Ipods for the kids divisions to \$100.00—\$300.00 cash for the adult divisions. This will be an exciting competition for all.

We encourage all students of Sharkey's Karate to attend as either spectators or competitors. Volunteers for score keeping and time keeping will be needed. Please contact Yvonne Velazquez (email her) for more details. If you are interested in competing please see Sensei Jeremy at the Naperville school or Sensei Sergio at the Momence school for more information on how to register.

## Congratulations on the new rank

Recently we held two tests for rank promotion and the following individuals have been promoted to their next rank:

Sabrina Calabrese—**Jr. Orange Belt**

Mary Amato—**Jr. Yellow Belt**

Alex Katchen—**Jr. Blue Belt**

Tony Fay—**Jr. Green Belt**

Eddie Chipman—**Jr. Green Belt**

Safia Hanin—**Jr. Green Belt**

Andrew Foy—**Jr. Purple Belt**

Glenn Petterson—**Jr. Purple Belt**

Sebastian Talbott—**Jr. Brown Belt**

Dustin Bui—**Adult Brown Belt**

Kenneth Kho—**Adult Brown Belt**

Jenice Kho—**Adult Brown Belt**

Milton Kho—**Jr. Black Belt**

Jake Greenburg—**Jr. Black Belt**

Will Greenburg—**Jr. Black Belt**

Congratulations to all for a job well done!



## Sparring Class to End

October 3rd will be the last day for the 7:30 sparring class. We will begin implementing sparring into the regular classes beginning October 9th. Students will be required to supply their own gear, which can be purchased at the pro-shop. Sparring packages are available for \$98.50 for required items or you can purchase gear separately. See Sensei Jeremy for Details.

## Adult belt test scheduled

Saturday October 14th is scheduled for the adult belt testing. All those ready for testing for their next rank must see Sensei Phil or Sensei Sharkey for approval. If approved you must have your application for testing handed in no later than October 7th. Applications for examination may be found at the pro-shop.

## Promote your business

Sharkey's Karate Studio has always believed in promoting businesses from within the school. Currently we are working on a coupon list for all the businesses that would like to offer our students discounts for being members of our studio. If you would like to be a part of this directory, please see Sensei Sharkey or Sensei Jeremy for details.

## The passing of an icon

We are sad to announce the passing of **Ernest Lieb**. Master Lieb was killed in a tragic train accident in Germany on

September 22nd.

Master Lieb made his mark in martial arts history in many ways, but was most noted for being the first American to win a title in South Korea during the World Tae Soo Do competition back in 1967, but most notably he was the founder of the A.K.A and the A.K.A. Grand Nationals which was started back in 1964, making it one of the oldest tournaments and American martial art organizations around today.



## October Birthdays

Aarushi Krishnan	10/05
Salena Velazquez	10/06
<b>John Greenidge</b>	<b>10/07</b>
Kaylee Harris	10/07
Caoilin O'Riley	10/07
Michelle Dean	10/08
<b>Juan Hernandez</b>	<b>10/11</b>
<b>Keith Alvey</b>	<b>10/13</b>
Emilio Velazquez	10/13
<b>Roger Holmberg</b>	<b>10/15</b>
Taylor Anderson	10/20
Mary Amato	10/26
Mark Stukel	10/27
Sarah Kling	10/28
Daniel Wolf	10/28
<b>Jay Hruska</b>	<b>10/29</b>

**Happy Birthday Everyone!!**

## **Quotes to Ponder**

You gain strength, courage and confidence by every experience in which you really stop to look fear in the face. You must do the thing you think you cannot do.

— *Eleanor Roosevelt*

Excellence is not an accomplishment. It is a spirit, a never-ending process

— *Lawrence M. Miller*

If your actions inspire others to dream more, learn more, do more and become more, you are a leader

— *John Quincy Adams*