



MEET THE BLACK BELTS



This page is dedicated to all the Black Belts who have passed through our doors. If any past or present Black Belts who have trained with us have any pictures they would like included in this photo gallery, feel free to send the pictures with a brief description to our email address and enter the word "photo" in the subject line. americanjidokwan@gmail.com

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The Instructors:

{back row L to R} Lucious Page, Derrick Robbins, Dan Arz, Ivan Zagar, Bernard Zagar, Ed Mathna, Matt Born, Santiago Rivera, Randy Deluciano

{front row L to R} Larry Fenderson, Brian Raymond, Mike Bally, James Roberts Jr., David Bratolli, Hector Rivera, Mary Kay Fuzy

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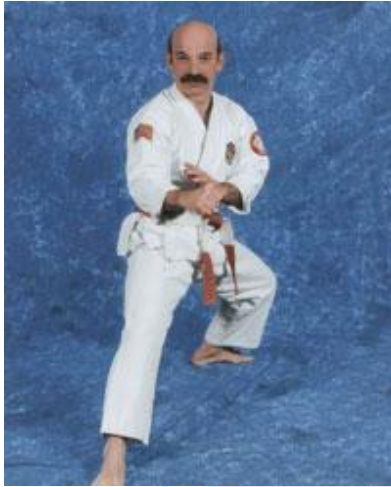
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MASTER DAVID LOMBARDI



Martial Arts Ranks

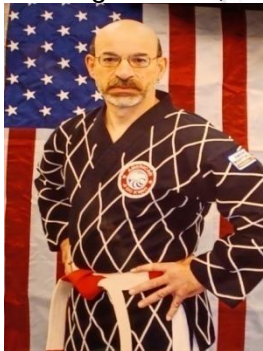
- 8th Degree Black Belt American Ji Do Kwan Karate
- 5th Degree Black Belt Ji Do Kwan Kong Su Do
- 3rd Degree Black Belt Ju-Jitsu
- 1st Degree Black Belt Judo
- Member Board Of Directors American Martial Arts Training Centers
- Inductee – International Karate and Kickboxing Hall Of Fame

Date Started Martial Arts: May 1979

Master David Lombardi began his training in the Martial Arts with a short stint in Okinawan Kempo in 1975. Then in 1977 his second attempt had him working for a brief time in Moo Duk Kwan. Finally in 1979 Master Lombardi began training under Grandmaster Fuzy. He has been active ever since.

Master Lombardi is a mainstay in the successful operation of daytime classes at our headquarters school. A pleasant individual to deal with, his coordination of teachers as well as a complete understanding of our Martial Arts Supply store and outside demonstration programs have helped him to become the perfect "Buffer" for Grandmaster Fuzy.

A devoted husband and family man, Master Lombardi displays the level train of thought and direction that must be necessary when sharing in the raising of two Eagle Scouts. He is a member of the Board of American Martial Arts Training Centers, and was inducted into the International Karate and Kickboxing Hall Of Fame December 15, 2001.



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MASTER PAUL ORNOWSKI (RIP)



Martial Arts Ranks:

- 8th Degree Black Belt American Ji Do Kwan Karate
- 6th Degree Black Belt Song Moo Kwan Taekwondo
- 2nd Degree Black Belt Ju-Jitsu
- 1st Degree Black Belt Ji Do Kwan Kajukembo
- Member Board of Directors Ohio Ji Do Kwan Karate Association
- Club Owner and Director
- Inductee into the International Kickboxing and Karate Hall of Fame

Master Paul Ornowski Started Martial Arts in Isshinryu Karate in July of 1965 which was soon interrupted by a Tour of duty in Viet Nam. Upon his return to the United States in 1968 Master Ornowski began study with Sensei Robert C. Moore and eventually became his Protégé.

Master Ornowski cut his Martial Art teeth in the Blood n Guts Midwest with the area's leading Martial Arts personalities. He is a Martial Arts historian, being quite versed in Martial Arts Individuals and Styles.

Paul served with the U.S. Army in Vietnam in two tours of duty. He was awarded the Bronze Star. He was also a member for 26 years of the Ohio National Guard. Paul was employed for 24 years in the Security Department of Aultman Hospital. He was a proud and loyal member American Legion.

He was inducted in 2001 into the International Kickboxing and Karate Hall of Fame.

Before his passing Master Ornowski operated Ornowski's Martial Arts School, which is an Ohio Ji Do Kwan Associated Club and serves as our Canton, Ohio representation.

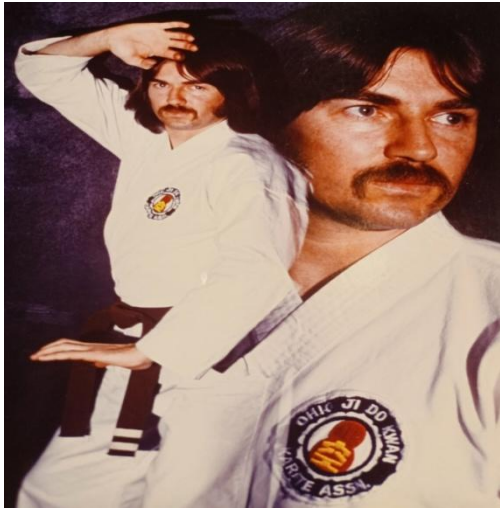
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MASTER ROY W. HARPER (RIP)



Martial Arts Ranks:

- 8th Degree Black Belt American Ji Do Kwan Karate
- 6th Degree Black Belt Ji Do Kwan Kong Su DO
- 3rd Degree Black Belt Ji-Jitsu
- 1st Degree Black Belt Judo
- Teacher Tai Chi Chuan
- Coach - MMA

Date Started Martial Arts: September 1975

His affiliations over the years have included; Unity Martial Arts Assn., The United States Martial Arts Assn., American Karate Black Belt Assn., The United Professional Karate Society, The United States Karate Association, The Korea Taekwondo Assn., "KICKS" the professional Martial Arts Demonstration Team, Induction into the International Karate And Kickboxing Hall Of Fame, and he is also a graduate of The Northern Ohio Police Academy.

Master Harper owned and operated his own school during the 80's, and fulfilled the positions of; Master Instructor for the Ohio Ji Do Kwan Karate Assn., District Representative for The United Professional Karate Society, Coordinator for the 1980 A.K.B.B.A. Regional Championships, and Head Of Security for Electric Ice Records.

Master Harper was no stranger to tournaments having competed, reffed, and judged in most major U.S.K.A. and A.K.B.B.A. events all over the United States and Canada. He was also a very active figure in the International Karate And Kickboxing Hall Of Fame Tournaments.

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MASTER HERMAN HORN (Retired)



Martial Arts Ranks

- 10th Dan ~ American Ki San Do
- 8th Dan ~ American Ji Do Kwan
- 6th Dan~ Ji Do Kwan / Kong Su Do
- 5th Dan ~ Hitsuyo-Ryu Ju-Jitsu
- 3rd Dan ~ Kodokan Judo



Master Horn has quite an extensive history in the Martial Arts. Besides owning and operating his school Horn's Martial Arts School, for many years. He has held office in various Martial Arts Organization, is a certified Judge and Referee in a number of sanctioning bodies, promotes tournaments, events, demonstrations, and seminars, as well as holds a winning record on the Midwest circuit.

He has found a home with Ohio Ji Do Kwan. An offshoot of our now defunct original Sandusky Club. He and his students have developed a wonderful dojo for real Martial Arts.

At this point in his career he has the entire package. Background, School, Students. All settled in with the Association moving in the right direction.

Master Horn has retired from our association and started up American Ki San Do.

Follow Master Horn on his own web site: <https://americankisando.com/>

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MASTER JAMES ROBERTS JR.



Martial Arts Ranks:

- 7th Degree Black Belt American Ji Do Kwan Karate
- 2nd Degree Black Belt Ji Do Kwan Kong Su Do
- 1st Degree Black Belt Ju-Jitsu
- 3rd Kyu Brown Belt Judo 3rd Kyu Brown Belt Shaolin-ssiu Kenpo
- Former Board member and President of American Ji Do Kwan



Date Started Martial Arts: June 1978

Master James Roberts formally began his training in the Martial Arts in June of 1978 with the study of the Art of Shaolin-ssiu Kenpo. In October of 1989, Sensei Roberts made a complete change of Teacher, Style and School, and began his training under the guidance of Master E. A. Fuzy. Sensei Roberts often remarks that his true understanding of the Arts did not begin until that change.

As an artist his talents lean towards graphic design, illustration, video animation and family. Master Roberts has shown the ability to think and react quickly while under great pressure.

Shortly after Grandmaster Fuzy passing Master Roberts was voted on the Board of Directors and was also elected to the position of President.

Master Roberts currently leads a group of American Ji Do Kwan (AJDK) black belts at a private dojo in Lorain, Ohio... just down the street from the original Ohio Ji Do Kwan (OJDK) Dojo. The Dojo is a nice warehouse that is provided by one of our black belts.

As of June of 2021 Master Roberts schedule has become too busy for him to give time as a Board Member and President of the Association. Master Roberts has elected to resign his position on the board and President of the Association.



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MASTER MICHAEL MOORMAN



Martial Arts Ranks:

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- 3rd Degree Black Belt Ji Do Kwan Kong Su Do
- 2nd Degree Black Belt Ju-Jitsu
- 3rd Degree Brown Belt Judo



Date Started Martial Arts: May 1981

Master Michael Moorman began his training in Martial Arts in May of 1981 under Sensei E.A. Fuzy. A Police Officer for 24 years. Master Moorman has always been teased that he is the one who proves that what we teach works on the street. In reality, that statement is not so far from the truth.

Quite a few times Sensei Moorman has found himself entering situations where his only immediate back up was strong technique and realistic training in strategy. As a result, Master Moorman has been able to return to the Ohio Ji Do Kwan Karate Association with firsthand knowledge that has proven our high level of understanding and our ability to easily develop further.

Master Moorman has also trained with Smith & Wesson Company. The Ohio Peace Officer's counsel, and the Ohio State Patrol. He teaches classes at both Lorain County community College and David N. Meyers College in "Criminal Justice". And is of course, an important member of our teaching staff.

Master Moorman had always taught at our headquarters school in Lorain, Ohio. For now classes are restricted to Saturdays since his new duties as "Chief of Police" of Oberlin, Ohio take presidents over everything else. Still he continues to meet his requirements and provide his students with a unique insight to self-protection.

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MASTER MIKE "SARGE" BALLY



Martial Arts Ranks:

- 6th Degree Black Belt American Ji Do Kwan Karate
- 3rd Degree Black Belt Ji Do Kwan Kong Su Do
- 1st Degree Black Belt Ju-Jitsu
- 1st Degree Brown Belt Judo



Date Started Martial Arts: April 1980

Master Mike Bally began his Martial Arts training with Grandmaster Fuzy in April of 1980. First thing right off we can tell you is that nicknames for Black Belts are not allowed, or even used, yet, somehow we do collect them. "Sarge" has hung on Sensei Bally since day number 1. We believe it's based on his military background and was originally promoted within The Ohio Ji Do Kwan Karate Association by Sensei Herrington.

Early on, Master Bally's gymnastics training of the Professional Demo Team Kicks, opened a door to advanced gymnastics for them, and helped to earn him a reputation as a committed part of the school. Now you will find Sensei Bally at the dojo on Wednesday evenings teaching Karate as well as his very popular "Sparring Class". Sensei Bally also has a strong foundation in grappling that has helped to make him a problem solver for our tournament grappling strategy.

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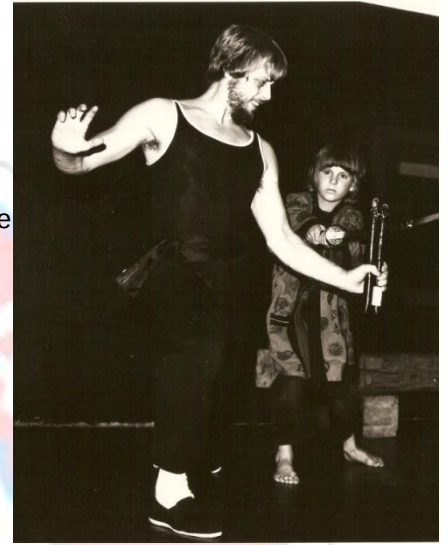
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MASTER DALE DANDREA



Martial Arts Ranks:

- 5th Degree Black Belt American Ji Do Kwan Karate
- 3rd Degree Black Belt Ji Do Kwan Kong Su Do
- 1st Degree Black Belt Ju-Jitsu
- 3rd Kyu Brown Belt Judo



Date Started Martial Arts: January 1976

Sensei Dandrea has been a main stay at our Headquarters School in Lorain, Ohio since his introduction to the "Arts" and our Association, while only 9 years old, back in January of 1976. With just a short stint out of his Dojo training for service to our United States Armed Forces and regular yearly "visits" for brush-up. Sensei Dandrea loves all things Military.

Considered one of three "Go To Men" in the Dojo, if you want something created, renovated, rebuilt, invented, repaired, reworked, improved, or remodeled. See them.

Sensei Dandrea was always on the training floors working out or teaching most Mondays through Saturdays for day time classes. Sensei Dandrea was an original member of the professional Demo Team Kicks.

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MASTER JASON SMITH



Martial Arts Ranks:

- 5th Degree Black Belt American Ji Do Kwan Karate
- 3rd Degree Black Belt Ji-Jitsu
- 1st Degree Black Belt Judo
- Teacher Tai Chi Chuan
- Coach - MMA



Date Started Martial Arts: November 1986

Sensei Jason Smith began his training with Grandmaster Fuzy at the original Broadway location while still in High School. Once a Black Belt he continued to teach at headquarters until October of 2004, when he opened "Smith's School Of Martial Arts", an American Martial Arts Training Centers school, in Norwalk, Ohio.

Sensei Smith expanded his curriculum of classes in American Ji Do Kwan and Tai Chi Chuan, to also include classes in MMA. And, just as his Karate students compete regularly at tournaments, his Shoot Fighters, compete regularly in sanctioned bouts.

Proudly family orientated, his family seems proudly right back. Easy to smile and quick to laugh he lightened many a snowy morning cup of coffee when he was still teaching at the Lorain dojo.

His respect for his fellows is high. In return he is held in high esteem by them.



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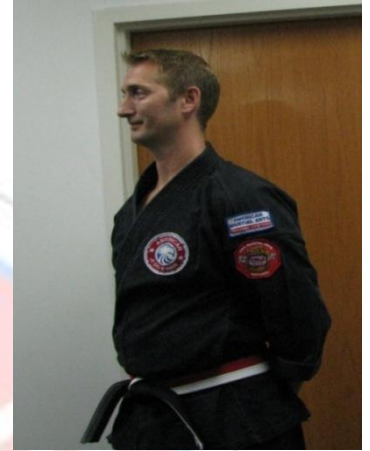


MASTER BERNARD ZAGAR



Martial Arts Ranks:

- 5th Degree Black Belt American Ji Do Kwan Karate
- 3rd Degree Black Belt Ju-Jitsu
- 1st Kyu Brown Belt Judo



Date Started Martial Arts: May 1989

Sensei Bernard Zagar started the Martial Arts May of 1989, Under the direction of Master E. A. Fuzy. After Their first meeting, Master Fuzy spoke of him and his brother Ivan. "Manners"; said Master Fuzy. "They could almost be considered to be a lost art". "They have them along with the ability to use them." " And good attitudes." "These were kids that were raised." "Not born then grown". "There was an investment in time here." "Someone actually put in thought to them

First as transplanted Croatians, then as naturalized American citizens. The strong work ethic, never say die, attitude, love and joys of family and life, all is there to see that creates success within one's lifetime.

What could I possibly say about the training in Martial Arts that you wouldn't already know? Still young and energetic their futures in fact are real futures.



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MASTER IVAN ZAGAR



Martial Arts Ranks:

- 5th Degree Black Belt American Ji Do Kwan Karate
- 3rd Degree Black Belt Ju-Jitsu
- 1st Kyu Brown Belt Judo



Date Started Martial Arts: August 1992

Sensei Ivan Zagar started the Martial Arts August 1992, Under the direction of Master E. A. Fuzy. After Their first meeting in May of 1989, Master Fuzy spoke of him and his brother Bernard. "Manners"; said Master Fuzy. "They could almost be considered to be a lost art". "They have them along with the ability to use them." " And good attitudes." "These were kids that were raised." "Not born then grown". "There was an investment in time here." "Someone actually put in some thought to them".

First as transplanted Croatians, then as naturalized American citizens. The strong work ethic, never say die, attitude, love and joys of family and life, all is there to see that creates success within one's lifetime.

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Oh yes, Ivan took Grand Champion Black Belt Division at the Master Curtis Herrington Memorial Tournament 6/28/98



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SENSEI HOLLY TUTOR - SMITH



Ranks:

- 4th Degree Black Belt American Ji Do Kwan
- 3rd Degree Black Belt Ji Do Kwan Kong Su Do
- 1st Degree Black Belt Ju-Jitsu
- 1st Degree Black Belt Judo



Date Started In Martial Arts: January 1984

Sensei Tutor – Smith quickly became a main stay at the school. Her time working with her parents at their Pizza restaurant set her work ethics and it showed at the school. She became the next tournament beast in the women division from her time in the arts. She always seemed to finish in the top three in her division in both kata and sparring. She attended all clinics and seminars over the years. She set the bar for all women at the school to try to follow. Once she achieved her black belt she was very dependable at the school and was a big help at filling in when needed. She was well liked amongst the young kids at the school. Parents of the kids at the school would say all the time that their kids really enjoy her and her teaching.

At tournaments you knew when she was competing by her unique kia. No matter where you were in the auditorium when you heard that kia you would snap your head over to see her competing. And it was not uncommon to have a student say “hey Sensei Tutor-Smith is competing”.

As a correction officer she will tell you that what she learned at the school has come in handy.

She is a dedicated parent and raised a bright young lady.



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SENSEI ROBERT KLEIN



Martial Arts Ranks:

- 4th Degree Black Belt American Ji Do Kwan Karate
- 3rd Kyu Ju-Jitsu



Date Started Martial Arts: January 1992

For three years Sensei Klein was in regular attendance at our school, Karate tournaments, and seminars as a spectating parent. Finally in January of 1992 he began training under Master E.A.Fuzy, and has learned what a lot of parents should learn. "Watching doesn't mean a thing. Unless you are already trained, and have some real idea of what it is your are looking at."

What a come down it must be to have to learn technique that only last week your were yelling at your son about how to do. Well, in truth here for Sensei Klein there wasn't much of that. And you got to admit that he was not afraid to be putting it on the line. As a father he was not prone to pretending he was a Black Belt. He is just an everyday kind of good guy, go to work and look out for the family. He loves them and.....pizza.

His experience as a parent, his desire to train and teach, and his love of giving a test are already showing a self driven direction. Happy.



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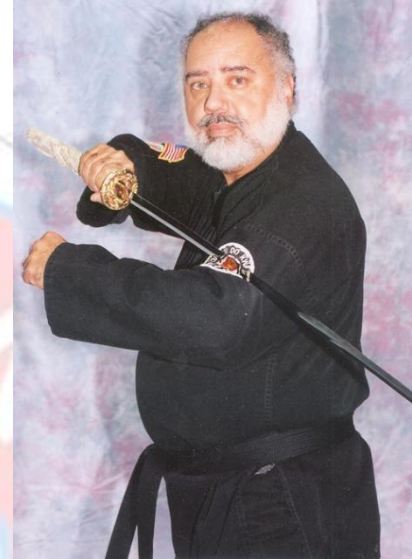


SENSEI SAN JAGO "MUSKIE" RIVERA



Ranks:

- 4th Degree Black Belt American Ji Do Kwan Karate
- 1st Degree Black Belt Ju-Jitsu
- 1st Degree Black Belt Judo



Date Started In Martial Arts: April 1997

Started Karate at the ripe age of 42. Regardless of his age when he started karate he competed in tournaments when at that time it was not required for the older members of the school because of their age. It is a young person game. Like most at the school we enjoyed competing against practitioners outside of our school. He may not be one of our high fliers spin kicking maniacs out there but he will stand there and give as good as he gets. He will tell you he enjoyed teaching kata, line exercise and sparring. He loves the comradely between the black belts and the black belts to the students. Sensei Rivera and his wife Rose served as the school photographer over the years.

The one thing you can say about Sensei Rivera is when he sets a goal he will stay with it until he meets that goal.

Check out these accomplishments:

Bachelors in electrical engineering and in Psychology.

During the summer months He and his wife Rose liked to umpire baseball for the Hot Stove League. He umpired for 43 years. And they were inducted into Hot Stove Hall of Fame in 2018

Hunting instructor for the Ohio Wildlife Division for 24 years.

The one thing Sensei Rivera likes to do and talk about is gardening, hunting, and hiking,

He enjoys his time with his wife, son, and grandchildren.

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SENSEI CHRISTINA LONG



Martial Arts Ranks:

- 3rd Degree Black Belt American Ji Do Kwan Karate
- 3rd Kyu Ju-Jitsu
- 3rd Kyu Judo
- Assistant Tai Chi Chuan



Date Started Martial Arts: April 1992

Christina Long started Martial Arts under the direction of Grandmaster E.A.Fuzy in April of 1992. She attacked classes and projects with a drive that all Instructors look for. She allowed nothing to be an excuse for failure. She had a great attitude and was in fantastic shape.

In August of 1996 Christina, at the age of 16 flew 50 feet out of an automobile window during a accident. She broke her left wrist, shattered her left upper arm and shoulder, broke her neck, spine, and pelvis. The breaks were in direct line to what we in the Martial Arts would call a "shoulder roll"

This is what the hospital first figured save her life, because it gave her a way to come out of the landing rather than just compressing hips down over neck. She actually didn't remember.

Next they said that they had never seen such a focused or conditioned young girl. They we impressed enough to again say that is what saved her life.

In November of 1996 Christina stopped in for her first visit to the school. Since the accident in August they had fused her pelvis, wired her neck to her spine, and ran some 8-inch screws down her arm.

In January of 1997, Christina Long took 1st place Brown Belt forms at the Cleveland City Championships. Just five months out of the accident.

Of course since then Sensei Long achieved Black Belt. She has been certified to do "Stairway Fights", 25' falls, mini trampoline and scuba all in relationship to stunt work.

She continues to be an inspiration to us all.

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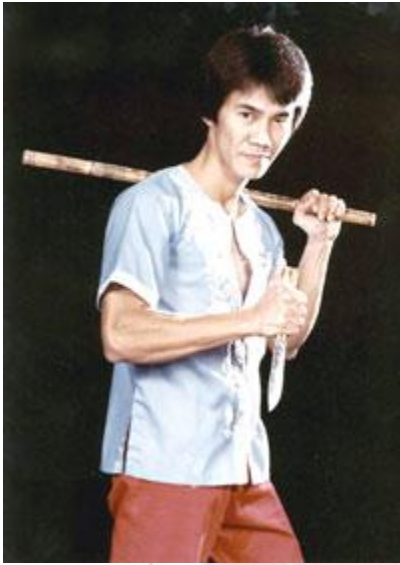
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GRANDMASTER EMMANUEL DELEON (RETIRED)



Martial Arts Ranks:

- 10th Degree Black Belt Sarrada Eskrido
- 8th Degree Black Belt American Ji Do Kwan Karate
- 6th Degree Black Belt Seidokan Aikido
- 5th Degree Black Belt Judo
- 5th Degree Black Belt Ju-Jitsu
- 4th Doce Pares
- Inductee - International Karate and Kickboxing Hall Of Fame
- Inductee - Martial Arts Masters, Pioneers, and Legends Hall Of Fame.
- Former Member Board Of Directors Ohio Ji Do Kwan Karate Association.
- Club Owner and Director



Grandmaster deLeon began training in the Martial Arts in 1963 in the Philippines with his Grand Father and Uncle who were both Ju-Jitsu Masters. Now he spreads his art of Serrada Eskrido along with his culture through Seminars and Demonstrations.

As with most Grandmasters, deLeon works for the betterment of Martial Arts through an involvement with a number of Martial Arts Groups. That along with his own classes, his work in the medical industry, and just life in general leave little time for much else.

Still, The Ohio Ji Do Kwan Karate Association was his first pick to join when he came to the area in 1981, and continues to hold a place in his heart.

You can view Grandmaster deLeon Eskrido web site. https://www.eskrido.com/Instructors_rev_A.html

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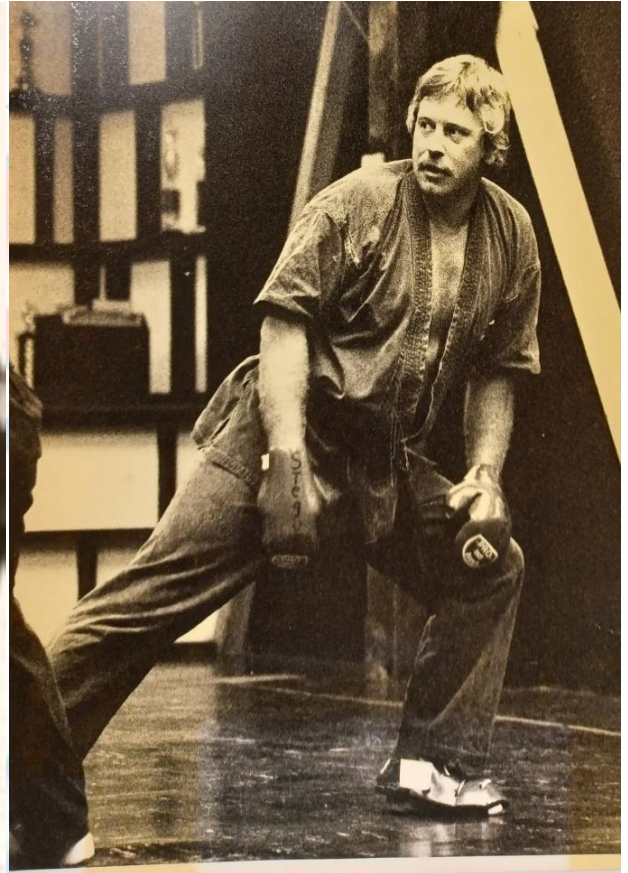
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Sensei Mark Marabito



Sensei June Taffs



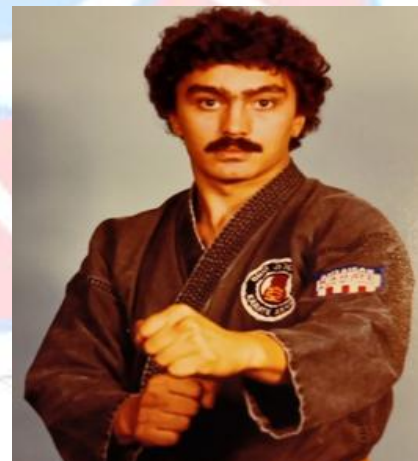
Sensei Ray Stegura



Sensei Cindy Corpus - Johnson



Sensei Eugene Madison



Sensei Hector Rivera

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