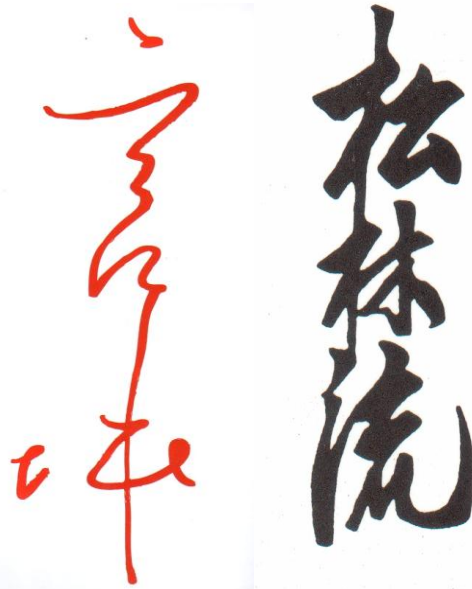


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Ueshiro Sensei
Grand Master
of Shorin-Ryu Karate USA



When Master Ueshiro boarded the Northwest Airlines plane on September 14, 1962, his most valuable possession was not the bo, sai or tonfa he had carried all the way from Okinawa. His greatest possession - intended as a gift to future American students - was a kata known as "Fukyugata San", a kata unique to Ueshiro Shorin-Ryu USA. It is a kata that exemplifies the total commitment and unstoppable power of its composer. A kata that becomes the foundation of every student's training in both kata and self-defense, yet takes a lifetime to fully master.

**** - "Fukyugata San", 50th Anniv. Celebration, USS Intrepid 8/12/12**



Greetings USRKUSA Members,

Please see the following two -TFTW from 2001 which I sent as Kyoshi, (Robert Scaglione), 11 years ago.

I feel these messages are even more important to all of us now, at this moment, on celebrating 50 Years of Karate of Grand Master Ansei Ueshiro.

Thank you all for your continued efforts and progress in your training.

Sincerely,

Hanshi, Robert Scaglione



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September 3rd, 2001

SHORIN-RYU KARATE USA

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Consistent Training

The most important aspect of karate is your systematic training schedule in the dojo. It is strongly suggested as follows:

Beginners: 2x weekly- minimum

Intermediates: 3x weekly- minimum

Advanced: 4x weekly- minimum

This refers to in the dojo training, a class participation schedule. In every area of sports/physical arts/athletics the "superstars" / higher ranks train more vigorously and more often. There are no shortcuts here. In order to experience the joy and vigor of a strenuous workout we need to show up, suit up and participate. It never comes from thinking about it, only from doing it. The most common cause of injury, malaise, illness and depression is inconsistent physical exercise or not training at all. The advanced kata demand much more physical strength and prowess than the basic kata. If you are too "busy " to meet this schedule then you need to find a way to break out of the rut.

"The dojo is the place where courage is fostered and superior human nature is bred through the ecstasy of sweating in hard work. It is the sacred place where the human spirit is polished." -Master Nagamine.

Keep training. Research this well

Kyoshi, Robert Scaglione 2001

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October 27, 1997

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SHORIN-RYU KARATE USA

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Attendance

Attendance. The single most important thing you can do which effects the dojo and everyone in the dojo is to *"show up"*. Participate in scheduled workouts, testings, promotions, travel, anniversaries, demonstrations, visits by people in our organization who travel into town and whenever else you may be needed.

The person who will benefit the most from this is "you". *Circulate do not isolate*. This takes an hour or two twice a week for group training, twice a year for promotions or demonstrations, once every five years for organization anniversaries, as often as you wish for travel and from time to time for visitors.

Arigato,

Kyoshi, Robert Scaglione 1997

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-50th Anniv. Hombu Kick Off Work Out 8/10/12



Los Angeles, California Ueshiro Bushi Dojo

Sensei Chris Barnes, Denshi Shihan

Onegai Shimasu Hanshi Kyoshis Fellow Denshi, Shihan, Black Belts and Ueshiro Shorin Ryu Deshi World Wide:

The 50th Anniversary was of Legend Proportions Arigato Mackay Kyoshi, Midtown and fellow New York Deshi for being such amazing spirited host.

Sensei Rebecca Scott made the Journey from Los Angeles where classes are being conducted under her tutelage. I will be training in New York and Florida for the next three months with periodic visit to LA as my personal business dictates.

Ms. Scott took back many journals to share with the current crop of Bushi Dojo Deshi, to try and share the spirit that was had by all.

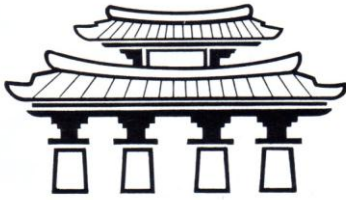
Look Forward to Seeing All Who Attend our December Celebrations in NYC. Arigato!

Barnes Sensei Ro-Kyu Dan
Denshi/Shihan



**** -50th Anniv. Celebration Training USS Intrepid 8/12/12**





Easton, Connecticut
Ueshiro Shorin Ryu Karate Club

Sensei Adam Dunsby, Shihan,

Domo arigato gozamaisu Hanshi and Kyoshi for such a memorable 50th anniversary celebration. The experience of working out on the Intrepid is one that will never be forgotten. Everyone, whether they train or not, who sees the picture of deshi upon deshi lined up on the deck is simply blown away and can't stop talking about it. The journal is a masterpiece: a compendium of passion and tradition that will serve as a perpetual source of inspiration to current deshi and as a glimpse of the wonders that lie ahead for new deshi, if they keep training.

And the fire still burns. In Easton, we are committing ourselves to attracting new students, extending each class by fifteen minutes, visiting other dojo, making the events, and training hard.

Domo arigato gozamaisu,

Adam Dunsby

Shihan, Easton CT Ueshiro Shorin Ryu Karate Club





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Kyoshi David Baker, Shichi-Dan, Sponsor

Onegai-shimasu Hanshi, Kyoshi, Sensei, Sempai
and Deshi,

Happy 50th Anniversary!!! Our small club is still
basking in excitement and energy of the August
Celebration. We are excited to announce that

since the last newsletter, Alex Latt has been reviewed, tested and is now promoted to Go Kyu. The Wilton Connecticut Ueshiro Shorin-Ryu Karate Club also held its summer kampaï in June, with both club students and families in attendance.

Further to honoring Ansei Ueshiro's journey 50 years ago, we are incorporating 50 and travel into our training. We endeavor to perform kata, push-ups, sit-ups, deep knee bends, etc., and any technique in repetitions of 50 (or multiples of 50). As an update, our goal is to visit five schools in another state in 2012, one for every decade of Ueshiro Shorin Ryu existence in these great United States. So far, our travels have found us welcome in the following clubs and schools:

Northampton Ueshiro Karate Dojo, MA in April with special thanks to Sensei Gobillot and his students.

Ueshiro Viera Shorin-Ryu Karate Dojo, FL in April with special thanks to Hanshi Scaglione and his students.

Ueshiro Midtown Karate (Hombu) Dojo, NY in August at the celebration with special thanks to Hanshi, Kyoshi, Sensei, Sempai and Deshi.

We hope to be coming to a school near you over the remaining course of the year. We continue to preserve and ensure the vitality of traditional Okinawan karate-do with our morning, pre-work classes. We wish all of our karateka brethren the best of training! See you on the deck!

Our spirited group continues to make a big kiai despite our small numbers.

Domo arigato,

Keith Eng

Class Schedule	
Monday	7:30 AM
Wednesday	7:30 AM

Cocoa, Florida

Ueshiro Cocoa Shorin-Ryu Karate Dojo

(March 2012 through September 2012)



Sensei Ron Marchetti Yondan, Shihan (321-412-3021)

Onegai – Shimasu Hanshi, Kyoshi, Sensei and SRKUSA Deshi

The Ueshiro Cocoa Shorin-Ryu Karate Dojo located at the Central Brevard Community College Campus in the Cocoa YMCA Facility is moving forward with great joy and vigor, with a combined schedule that has moved some classes to the Merritt Island Dojo. The modified schedule is as follows:

Monday and Wednesday – 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM (All ranks – adults and children)

The Cocoa Dojo Saturday 10 AM class has changed locations to the Viera Karate Dojo. The advanced (Green Belt rank and higher) is now conducted on the first and third Friday of every month at 6PM with Hanshi conducting the first Friday and Sensei Marchetti conducting the third Friday at the Merritt Island Dojo location.

The Ueshiro Cocoa Dojo Dan Level Deshi (Sensei Ron Marchetti and Sempai Pat Marchetti continue to lead the dojo in instruction of classes, along with Ik Kyu/Ni Kyu Deshi that continue to assist. The Ik Kyu instructors are Sempai Travis Culp, Sempai Matt Reed who is assisted by his son Luke Reed and Sempai Dennis Flynn who is assisted by his daughter Dakota Flynn (Ik Kyu). Ni Kyu deshi, Youjian and Maurice Nistorenko and Don Carter assist with class instruction. The Cocoa Dojo goal is to provide karate instruction to the Cocoa Deshi as brought to the United States by Grand Master Ansei Ueshiro and as currently taught by Hanshi Scaglione and the Kyoshi.

The Cocoa Dojo conducted Green Tip tests on April 18th and June 6th. Also, Cocoa Dojo along with Viera, Titusville, Suntree, West Melbourne and Merritt Island Dojo conducted a joint kyu level test on August 4th held at the Cocoa Dojo YMCA location in the large Brevard Community College Gymnasium. SRKUSA Deshi continue to move forward and demonstrate much progress in kata and karate technique.

Test results for April 18th were:

Receiving the rank of Ro Kyu (one green tip)

Jacob Miller

Darrell Fleming

Chuck Fleming

Receiving the rank of Go Kyu (two green tips)

David Miller
Robert Hunt

Test results for June 6th were:

Receiving the rank of Go Kyu (two green tips)

Chuck Fleming

Cocoa Dojo Test Results for the August 4th joint promotion were:

Promoted to the rank of Yellow Belt

Katie Berrean

Promoted to the rank of Yon Kyu (Green Belt)

John Nistorenko
Ariel Berrean
David Miller
Darrell Fleming
Chuck Fleming
Robert Hunt

Promoted to the rank of San Kyu (two brown tips)

Ben Berrean
Kaylie Weaver
Rob Weaver

Promoted to the rank of Ni Kyu (Brown Belt)

Amber Workman
Don Carter

The August 4th Florida Promotion was conducted by Hanshi Scaglione which first began as always with courtesy, warm-ups, basics and kata. Hanshi emphasized that the basics be performed in the correct sequence, and that the sequence is listed in the 50th anniversary SRKUSA Journal which is now available. Kata demonstrations were also performed by groups which demonstrated kata appropriate for their rank level. The day was challenging, and it should be noted that a large number of children were present and showed tremendous spirit by remaining attentive and fully engaged during the entire event. It shows that high expectations will produce excellent results even in difficult conditions.

Three boards of judges were convened by Hanshi to review all deshi testing as follows:

Board 1: Sensei David Tamir, Sempai Trevor Tezel
Board 2: Sensei Kurt Tezel, Sempai Pat Marchetti
Board 3: Sensei Ron Marchetti, Sempai Carla Eddy, Sempai Rick Cupoli

Several Cocoa Deshi journeyed to New York City for the 50th anniversary celebration on August 10, 11 and 12. All participants have reported that the excellent training and spirit were extremely memorable. During the promotion portion of the event, Sempai Pat Marchetti received the rank of Ni Dan.

Domo Arigato to Grand Master Ansei Ueshiro for making the journey to the United States 50 years ago to teach us Okinawan Shorin Ryu Karate. Domo Arigato to Hanshi Scaglione for leading us and insuring that Shorin Ryu Karate is kept true and authentic.

Domo Arigato Gozaimasu,

Sensei Ron Marchetti, Shihan
Ueshiro Cocoa Dojo Ueshiro
Shorin-Ryu Karate USA
Under the Direction of Hanshi Scaglione

Suntree & West Melbourne, Florida

Ueshiro West Melbourne Dojo & Ueshiro Suntree Dojo

Onegai-shimasu,

The Suntree and West Melbourne Dojos are pressing forward with joy and vigor!



Our classes are consistently full with students eager to learn karate with new faces showing up regularly to give it a try. We are pleased to report that the majority are sticking with it. As of our August belt test/promotion, many from the Suntree Dojo were promoted to Ni-Kyu and many from the West Melbourne Dojo were promoted to Yon-Kyu. This is a testament to Ueshiro Shorin Karate USA that says with warrior spirit that true traditional karate as handed down to us by Master Ansei Ueshiro and under the direction of Hanshi Robert Scaglione works and is actively working to make people strong in body, mind, and spirit. Nowhere was this more evident then at the great 50th anniversary celebration held in New York City on the weekend of August 10th. It was an amazing weekend that a number of deshi from both Suntree and West Melbourne were privileged to enjoy. To see so many deshi from so many locations around the country and abroad all practicing Shorin-Ryu karate consistently was an amazing experience and demonstrated the strength and integrity of our organization. We are also very proud to have had Sempai Ricky Cupoli (son of Shihan Rick Cupoli) successfully testing for his 1st Degree Black Belt as part of the at the 50th anniversary celebration. Big Congratulations!

With Tamir Sensei's relocation to Israel, Shodan Rick Cupoli [Sr.] and our Ik-Kyu (Sempai David Laderwarg and Kevin Hutchenson) have been maintaining the four weekly classes at the Suntree YMCA, while Shodan Rick Cupoli with assistance from his Ni-Kyu (Sempai Amanda Aiken) also continue to maintain three weekly classes at the West Melbourne Recreation Center. With new Ni-Kyu recently promoted, we have now more "troops" ready and willing to assist with maintaining the regular full weekly schedule of classes in Melbourne Florida. Promotions from the Suntree and West Melbourne Dojos achieved during the August 4th, 2012 joint testing with all our Florida schools are listed below.

Domo Arigato Gozaimasu

Sempai Rick Cupoli, Shodan
Shihan Ueshiro West Melbourne Dojo
Co-Shihan Ueshiro Suntree Dojo
Sensei David Tamir, Godan
Shihan Ueshiro Suntree Dojo

Merritt Island, Florida

Ueshiro Merritt Island Karate Dojo

Onegai Shimasu Hanshi, Kyoshi, Sensei and all Deshi,

Usually I begin my newsletter in chronological order documenting events as they unfolded. I would be remiss, however, if I didn't begin my submission by sharing my thoughts on the 50th Anniversary Celebration in New York in August.

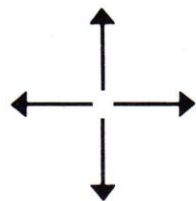
Ueshiro Merritt Island Karate was represented by Sempai Trevor Tezel and myself. We are now several weeks removed from the event, but are still riding the high and processing all that happened. A big DOMO ARIGATO goes out to all of the New York deshi who put this wonderful event together. Everything from the spine tingling journal to the excellent accommodations to the wonderful venues for training as well as socializing was perfect. It will be an event talked about in the years to come. My most lasting memory will undoubtedly be the training on Friday night. The combination of a hundred or so students and a warm August day created more than ample supply of perspiration. Before Friday night's training, the only time I've seen splashes like that were during beach workouts. Those that didn't step first would end up on the ground. I'm pretty sure my belt is still wet from that day!

Our dojo continues to be THE place where advanced training takes place! Hanshi teaches an advanced class on the first Friday of each month at 6pm and Sensei Ron Marchetti teaches this class on the third Friday of each month. Advanced Deshi from all Florida schools, pack the deck to take in these classes.

The Merritt Island dojo had a tip test in April where the following students were promoted: Sean Dahl, Quinton Mitchell, Michael Mayercik to the rank of Ro-kyu and Sebastian Dahl, Chris DeVane and Neil Dahl to the rank of Go-kyu (photo below).



On May 1, 2012, the Ueshiro Merritt Island Karate Dojo held its annual Katathon in honor of Grandmaster Ansei Ueshiro. Students from all of the Florida schools participated - sweating and working hard side-by-side. Training with someone you don't regularly train with frequently brings out the best in everyone. Participants attempted to complete 100 kata. The following students, representing a variety of schools, were in attendance: Carla Eddy, Kevin Hutchenson, Dakota Flynn, Cheyenne Flynn, Dennis Flynn, Sarah Alderman, Bill Alderman, Jen Alderman, Max Alderman, Richie Jenkins, Luke Reed, Matt Reed, Valerie Cirone, Vanessa Cirone, Isaiah Lopez, Paul Reeves, Zeke Lopez, Tajmeer McNeil, Laura Wheeler, Chris DeVane, Ezekiel Lopez and Shelly Lopez (photos below).



The annual Memorial Day beach workout was held at 7am on Monday, May 28 off of Lori Wilson Park. It was a well-attended event with many deshi from many different schools present. Afterwards, we visited a local Cocoa Beach restaurant for breakfast and karate talk (photos below).



On June 16 Ueshiro Merritt Island Karate along with Ueshiro Titusville Karate held our bi-monthly testing. The following individuals who achieved an advancement in rank: Ro-Kyu: Vanessa Cirone, Valerie Cirone and Go-Kyu: Quentin Mitchell.



Three Merritt Island deshi – Sensei Tezel, Sempai Trevor Tezel and Sempai Kevin Tezel – visited the Honolulu Dojo led by Sensei Lorenzo Aguon. The class took place in the idyllic setting of Kapiolani Park near the ocean (photo)

August 4 was another memorable event, as the combined schools of Florida held a joint promotion. The event lasted more than five hours as close to 60 candidates were reviewed. This event served as a perfect appetizer for the following week-end's events in New York City.



Domo Arigato Gozaishimasu,

Sensei Kurt Tezel, Shihan



**** -50th Anniv. "Ueshiro Bo" Training USS Intrepid 8/12/12**



Titusville, Florida Titusville Shorin Ryu Karate Dojo

Onegai-Shimasu Hanshi, Kyoshi, Sensei and all Deshi-
The Titusville Dojo meets at the Titusville Y.M.C.A. Outback Tennis and Racquetball Center on Mondays and Wednesdays at 6:00pm to 7:00pm. Additional training and guidance is provided by the instructor who stays for up to a half hour after class as requested by students.

We have had a good past six months with several tip tests, a full belt test, and other special events during this, Master Ueshiro's Anniversary year.

Four students earned a new rank. Three were promoted to Yon Kyu (Green Belt) and one was promoted to Ik-Kyu (Black Tips). What was also encouraging is we had students who showed up to support testing students by attending the test.



Our full belt test took place in August. It was a combined test with the other Florida schools. The test took place at the Cocoa Dojo in the Cocoa YMCA. The following students from the Titusville Dojo earned new Ranks: Logan Griffo, Mackenzie, Griffo, and Kyle Nazarian (Yon-Kyu, Green Belt) and Edward Bauder (Ik-Kyu Black Tips)

Sempai Carla Eddy (our senior instructor) attended the fiftieth anniversary celebration in New York. She delighted us with news of the work out which was attended by a number of Black Belts and Kyu ranks. She told us of the measurable sweat left on the floor of the work out area from the expended joy and vigor of training.

At Titusville Dojo, as always we, continue to make sure that each parent who brings a child to karate is asked and encouraged to join us and support their child.

Domo Arigato Gozaimasu,

Edward A. Bauder
Ik-Kyu Shihan of the Titusville Dojo
Sponsored by Sensei Kurt Tezel, Go-Dan

Viera, Florida

Ueshiro Viera Shorin-Ryu Karate Dojo

50th Anniversary Celebration adventures from future Black belts

Stories by 9 year old George Dyer, Yellow Belt & his 7 year old brother Douglas Dyer, San-Kyu, Viera Dojo deshi.

One day my brother, my mom and I went to New York City for 50th Anniversary of Shorin Ryu Karate in US. On the plane we saw our karate instructor. He is the best karate person in the world. We call him Hanshi. Hanshi offered us a ride to our hotel with his friend, Sempai Richy Glassberg, he had concrete bricks in the trunk of his car. He asked if we want to break them. In the car he told us about his routine. First, he gets up at 6 oclock in the morning and eats a healthy breakfast. Next, he goes for a quick jog and does his kata. We thought it was neat that karate spirit was already in us though we barely arrived.

The next day I couldn't wait til the first work-out begins. When we got to St Bart's church, it was very hot. There was no AC in the training hall. We all sweated unto the floor. At the end of the work-out we were sliding. I thought it was great, not because we were sliding, but because of the hard work we put in that day.

I liked the formal dinner night. People entered by rank. We were at the end of the queue. I thought to myself we have to train harder. We talked a lot at dinner. A Sempai from Minnesota asked me about things I liked to do. My favorite part was the fortune cookies we had. The cookies said quotes from karate: Teach them to step first! , This is gold! , Joy and Vigor!

The work out on aircraft carrier Intrepid started a bit early for us the next morning, but it was worth it. What I enjoyed there is demonstrations. I have never seen before some of the kata performed. The best power, strength and skill were demonstrated by black belts. I thought if I keep training I may become like them one day. It was nice that we were then allowed to cruise around on the Intrepid for free. Sempai Matt and Luke from Florida walked with us to a restaurant for brunch. We used a cell phone for navigation. The restaurant was a busy place by the time we arrived. The most unexpected part was when Sensei Chris Barnes got us a box of pizza when there was none left.

When we walked back to hotel two doormen saw my brother and me in karate gi. One of them said to another jokingly: I will take down the big one, you take down the little one. We chuckled to ourselves. We had a great time in New York doing karate. This story is dedicated to Hanshi for his hard work training me as well as all the people who organized this event.

-George Dyer, Yellow Belt, Viera Dojo



When I visited New York for the 50th Anniversary of Shorin-Ryu Karate USA I liked to start my day at Cafe Metro, They have yummy food and I needed my strength for karate!

The work out in St. Bart's church was very fun because everything was sweaty. I was able to skate at the end of the work out.

I liked the demonstrations of the kata on the Intrepid because the moves were so cool, unlike anything I'd ever seen.

Taxi's in New York City are fun. Mom paid for the taxi and said: "Hold my coffee" - I threw it out thinking it was empty. No coffee for mom that morning.....

-Douglas Dyer, San-Kyu, Viera Dojo, Florida



On September 14, 1962 Grandmaster Ansei Ueshiro departed his home in Okinawan for the United States. Little could anyone have foreseen the far reaching implications of this trip. The journey and the years he put in teaching karate to Americans has enriched hundreds if not thousands of lives in countless ways.

September 16, 2012 the Florida Deshi celebrated this journey with a beach workout led by Hanshi Robert Scaglione (photo above). Much of the focus of this year-long celebration has been on the hardships Master Ueshiro endured in arriving in a foreign country. He had to deal with a foreign language, a foreign culture and the fact that he knew few people. Hanshi shared with us that the journey itself was also fraught with hardships. Traveling to the other side of the world was much different 50 years ago than it is today. Master Ueshiro's journey took four days to complete! Our celebration on the beach represented the mid-way point in the journey to his final destination.

During the workout, Hanshi emphasized the importance of snapping each technique. This can only be accomplished by a full chamber and full torque at the very end of each block or strike. We were also reminded to step first and then strike. The beach readily reveals any deficiency in stepping first.

At the end of class Sempai's Ricky Cupoli and Matt Reed were presented their blackbelts - each receiving the rank of Sho-Dan. After bowing out, informal training continued by the water's edge for another hour.

Domo Arigato to Hanshi Robert Scaglione for all of your leadership and making sure that *everyone* leaves a workout with something. Domo Arigato to Sensei Marchetti for organizing the event and all of the blackbelts who worked individually with the students after bowing out. Domo Arigato to all the kyu ranks who participated - we learn from you as much, if not more, than you learn from us. Arigato Hanshi, Sensei Kurt Tezel.

The Ueshiro Viera Karate Dojo honors Master Ueshiro and his countless years of service to uphold the standards of Shorin Ryu Karate-Do in the United States of America.

Hanshi Robert Scaglione, Shihan/Director
Ueshiro Viera Shorin-Ryu Karate Dojo

Honolulu, Hawaii

Ueshiro Hawaii Karate Dojo

Sensei Lorenzo Aguon, Shihan

Aloha From Hawaii,

This August was truly a very memorable month for us all. Sensei Lorenzo Aguon, Sempai Edgar Ambrosio, and Sempai Roi Globen were able to represent Ueshiro Hawaii Karate Dojo at the 50th Anniversary Celebration in Manhattan. Every day in New York was packed with "Joy and Vigor". Our energy, techniques, and warrior spirits were all put to the test. The Friday welcoming workout, The DoubleTree ballroom workout, and the USS Intrepid Flight Carrier workout have forever found a place in our minds and hearts. It has inspired us all to continue to train hard and move forward under the leadership of Hanshi Robert Scaglione.

Seeing all our deshi together, performing kata Fukyugata 3 in unison, was breathtaking. Grand Master Ansei Ueshiro would be very proud to see how strong his organization has become. This month, we congratulate Scott Nishimoto for successfully passing his test for Ni-kyu. We had a very energized test filled with sweat and lots of broken boards. Let's all continue to train strong in our mind and body. Take everything we learned from the 50th celebration and "Train it Forward".



We were very lucky to have spent time with Sensei Sal Scaglione this past Sunday, September 16, 2012. We had a beautiful outdoor workout at Kapiolani Beach Park. Sensei Sal brought with him great weather for his first trip out to the Hawaiian Islands. Domo Arigato Sensei Sal for taking time out of your busy work schedule to join us in a workout. We had a great karate session where we could address any questions and train our katas from Fukyugata 1 all the way up to Gojushiho.

It was a pleasure to have you fine tune our katas, pre-arranged fighting, and weapons. We always enjoy and welcome the company of fellow Ueshiro Shorin Ryu Karate USA members.

Domo Arigato and Aloha from Hawaii,

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Boston, Massachusetts
Boston Chinatown Ueshiro Shorin-Ryu Karate Club

Onegai-shimasu Hanshi, Kyoshi, Sensei, Shihan and fellow Deshi,

We are moving forward. We continue to train at the Wang YMCA of Chinatown, 8 Oak Street West, Boston MA. Classes are on Monday and Wednesday nights at 7:30 pm and Sundays at 12:30 pm. The YMCA is near downtown Boston. We are honored when visitors train with us. If you may be able to do so, please let me know.



Domo arigato gozaimasu to Hanshi for leading us down the Path that Grandmaster Ueshiro laid out for us.

Boston deshi @ Dag Hammarskjold Park

We were honored to participate in the 50th Anniversary celebration events in New York City in August. It was a weekend overflowing with memorable workouts, testing and camaraderie. From workouts in warm, humid, secluded settings that brought to mind ancient training in the caves of Okinawa to the decks of the vast warship Intrepid, it was truly unforgettable. To cement the bonds bred in such conditions, we also broke bread with deshi from around the world, ones we have trained with for many years and ones we met for the first time. We look forward to carrying the energy forward into the next 50th years! Congratulations to Mr. Keith Burrows who received the right to earn the Nidan rank he received in New York.

Continuing the celebration of the 50th Anniversary, we held our August belt test on August 26. Congratulations to Keith Chan who was promoted to Nikyu, Theo Panagakos who was promoted to Yonkyu and Steven Oshner who was promoted to Rokyu.

Domo arigato to Mr. Burrows who called the test and to On Nai Lai and Joseph Cheung, ikkyu, who completed the board of judges. Arigato as well to Sean Jones and Kevin Strang, who, as is proper, added their spirit and sweat to the event even though they were not testing on the spot today.

We look forward to joining in more events in this 50th Anniversary Year.

Domo arigato gozaimasu to all,

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Northampton Ueshiro Pine Forest Karate Dojo

Autumn 2012 Newsletter



Onegai shimasu Hanshi, Kyoshi, Sensei, Sempai and all Deshi!

On 31 March 2012 we were honored by a visit from Kyoshi David Seeger, as well as Sensei Powell, Potter, Mazlan, Lax, and deshi from various schools. The dojo was considerably larger by the end of our workout, from the knowledge and spirit imparted that day. Domo arigato to all who took the time to travel to our dojo for this special workout.



On Sunday 29 April 2012 members of our dojo participated in a community event for Homes for Our Troops, to help build a house for Sgt Joshua Bouchard, who trained with us prior to joining the Marines. Sgt Bouchard was injured in Afghanistan when his convoy drove over an IED. Sgt Bouchard's father Jimmy, a wounded Vietnam veteran, trained with us for many years.



From left: Robert St George, Mary McKittrick, Jimmy Bouchard, Sgt Josh Bouchard, Dan Gobillot, Michelle Mastroianni, Vern Fath Jean Gobillot

THE 50th ANNIVERSARY

The second weekend of August 2012 boasted a historic and auspicious event for Shorin-ryu Karate USA. Master Ansei Ueshiro would no doubt be happy and proud of where Hanshi Robert Scaglione has led this organization.

Close to two hundred deshi, men, women and children of all ranks participated in this week-long celebration filled with karate workouts and camaraderie. I met shihan for the first time, people that I have been involved with for years, in this organization, people from all over the world. It was good to put a face with a name and even better to have the conversation. But most of all I got to train again with guys that I've been bumping into for the past 25 years.

So many people gave so much for this to happen. We trained on the warm painted steel deck of the U.S.S. Intrepid surrounded by fighter jets. Lines of crisp white gis as far as the eye could see. I can not wait for the video Kyoshi Seeger has promised. Were those his helicopters filming aerial views showing the wave factor that was no doubt happening to our kata because many deshi could not even hear the count, they were so far away. And when did Kyoshi Mackay start working on the 50th Anniversary Journal? Probably the day after the 45th celebration, although I don't know if he would have had the time to complete such a beautifully written and artistic masterpiece.

Lunch on Saturday, an endless procession of white uniforms walking through New York City to the park. Three guys "fake" jumped me, doing ninja stuff, as their way of being involved in something much bigger than their own lives offer. How do you get 200 box lunches to a park in the city and still have them fresh and delicious? Is that a testimony to the lack of hungry homeless or just really good planning. What about "Hanshi Fortune Cookies"! All this and much much more you missed if you could not be there.

Thank you Hanshi, Kyoshi and everyone involved in the planning and execution. I will remember this forever!

Daniel Gobillot, Shihan



Front row: Dylan Kenseth, Bob St George, Tracy Magdalene, Nancy Owen

Back row: Mary McKittrick, Vern Fath, Lou Ruvolo, Dan Gobillot, Derek Marcus, Tom Marcus, Jim Robinson

Domo arigato gozaimasu Hanshi, Kyoshi, Sensei, Sempai, and all fellow Deshi for your motivating spirit, for continuing to support all of us in our training and helping us to move forward in the martial way.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary McKittrick, San-Dan

Northampton Ueshiro Pine Forest Karate Dojo, Northampton, MA

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Northampton Ueshiro Pine Forest Karate Dojo

Please visit and train with us in Northampton.

Our doors are always wide open to you.



Minnetonka, Minnesota
Ueshiro Okinawan Karate Club (Minnetonka)



Onegaishimasu Hanshi, Kyoshi, Sensei, Senpai & Deshi,

It was with deep sorrow that events conspired which did not allow Sensei Kleusch to travel to New York for the 50th anniversary celebration. From all the pre- and post-event communication it sounded wonderful and we were pleased to see that so many Shorin Ryu practitioners got so much from the events of that weekend. Congratulations to everyone who was promoted, who demonstrated and who participated.

Our humble club has added a class and now trains three days a week. Classes are: Monday, Wednesday and Friday: 8:00am to 9:30am at Robinson's Bay Beach in Deep Haven, Minnetonka, MN 55345.

Please feel free to join us any time.

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Northfield, Minnesota

Ueshiro Northfield Shorin-Ryu Karate Club



Onegai-shimasu Hanshi, Kyoshi, Sensei, Sempai, and all Deshi!

The Ueshiro Northfield Shorin-Ryu Karate Dojo continues to move forward with big spirit celebrating the 50th Anniversary year!

Our regular classes meet on Monday and Wednesday night and Saturday morning, with an expanding core of colored belts and a continuing stream of new students.

The Carleton College Karate Club is ready for the new school year with many new students and returning club members. The club meets on Monday and Thursday evening.

Joint workouts between the two groups are held on Saturday. Additional training includes advanced belt classes, special “50 Kata” or “100 Kata” Sunday workouts where we focus on one kata at different speeds, directions and mirror image, and once a month combined Monday night workouts.

Our dojo was extremely honored in April when Hanshi and Sensei Sal Scaglione came to Northfield for a packed weekend of training, “sugar” and fellowship! As we celebrated the fourth year of the Northfield dojo, Hanshi and Sensei Sal elevated the level of our training and karate knowledge. Off the deck there were many opportunities to visit with Hanshi and Sensei Sal, especially at a dojo-wide pot luck Compai hosted by Peter and Audrey Holocher. Domo Arigato Hanshi and Sensei for coming to Northfield – you are welcome to visit again any time!

Of course, August brought the 50th Anniversary Celebration in New York City! Eight karateka from Minnesota made the trip: Shihan Bob Dobrow, Steve Hatle, Leif Esbenshade, Peter Holocher, Liz Evison, Scott Sijan, Zach Wood-Doughty, and Brenda Hellen. It is difficult to describe in words the myriad impressions and lessons of that fabulous weekend – from conquering the heat and sweat of Friday night at St. Barts, to digging into the heart and soul of Fukyugata San on Saturday, from the fierceness, elegance, beauty, and power of our combined karate presence on the flight deck of the USS Intrepid, to the small, personal moments of renewing old friendships and making new ones with our karate brothers

and sisters from around the world. We came home infused with the spirit of Master Ueshiro, a sense of his sacrifice and drive to bring karate to the United States, and the knowledge that we are part of a worldwide organization that is committed to preserving that spirit under the leadership of Hanshi Robert Scaglione.

As one deshi said, *"The 50th anniversary was testament to a very strong group and powerful Ki that will be shaping the future of Ueshiro Shorin-Ryu Karate USA into the future!"*

Another student wrote in their recent karate essay, *"The weekend was tough, but rewarding. So many came and so many shared. Although we were 150 strong, we were one. We were like a tree with many roots, but working in harmony to support the foundation. . . . We are a family, we support each other, we learn from each other, and although we are many, we are one together in our pursuit of learning. As we think about those in the past who came before us, as well as those who are yet to come, it is clear that tradition and respect are what we are all about."*

Congratulations to all students who advanced in rank over these past six months. They are:

Ro-Kyu: Gabe Bagot, Tania Duarte, Bella Lawrence, Connor Shepherd
Go-Kyu: Jack Davis, Crystal Lai, Kevin Liao, Guy Lawrence, Chris Wong
Yon-Kyu: Ross Cawthon, Shail Mehta, Quinn Radich, Emily Sturman
San-Kyu: Liz Evison, Brenda Hellen, Scott Sijan
Ni-Kyu: Lief Esbenshade, Peter Holocher
Ik-kyu: Steve Hatle

San-Dan: Bob Dobrow

Please visit our Facebook page at <http://www.facebook.com/NorthfieldKarateDojo> where you can follow our dojo activities. You can also learn more at our dojo website at <http://northfieldkarate.wordpress.com>

Domo arigato gozaimashita Hanshi for guiding us in the footsteps of Master Ueshiro as we continue to learn and grow in our practice of Shorin-Ryu karate; Kyoshi for your leadership and support; and all USRKUSA members for everything you do to keep the flame burning. Onward to the 100th anniversary!

Respectfully submitted, Steve Hatle, Ik-Kyu, Shihan/Director Bob Dobrow, San-Dan
Ueshiro Northfield Shorin-Ryu Karate Dojo of Minnesota



****50th Anniv. Celebration Kata "Kusanku" USS Intrepid 8/12/12**

New York City, New York
Ueshiro Midtown Karate Dojo, (Hombu Headquarters)

Welcome

"I am going to teach karate to the American people the way it was taught to me."
-Grand Master Ansei Ueshiro, Sept. 9, 1962

Onegai shimasu, Hanshi, Kyoshi, Sensei and Deshi of Ueshiro Shorin-Ryu USA,



Domo arigato gozaimasu to all our USRKUSA colleagues, whether arriving from Hawaii, Israel, New Zealand, or simply across town, for making the journey to Midtown Manhattan in honor of Master Ueshiro and 50 years of USRKUSA. Thanks to your warrior spirit, we did it! After months of preparations - including demos, kata reviews, event planning, journal submissions and financial backing - the 50th Anniversary Celebration become a reality. Thanks to the vision and untiring efforts of Hanshi Robert Scaglione, USRKUSA has been brought to new heights.

It would take many Newsletters to document all the karate-do shared over the August 10 to 12 weekend, not to mention the contributions of so many individuals who made the event possible. But the following summary will hopefully chronicle a few highlights of this historic event.

Highlights of the 50th Anniversary Celebration

* Kick-off Workout - Hanshi Robert Scaglione officially opened the celebrations on Friday afternoon, August 10 with an over-the-top class held inside a packed, slightly humid St. Barts gym. Pools of sweat reflected the determination of the participants as Hanshi went over the importance of breathing and the core elements of the traditional class. At the end of the workout Hanshi received the first *50th Anniversary Journal* presented by the other members of the Editorial Board: **Kyoshi Mackay**, Sensei Ron Ballin and Mr. Jonathan Cohen. Domo arigato to ALL our journal contributors, and especially to Hanshi for his time and judgment editing every single page and to Sensei Ron Ballin for his superlative creativity and design work.

* Sho-dan Review - After a short dinner break, Hanshi, the Kyoshi and the Shihan returned to St. Barts for a Sho-dan test. Kyoshi Dave Seeger led the Ik-kyu through a brief review of kata inside the Hombu Dojo, and formal testing got underway in the main gym at approximately 9:00 pm. This part of the Sho-dan test focused on kata, and continued under Hanshi's supervision for three hours.

* Early compai in Roslyn, Long Island - Saturday morning Black Belts from all the dojo met with Hanshi for an informal breakfast hosted by Sensei Boris Grossman at Matador Cigars, just a few miles from Master Ueshiro's final resting place in Locust Valley. Despite the early hour, the group was energized by Friday's workouts and their anticipation of the next two days' intense training.

* Full day seminars and reviews - Training resumed in earnest at the Metropolitan Ballroom of the DoubleTree Hotel, only a block away from the Hombu Dojo. Accommodations at the DoubleTree, including an Executive Suite for Hanshi and the Kyoshi, had been arranged by Sensei Richy Glassberg. At 10:00 am approximately 180 attendees filed into the workout space as Hanshi offered a meticulous review of the details in our kata. The students then joined in, filling the 7,000 square foot ballroom to perform the same kata and implement the corrections.

At 1:00 pm the group broke for lunch, walking in gi to Dag Hammarskjold Park across the street from the United Nations. The scene was reminiscent of the 30th Anniversary when the Black Belts of Shorin-Ryu

USA met with Master Ueshiro at the UN. Box lunches were provided by Sensei HEND Elsayed in an idyllic setting of park benches and fountains.

After returning to the DoubleTree, the Ballroom was partitioned to allow private testing of candidates for Ni-Dan through Go-Dan. While Hanshi and the Kyoshi reviewed the Black Belts' higher kata, the kyu ranks continued training under the guidance of the senior Shihan.

At 3:00 pm the partitions were removed and all in attendance were able to observe the *jyu kumite* portion of the Sho-dan test. This was followed by *atemi waza* (brick breaking) for aspiring Sho-dan through Go-dan candidates. Hanshi concluded the workout with a tribute to Grand Master Ueshiro and the countless experiences that spanned their 35 year friendship.

* Formal dinner at McCormick & Schmick's - Family and friends joined Hanshi and the karateka for a dinner where many a compai were offered in appreciation of Ueshiro Shorin-Ryu and the people who contribute to keeping Master Ueshiro's legacy alive. The meal concluded with fortune cookies of Hanshi's more famous expressions, perhaps most notably, "That's Gold!"

* Formal Commemorative Workout, USS Intrepid - Early Sunday morning found the streets of Manhattan occupied by deshi making their way to the Hudson River for the formal 50th Anniversary workout aboard the USS Intrepid. Hanshi paid tribute to Grand Master Ueshiro and to all military personnel around the world for their service to our Country. The workout was preceded by warm-ups where Hanshi reviewed the fine points of our basic techniques. After bowing in, training turned in large part to perfecting Master Ueshiro's kata, Fukyugata San. The workout ended with formal demonstrations by each group of kyu and dan ranks, culminating in Hanshi leading the Kyoshi through Kusanku. A highpoint of the workout was when Hanshi's uncle, Joe Delmonico, joined us with his family for the final demonstrations. Mr. Delmonico recently celebrated his 92nd birthday and served in the Pacific Theatre during WW II, including the battles of Okinawa and Iwo Jima.

After the formal workout many students toured the Intrepid Museum with their families, while others adjourned for an informal brunch hosted by Sensei Chris Barnes at the Flaming Saddles Restaurant.

* Closing workout and ceremonies - All deshi convened back at the Hombu Dojo at 3:00 pm for a final workout. After extensive deliberations, Hanshi announced the results of the Dan-Level Review. An enthusiastic congratulations to our new Midtown Sho-Dan, Mr. Ibrahima Jalloh and Mr. Robert Bandel, and to those Black Belts who advanced in rank:

* Ni-Dan: Mr. Jonathan Cohen, Mr. David Emmenue, Ms. Kim Garon, Ms. Candace Morgan

* San-Dan: Sensei John Adams, Sensei John Robbins, Sensei HEND Elsayed, Sensei Ron Ballin

* Yon-Dan: Sensei Rob Neff

* Go-Dan: Sensei Larry Link

Congratulations to all who remain resolute in moving forward, whether promoted or not.

Before bowing out, the Hombu Dojo presented Hanshi with a hand-made carpet representing Master Ueshiro's journey from Okinawa to the United States. The carpet was hand-knotted by artists in Pakistan, and produced by Mr. David Emmenue. Hanshi thanked all the students for their dedication and hard work, and reminded us that this is really just the beginning. Many more celebrations, exhibitions and opportunities to train await us, culminating in the year-end Black Belt workout/dinner where certificates will be awarded for Dan-level ranks.

Fundraisers

To help defray the costs of the 50th Anniversary Weekend, several deshi stepped forward with creative ideas, industry contacts and/or capital to produce commemorative merchandise. Some of the items were given away, others are still available for purchase. A sincere "Thank you!" to: Mr. Jonathan Cohen (commemorative coin), Sensei Ron Ballin (commemorative banner), Mr. David Emmenue (embroidered

shirts, hats and towels), Sensei Preston Powell (shirt sales), Sensei Chris Barnes (patches), and Ms. Kim Garon (commemorative wrist bands). ***Please continue to support these fundraisers so we may cover the printing cost of the 50th Anniversary Journal and the upcoming Black Belt Workout/Compai in early December.***

Although the 50th Anniversary extravaganza eclipsed all other events of the year, many special workouts took place in the months before that helped us prepare in body, mind and spirit. These included:

Dojo Renovations

To refurbish the Hombu Dojo for the 50th Anniversary, a two-day marathon clean-up/paint party was held at the end of April. The following volunteers deserve special thanks for their long hours and sweat equity in polishing our "sacred training hall:" Sensei(s) Ellin Moore, Rob Neff, Richy Vachino, John Adams, Mr. John Lee, the Emmenuel family (who showed up both days!), the Draghi and Heese families, Gerard Rath, Ash Venkatraman, James Rothermel, Kathy and Bill Chin, and Dave Boxley.

April Green Tip Test

Our spring green tip test was held on Tuesday, April 17 preceded by a demanding workout. After a thorough review the following deshi were promoted:

* Yon-Kyu: Alejandro Urbina

* Go-Kyu: Jack Draghi, Christopher Draghi, Kathy Chin

April Katathons

In the spirit of celebrating Master Ueshiro's 79th birthday, many special-emphasis classes were held around April 20th: Sensei(s) Rob Neff, John Robbins, John Adams, Ron Ballin and Mr. Jonathan Cohen all held workshops dedicated to Fukyugata San techniques, kata, and endurance training.

Karate after-school program at the Stevens Cooperative School

Ni-Dan Candace Morgan formed a Shorin-Ryu Karate after-school class for elementary school children at the Stevens Cooperative School. On June 1 a final demonstration was given to the school by Ms. Morgan, Sensei(s) John Adams, Hend Elsayed, Ron Ballin, and Sam DiGiario.

Karate exhibition at the "Village" Senior Living Center

On June 11 Ms. Morgan orchestrated another Shorin-Ryu exhibition as part of 92nd birthday celebration for artist Jimmy Mirikitani at the Village at 46 & Tenth, a senior citizen living center. Domo arigato to Messrs. Sam Suzuki, Robert Bandel, Gerard Rath, Erik Sanner, Sam DiGiario and Ms. Victoria Baughman for their show of support.

June Green Tip Test

Our June green tip test was held on Tuesday, June 12 in a packed, high-humidity training hall. Congratulations to our four new Ro-kyu who showed excellent poise, timing, and appreciation of basic Ueshiro Shorin-Ryu kata and technique.

* Ro-kyu: Dave Boxley, Nita Flores, Krishnan Iyengar, Anna Sweeney

Sherwood Island Beach Workout

On July 15 we held our 11th annual beach workout at Sherwood Island State Park. The event was attended by students from six of the Northeast Dojo and Clubs: Midtown, Nyack, Easton, Pelham Manor, Downtown, Palisades and Harlem. Domo arigato gozaimasu to all the Shiha and their students for participating in this tradition, started by Hanshi Robert Scaglione more than 30 years ago. The marathon training afforded us a perfect opportunity to prepare for the even greater marathons that awaited us in August.



Pool Party / BBQ

Sensei Adam Dunsby, his family, and the students of the Easton Ct. Ueshiro Karate Club sponsored a five-star BBQ and pool party at their home following the beach workout. This was the Dunsby's tenth year hosting the after-workout party, and they invariably make us feel like Okinawan Royalty.

St. Barts Karate Summer Camp

For the second year in a row, Sensei Rob Neff and San-kyu Neil Nemoto offered traditional Shorin-Ryu classes to approximately 55 children enrolled in the "Summer at St. Barts" program. A final demonstration/workout was held on August 22 in the gymnasium, attended by Sensei Rob Neff, Sensei Luz Delucia, Mr. David Emmenueel, Mr. Felipe Flores, Michelle Napoli, Neil Nemoto, Shawn Nemoto and Arabella Neff.

August Tip Test and Kyu-Level Promotion

Our August promotion was held outdoors on a clear Sunday morning in the Central Park Conservatory. The test ran parallel to the 911 Memorial Workout. After a review of kata, yakusoku kumite and breaking, the following advanced in rank:

- * Go-kyu: Anna Sweeney
- * Yon-kyu: Kathy Chin, Shailesh Singhal
- * San-kyu: Dhruvani Paul, Stephanie Tooper, Jeremiah Emmenueel, Matt Emmenueel
- * Ni-kyu: Ansumana Bangura (white stripe), Victoria Baughman
- * Ik-kyu: Muhammad Jalloh (white stripe), Art Forni (Easton Ct. Karate Club)

9/11 Memorial Workout in Central Park



The Annual September 11 Memorial Workout was held on September 9th in a secluded terrace of the Conservatory Gardens near 110th and Fifth Avenue. More than 30 students attended, including a dozen black belts. The tranquil setting and limited use of audible kiai gave us the chance to focus on proper form and technique. Congratulations to those who came early and stayed for the full five hour workout.

Photographs of these and many other events may be seen at the Midtown Dojo website by clicking here: <http://midtownkaratedojo.com/Gallery.html>

The Celebrations continue!

There is no doubt that this milestone year has inspired all to embrace the challenges and opportunities of Ueshiro Shorin-Ryu Karate USA. Domo arigato gozaimasu, Hanshi, for leading us through this magnificent tribute to Grand Master Ansei Ueshiro, and for keeping his spirit strong and true after 50 years on US soil. By following in Master Ueshiro's footsteps, we become tomorrow's leaders of Ueshiro Shorin-Ryu USA. Very few karate organizations in this country can boast of enduring for 50 years. Let us use this legacy to elevate our kata and commitment to greater heights.

Kyoshi Michael Mackay

Hachi-Dan, Ueshiro Midtown Karate Dojo

www.MidtownKarateDojo.com

Midtown Karate Dojo Class schedule

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
7:45 – 8:30am	–	--	--	7:45 – 8:30am	10:45 – 11:45am	11:00 am - 12:00 noon
12:00 – 1:00pm		12:00 – 1:00pm	1:15 - 2:00pm	10:30 - 11:30am	12:00 – 1:00pm	
5:30 – 7:00pm	5:30 – 7:00pm	5:30 – 7:00pm	5:30 – 7:00pm	5:30 – 7:00pm	--	
--	7:15 – 8:45pm				--	



Downtown, New York, NY Ueshiro Downtown Shorin Ryu Karate Dojo

This past several months has seen the continued growth of the Ueshiro Downtown Dojo and we will continue to move forward and grow our student base. We are grateful to everyone who has contributed to Ueshiro Downtown Shorin -Ryu Karate Dojo during our second year including Sensei Ron Ballin, Sempai Kim Garon, Sempai Michael Gallagher, Sempai Candace Morgan, and Sempai Henri Waelbrock.

We continued our workshop program and have a number of new workshops scheduled over the next several months. We believe that by focusing in a workshop on one kata, bunkai, weapons, or prearranged allows us to more fully explore techniques and improve our overall knowledge and skills. We also conduct workouts in street clothes where we work on kata and prearranged fighting in everyday clothes and simulated distraction packed surroundings.

"See to it that you temper yourself with one thousand days of

practice, and refine yourself with ten thousand days of training."

-Miyamoto Musashi



The 50th Anniversary Celebration this past August was the most memorable event from the Ueshiro Downtown Shorin -Ryu Karate Dojo. The learning, the Intrepid and all the workouts were unparalleled. Arigato to Kyoshi Seeger, Kyoshi Kaplin, and Kyoshi Baker for their inspiration. Arigato to Kyoshi Mackay for his tireless efforts in planning the 50th Anniversary Weekend. Arigato to Hanshi Robert Scaglione for sharing so much with all of us.

We look forward to keeping our level of training up and on the path of improvement. Arigato



Sensei Kevin L. Raymond Shihan,
Ueshiro Downtown Shorin-Ryu Karate Dojo
Under the Direction of Hanshi Robert Scaglione

Palisades, New York
Ueshiro Pine Forest Karate School
Kyoshi David Seeger, Shihan/Director



Thank you to all those who participated at our August Anniversary Celebration of the 50th Year of Ueshiro Shorin-ryu Karate USA! Keep in mind that the 50th year celebration is not over the toughest challenge is now upon you. Master Ueshiro came to America to teach us karate. Now it is your privilege and opportunity to show what you have learned.

We are producing a 50th Year Anniversary DVD Collection and you are all being given the opportunity to be part of this video time capsule. This will include historic moments, highlights from our August event, and demonstrations of Kata, Bunkai, Weapons and Yakusoku Kumite, that we have learned from Master Ueshiro and Hanshi Scaglione.

You have 3 months to polish up your demonstrations. We will video the Black Belt Demonstrations at our December Black Belt Workout. In addition, Black Belts and kyu level deshi may video on their own Demonstrations and submit them to your Shihan. Deadline for video submissions is December 1, 2012 at the Black Belt Workout.

Yes, the toughest challenge is now upon you, 50 years ago Master Ueshiro brought us Shorin-ryu Karate and we are ready to show what we have learned. Thank you Hanshi, Kyoshi, Sensei, Sempai and Deshi for always doing your very best and thank you Master Ueshiro for believing in us.

Kyoshi, David Seeger
Shihan/Director
Ueshiro Pine Forest Karate School

Pelham Manor, New York
Ueshiro Okinawan Karate Club
Fall 2012 Newsletter Submission

Ueshiro Okinawan Karate Club of Pelham Manor

Onegai shimasu, Hanshi, Sensei and Deshi,
Congratulations to Ueshiro Shorin-Ryu USA on 50 years of
karate in the United States!

The Okinawan Karate Club of Pelham Manor is proud to
announce that its Chief Instructor, Brian Heese, was
promoted to Sho-Dan on August 12, 2012, as part of the 50th
Anniversary Celebration. Congratulations to Mr. Heese on a
job well done, and for his years of service to both the
Nichuals family and Ueshiro Shorin-Ryu.

We continue to hold classes on Monday evenings from 7:00
to 8:00 pm. Ni-kyu Connor Nichuals and Yon-kyu Hannah
Mackay serve as our senior students. Michael Yee, a white
belt from the Midtown Dojo, has recently started taking
classes with us as well.

Anyone wishing to participate should contact either Kyoshi
(kyoshi@midtownkaratedojo.com) or Brian
(bheese123@gmail.com) to get on our email list.

Our deepest gratitude to Barbara Nichuals and her family for
their generous support of Ueshiro Shorin-Ryu Karate these past twelve years. Domo arigato gozaimasu,

Kyoshi Michael Mackay,
Acting Shihan, Okinawan Karate Club of Pelham Manor



50th Anniv. Celebration Demonstrations USS Intrepid 8/12/12

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Nyack, NY (Rockland County) To-Te Ueshiro Karate Club

Onegai-shimasu Hanshi, Kyoshi, Sensei & Deshi- ***Powell Sensei 50th thoughts, memories...***

It was a joy for me to see the kids, our future karateka! To see them smiling, full of joy and vigor, yet completely wiped, tired, spent, down to the last breath, but they fought on and made it through the entire weekend.

Over the years studying/training USRKUSA I've learned that the real fight is life, to just over come any situation, to have a plan of attack, to know your audience and know your enemy and win, win at life, show up, get involved, be a leader, lead by example, its more about what you do, then what you say.



Today, right now, I'm at peace, blessed knowing I didn't quit, and when I fell down I stood up, (proud) and carried on to the best of my ability and slowly got better at being just me, better at life, better at putting that ball in the hoop, and never thinking that I can't hit that bulls eye.

Most of all I love the way Hanshi simply wanted to give us what he was given by Master Ueshiro, unfiltered, direct, straight to the point. Loyalty and love for someone, without ego and selflessness will go the test of

time, 50 years is only the beginning, so step on the deck with kids and help them on the path, this is crucial, and don't be surprised at what you may find, These kids have already had USS Aircraft Intrepid training and quite ready to step up and lead for another 50 years.

Arigato Hanshi for your leadership and teaching by example.

Respectfully, Sensei Preston Powell
Shihan/Director, Go-Dan
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50th Anniversary Weekend Memories

The Hombu Dojo training was quite an experience. With well over 150 karate men, women and children in one room training together brought many lessons that I will forever treasure.

My position in the dojo that night was fairly close to Hanshi Scaglione. Watching him train after many years of sweat and dedication was truly inspirational. I've always believed that training should be a life long endeavor, but seeing it first hand with such energy and vigor has encouraged me to train even harder.

Hanshi's words of breathing between kata movements resonated very loudly with me, particularly when the conditions were as humid as they were that Friday evening. Since that day, I've found myself working on perfecting my breathing with my karate training and as well as with my day to day activity.

As that evening went on, the ground became very slippery due to humidity, perspiration and sweat. As individuals began to slip and fall I heard Sensei Powell's everlasting words of stepping first in my head. I learned that the speed and length of your step may have to be adjusted depending on your terrain. I felt very good executing techniques without worrying about falling. The lesson I learned here was, "do not take your terrain for granted."

Finally, meeting fellow deshi from Ueshiro Shorin Ryu dojo's from around the world showed me the strength of this organization. The synchronization of kata, courtesy, and the organizing of the entire event spoke volumes to me and I'm proud to be a part of this strong traditional organization. Respectfully,

Dave Boykin, Ni-Kyu,
To-te Ueshiro Karate Club

...After the workout, we went on the Intrepid tour, the Space Shuttle tour, and the Submarine tour. We had our 50th Anniversary T-shirts on and gi pants. People asked about it and we had an opportunity to inform a bit about why we do it as a family. Basically, it is a physical art form of self defense that goes beyond



the limitations of the body and allows the practitioner to make the union between physical and spiritual.

Specifically, it is the study and building of our characters, of who we want to be; and of the picture of ourselves we want to portray to the world. As a parent, my obligation is to set the best example for my kids that I can, and to show them that there is an obligation to society as a whole, to contribute and distribute by example those things that represent the best in each of us. Arigato!

Ed Abreu, Yon-Kyu

To-Te Ueshiro Karate Club
Preston Powell, Shihan/Director, Nyack, NY

Harlem, New York (Uptown)

Ueshiro Uptown Harlem Karate Club

Onegai Shimasu Hanshi, Kyoshi, Sensei, Sempai, and all Deshi,



The Ueshiro Uptown Harlem Karate Club held its grand opening on March 25, 2012 at the beautiful Harlem Holistic Center and has continued weekly every Saturday from 2:00 to 3:00 pm. We are honored to be able to provide even more opportunities to train Ueshiro Shorin-Ryu Karate in addition to the Hombu and Downtown dojos in Manhattan. Sensei Ron Ballin and Sempai Sam DiGiario joined us for our first class and showed great spirit and intensity during the training.

Our club has also had visits these past 6 months from many other deshi in the area and I personally want to thank all of you for your outstanding support in helping me get this club off the ground. We now have a core group that train weekly including Sempai Erik Sanner and Sempai Nita Flores. We continue to move forward and so have begun handing out flyers weekly on 125th St to gain new students to our club. Domo Arigato to Sempai Nita Flores for her great spirit, determination, and all the assistance she has provided in helping to make this a success!

I would specifically like to thank my Shihan, Kyoshi Michael Mackay for all of his support and advice in developing this new endeavor.

Please join us on Saturdays from 2:00 to 3:00 pm. The Harlem Holistic Center is located at 115 West 128th St. between Lenox and 7th Ave. It is a few blocks up Lenox Ave. from the 125th St. stop off the 2 or 3 train. Please call or email me before you come to let me know you plan to visit. I can be reached at (917) 843-7871 or at j.adams@ueshiroshorinryukarate.com

Domo Arigato Gozaimasu Hanshi,

Sensei John Adams, Shihan

State College, Pennsylvania
Ueshiro Okinawan Karate Family Club

Here are the results of the karate test held at the Ueshiro Okinawan Karate Family Club (State College, Pennsylvania) on Sunday, August 26, 2012

Ro-kyu (1 green tip):

Karla Hudecek
TJ Moran
Katie Moran

Go-kyu (2 green tips):

Jerry Zheng
Rhea Edathil
Renee Edathil

Yellow/junior green belt:

Daniel Xu

Yon-kyu (Green belt):

Lan Wei
Kylee Schaefer-Hood
Ben Kaplan

Ni-kyu (Brown belt):

Anne Burgevin
Delali Agawu

A big arigato to Sempai Lynn Pellas, Sempai Jeffrey Zhao, and Sempai Tracie Pletcher for their service on the board of judges, and to our other dojo members – pictured in the attached photo – who showed up to loan their support for those who tested.

Domo arigato gozaimasu, Kyoshi Matt Kaplan



A Lifetime to Remember

The Ryu-Kyu Okinawan islands are about as far in country as you get from Sapporo, Japan where I lived as a child. While the frigid winters there were nothing like the warmth of Okinawa, we gaijins called it home. The artistry of calligraphy scrolls, the courtesy and complexity of correctly kneeling and bowing, and the novelty of a new language were all part of the fascinating new culture in which I lived. Elders were respected, spirits were revered, and I learned to love many of the Japanese traditions and arts.

Deep in the heart of the St. Bartholomew church, I was surprised to find a small but vibrant piece of Japan in the middle of New York City: our Hombu dojo. The honorary shinden portraits on the wall, the new commemorative scroll, the tatami mats of the alcove, and the attentive, honorific bows to our Sensei, Kyoshi and Hanshi all attest to the spirits of Grand Master Ueshiro and others from the past that reach forward to the next generation of deshi, including myself and my children. The 50th Anniversary Commemorative Journal shares Grand Master Ueshiro's life with us in a new way. I was reminded that he was wounded during the World War II battle on Okinawa. What a peculiar twist of fate that we celebrated Master Ueshiro's life on the deck of the Intrepid, an aircraft carrier that sent planes to attack the Ryu-Kyu islands in March of 1945. Moreover, how poignant and humbling is it that the people who fought against one another then became those he sought to teach karate with joy and vigor in a new country far from his own homeland.

Not surprisingly, the morning workout on the Intrepid made the biggest impression on my two children. Kaylee (8) was awed by Hanshi's and the Kyoshis' demonstrations (and enthralled by the jets aboard the carrier). Gavin (13) appreciated witnessing karate at the highest levels, as well as how hard it must have been long ago to live in occupied territory and learn this defensive art in secret. My husband found it very meaningful to pause to remember the men and women of the armed forces, warriors all.

As for me, the weekend celebration of Master Ueshiro's arrival in the U.S. allowed me to honor his warrior and pioneer spirit, to meet other sisters and brothers in various dojos, to reaffirm my affinity for this Okinawan art form, and to help cement the traditions, mind-body language, and kata I am learning as a karateka. Master Ueshiro's lifetime of dedication to Shorin-Ryu karate is evident in the knowledge and skills he taught and instilled in his students. I am deeply grateful that his former deshi continue to share these with my family and me, for we have so much yet to learn. Domo arigato gozaimasu!

Barb Schaefer, Ni-kyu

Ueshiro Okinawan Karate Family Club
State College, Pennsylvania

The 50th Anniversary Weekend from a Family Perspective

For centuries, karate has functioned as an art form handed down by parent to child or by a teacher to a select one or two students. The Ueshiro Okinawan Karate Family Club in Central Pennsylvania aims to continue this tradition by reaching out to entire families and providing them with opportunities to learn and practice Shorin-Ryu karate together. To provide a family perspective of the extremely powerful and memorable 50th Anniversary Weekend that we have recently experienced, I asked Barb Schaefer, Ni-kyu, to take a shot. In several ways, Barb is the ideal person for writing such a piece. First, she is one of four family members who have joined our dojo (along with her husband, 13-year old son, and their 8-year old girl). She is also an Associate Professor of Education at Penn State, and as such has useful insights with regard to the power of childhood experiences for shaping life views and future behaviors. Barb also spent her early childhood years in Japan, an experience that has given root to her current cross-cultural interests and insights, as well as her love and respect for traditional Okinawan karate.

Domo arigato gozaimasu,

Kyoshi Matt Kaplan

Shihan, Ueshiro Okinawan Karate Family Club
[State College, PA]

Centreville, Virginia

Ueshiro East Meets West Karate Club of Northern VA

Northern VA Karate Dojo
Centreville/Reston VA
Sensei Sal Scaglione, Roku-Dan, Denshi, co-Shihan
Sensei Joe Knight, Go-Dan, co-Shihan

Greetings, the Northern Virginia (NoVA) Karate Dojo continues to move forward after a very eventful summer celebration of 50th Anniversary activities and begins preparations for the Fall/Winter months ahead and the start of year 51!

April set the stage for the Spring and Summer as Sensei Sal accompanied Hanshi Scaglione to Minnesota to visit Sensei Bob Dobrow and the spirited Northfield Ueshiro Karate Dojo in April. Hanshi and Sensei Sal were treated to a wonderful weekend of Karate, awesome hospitality, amazing friendship, great food, and numerous visits to the very scenic Dojo located at Carleton College.

Spring and Summer also marked the return of the NoVA Ueshiro Karate Dojo outdoor workout at Great Falls park in Northern VA. Led by the Markawitz clan, the NoVA Deshi are always treated a great workout alongside the Potomac while taking in the great outdoors. The Great Falls workouts are conducted the last Saturday of each month as weather permits.



Among the summer activities was NoVA Karate Club trip to NYC for the 50-year celebration of Master Ansei Ueshiro's arrival to the United States and his gift of Shorin Ryu Karate to us all. Making the trip to NYC were Sensei Sal Scaglione, Sensei Patrick & Lisa Markowitz, Sensei Shabbir Kazmi, Mr. Jim Davis, Mr. Bill Breidenbach and Murtaza Rizvi. The event was memorable to all as we paid homage to Master Ueshiro's determination and resilience in executing his warrior spirit and bringing us Shorin Ryu Karate. Domo Arigato Gozaimasu to Kyoshi Mackay and the Deshi of Hombu Dojo for executing a masterful plan and an incredible tribute to Master Ueshiro. Master Ueshiro's legacy lives on the deck and we could all feel his spirit touch us during the entire weekend of Karate. We also celebrated Hanshi Scaglione's loyalty and perseverance to maintain the Ueshiro Karate family and Ueshiro-style Karate that we all enjoy

today and particularly Hanshi's dedication and vision to keep the tradition vivid and strong moving forward.

Continuing the traveling theme, Sensei Sal had the good fortune and privilege to make **the journey to Okinawa and Hawaii for a work assignment. The timing was such that Sensei Sal actually departed exactly 50 years to the day, 14 September, and from the same airport, Naha Airport, that Master Ueshiro started his trek to the U.S. from.** The trip was very inspirational and at times overwhelming to think of the timing for this occasion. Although work issues prevented a longer stay, Sensei will have an opportunity to return when he plans to fully explore the Ryukyu Islands and Master Ueshiro's roots. Some pictures from Naha Airport and of the sun setting on Okinawa from Camp Foster, U.S. Marine Base overlooking the East China Sea are below.



After departing Okinawa, Sensei Sal had a short stay in Hawaii and took the opportunity to visit with Sensei Lorenzo Aguon and the UHK Dojo in Waikiki Beach. A very spirited workout nearby Diamond

Head was conducted by both Sensei focusing on the “sugar” and lessons learned from the 50th Anniversary workouts in New York.

NoVA Ueshiro Karate Dojo also welcomed a strong cadre of new Deshi ready and willing to learn the art of Shorin Ryu Karate. The new students infused a great deal of energy into the Dojo and we’ve all benefitted from getting back to basics in earnest. Along with the new Deshi, we also had reason to celebrate some newly promoted students.

Congratulations to the following: Go-Dan: Sensei Patrick Markowitz, Yon-Dan: Sensei Lisa Markowitz San-Dan: Sensei Shabbir Kazmi, Ni-Dan: Mr. Jim Davis, San-Kyu: Bill Breidenbach, Yon-Kyu: George Kazepis, Go-Kyu: Gopa Nair, Go-Kyu: Riya Nair, Go-Kyu: Malikava, Go-Kyu: Simran Darhele, Go-Kyu: Sammi Darhele, Go-Kyu: Amala Thomas, Go-Kyu: Arsh Singh



We welcome all Deshi from the Ueshiro Shorin-Ryu Karate family to visit us in Northern Virginia. We have classes on Monday in Reston, VA and Thursday/Saturday in Centreville, VA. If you are in town for business or pleasure, we’d love to host you.

Domo Arigato,

Sensei Sal Scaglione, Roku-Dan
Denshi Shihan
Ueshiro Northern VA Karate

International

Hong Kong, China Ueshiro Hong Kong Karate Club

Ueshiro Hong Kong Karate Club
Tytus Michalski
(on behalf of Lai Sensei)
Onegai-shimasu Hanshi, Kyoshi, Sensei, Sempai and Deshi,

The powerful spirit of the Ueshiro Shorin-Ryu Karate USA 50th Year Anniversary has been present throughout all of the training this year.

In Hong Kong during this summer, promotion tests were held on Sunday, August 5. The following deshi received promotions from the board of judges consisting of Sensei Lai and Sensei Wong:

Yon-Kyu: Sunny Ko | San-Kyu: Linus Chin | Ik-Kyu: Janet Hsiao



Even half-way around the world, we felt the full energy of the 50th Year Anniversary weekend in New York and are looking forward to adding to the celebration with our next event, the annual katathon held in Hong Kong to sponsor visits from Hanshi and Kyoshi Kaplan to propagate the art of Shorin-Ryu Karate in Hong Kong.

This year, we are holding the katathon on a very special date: the morning of September 16 in Hong Kong, which will still be September 15 in the USA, the 50th anniversary of the day that Master Ueshiro set foot on the mainland of the USA after arriving in Alaska the previous day.

We look forward to more dedicated training in celebration of the Ueshiro Shorin-Ryu Karate USA 50th Year Anniversary led by Hanshi with all deshi worldwide!

Tytus Michalski, Ni Dan (On behalf of Lai Sensei)
Ueshiro Hong Kong Karate Club China



Shatin, New Territories, Hong Kong Ueshiro Chinese University Karate Club

Dear Hanshi, Kyoshi, Sensei and all deshi of USRKUSA,

It is my great pleasure to celebrate in Hong Kong the 50th Anniversary of Ueshiro Shorin-Ryu Karate USA. Since Master Ueshiro spread his karate art to America in 1962, countless people are benefiting from it today. Our club is young and small but we are proud to pass on the fire and keep it burning. Please join us weekly on Tuesday evening at the Chinese University of Hong Kong.

Domo Arigato,

Shihan Tang
Sho-Dan
Ueshiro Chinese University Karate Club Hong Kong.

Hong Kong, China Ueshiro HSMC Karate Club

Greetings!

Congratulations to the 50th Anniversary of Ueshiro Karate USA!

I am very glad to announce that Hang Seng Management College, a new private university in Hong Kong, has officially invited me to teach our style of karate in there. During the first recruitment a few months ago, this third karate club in Hong Kong successfully attracted a good number of students to join. We are currently planning on the second round of recruitment this month.

Our training is every Tuesday from 6 pm to 8 pm. We welcome all of you to train with us. Let's keep moving forward!

Domo Arigato,

Sensei Stephen Wong, Shihan
Ueshiro HSMC Karate Club Hong Kong

Auckland, New Zealand

Ueshiro Shorin-Ryu North Shore NZ Family Karate Club

Onegai Shimasu Hanshi, Kyoshi, Sensei and Deshi-

I am pleased to announce the results of the test that we held on September 1st here at Ueshiro Shorin-Ryu North Shore NZ Family Karate Club:

Promoted to the rank of Ro-Kyu:

Roan Jonck
Rachel Gibbs

Promoted to the rank of Yon-Kyu:

Grace Jack
James Florence

Promoted to the rank of San-Kyu:

Lauren Paus

Thank you to Sempai Estelle Paus and Sempai Joshua Paus for serving on the board of judges.

It is also with great sadness that I report that I and my family are leaving the Land of the Long White Cloud. We have had such an adventure, and will miss the friends we have made here. However, we have decided that New Zealand is not in the best interest of our family's current needs. I have found and accepted a job with Deloitte in Hermitage, TN and will be opening a new Ueshiro Shorin-Ryu dojo as soon as possible. My apologies to everyone looking forward to visiting us here in New Zealand. Though we may not be here, I encourage you to come visit this wonderful and beautiful country.

Many thanks to the deshi of Ueshiro Shorin-Ryu North Shore NZ Family Karate club for their spirit, hard work, and perseverance in spite of the timing of this news. You made "USRKNZ" what it was, and to me you will always be my karate brothers and sisters. We will miss you terribly. Sincerely,

Sensei Sean Paus, San-Dan, Ueshiro Shorin-Ryu North Shore NZ Family Karate Club



****50th Anniv. Celebration Ueshiro Kata "Kio-tsuke" Aboard USS Intrepid 8/12/12**

Neve-Yamin, Israel

Ueshiro Neve (Oasis) Dojo



The Ueshiro Neve [Oasis] Dojo in Neve-Yamin Israel, adjacent to the city of Kfar-Saba, is building its foundation of deshi. We have three solid deshi soon to be testing for the ranks of Go-Kyu and Ro-Kyu. In addition to continuing our classes at the traditional dojo facility we have built, we are planning to start this October offering weekly classes for beginners at the community center facility of our moshav Neve Yamin in order to increase the influx of new deshi.



Special thanks go out to Sensei Nir Zamir, Shihan of the Ueshiro Hertzelia Dojo in Israel, and to his Sempai Ofer Sinai (Ik-Kyu) who has been filling my spot for about 7 weeks teaching classes twice per week at the Ueshiro Neve Dojo, while I have been away to the USA for business and participation in the 50th Anniversary celebration and training. Also special thanks go out to **Sensei Tsvi Bar-Shai who has recently visited our dojo all the way from New York. Sensei Bar-Shai led a class consisting of deshi from both Ueshiro Neve Dojo and Ueshiro Hertzelia Dojo.** I also would like to thank Ueshiro Neve Dojo deshi Boaz Goldenberg (Ro-Kyu) for keeping the dojo doors open and the deck

clean for the visiting instructors during my absence. Moreover, I would like to thank Sensei Shlomo Dadon for visiting our dojo a couple months ago.

The 50th Anniversary celebration and training in New York City was magnanimous, as Sensei Garcia would say. It was like a pilgrimage to the "center of the universe" of Ueshiro Shorin-Ryu Karate USA, established by Master Ansei Ueshiro and carried on by Hanshi Robert Scaglione and his Kyoshi[s]. It was awesome and I can't wait for the next one. This pilgrimage enriches our karate training and our lives. Interacting with, and experiencing the presence of so many Ueshiro karateka while polishing our body, minds, and souls together through Karate-Do is priceless. I especially enjoyed the steamy hot Friday workout Hanshi led in the gymnasium adjacent to the Hombu Dojo in Midtown Manhattan, and the challenge of stepping first and rooting down with slippery pools of sweat all across the gym floor.

Thank you Hanshi and Kyoshi[s] for making all of this possible!!!

Domo Arigato Gozaimasu

Sensei David Tamir Denshi-Shihan, Godan
Ueshiro Neve Dojo Neve-Yamin, Israel

Eilat, Israel

Eilat Ueshiro Dojo

Shlomo Dadon, Denshi-Shihan

Herzlia, Tel Aviv

Herzlia Ueshiro Dojo

the Herzlia Dojo, Israel-

We have recently been joined with 2 new beginner-students, Chen & Erez, which is great when the core group is inherently small. Our hope is that they will persist in their training, and so far they seem serious about their Shorin Ryu interest. Another Deshi, Zvi Raviv, a green belt, have also recently come back and that is also a great boost to the team!

It is also great to have Tamir Sensei's relatively-new dojo in our vicinity – his group is made of a few wonderful Deshi, and Shlomy, Ofer and myself have been trying to have joint training with them as much as possible. Also, on a few occasions our beginner-Deshi have come to train there, which is a great experience. I'd like to mention especially Mr. Ofer Sinai's commitment and contribution to keep Tamir Sensei's dojo operating consistently during Tamir Sensei's recent travel to the US – Arigato, Ofer!

We are also aiming to have a joint test-date during October, for the beginner students at least, for the people of both Central-Israel Dojo, and we hope Dadon Sensei will be able to attend.

And a closing sentence regarding the August Anniversary event in New York: as already mentioned by many of our fellow Deshi from around the world – the event and the energies it generated was beyond my expectations, which were high to begin with. A lot of excellent teaching and correction tips were provided during the 3 days training events, which we are now passing on to everyone who were not able to attend.

Thanks and kind regards,
Nir Zamir, Denshi-Shihan, Herzlia Ueshiro Dojo



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