







During the summer break, students from the San Gabriel Judo Dojo participated in a community service project, with the San Gabriel Nikkei Seniors Club, where they assisted with cleaning up the hall and kitchen after four of the senior group's meetings (July 11, 18, 25 and August 1). "We are very grateful for Noriega Sensei for making arrangements for this group of helpful students, Many, many thanks to the volunteers and you are always welcome to come back and help us." said Irene Hagihara of the Nikkei Seniors Club.

Volunteers: Toshi Irie, Sharon Wu, Jason Sakuda, Sarah Wu, Kyle Sakuda, Joey Kamei, and Izzy Coulter.

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MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD ALOHA!

I hope everyone's had a great summer. It's hard to believe 2019 is halfway behind us. I'd like to take the opportunity to extend a huge mahalo to our membership for their continued support of our Community Center and the affiliated groups.

Born and raised in Hawaii, I was fortunate to be surrounded by a culture that both celebrates our individual heritage and understands that no matter what your background, we are all woven into a much larger, diverse community. After nearly 20 years of living on the "Mainland", it wasn't until my daughter joined San Gabriel Judo at the Community Center that I realized that there was a place here that shared many of the same values. We have a great variety of groups here at the Community Center that serve the Greater San Gabriel Valley. Whether it's a gathering of worship, practicing martial arts, keeping Japanese calligraphy and flower arranging alive, or having our long standing seniors group have a place to congregate and socialize together, the center provides a venue for these activities to take place and grow their membership I thank you all for the opportunity to contribute to our Board and for all your contributions to keeping San Gabriel Valley Japanese Community Center a place to serve our members and the community.

Mahalo, Chris Kadohiro

UPCOMING ELECTIONS

THE SAN GABRIEL JAPANESE COMMUNITY CENTER WILL BE HOLDING BOARD NOMINATIONS ON TUESDAY, OCTOBER 8TH, 2019, AT 7:30 PM.

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR DETERMINING THE MISSION AND PURPOSES OF THE CENTER, STRATEGIC AND ORGANIZATIONAL PLANNING, ENSURING FIDUCIARY OVERSIGHT AND FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT, APPROVING AND MONITORING THE CENTER'S PROGRAMS AND SERVICES, FUNDRAISING AND RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT. EACH BOARD MEMBER IS EXPECTED TO KNOW THE CENTER'S MISSION, POLICIES, PROGRAMS AND NEEDS, READ AND UNDERSTAND THE ORGANIZATIONS FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, SERVE AS ACTIVE ADVOCATES AND AMBASSADORS FOR THE CENTER, AND PREPARE FOR, ATTEND, AND PARTICIPATE IN BOARD MEETINGS.

THE COMMUNITY CENTER RELIES ON IT'S DEDICATED VOLUNTEERS TO HELP RUN AND MAINTAIN THE FACILITY. IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN VOLUNTEERING AS A BOARD MEMBER OR AN ELECTED OFFICER, PLEASE ATTEND THE NEXT FEW MEETINGS. MEETINGS ARE HELD ON THE 2ND TUESDAY OF EVERY MONTH.

SHARE YOUR CENTER STORY...

WE ARE LOOKING FOR INDIVIDUALS, WHO WOULD BE INTERESTED IN SHARING THEIR STORIES ABOUT THE COMMUNITY CENTER. TELLING YOUR STORY CAN HELP US LEARN MORE ABOUT OUR MEMBERSHIP, CENTER HISTORICAL EVENTS, AND HOW WE MAY BETTER SERVE OUR COMMUNITY.

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN SUBMITTING YOUR STORY, PLEASE SEND YOUR SUBMISSION VIA EMAIL TO: SGJCC5149@GMAIL.COM.

CENTER STORY



Sometime in the early 1990's I was asked by the late Yoshito Fujimoto to join the Board of Directors of the SGJCC to better represent the Judo Club that I am a member of. I accepted the offer believing I could better represent the Judo Club as a major part of the Community Center. I later learned that being a board member came with many decision making responsibility for the affiliate groups at the Center and not only Judo. At first it was difficult to not favor my group, but I believed I did my best accommodating the needs of other groups through the

years I've been a board member.

Our center, for the most part, operated as a family and not so much as a large organization. Times are changing and the friendly family methods are now more business like. But, I like to believe we still function as a large family without so much formality.

I served on the board as a member for many years to include being the vice president and president several years. Currently, I am one of the older members that still attend the Board meetings, but now as an Adviser along with Glenn Koyama, Steve Kato and Lenny Taise. As an Adviser I am allowed to share my experiences and knowledge of the history of the Center with the members of the Board of Directors. I believe history of the Center still needs to be told and understood to better service the affiliate groups and the community.

I'm still at the Center twice a week with the Judo Club encouraging members to get involved. My goal is to continue operation at the Center with cultural activities as we have been since 1923. - Ron Ito

SGJCC MEETINGS

Second TUESDAY of every month @ 7:30PM

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SAN GABRIEL **NIKKEI QUARTERLY**

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SHODAN

We are excited to announce our four newly promoted Shodans. We are so proud of all your hard work.

Left to Right: Roy Harding, Gary Richardson, Aaron Kunihiro, Alan Shimamoto, Glenn Koyama, Sharon Wu, Isabella "Izzy" Coulter, Maelynn Langarica, Jason Sakuda, Mike Noriega, Richie Endow, Taizo Sasaki, Ken Sakuda and Tomonao Matsuoka. Photo courtesy of Liz Tamanaha

"One of the greatest honors of my life was to promote these four youngsters to Shodan (1st degree Black Belt). They have gone above and beyond all Kodokan requirements for this rank, and are absolutely the highest quality of Judoka."

- Sensei Richie Endow

Isabella "Izzy" Coulter

- Started Judo in 2007
- 2019 Pan American Team Qualifier
- 2019 European Cup Team Member
- Silver Medalist, 2019 U.S. Youth Nationals
- Silver Medalist, 2018 Junior Olympics
- 2017 Female Athlete of the Year, California State Games
- 2016 Pan American Team Member
- Gold Medalist, 2016 U.S. Youth Nationals

Maelynn Langarica

- Started Judo in 2008
- Bronze Medalist, 2018 Junior Olympics
- Silver Medalist, 2016 U.S. Open
- USA Judo Regional Referee
- 4.3 GPA

Jason Sakuda

- Started Judo in 2012
- 2x Bronze Medalist, 2019 Junior Olympics
- Gold Medalist, 2019 U.S. Senior Nationals
- Gold Medalist, 2018 Junior Olympics
- USA Judo Regional Referee

Sharon Wu

- Started Judo in 2008
- 2x Silver Medalist, 2019 Junior Olympics
- Bronze Medalist, 2019 U.S. Senior Nationals
- 3.8 GPA

JUNIOR OLYMPICS

The 2019 USA Judo National and International Junior Olympics took place on June 28 - 30, 2019 at the Anaheim Convention Center. San Gabriel Judo Dojo took #2 in the country for overall team total.

Congratulations to San Gabriel Judokas, Coaches, Senseis and Parents for a job well done. This was the busiest Judo weekend we have ever experienced together as a team, and we executed perfectly! We had 57 competitors in 118 different divisions plus manning a score table for 3 long days.

Our Judokas fought with so much heart and spirit, leaving every bit of it out on the mat. We love, respect and cherish them.

Thank you to our SG parent and sensei volunteers! You guys were awesome! A special shout out to Liz Tamanaha for taking the lead. We couldn't have done it without you.

Our volunteers: Liz, Eric, Misty, Brent, Daniele, Jen, Simon, Tony, Dave, Darren, Li-Chen, Linda, Andy, Alexis, Sensei Ron, Sensei Roy, Randi, Calvin, Ellen, Aaron, Marcus, Peony, Stanley, Kong, Lisette, Alan and Mikel David.

Thank you to our veteran students for coming down to volunteer. It was fantastic to see them giving back to the judo community.

Maelynn, Izzy, Leo, Lisa, Kyle, Logan, Jeri, Justin, and especially Toshi and Sarah for their phenomenal job.

Also thank you to our Referees for stepping up and officiating this monster event. Glenn Koyama and Tomo Matsuoka

And last but not least, thank you to the BEST Coaching Staff.

Aaron Kunihiro, Taizo Chad Sasaki, Mako Yoshitake, Mike Noriega, Alan Shimamoto, Garry Richardson and Ken Sakuda!



THE RESULTS

Gold Medalists

Madeline Tamanaha Remy Saito Malia Manibog x2 Tonanxochitl Ortega x2 Jason Montejo Nicholas Notopradono Ryder Yoshitake x2 Govind O'Campo x2

Silver Medalists

Aimee Notopradono x2 Sydney Moon x2 Madeline Tamanaha Erin Chang x2 Bryan Wang Taylor Tan Justin Montejo

Bronze Medalists

Sofia Manibog Aimee Notopradono Avery Kadohiro Madeline Tamanaha Meena Phan Audrey Tamanaha Tiffany Yanagi x2 Elias Lopez Tyler Higashi Garrett Yanagi x2 Kingston Santamaria Phoenix Kim Mikel David Uyemura Logan Tan Jason Sakuda x2 Liam McNair Govind O'Campo x2

2019 USA Judo National and International Junior Olympics, Anaheim, California. Photo courtesy of Alexis Moon

US OPEN

It's been close to 20 years since an SG competed in this tournament, which by far, is the toughest junior tournament in the country with 30+ countries in attendance and strong judo in every age group. This year we sent 6 strong judokas to this international tournament in Fort Lauderdale, Florida on July 26 - 31, 2019. Our San Gabriel Judokas probably experienced the toughest matches of their lives, but did well.



UPCOMING TOURNAMENTS

September

Nanka Fall East Bay Desert Classic Arizona West Covina Novice

October

Nanka Team Fight for the Cure Fresno Judo Mojica

November

Continental Crown Pan Ams Palo Alto Dallas Opem President's Cup Lil' Judokas SFV Scrimmage

December

Hawaii States Winter Nationals

Gold Medalist

MALIA MANIBOG

Malia did extremely well, winning most of her matches within 10 seconds. Her final match was 2.8 seconds long. She is in great shape heading towards the PanAms this vear.

Bronze Medalists

DANIELLA MANIBOG

Giving up 4 kg to all of her opponents hasn't been fun this year for Daniella, but she found a groove this weekend that won her way to the podium. Tough, tough matches, with really good, smart Judo from our little one.

AUDREY TAMANAHA

Audrey is quickly becoming a monster in Judo. Audrey has only been in Judo for 2 years, so it's really impressive to see how efficiently she is developing. She probably should have won the gold this weekend, but she got stuck in a pin for a wazari against the gold medalist from Canada

TIFFANY TANI YANAGI

Tiffany had a very powerful weekend.

Things are starting to click in this girl, and it is fun to watch. She went through her opponents with a vengeance. She was up with a wazari lead, but made one tiny mistake that ended up getting her thrown for an ippon.

5th Place

LOGAN TAN

After spending a few weeks in Germany and Czech Republic for some judo training, Logan had a pretty good showing. He fought Mexico, Uruguay and Puerto Rico. His 14 minutes golden score win over Uruguay was awesome.

TAYLOR TAN had a good showing. Taylor got excellent skills, but he moved up to a heavier division this event and just had a few too many odds against him. Overall, great job.

MAELYNN LANGARICA

USA Judo Coaches Certification

Maelynn upgraded her judo status by completing the USA Judo Coaches Certification. Welcome to the San Gabriel Judo Coaching Staff. We are very proud of you!

NIKKEI GAMES

On August 4, 2019, San Gabriel Judo hosted the 19th Annual Nikkei Games at The Pyramid, CSULB. This was the first tournament that San Gabriel Judo has hosted since our 85th Anniversary Tournament 5 years ago. Great job!

Our little judokas looked great out there, lots of good throws and strong spirit. Our Senseis are so proud of each of them. Keep up the great work.

Congrats to Jason Montejo for being named the recipient of the Best



Technique Award. He had some big, powerful ippons at this event.

Thank you to Jesse James, Tim Yuge, Art Ishii and the Nikkei Games Crew for trusting us with your interests. It was an honor getting to contribute to the generations.

Thank you to Sensei Sus Kono and Valley Judo Institute for the spectacular Judo demonstration in Opening Ceremonies. That was BIG league.

Thank you to our SG parents all for the love and support!

Left: San Gabriel Judo's Junior Referees at 2019 Nikkei Games. Photo courtesy of Liz Tamanaha. Bottom: San Gabriel Judo and Harbor Judo at the 2019 Nisei Week Grand Parade. Photo courtesy of Misty Tamanaha.

The Results

Gold Medalists

Teru Tokunaga Constance Ho Bosco Tang Jason Montejo Madeline Tamanaha x2 Meena Phan Tyler Higashi Stanley Wu

Silver Medalists

Sophia Wang Nicholas Notopradono Landen Vien Waverly Tamanaha Garrett Yanagi x2 Jason Sakuda x2

Bronze Medalists

Josiah Cua Nathaniel Garris Clara Notopradono Teru Tokunaga Elias Lopez Chloe Ho JaRon Phan

NISEI WEEK PARADE

San Gabriel Judo and Harbor Judo participated in the Nisei Week Grand Parade on August 11, 2019. Judokas from both dojos demonstrated judo techniques on a float along the parade route. It was a lot of fun. Great job!

OUR GROUP PROGRAMS

ARTS | CULTURE

Ikebana | Flower Arranging

2nd | 4th Mondays from 7:00pm - 9:00pm Adults \$40 | 1st Child \$30 | Add/l Child* \$20

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Judo | Japanese Martial Art

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SOCIAL

Nikkei Seniors | Keirokai

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Walt Kleinedler San Gabriel Nikkei Seniors Club T | 626.285.0361

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Yasoji Matsuoka Shodo Academy of America ptree2237@earthlink.net T | 626.201.9242

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Yoshiaki Harada JKA Los Angeles info@jka-los.com T | 626.274.2579

Where Eagles Soar | Christian Fellowship

Sundays from 10:00am - 11:30am

Pastor Bob Lona T | 626.574.7107 C | 626.260.3577

SAN GABRIEL NIKKEI SENIORS

San Gabriel Nikkei Senior Club is always happy to welcome new members. If you would like to join us at Thursday meetings, please contact Membership person Walt Kleinedler at (626) 285-0361 or waltkleinedler@hotmail.com. We can promise that you will meet new friends or have enjoyable Thursday morning.

Las Vegas Trip

Aug 6 Las Vegas trip - Lots of goodies & prizes. Never went hungry. An enjoyable & fun trip. Our group consists of terrific, nice peo-ple. Thanks to the many volunteers, everything went smoothly. Congratulations to the many winners who hit the big one. One in our group had her name drawn in the "Young at Heart" drawing. Fantasy Land is always fun but there's no place like home.

Submitted by Jack Miyagawa, trips and tours

San Gabriel Nikkei Senior Fundraiser

We would like to take this time to thank all of the people who were able to support our two fundraisers at Polly's Pie. With your generosity, our club members are able to enjoy activities and many of the functions we currently enjoy. Somedays our lunches would be more than our members usually paid so with your support, the club would pay for the difference.

Again, thank you for your generous support. Our next fundraiser will be October 15, 2019. Fundraiser Chair, Steve Furogawa

MEETING SCHEDULE

September 5 | 12 | 19 | 26

October 3 | 10 | 17 | 24 | 31

November 7 | 14 | 21 28 | Thanksgiving | No Meeting

December 5 | Last Meeting of 2019 12 | Christmas Party 19 & 26 | No Meetings

DEAR NIKKEI SENIORS CLUB MEMBERS:

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COMMUNITY KITCHEN

SHOYU CUCUMBERS RECIPE Camp Kizuna

Ingredients

- 3-4 Japanese or Persian cucumbers
- 1 C shoyu (soy sauce)
- 1 C vinegar
- 2 tsp sesame oil
- 2/3 C sugar
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 2 green onions, chopped
- Mason Jar

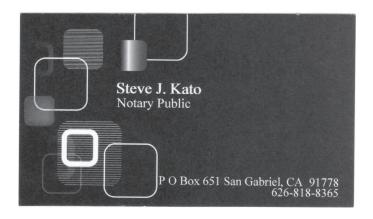
Recipe Instructions

Cut ends off cucumber, cut in half lengthwise, then into half circles about 1/2-inch thick. Wisk together all ingredients and pour into a mason jar. Make sure lid is on tightly and shake ingredients until fully combined. Store in the refridgerator for 6-8 hours, then ENJOY!

This issue's recipe is courtesy of Waverly Tamanaha, 10, who wanted to share a recipe she learned while attending Camp Kizuna.

SHARE A FAVORITE RECIPE WITH THE SGJCC COMMUNITY!

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11TH ANNUAL KOKORO CRAFT BOUTIQUE | FREE ADMISSION JAPANESE AMERICAN NATIONAL MUSEUM OCTOBER 6 | SUNDAY

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