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What Hap Ki Do Has Done for My Son, Jaden

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Jaden Sarachick (the Youngest Yellow Belt in KMA History) and His Mom

Jaden started taking Hap Ki Do classes in May of 2005. He had just turned three years old in March. In the beginning, I was not sure that I had made the right decision because of his lack of concentration and his short attention span. Master Lee kept encouraging me, telling me not to worry, that Jaden would succeed. I was still tempted quite often to pull him out because of his lack of attention, but I did not want to give Jaden the wrong message, that it is OK not to finish something that you have started. I am so grateful to Master Lee for encouraging me to be patient and to allow Jaden more time. I am not raising a quitter, as he has just received his Yellow Belt. I also give thanks to everyone who helped Jaden, with a special thank you to Scott Ashley, who worked one-on-one with Jaden to make it possible for him to achieve his Yellow Belt. We all know it takes a lot of patience to work with a four-year-old!

As a result, Jaden has gained confidence and learned to listen, follow instructions, work hard, and practice self-discipline. He actually enjoys the class and practices at home. I am very proud of him - this is a very big accomplishment for such a small child. I am looking forward to watching Jaden earn each belt on his way to eventually reaching his goal – The Black Belt! He is not stopping until he reaches this goal. This has been a very positive experience for both Jaden and myself.

Chandler Klein Donates Birthday Money to American Cancer Society Relay for Life

Chandler Klein recently celebrated his 8th birthday at KMA with a very unique party for over 20 of his friends. What made Chandler's birthday party especially unique is the fact that this generous young man requested his friends donate to the "American Cancer Society Relay for Life" instead of giving him gifts. At his party, Chandler raised over \$300 for the Relay.

Grand Master Lee is very proud of Chandler and his generous spirit.



Chandler Klein's Birthday Party at Korean Martial Arts

KMA Participates in Events

On June 8, over 30 KMA students marched in the Battle Creek Cereal Festival Parade. It was a beautiful day for a parade and everyone seemed to enjoy the experience.

Once again this year, KMA sponsored a tent at the American Cancer Society Relay for Life which was held at Lakeview High School on June 16 and 17. KMA students raised \$11,231.72 to help fight cancer. A huge thank you to Rick Brown and Rob Gillson for co-chairing the event for KMA and to Brandy Brown for the inspirational and beautiful tent decorations and prizes. As always, Master Bob Schreiner, his wife, Lisa, and Bob's parents all worked tirelessly for the 24-hour period to make the event a success. Thank you to everyone who participated – your contributions of time, energy, and money will help the American Cancer Society conquer this terrible disease.



Welcome, New Students!!

Angee Clements	Trent Lem
Brady Craig	Allison St. Clair
Geoff Craig	Yuichi Tsukamoto
Maxwell Craig	Cameron Weaver

KMA Invited to Participate in Events

KMA has been invited to participate in four more summer events – please plan to participate if possible:

Old Country Buffet Guest Appreciation Day, July 8

The **KMA Demo Team** was invited to provide a 30-40 minute demonstration at the Old Country Buffet Guest Appreciation Day, Saturday, July 8. **THERE WILL BE CLASSES AT THE REGULAR TIMES AT KMA THAT MORNING.** The demonstration is scheduled for 12:30 in the Old Country Buffet parking lot (by Target), so we'll need to hustle out there after the Children's Class to set up the mats. Please wear your full Demo Team uniform, including shoes. Old Country Buffet will provide lunch after the demonstration for the Demo Team.

Marshall Relay for Life, July 21

All KMA students have been invited to do a demonstration on July 21 at the Calhoun County Fairgrounds for the Marshall Relay for Life. Please plan to arrive at the fairgrounds by 5:30 for the 6:30 demonstration. **THERE WILL BE NO CLASS AT KMA THAT EVENING.** Please wear your full uniform (black T-shirt, uniform jacket, pants, and belt and white Hap Ki Do shoes for the Demo Team).

Food, Home, Health, & Recreation Show, July 22-23

All KMA students were invited to provide a total of four Hap Ki Do demonstrations for the Food, Home, Health, & Recreation Show, **July 22 & 23**, at Kellogg Arena. **THERE WILL BE NO CLASSES AT KMA SATURDAY, JULY 22.** A stage will be set up for our 20-30 minute demos - Saturday demo times are 10:00 and 1:00; Sunday times are 11:00 and 1:00. This event normally costs \$4 admission - **BUT EVERYTHING, INCLUDING FOOD, IS FREE FOR EVERYONE FROM KMA – EVEN FOR ALL YOUR FAMILY MEMBERS.** You will need tickets, however, so be sure to get those in the KMA office before the event. We are told there will be **60 food vendors** with pizza, ice cream, Zucca's goodies, and way more – **all free for you and your family to enjoy.** This event is sponsored by Felpausch, BC Enquirer, BC Health System, WBCK, and other local organizations. KMA was highly recommended to participate in this event by the BC Enquirer and WBCK and we appreciate that very much. It sounds like a lot of fun and, again, **we need as many students as possible of EVERY RANK!! Please arrive 30 minutes early for each event, wearing your full uniform (black T-shirt, uniform jacket, pants, and belt).**

29th Annual International Summerfest, August 12

All KMA students were invited to provide a demonstration at the 29th Annual International Summerfest on Saturday, August 12 at 11:00. The Summerfest will again be held at Cereal City USA. **PLEASE ARRIVE NO LATER THAN 10:20 with your full uniform. THERE WILL BE NO CLASSES AT KMA THAT MORNING.** This is a fun event for the whole family with delicious foods for sale from Korea, Japan, India, Scotland, and others.

Please mark your calendar now to participate in these events!

KMA Korea Trip - 2007

We are in the process of planning our trip to Korea in July of 2007. We now have confirmation the Tri-Annual *International Hap Ki Do Martial Arts Competition* will definitely take place on Sunday, July 22, 2007. We are awaiting additional information from the Hap Ki Do Federation Headquarters regarding sight-seeing opportunities and accommodations. Once we have that information, we can establish our travel dates. **All KMA students and their families** are welcome and encouraged to go, whether competing or not. **Students 18 years old and younger must be accompanied by a parent.** KMA will be doing some fundraisers throughout the year to help offset the costs.

On August 15, at 7:30 (following the Adult Class), we will have a 20-30 minute meeting for all students and family members who are interested or even thinking about going to Korea. This will be a time for Master Lee to share additional info about the trip and for you to ask any questions you may have.

There will be NO DEMO TEAM practice that night.

Weather Policy Reminder

For the safety of our students, **KMA will be closed during "Tornado Watches" and "Tornado Warnings".**

If a **"Tornado Watch"** is announced in advance, to be in effect during KMA class hours, KMA will be closed. If a **"Tornado Watch"** is announced during KMA class hours, class will be stopped and students will be sent home. For students whose ride is not at KMA, Class Instructor(s) will stay at KMA until their ride arrives. Parents – please stay posted on the weather advisories.

If a **"Tornado Warning"** is announced during class, **everyone** inside the school will take cover in the Girls' Locker Room until the warning has expired. We can be reached by calling 317-0552, 830-3107, or 209-7316, or 269-580-0402.

If KMA must close for any reason, it will be announced on WBCK (AM 930), KEENER (FM 103.3), WOOD TV (Channels 8 & 41), and WWMT (Channel 3).

June Gup Promotions

Congratulations to students promoted to:

2 nd Gup	Sang Woo Cha, Lawrence McCarty
4 th Gup	Brandon Farkas, Devin Farkas
5 th Gup	Kelly Burbank, Tom Burbank
6 th Gup	Kyle Walters
7 th Gup	Austin Frailey, Andrea Grimm, Justin Yurchenko
8 th Gup	Ethan Charon
9 th Gup	Connor Hoeffler, Crystal Perez, Jaden Sarachick, Jeremy Shaw, Allison St. Clair, Shiane Tidwell, Cameron Weaver



Happy July Birthday Wishes!!

Brian Miller	7/6	Barbara Engelhart	7/15
Chase Courtney	7/7	Nathaniel Wolney	7/16
Tony Spahr	7/9	Joseph Eklund	7/17
Matthew O'Meara, II	7/11	Nathan Tomlinson	7/21
Robbie Paul	7/11	Nicholas Dixon	7/22
Joseph Sudduth	7/11	Tim Hill	7/24
Kira Tyler	7/12	Connor Brown	7/28
Justin Gorton	7/14	Eric Shugars	7/30

Thought for the Month

Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord.
Psalms 33:12



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