



Malay Fighting Arts

Newsletter

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EVERYONE MEET GRACE:

I would like for everyone to meet my new granddaughter, Grace. My 21 yr old daughter decided to make her dear old dad a grandpa at 39 yrs old. Oh well, the baby is here and I'm proud as I can be of my new granddaughter. This is the future of Malay Fighting Arts. Time to past the knowledge down to another member of my family.

She was born Dec. 7, 2009 at approximately 9:45PM in Muskogee, OK. Yes, I know, people do actually live there. She is about four hours from where I live. I'll be spending the rest of my holidays seeing her as much as I can.

I hope she has a kind heart, but the heart of a lion. As great with her hands and feet as she is with weapons. I hope she loves the arts as much as I do. If not, I hope she find what she is good at and sticks with it.



CHANGE FOR THE MFA NEWSLETTER

I'm writing manuals for my Distant Academy Students, as well as, make the DVDs that are White to Black Belt. I also need to correct homework plus post PDF files for the Footwork, Jurus, and so on. Then the articles I was writing for on-line magazine. I haven't written an article in so long because I don't have time, and I enjoy sharing my knowledge with people. I have 35 years (this coming March) of Kali / Silat training, along with 21+ years in security, correction, and police work. I want to share the things that kept me alive. However, I'm stretching myself to thin, and I'm doing it all with the help of a couple of students. However, all the writing is done by me and only me. So that's why this Newsletter is going to be a Bi-Monthly Newsletter for now on. Once the DVDs and manuals are made, this will allow more time to write the Newsletter. I do this with a heavy heart because I love to share what's going on in the MFA Camp with all of

you. However, I need more time to devote to my students both on site and distant. My students come first above all. So this is the last monthly newsletter.

NEW ADMINISTRATOR FOR THE MFA FOURM

Mike Sambuco has been appointed the new Forum Administrator. Mike has been a loyal member of the forum ever since it came on-line. This is the place where the Poekoelan Tjimindie and others come to chat about their arts. Some are good debates with different points of view which are very insightful. The people on the forum aren't afraid to challenge the views of other people, even if hero-worshiper as deemed that person an expert. The views of Instructor X whom learned from famous martial artist A, B, and C. Because of that then Instructor X is deemed an expert. That doesn't mean any of them are always right. It can and will be challenged by the good people on the forum.



It's the open discussion and debate that brings the very best of this forum out. Whatever you feel is right, and you post it, this is open for peer review. However, Mike is going to be the law-dog to keep the discussion respectful along with the other administrators. Just because we disagree, doesn't mean we have to bash the other person's system or the other person. Sometimes you have to agree to disagree and move on; its martial arts not brain surgery. Good luck to Mike, I know you'll do a great job.

BOB ORLANDO SEMINAR

The Bob Orlando seminar is going to be in March. However, Tony and I haven't picked a date yet. Bob has been so nice to block off the entire month for us so all we have to do is just tell him when he is leaving for Cleveland, Ohio. I'll be talking to Tuhon Tony very soon to pick a date. I'll send out the dates and times for the seminar to everyone that receives this newsletter.

CHRISTMAS WISH COMES TRUE

Tuhon Tony sent me a quick e-mail to let me know that his mother is doing a lot better, and his school got an influx of money that's going to keep his doors open. Now, in March we are going to hold Bob's Seminar, and I hope that helps even more. We need to keep Tony's school open because he is a fountain of knowledge, and more people should have the chance to train with him. I can't even think of coming back to Cleveland, Ohio without stopping in to say Hi to everyone. Even when I was just passing by to head to Pennsylvania to see my Mom I stop in

because I was close. So please, if you can come to the seminar to support Tuhon Tony Marcial so many others may again the knowledge of his system.

GURU JIM'S CONCLUION

As I said I'm very busy and this newsletter will be kind of short. Not because we don't have anything to talk about. It's because I'm so busy finishing up this new article. Plus, I'm writing manuals, making Level 2 DVD Box Set, and much more. I'll talk about all of this in February, 2010. I want to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.



**See You February, 2010.
God Bless You and Your Family**