

**NEW YORK STATE JUDO INC.**  
**MINUTES**  
**ANNUAL MEETING**  
Saturday February 3, 2007  
Polytechnic University, Brooklyn, NY

In attendance:

Mrs. Rusty Kanokogi - Kyushu **	Jeff Stokum - Hudson Valley
Ryohei Kanokogi - Kyushu	Samir Peysakhov-Samir & Lev
Billy Martin -Kyushu**	Connie Rosado - Kyushu
Vincent Liuzzi - **	Joseph Mazzoriello-American Legion
Joseph Ahern - Cranford **	Maureen Braziel - Polytechnic
David Goldberg – Kyushu **	Chuck DAlessio-JMJC
Jesse Wang - Watanabe	Regilio Van Eer - San Yama Bushi
Connie Halporn – Columbia University	Ben Ring- USMA-West Point
George Pasiuk – Biwako	Lillian Tom - Kokushi Budo
Dr. Arthur Canario - NYAC	Paul Hinkley-Krystek
Michael Burr-McBurney YMCA	Alisher Mukhtarov-Kyushu
Summerfield Baldwin –Kyushu**	Lev Yusim-Samir
Frank P. Colonnese - Columbia	Zinaida Yusi-Samir
Alex Khromisovskiy-Sakura	Tagir Syamiullin-Brighton
Volf Sharkoysin-Brighton	Felix Skevol-Combat Sambo
Tevgen Zolotarov-Combat Sambo	John Tucker-Starrett
Alexi Khachider-Gladiator	Papuna Vardzelashuili-Gladiator

\*\* Executive Committee

The meeting started at 2:00PM.

President Kanokogi welcomed and thanked everyone for attending. President Kanokogi asked for a moment of silence for those we have lost in the past year from the Judo community, Radomir Kovacevic, Military, Law Enforcement and Fire Department personnel.

Minutes of previous meeting, February 4, 2006. Accepted. Motion-Billy Martin,  
second Maureen Braziel.

## 1. President's Report

Minutes are available on the NYSJI web site.

If you have difficulties opening the minutes or prefer a hard copy, please contact Secretary Joseph Ahern at 973 376 8044 or e mail, Judoja@aol.com.

NYSJI thanks Maureen Braziel-Polytechnic University for hosting the Annual Meeting.

Once again, congratulations to all the athletes, coaches and parents who have members on the National Point List, placed at competitions-Masters, Kata, Junior and Seniors.

A special thanks to the referees who gave so much time and energy to the NY State Judo community and to the table workers at all levels.

The final thank you goes to our Executive Committee and associates who keep up with all my requests and are quick on the reply.

A special thank you to Connie Rosado and Dorothy Goldberg, wife of Law & Legislation chairperson David Goldberg for their dedication and hard work.

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Congratulations to Jesse Wang who celebrated his 80<sup>th</sup> birthday and for directing those giving gifts to donate them to NYSJI.

USA Judo has changed their By Laws. They are on the webpage if anyone is interested. How does the change affect us? NYSJI is in good standing, our National dues are up to date, we still have promotion authority to 4<sup>th</sup> Dan (National referee license will be required for that rank and higher from Jan. 1, 2007).

There is no longer a secondary component to the USA member registration the application, now one just joins USA Judo. Just a member of USA Judo is necessary.

USA Judo has a reciprocal agreement with the USJF and the USJA regarding persons who have been removed from their organization because of some type of criminal behavior. As a result of a complaint filed by NYSJI, Alvin Miyatake now residing in Hawaii, after due process, has been expelled from all of Judo and his rank of 5th Dan rescinded. Mel Augustine from California, after due process was expelled from the USJF for sexual misconduct.

President Kanokogi made an inquiry to USA Judo about NYSJI continuing to hold the State Championship as it is not stipulated in their new By Laws. Executive Director Jose Rodriguez will get back to R. Kanokogi with an answer .

The 2006 NY State Championships was hosted by Jason Morris.

The 2007 USA Senior Nationals is to be held in 11 weeks. To date there is no information or contract for the venue and hotel.

There is a dialogue going on between the three organizations re- a possible agreement regarding individual registration.

In order for you to have liability insurance from USA Judo you must be a certified coach, have a background check completed, complete the form for USA Judo, have at least 5 club members. Send completed information to Mrs. Rusty Kanokogi as she has to sign off on it. Your club must be registered with NYSJI. Make a \$25.00 check payable to USA Judo.

Re-Promotion, it is not automatic. There is no more conversion of rank from one organization to another. It is a separate entity. Anyone who would like an IJF certificate has to go through USA Judo, with a USA Judo certified rank.

Now PJU is soliciting dues/membership from referees.

President Kanokogi sent a complaint to USA Judo regarding the fact that coaches have not been receiving certificates and some which were received had incorrect information. The complaint was for the processing time, which is too long, or no response. On March 5, 2006, NYSJI held a coaches conference in which 50 coaches attended. The information was sent to the chairperson of the Coaches Committee, Pat Burris within 48 hours of the conference. USA Judo is looking into it. There are 2 A Level coaches in New York State, Mrs. Rusty Kanokogi is one of them.

Congratulations to Parnel Legros and his staff for having a very successful well run tournament, The Starrett Cup. Mr. Ryohei Kanokogi was awarded a plaque by Parnel Legros for his dedication and devotion to Judo.

Devin Cohen reviewed NYSJI by laws and they are in compliance there is no direction by USA Judo to change them so they will stand as is.

The traditional athlete fund age has changed to 17-22 years of age, as the 8-16 year old would receive funding via the criteria from the Radomir Kovacevic fund. This would be more equitable for all. There is criteria in place for the transitional athletes. We would like you to consider contributing to the Kovacevic fund from your club or on a personal level as these monies will all go back to the children.

New York Open awarded B Level status by USA Judo. Congratulations and well deserved.

2. Vice Presidents Report  
Tony Grisanti

Tony was excused but his report is enclosed.

Vice President Report 2/3/07

It has been a pleasure serving as Vice President. There has been quite a change in governance at the National level. I remain cautiously optimistic about our future.

Our national teams seem to be doing very well, between the 3 major training centers- Colorado Springs, Harlingen, Texas, and North Miami, along with Jim Pedro and Buck Wessel's under 23 program and Jason Morris judo programs. Our international performance seems to be on the right track.

British Open Results:

Gold

Jeanette Rodriquez	48 kg
Franchesca Durand	52 kg
Valerie Gotay	57 kg
Ronda Rousey	63 kg
Kirk Hoffman	+100 kg

Silver

Carrie Chandler	52 kg
Michael Eldred	73 kg

Bronze

Travis Stevens	81 kg
Daniel McCormick	+100 kg
Radu Brestyan	73 kg
Justin Flores	66 kg

4 more European Events to follow!

On the local front, our state clubs seem to be doing very well. With continued effort and participation from all state club leaders, we can continue to grow our sport or Judo.

Please make an extra effort to support our Empire State Games, Junior Olympics, and NYS Senior Championships, along with the many regional and national events, where I continue to see many New York State judoka's.

I am looking forward to our future and would like to continue to be a part of it as Vice President of NYS Judo.

Respectfully,

Tony Grisanti

Vice Presidents Report  
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USA JUDO

Delegates Report

Try to run more professionally in line with the Olympic Model for Elite Athletes-which makes our sport more visible. Run it more like a business in order to produce more medals in the Olympics.

(\$750,000 funding for 2007)

If they meet their targeted goals:

Ryan Reser-\$35K & \$25K

Rhonda Rousey-\$35K & \$25K

Valerie Gotay, Carrie Chandler, Joannette Rodriguez-Elite funding.

USJF

Make it more grass roots.

Pay more attention to local and regional participation in clinics and shiais's (few rise to national or international ranks)

No longer secondary memberships available-\$50 each USJF and USJI.

USJI officially changed to USA Judo.

USJA same as USJF

USA JUDO/USJI

Coaches Certification

Referee Certification

Olympic Funding

USJF

Kata

Rank

Clinics

USJF Associate members-club get \$5.00

NYJI get \$0

The State Championships in Albany were successful. We need to get more participation.

Thank you-Jason and Terry!

USA Judo elite teams seem to be on the right track for development of international players.

**Congratulations**

Dr. Sachio Ashida and Yoshisada Yonezuka on their promotion to Kudan-USJF

It is truly an honor to have such outstanding instructors from NYS!

I had the privilege of attending a wonderful reception and dinner celebration for Dr. Ashida on January 20<sup>th</sup>.

Olympic Coach-Jason Morris

2 New York Judo events elevate contest level in NYS:

NY Open-B Level

Morris Cup-E Level

Janet (Ashida) Johnson received IJF A Referee Certification.

Vice Presidents Report  
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2007 Calendar of Coming Events

January 27 (Sat)	Kohbukan-Sisu Tournament, Guelph
February 11 (Sun)	Yudanshakai Grading, Brockport
February 17 (Sat)	Pedro's Challenge, MA Pre-register by February 12th
March 2-3	Mid-West Championships, Chicago
March 3 (Sat)	Fundraiser for Carol Rastelli
March 10 (Sat)	NY Open
March 17 (Sat)	Kin-Tora Tournament & Referee's Clinic
March 24-25	Middle School, High School, Collegiate Nationals, Miami
March 31 (Sat)	Brantford Tournament, Ontario
March 31-April 1	Liberty Bell, Philadelphia
April 14 (Sat)	Morris Cup 6, Albany
April 20-21	Senior Nationals, Miami
April 28-29	Tora Tournament, Toronto
May 6 (Sun)	NJY Promotional Grading Tournament
May 26-27	Am-Can, Buffalo
June 3 (Sunday)	ESG Central Trials, Auburn
June 9 (Saturday)	ESG Western Trials, Buffalo
June 18-24	World Master's, San Paolo, Brazil
July 6-8	USJA Jr. Nationals, Indianapolis
July 14-15	USJF Jr. Nationals, Detroit
July 25-29	Empire State Games, Westchester
August 4-5	Jr. US Open, Ft. Lauderdale

### 3. Treasurers Report

Vincent Liuzzi presented the Treasurers report as follows:

#### Income

Membership (competition, clinics, club reg. USA Judo rebates)	\$14,768.00
Contributions	<u>\$1,000.00</u>
Total	\$15,768.00

#### Expenses

Operating Expenses	\$3,789.57
USA Judo	2,545.00
Athletes Stipends	3,718.00
Officials Stipends	1,536.36
National Delegates	2,981.92
Awards (medals, trophies)	303.19
Clinics	1,735.00
Bank Fees	<u>75.00</u>
Total	16,684.04

Starting Balance Jan 1, 2006	\$25,879.21
Income Jan. 1, 2006-Dec. 31, 2006	<u>15,768.00</u>
Total	41,647.21

Expenses	<u>16,684.04</u>
Balance as of Dec. 31, 2006	24,963.17
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Total Assets	34,716.25

President Kanokogi mentioned that approximately \$400.00-\$500.00 comes from the referee clinic which the fee was \$25.00. The fee does not go to individuals but to NYSJI.

We are disappointed that NYSJI never receives a thank you from athletes/clubs for contributions.

### 4. Secretary Report

Joseph Ahern did not have a report..

5. Delegates Report

Maureen Braziel

In the past delegates have attended the USA National meetings and presented a report to NYSJI. However, the meeting structure has changed and the States do not have representation/delegates.

USA JUDO  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING  
APRIL 20, 2006  
MINUTES

- I. The meeting was called to order by President Ron Tripp at 9:00 am on April 20, 2006 with roll call and seating of delegates.
- II. Motion: Agenda approved
- III. Correction and adoption of the minutes of the Annual Meeting held on September 30, 2005.
- \*\* Guest Speaker from USOC – Jay Worwick (Tae-Kwon Do) to talked to us about restructuring. Mandate by USOC to change. Recommendation to all NGBs. However, if we don't they won't take away or status but funding will be affected.  
USOC will look at how the NGB operates. Financial capability, resource generation management, governance and athlete performance. The USOC reformed itself and needs NGBs to do the same.
- IV. Athletes Advisory Council - USOC
- a. No report from Mr. Rhadi Ferguson of the last meeting of the Council
- V. Officer's Reports
- a. President Ron Tripp: Honor to represent USA Judo around the world. Glad we fight and speak out and get things done.
- b. Vice President Lance Nading – Postponed
- c. Treasurer Mr. Gail Stolzenburg. Has not received final letter from auditor.  
Motion to Accept: PASSED
- d. Secretary Ms. Sherrie Phillips
- a. Membership Report
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|---------------------------|-------|
| 1. Primary Membership =   | 5,820 |
| 2. Secondary Membership = | 1,651 |
|                           | 7,491 |
- VI. Committee Reports
- a. Operations Reports
- Mr. Tommy Dyer, Program Director thanked Pat Nading as well as Sherri Philips for outside venues and Corinne Shigemoto within the venue. Sherri thanked John Miller and Pat Nading.

- H.S./Collegiates was good – 400 people
  - Hosted International delegates at Pan Ams at OTC
  - USA Cup (1<sup>st</sup> hosted) any youth
  - Nationals at Houston – 500 competitors
1. Finance and Budget Subcommittee – Lance Nading  
 Vice President Nading thanked everyone for getting By-Laws together. Looking forward to new revised organization.  
 Expenses in line with income. Have done a better job in monitoring the budget. Projected actual income. Treasurer's Report approved. Thanked everyone for concern for his mother. Many people expressed that they missed her.  
 Gayle Stolzenburg approved funds in USOC foundation in a trust. Martin Bregman said athletes need to vote but they had already left. Income from trust will be available to corporation. Athletes have already accepted this at their meeting.
- b. Development Committee – Leo White Program Director
  - c. Standards and Certification – Mr. Fletcher Thornton, Program Director  
 Test site was at Jr. National Championships  
 Bruce Larkins and Janet Ashida to A  
 3 to B  
 2 to C  
 Assignment for PJU – Robert Fukuda, Hector Estevez, Gary Takemoto  
 Coach Certification Program – Pat Burris Interim Chair.  
 Mr. Saito indicated that all coaches go to referee meeting
  - d. Law and Legislation – Mr. Tad Nalls Program Director
    - Competition mat area should be 7m X 7m with 4m safety. If not enough space keep safety area and make competition area smaller.
    - USJF-USJI registration dates are now the same.
    - Trademark violation with our Logo at Sydney Olympics. There was trademark signed. After Olympic games USOC becomes owner of all emblems.
    - Trust fund recommended to be recreated. 5 trustees of US Judo could determine income. This will protect our funds from creditors. Costs associated with creating Foundation be taken out of money after trust is formed.
    - Martial Arts terminology – Martial Art – Judo – contrary to interests of sport – Sport of Judo – Olympic Sport of Judo not Martial Art.
    - Texas matter resolved.
  - e. National Promotion Board – Mr. James Colgan, Chairman  
 Yodan (2)  
 Godan (7)  
 Rokudan (5)  
 Shichidan (3)  
 Hachidan (1)
  - f. Miscellaneous Reports
    1. Athletes Representatives to the Executive Committee Mr. Reno Reiser and Mr. John Serbin – No Report

- g. Executive Director Report – Mr. Jose Rodriguez
- Appreciates all the hard work everyone does
  - Will try and create a video for us
  - Introduced staff: Mary Ann Releich – Director of Finance,  
Maria Wright Tofya – Membership, Nicole Jomentas – Communications  
Patty Meza – Administrative Assistant  
Ed Liddie: Director of Coaching and Athlete Development
  - Pan American Jr. Judo Championships – Colorado Springs  
18 nations, 210 athletes
  - Women’s Seminar – 32 countries
  - HS/Collegiates in Chicago
  - Funding \$429,000 stipends for athletes who achieve 27 international points – Rhonda Roussey and Ryan Reiser, \$2,000 per month – Level A
  - Coaching incentive awards at dojo level
  - Training Grants
  - Athletes Health Insurance - top 14 athletes
  - National Training Centers in Colorado, Texas and Florida
  - Visiting International Coaches Program
  - Performance Video Library on line
  - Under 23 Select Team
  - Program Consultant - Jim Pedro
  - Training and Competition Experience
    3. Lake Placid – 110 athletes, 5 countries (winter)
    4. US Open
    5. 14 regional camps
- Jose – Communications – USA Judo, newsweek, website
- USA Today athlete of the week selection – Rhonda Roussey
  - Swain mats official supplier to USA Judo. New Merchandise supplier to come.
  - Adopt an Athlete Sponsor – 100 people to sponsor 10 athletes (\$250,000)
- h. International Report – Dr. Frank Fullerton – On Demand

VII. Actions of the Executive Committee

- a. Approval to present the new structure for proposed the Board of Governance to the Board of Directors at the semi-annual meeting PASSED
- b. Selection of Tommy Dyer as Interim Director of Operations  
PASSED

VIII. Amendment to the By-Laws

1. Presentation of the revised by-laws Mr. Tad Nalls, Esq.

This was done at the beginning of the meeting. Increase Board to 15 members

Many comments were made:

- Jay Worwick – adding numbers will not accomplish much
- General body does not support this. Did not know all info before vote

- Ann Marie Burns indicated why is it OK to make numerous changes to the last minute but now it is not OK.
- Peter Motado appreciates efforts
- Rusty Kanokogi resents being threatened by USOC (take away our funding).
- Athletes afraid of loss of funding
- No nominations from the floor. Current Board will choose nominating committee who will nominate future Board
- Adam Blackban asked about timeline for funding for 2007
- Ann Marie asked if we change By-Laws but still do not win what will happen to funding.
- Ryan Reiser say the athletes want funding, efficiency and ability to do their job – win medals.
- Jim Colgan said we absolutely need USOC support
- Peter Matado (USJA) wants specific answer to what we intend to do to make this better. Is there a business plan?
- Jay Worwick says we need a strategic plan for the NGB.
- Martin Bregman said we only get funding from USOC so it was a done deal. Arrogant on part of USOC and Board to not allow membership to say their piece. Membership feels disenfranchised.
- Fletcher said athletes want to get it over with. They are hungry
- Kay said body made a decision for life of this organization. USOC went through similar problems and reformed We need to give it a chance.

MOTION: Increase Board to 15

FAILED

List of candidates must be put in 30 days ahead of time for approval by USOC

PASSED.

MOTION: That the proposed new By-Laws of USA Judo be amended to provide that the proposed number of members on the new Board of Directors be increased by five, and that those five seats be reserved (one each) to the presidents of the Group B Members of USA Judo having the highest membership as determined at the same time and by the same process as used for delegates for each election meeting. That those directors shall serve two year terms, at which point the census of the Group B member shall be re-evaluated to determine the eligible states. FAILED

MOTION: Submitted by Rusty Kanokogi, President, New York State Judo

That the proposed new By-Laws of USA Judo be amended to provide that the proposed number of members on the new Board of Directors be increased by two, and that these two seats be reserved (one each) to the presidents of the Group A Members of USA Judo. FAILED

XI. Old Business

XII. New Business

XIII. Other Business

1. Awards: Referee Commission nominates Kay Nuromatsu for the John Osaka Award.
2. Rusty Kanokogi was presented with her portrait. She is honored as one of the the “Judo Greats”

XIV. Adjournment at 5:00pm.

President R. Kanokogi recognized Masters Gold Medal World champion Dr. Arthur Canerio.

## 6. Development Director

Billy Martin

Billy mentioned he received an e mail from Ray Garcia who is in Afghanistan asking that we say a prayer for our people in uniform. They are looking for an Olympic flag for a building which has been destroyed. They are trying to build Judo in that country.

Billy also mentioned that athletes are not appreciative of the monies they receive from NYSJI and other Judo organizations. Mrs. Kanokogi said that NYSJI will continue to give stipends for the Junior Olympics.

Each state/organization has to do what is necessary to prepare for future World Championships, 2011 and Olympics, 2012.

Junior Development now falls under Development.

## **2006 DEVELOPMENT REPORT**

### **CLINICS:**

On February 26, 2006, Devin Cohen held an American Heart Association CPR/First-Aid class at Columbia University. There were 17 participants at the Class.

On March 5, 2006, Ms. Kanokogi held a "E" – "D" – "C" Level Coaches Clinic at Polytechnic University. There were 49 participants at the Clinic. Additional speakers at the Clinic were Mr. Kanokogi, Radmir Kovachevich, Devin Cohen, and David Goldberg.

On September 30, 2006, we had World Champion Jimmy Pedro conduct a Clinic at the Berkeley-Carroll Athletic Center. This was an outstanding clinic with 50 participants.

On January 20, 2007, IJF Referee Ms. Kanokogi held a Referee Clinic at the Berkeley-Carroll Athletic Center. Assisting at the Clinic was National Referee Billy Martin. There were 23 participants at the Clinic.

### **REFEREES:**

Anyone who is interested in refereeing, please contact me at the e-mail address below for information. We need an influx of younger referees to keep our pool of Referees strong. We are particularly interested in those Judoka with Shiai experience to become part of our Refereeing Pool.

### **E-MAIL ADDRESS:**

My e-mail address is [GODAN6161@AOL.COM](mailto:GODAN6161@AOL.COM), please make a note of it. If you are not on my e-mail list please send me your address and I will include you on the list. If you no longer wish to remain on the e-mail list please request that you be removed. Also, please keep me informed of any changes to your e-mail address so I can keep the list updated. Those interested in upcoming events please contact me at the above e-mail address.

### **E-Level Point Clarification**

As a clarification on the interpretation of the rules regarding E-Level points, effective Nov. 28, 2006, athletes may have a total of no more than TWO "E" level points on the USA Judo Senior Elite National **at any single point in time**. Should an athlete compete in the same division at additional "E" level events after he or she already HAS 2 "E" level points, new points earned will be added to the roster and the earliest "E" level points will be removed so that the total never exceeds TWO total "E" level points. If an athlete earns no more than two points during a 365-day period, all points will expire naturally per the USA Judo point classification guidelines.

## USA Judo Kata Judges Certification Renewal

Kata judges are asked to check their Kata judge license expiration date and renew them now. The current Kata judges list can be found at [http://www.usjudo.org/kata\\_judges.asp](http://www.usjudo.org/kata_judges.asp) or by contacting Kuniko Takeuchi at [takeuchi29@mac.com](mailto:takeuchi29@mac.com).

## NATIONAL KATA & MASTERS RESULTS:

I would like to congratulate the following New York Judoka for their excellent showing at the National Kata & Masters Championships:

### USA Judo National Kata Championships Final Results

Division

<i>Place</i>	<i>Tori</i>	<i>Uke</i>	<i>Raw Score</i>	
<i>Nage no Kata/Mixed</i>				
1	FORSTER, Kerry (NY)	ROMMELMANN, Heiko (NY)	884	
<i>Nage no Kata/Men</i>				
1	GIUNTA, Jeff (NY)	ROMMELMANN, Heiko (NY)	1177	<i>Kodokan</i>
<i>Goshin Jutsu/Men</i>				
1	ROMMELMANN, Heiko (NY)	GIUNTA, Jeff (NY)	855	
2	OSZ, Kevin (NY)	ARENA, Christopher (NY)	718	
<i>Katame no Kata/Men</i>				
1	ROMMELMANN, Heiko (NY)	GIUNTA, Jeff (NY)	493	
3	ARENA, Christopher (NY)	OSZ, Kevin (NY)	435	
<i>Ju no Kata/Men</i>				
1	GIUNTA, Jeff (NY)	ROMMELMANN, Heiko (NY)	498.5	
3	ARENA, Christopher (NY)	OSZ, Kevin (NY)	401.5	
<i>All Around/Men</i>				
1	ROMMELMANN, Heiko (NY)	GIUNTA, Jeff (NY)	40	
2	ARENA, Christopher (NY)	OSZ, Kevin (NY)	22	

The USA Judo International Masters Championships were held April 22 at the George R. Brown Convention Center in Houston, Texas.

Female 35-39 yrs, 70kg

2. Kerry Forster (Rochester, N.Y./Bushido Kai Judo Club)

Male 30-34 yrs, 73kg

1. Nicholas Rasteli II (Buffalo, N.Y./Kin-Tora Judo Club)

Male 30-34 yrs, 90kg

1. Sylwester Gawel (New York City, N.Y./NYAC)

Male 30-34 yrs, +100kg

1. Mark Staniszewski (Garden City, N.Y./Smithtown Judo)

Male 30-34 yrs, Open

2. Mark Staniszewski (Garden City, N.Y./Smithtown Judo)

Male 40-44 yrs, 66kg

2. Jeff Giunta (Webster, N.Y./Bushido Kai)

Male 45-49 yrs, 90kg

1. Jean Pierre Lucas (Smithtown, N.Y./Smithtown Judo)

Male 45-49 yrs, Open

3. Jean Pierre Lucas (Smithtown, N.Y./Smithtown Judo)

Male 50-54 yrs, 90kg

1. Teimoc Johnston-Ono (New York City, N.Y./NYAC)

Male 50-54 yrs, Open

2. Teimoc Johnston-Ono (New York City, N.Y./NYAC)

Male 55-59 yrs, 90kg

2. Frank Imundi (New York City, N.Y./NYAC)

Male 55-59 yrs, 100kg

1. Arthur Canario (New York City, N.Y./New York Athletic Club)

Male 60-64 yrs, +100kg

2. Odell Terry (Tuckahoe, N.Y.)

### Olympic Duo Teams Up to Champion New Approach

Jimmy Pedro (Methuen, Mass.), a two-time Olympic medalist and 1999 World Champion, has partnered with Buck Wessell (Boulder, Colo.), 2004 Olympic Team Leader and board member of the Boulder Judo Training Center, to create a full-time resident training program for judo players looking not only to advance their level of success in the sport, but also to become well-rounded athletes and successful leaders within their community.

“This partnership will provide a launching pad to professionalize and grow Judo in the U.S. as well as prepare athletes for future success outside of judo,” Wessell said.

First up on the duo’s agenda is the formation of the “**Team FORCE**” program: standing for “**F**ocus **O**n **R**esults, **C**ivic responsibility and **E**ducation.” The goal of the program is to produce judo athletes that are leaders and champions on and off the mat.

Resident athletes accepted into this application-based program will train full-time with Pedro and a team of elite athletes at his club, Pedro’s Judo Center, in Wakefield, Mass. Team FORCE members will be provided with a host of benefits, including:

- Travel grants
- College scholarship assistance
- Housing assistance
- Partial funding to national and international events
- Professional coaching and guidance from Jimmy Pedro and staff coaches
- Individualized training and competition plans
- Personalized weight training & conditioning programs
- Video analysis and review
- Elite competition team gear
- Pedro's Judo Center tuition scholarships

Team FORCE athletes also will participate in monthly clinics that focus on key components needed for the development of future leaders and champions, including sessions on goal-setting, positive thinking, confidence, communication skills and discipline, conducted by Pedro and other leaders within the field. These athletes will serve as leaders and role models to younger students by teaching beginner and junior classes at Pedro's Judo Center and the Boulder Judo Training Center.

"Far too many talented athletes have sacrificed their lives in pursuit of the Olympic dream and end up having nothing to show for it except for a few judo medals," commented Pedro. "This program is designed to help athletes succeed in every aspect of their life as well as provide up and coming elite athletes with a training environment that helps them reach their full athletic potential. The program will focus on getting an education and developing the whole person so that they are prepared for success after their judo careers are over."

Athletes will be required to sign a contract to represent Team FORCE and commit to a minimum of two years in the program.

In addition to athletes who participate in the Team FORCE resident program, non-resident athletes also are eligible to apply for inclusion on the team. Non-resident athletes will follow a structured training program and competition schedule and will be required to participate in scheduled camps and clinics at either Pedro's Judo Center or the Boulder Judo Training Center as coordinated by the program directors.

Through this program, the Boulder Judo Training Center and Pedro's Judo Center, both of which have produced some of the top judo players in the country, will act as partners with the long-term goal of replicating full-time athlete residency programs in both locations.

"Jimmy Pedro is one of the world's greatest coaching resources," Wessell said. "And by partnering the dojos in Wakefield, Massachusetts, and Boulder, Colorado, his skills and insight will now be available to athletes across the country."

This is a brand new opportunity that has not happened in U.S. judo before," said **Sherrie Phillips (Monument, Colo.)**, Executive Director of the program. "We are providing the seed capital to fund the Team and will be actively pursuing corporate sponsorship and other fund raising opportunities."

Phillips is executive director and coach of the Boulder Judo Training Center and was a 1996 Olympic Team alternate for the United States.

Athletes interested in applying for the program are asked to submit their judo bio and resume to Jimmy Pedro no later than July 31, 2006 to 12 Cameron Way, Methuen, MA 01844

### **U23 Team Program Shines in Initial Year**

In February, USA Judo created the Elite U-23 Team Program which identifies and develops America's talented young athletes with the goal of preparing them for success at the international level sooner. In doing so, USA Judo hopes to create a stronger and more experienced pipeline of athletes for its National Team. In less than one year, the U23 Program, which is made up of 19 athletes, has had tremendous success.

Athletes in the U-23 program receive coaching and funding for participation in selected tournaments and camps as well as recommended development plans and assistance with strength and conditioning programs. The U-23 Team is directed by **Jimmy Pedro**, a two-time Olympic medalist and 1999 World Champion and overseen by **Eddie Liddie**, USA Judo Director of Athlete Performance.

Less than a week after U-23 members **Katie Mocco (70kg)** and **Jeremy Liggett (60kg)** won medals at the Pan American Championships in Buenos Aires, Argentina, the U-23 Team took off to Italy for its first competition as a team at the Tre-Torri International.

**Marti Malloy** earned her first B-Level senior European medal, and the team's best finish, placing second in the 57kg division while Pan Am Team member **Garry St. Leger** also reached the podium with a bronze medal at 90kg. For more details check out the US Judo Web Site. [www.usjudo.org](http://www.usjudo.org)

Greetings,

I am writing to all today to request help in creating a Female Judoka Data Base.

I have attached a simple form for women to fill out and send to me. I will then create the Data Base that can be used to contact the players for special events, or any matters relating to the women and girls of our sport.

We have many tournaments, clinics, etc., each month that may get one or two females. It is my hope that with a concentrated effort we may be able to organize circuits of sorts that females can go to Locally, Regionally and National together instead of 2 going to one event 3 to another, 1 to another and, no one getting to compete.

What I am requesting of USJI, USJF, and USJA as well as State Yudanshakai, State Organizations and Dojos is that you post this form on your web site, and actively pass on to women.

It is and will be an entirely voluntary form and they will be able to elect whether or not their information may be passed on to the Organizations and event organizers for future contact.

As I see it, it will be a win, win proposition. We will know who, what and where the females of our sport are and may be able to increase their presence.

Your participation and effort in the endeavor is greatly appreciated.

If you would like to help in this endeavor, please fill in the below information and send it, post or email to:

Deborah L. Fergus  
2006 Wick wire Rd.  
Benton Harbor, Mi. 49022  
Hm: 269 926 9765  
Fax: 269 926 9765  
Cell: 269 208 1068

[mailto:defrgs6@cs.com?subject=Female Judoka Data base](mailto:defrgs6@cs.com?subject=Female%20Judoka%20Data%20base)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone:(     ) \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Club: \_\_\_\_\_

Rank: \_\_\_\_\_

Years in Judo: \_\_\_\_\_

USJA \_\_\_\_\_ USJF \_\_\_\_\_ USJI \_\_\_\_\_

Brief history: \_\_\_\_\_

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Would you like e-mail notification of events as related to women's Judo?

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Would you like your information made available to others?

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### 2007 Armed Forces Judo Team Looking for Applicants

The Armed Forces Sports Office has once again approved the participation of an Armed Forces Judo Team in the 4th World Military Championships to be held in Hyderabad, India from Oct. 14-21, 2007. Due to military commitments and operational requirements it has been challenging to assemble a full team for this event during the last few years. Therefore, we need to start early and allow the military athletes enough time to prepare for this competition. The criteria for the selection of military judo athletes to attend the 2007 Armed Forces Camp is as follows:

- a. Athletes must have competed in one "A+, A, or B" level competition
- b. Athletes must be nationally ranked in the top 10 of their respective weight class
- c. Athletes must finish in the top 50% of their weight class at a "C" level competition

Interested athletes must immediately notify the team's head coach, Major (P) Hector R. Morales-Negron, in order to receive training and competition recommendations in preparation for the 2007 Armed Forces Judo Camp. Experienced judoka service members that currently do not meet the minimum standards for an invitation to camp due to operational requirements still have time to acquire the points needed for an invitation. For more information please contact:

The Head Coach, MAJ (P) Hector R. Morales-Negron at [Armyjudo6@aol.com](mailto:Armyjudo6@aol.com) or the Marine Corps Sports Director, Mr. Steve Dinote at [steven.dinote@usmc.mil](mailto:steven.dinote@usmc.mil)

### 2007 USA Judo Elite Athlete Training Grant Request Program

**REMINDER:** Athletes must submit their Elite Athlete Training Grant Program requests 30 days prior to the event for which they're requesting funding. Failure to submit your request within this time frame may result in a rejection of your request.

USA Judo has initiated an Elite Athlete Training Grant Program for Senior Elites with a minimum classification of a "B" and at least 14 international points in the Olympic division in which the athlete chooses to compete at the time of both application and the time of the start of the competition for which they are requesting funds.

Athletes who meet these requirements are eligible to apply for funds for the following B-Level events in 2007:

Belgium Open (Arlon for Women, Vise for Men), Feb. 3-4  
Tre-Torri International (Porto Sant'Elpidio, Italy), June 1-2  
International German Championships (Braunschweig), Aug. 11-12

Athletes who receive funding for any of the events above will be designated as part of a U.S. Team for the event, including coaching. Acceptance of the funds also will include fully participating in all U.S. Team events during the trip, abiding by team rules and attending all sessions of the post-event camp (Belgium and Tre-Torri only) unless otherwise dictated by the Team Coach.

Failure to meet any of the above requirements during the trip may result in the rescinding of the training grant for the designated trip as well as jeopardize the athlete's future funding possibilities.

Applications must be completed a minimum of thirty (30) days prior to the activity for which funding is requested.

Applications shall be submitted electronically, utilizing the accompanying Application for Elite Athlete Training Funds.

A Post Event Elite Athlete Training Grant Activity Report providing original receipts for the expenditures provided by the grant must be provided to the USA Judo National Office a maximum of thirty (30) days upon conclusion of the event or activity for which funding is provided. A package providing the appropriate forms and instructions will be provided upon acceptance of the grant request and must be returned within the 30-day post-event time period in order to receive funding.

To apply eligible athletes should follow the instructions identified below:

- a. Download the form Elite Athlete Training Grant Request Form
- b. Save the document naming it your last and first name, separating your last and first name with an underscore i.e. Jones Johnny
- c. Click on each shaded area and complete all information requested, making sure to complete all questions.
- d. Save all changes.
- e. Send an E-mail to: [brettbarron@capitalrealtygrp.com](mailto:brettbarron@capitalrealtygrp.com) & [edliddie@aol.com](mailto:edliddie@aol.com)
- f. Attach your completed *Application for Elite Athlete Training Funds*
- g. All applications will be acted on within seven (7) business days.

## 2006 JUNIOR DEVELOPMENT REPORT

Junior Competition Opportunities: Kindai Cup, Pan Am Junior Championships and Junior British Open

Kindai Cup Team Judo Championships: 12 – 14 yr Boys/Girls Funded International Event

The following FUNDED International event is available for 12-14 yr old athletes who are members of USA Judo and who meet the selection criteria as presented below.

The Kindai Cup Team Judo Championships will be held March 25 in Tokyo, Japan.

Each team will include FIVE individuals. There will be teams from Australia, France, Germany and Korea, as well as dozens of teams from throughout Japan.

The event is for boys OR girls and the age parameters overlap the USA Judo 2006 year-end rosters so that they include SOME dates that are served by the Juvenile A rosters through others that are included on the Intermediate B rosters.

The eligible Birth dates are between: April 1, 1992 – March 31, 1994.

The Team will be compromised of FIVE athletes:

TWO will be -66kg

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Girls MAY compete but they WILL compete against boys. Last year there were around a dozen girls who competed.

Eligibility for selection for this event Is Highest ranking age-eligible and available athletes from among the #'s 1 through 3 in the weight-appropriate divisions on the 2006 year-end Juvenile A roster. Consideration MAY be given to individuals who are rostered at lighter weights but who have GROWN).

In the event more athletes are still needed to fill the team, those athletes who are age-eligible and available, and who are among the top three on the 2006 year-end Intermediate B roster, may be named.

In event no rostered athlete is available for this event; applications for spots may be considered on an individual basis by the Junior Sub-Committee.

Athletes must be aware that even though this is a tremendous training and educational experience, it is not a point event since it is exclusively a TEAM tournament. Additionally, athletes must be aware that the event is the same weekend as the 2007 High School Nationals. This may create a conflict.

Normally the individuals eligible for this event would be in Junior High and only eligible for the Middle School Nationals, which ALSO is not a point event.

The invitation period is from March 22 – 27 (five nights and six days). USA Judo will provide airfare from the home city of each selected athlete to a west coast departure point. The All-Japan Judo Federation will provide airfare to and from Tokyo. Japan also will provide hotel room with breakfast and a daily food allowance for lunch and dinner.

In the event you are interested in your child or student being selected for this event, kindly contact JIM HRBEK before close of business January 19, 2007.

Email ONLY to [JrJudoTrip@aol.com](mailto:JrJudoTrip@aol.com) - do not use old addresses. Respond by close of business on January 19, 2007.

### **Great Britain Competition/Training Opportunity**

*Juniors born 1988, 1989, 1990, 1991, 1992, 1993*

The following explains an opportunity to attend two competitions in Great Britain as well as to participate in a training camp for the week between the events.

The first event is the Junior British Open which is for all of the ages listed above (all competing together in the IJF Jr category). The Junior British Open is a USA Judo point event for the IJF Jr division only and it gives 10 points for Gold, 6 for Silver, 4 for Bronze and 2 points for fifth place.

The second event is the Senior English Open which will admit junior athletes ranked in the top five on the IJF-Junior Roster, dated Jan. 1, 2007. This will not be a point event but it IS a great opportunity for our very best juniors to get their feet wet in an international Senior event on the same plane ticket.

The plan to enable participation in both events plus the training in the week between is as follows:

Arrive in Manchester, England on Feb. 28, 2007 (this means you would have to leave the U.S. on Feb. 27). The hosts will pick up the American athletes and staff at Manchester Airport and transport them to Kendal where they will be able to stay Wednesday and Thursday nights at a youth hostel in Kendal. The cost is 22 pounds per person per night for bed & breakfast. The group will have access to mats to train at their convenience until Friday March 2 when they will travel via mini-buses to the Junior British Open.

The Junior British Open takes place in Crawley, a town near Gatwick Airport just outside London. The US delegation can book hotel for the nights of March 2 and 3 through the British Judo Association at reasonable rates. On March 4, the group will be transported back to Kendal on the mini-buses (approximately four

hours). The group will then be able to stay at the Youth Hostel for the nights until departure on March 12. The hostel cost, again, is 22 pounds/person/night, a very reasonable rate for England (it works out to \$42.65 according to the conversion rates as of January 5, 2007)

Throughout the week from March 4 to March 9, the group will be able to train at Kendal Judo Center which is also the venue for the English Open on March 10 and 11.

The English Open competition schedule is:

March 10: Women 63, 70, 78 +78

Men 55, 60, 66, 73

March 11: Women 44, 48, 52, 57

Men 81, 90, 100, +100

Weigh-ins is on the day of the competition and all matches are five minutes.

**ELIGIBILITY** – Athletes **MUST** have been listed within the past 12 months on a USA Judo Elite roster in the Juv A, Juv B or IJF Jr divisions **AND** have a year of birth that falls in the 1988 – 1993 range shown above to compete in the Junior British Open and / or the training camp following the event.

In order to compete in the Senior English Open, athletes **MUST** be ranked in the top five on the IJF-Junior roster dated Jan. 1, 2007.

**NOTE:** Athletes planning to attend **ONLY** the Junior British Open and not the training camp following or the English Open are advised to fly into and out of London Gatwick Airport rather than Manchester.

All interested parties contact Jim Hrbek, Junior Chairman at [JrJudoTrip@aol.com](mailto:JrJudoTrip@aol.com) by close of business on Jan. 19, 2007

### **Pan American Junior and Juvenile Championships Selection Criteria**

The Pan American Junior and Juvenile Judo Championships will be held April 12 – 15 in Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic. This event allows only **ONE** entry per country per division.

The 2007 Pan American Junior and Juvenile Judo Championships event's age divisions are:

Junior - Year of Birth 1988-1989-1990

Juvenile - Year of Birth 1991-1992

The order of eligibility for the United States delegation is:

**JUNIORS** (Year of Birth 1988-1989-1990)

The highest ranked athlete listed on the USA Judo IJF-Junior Roster dated January 1, 2007 in the Male IJF-Junior and Female IJF-Junior divisions, whose year of birth places them in each of the PJU age and weight categories.

**JUVENILE** (Year of Birth 1991-1992)

The highest ranked athlete listed on the USA Judo IJF-Junior Roster dated January 1, 2007, in the Male IJF-Junior and Female IJF-Junior divisions, whose year of birth places them in each of the PJU age and weight categories. In the event there are **NO** athletes from the IJF Jr roster eligible for these age categories, then selection will follow sequentially through the Juvenile B roster, as necessary.

Athletes considered MUST be a United States citizen AND a current USA Judo member.

Athletes interested in participating as part of the USA Judo Team for the 2007 Junior and Juvenile Judo Championships need to notify Jim Hrbek, [JrPanAm@aol.com](mailto:JrPanAm@aol.com), and Jhonny Prado, [chata29@aol.com](mailto:chata29@aol.com), by close of business on January 19, 2007.

**Reminder:** Effective September 30, 2005 junior athletes can only accumulate points following their best finish at one of the three Junior National events: USA Judo National Junior Olympic Championships, U.S. Judo Federation Junior National Championships or U.S. Judo Association Junior National Championships. Points will be assigned based upon an athlete's best finish at any one of these events during a calendar year. For these events, points are earned as follows: - 1st place: 5 points, - 2nd place 3 points, - 3rd place: 2 points

### **Pan American Junior Championship and Junior British Open Funding Information**

Athletes who meet one of the following selection criteria may be eligible for funding for EITHER the Junior British Open (March 3-4 in London) or the Pan American Junior and Juvenile Championships (April 12-15 in Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic).

- Athletes ranked with a C Level or higher on the Senior Elite National Roster, dated Jan. 1, 2007.
- Athletes with 11 or more points on the IJF-Junior roster, dated Jan. 1, 2007.
- Athletes with 11 or more points on the Juvenile B Roster, dated Jan. 1, 2007.

Athletes interested in either trip MUST contact Jim Hrbek at [jrjudotrip@aol.com](mailto:jrjudotrip@aol.com) by MIDNIGHT MONDAY JAN. 22.

NOTE: The Pan American Junior (1988, 1989, 1990) and Juvenile Championships (1991 - 1992) are open to only one entrant per division. Therefore, only athletes selected to the team will be able to attend the event, regardless of whether they meet the following funding criteria. The Junior British Open is open to any U.S. athlete born in 1993 or earlier who was on the Juvenile A or B rosters as of Dec. 31, 2006 or the Jan. 1, 2007 IJF-Junior Roster.

Complete selection procedures for both events are available at [http://www.usjudo.org/juniors\\_comppportunities.asp](http://www.usjudo.org/juniors_comppportunities.asp).

Athletes who qualify, MAY ATTEND both events, but MUST CHOOSE the event for which they would like to receive funding.

Athletes who qualify for funding for either event MUST compete in the weight division in which they qualified. (I.e., if an athlete has 24 points on the IJF-Junior roster in the 57kg division, she would be required to fight in this division in order to receive funding). In addition, funding will not be available for athletes in Open weight divisions.

An athlete may receive funding for EITHER the Junior British OR the Junior Pan Ams, but NOT both. Only one athlete per age and weight division will be named to the Pan Am Junior and Juvenile Teams and therefore be eligible for funding. In addition, a maximum of two athletes per weight division will be eligible for funding for the Junior British Open, per the following:

Senior Roster C or higher	IJF JUNIOR >20 points	IJF JUNIOR > 10, < 21	Juvenile B > 10
\$500 (British) or \$300 (Dominican Republic)	\$400 (British) or \$250 (Dominican Republic)	\$250 (British) or \$200 (Dominican Republic)	\$250 (British) or \$200 (Dominican Republic)

If more than two athletes are eligible for funding in one of the categories listed above, the first choice will be given to the highest ranked athlete. NOTE: An athlete may only receive one round of funding. Therefore, an athlete who is ranked as a C level on the Senior Roster and has more than 20 points on the IJF-Junior roster can only receive funding in one category.

**FREE Japan Trip for 12-14-year-olds**

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## 2005 TRAVEL & TRAINING STIPENDS

(Cut off year is 1984)

<b>NAME</b>	<b>BY</b>	<b>CLUB</b>	<b>SHIAI'S PLACED</b>	<b>Stipend Awarded</b>	<b>CLUB ADDRESSES</b>
<b>CLASS A</b>					
<b>TARAJE WILLIAMS-MURRAY</b>	<b>1984</b>	<b>Jamie Towers</b>	<b>US Nat., US OP</b>	<b>\$100.00</b>	<b>630 Pugsley Ave. #3C Bronx, NY 10473</b>
<b>CLASS B</b>					
<b>GERRY St. LEGER</b>	<b>1985</b>	<b>STARRETT JUDO CLUB</b>	<b>US Nat</b>	<b>\$72.00</b>	<b>PO Box 292</b>
<b>HARRY St. LEGER</b>	<b>1985</b>	<b>STARRETT JUDO CLUB</b>	<b>US Nat</b>	<b>\$72.00</b>	<b>Yorktown Heights, NY 10598</b>
<b>GARLYNE CELESTIN</b>	<b>1985</b>	<b>STARRETT JUDO CLUB</b>	<b>US Nat</b>	<b>\$72.00</b>	
<b>ELIZABETH BURNS</b>	<b>1984</b>	<b>JASON MORRIS JUDO CLUB</b>	<b>Nat Lad</b>	<b>\$72.00</b>	<b>575 Swaggertown Road</b>
<b>MARINA SHAFIR</b>	<b>1988</b>	<b>JASON MORRIS JUDO CLUB</b>	<b>US Nat, JO, Jr O, FC</b>	<b>\$72.00</b>	<b>Scotia, NY 12302</b>
<b>JEREMY LIGGETT</b>	<b>1989</b>	<b>JASON MORRIS JUDO CLUB</b>	<b>JA, Jr O, FC</b>	<b>\$72.00</b>	
<b>AJ SILVERMAN</b>	<b>1987</b>	<b>JASON MORRIS JUDO CLUB</b>	<b>JO, Jr O</b>	<b>\$72.00</b>	
<b>YUKO SIN</b>	<b>1987</b>	<b>JASON MORRIS JUDO CLUB</b>	<b>JF, Jr O,FC</b>	<b>\$72.00</b>	
<b>KYLE VASHKULAT</b>	<b>1990</b>	<b>JASON MORRIS JUDO CLUB</b>	<b>JO, Jr O</b>	<b>\$72.00</b>	
<b>HANNAH MARTIN</b>	<b>1988</b>	<b>JASON MORRIS JUDO CLUB</b>	<b>JA, Jr O, FC</b>	<b>\$72.00</b>	
<b>CLEO GRINBERG</b>	<b>1987</b>	<b>JASON MORRIS JUDO CLUB</b>	<b>Jr O,FC</b>	<b>\$72.00</b>	
<b>NINA CUTRO-KELLY</b>	<b>1984</b>	<b>JUDO AMERICA</b>	<b>US Nat, FC</b>	<b>\$72.00</b>	<b>Judo America no longer a club no address on file</b>
<b>CLASS C</b>					
<b>SHINTARO HIGASHI</b>	<b>1984</b>	<b>KOKUSHI BUDOKAN</b>	<b>FC</b>	<b>\$25.00</b>	<b>331 Riverside Drive, NYC, NY 10025</b>
			<b>TOTALS:</b>	<b>\$989.00</b>	

**2005 & 2006 Breakdown of Junior Development Monies received by Player and Club**

<b>NAME</b>	<b>CLUB</b>	<b>Money Rec.</b>	<b>Club Total</b>
<b>Taraje Williams-Murray</b>	<b>Jamie Towers</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>\$100.00</b>
<b>Shintaro Higashi</b>	<b>Kokushi Budokai</b>	<b>50.00</b>	<b>\$50.00</b>
<b>Nina Cutro-Kelly</b>	<b>Judo America</b>	<b>72.00</b>	<b>\$72.00</b>
<b>Daniel Yuabov</b>	<b>Spartak Sports Club</b>	<b>50.00</b>	
<b>Steve Fayzakov</b>	<b>Spartak Sports Club</b>	<b>50.00</b>	<b>\$100.00</b>
<b>Gerry St. Leger</b>	<b>Starrett Judo Club</b>	<b>272.00</b>	
<b>Harry St. Leger</b>	<b>Starrett Judo Club</b>	<b>147.00</b>	
<b>Garlyne Celestin</b>	<b>Starrett Judo Club</b>	<b>72.00</b>	<b>\$491.00</b>
<b>Elizabeth Burns</b>	<b>Jason Morris Judo Club</b>	<b>72.00</b>	
<b>Marina Shafir</b>	<b>Jason Morris Judo Club</b>	<b>147.00</b>	
<b>Jeremy Liggett</b>	<b>Jason Morris Judo Club</b>	<b>147.00</b>	
<b>AJ Silverman</b>	<b>Jason Morris Judo Club</b>	<b>147.00</b>	
<b>Yuko Sin</b>	<b>Jason Morris Judo Club</b>	<b>147.00</b>	
<b>Kyle Vashkulat</b>	<b>Jason Morris Judo Club</b>	<b>147.00</b>	
<b>Hannah Martin</b>	<b>Jason Morris Judo Club</b>	<b>147.00</b>	
<b>Cleo Grinberg</b>	<b>Jason Morris Judo Club</b>	<b>122.00</b>	
<b>Nick Kossor</b>	<b>Jason Morris Judo Club</b>	<b>75.00</b>	
<b>Nick Delpopolo</b>	<b>Jason Morris Judo Club</b>	<b>75.00</b>	
<b>Jessica Elizalde</b>	<b>Jason Morris Judo Club</b>	<b>50.00</b>	<b>\$1276.00</b>

**Respectfully Submitted,  
Billy Martin**

## 7. Law & Legislation

David Goldberg

No report.

## 8. Standards

Summerfield Baldwin

No report.

## 9. Registration

Since John Bassano is no longer involved with registration Mrs. R. Kanokogi gave the report.

Approximately 700 members throughout the State.

In the past USA Judo mailed a \$5.00 rebate for each member, monthly. Approximately \$3,500.00 per year was received. USA Judo changed the system, now mail checks quarterly. NYSJI appears to have been short changed compared to the same period last year. President Kanokogi will bring this to the attention of the USA Judo Executive Committee.

## 10. Public Relations

Mrs. Rusty Kanokogi and Connie Rosado have been handling the PR job. Thank you letters were sent out and requests for funding were also mailed.

Mr. & Mrs. Kanokogi are involved with the MS Association. A camp in August 2007 will teach mat work to the children/youth of this organization

President R. Kanokogi thanked Connie for her hard work.

## 11. Promotion

Secretary-George Pasiuk

To: NYSJ Inc. Members

From: NYSJ Inc. Promotion Board Chairman, Ryohei Kanokogi

Subject: - Annual report - February 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2007

The following promotions took place in 2006: Shodan (1st) 12, Nidan (2nd) 1, Yodan (4th) 3 and Godan (5<sup>th</sup>) 3

There are New promotion procedures for 2007. They are enclosed. Three main changes are: the fees went up, a passport size picture is required with each promotion and for Yodan (4<sup>th</sup>) and up one must be a National referee.

Furthermore, new promotion fees for NYSJ Inc. will be forwarded to all NYSJ Inc clubs once they have been arrived at.

Presently we have the authority to promote to Yodan (4<sup>th</sup>). Once our membership increases we will get a higher promotion authority.

Respectfully submitted,  
NYSJ Inc Promotion Board Secretary  
George Pasiuk

USA Judo promotion fees have been increased. For further information contact George Pasiuk.

USA Judo Promotion Recommendation Procedures

Go to USA Judo

Click on forms

Promotion procedure

## 12. Old Business

N/A

## 13. New Business

Motion proposed by President R. Kanokogi that NYSJI hold 1 meeting a year instead of 2. The second meeting has been held in the summer in conjunction with the Empire State Games. The Executive Committee is constantly in touch.

Motion Jesse Wang

Second Billy Martin

Motion passed.

President Kanokogi motion to change the date of the NYSJI insurance application from September 1-August 31 to January 1 –December 31. To give coverage for this year from September 1-December 31 the fee will be increased from \$25.00 to \$33.00-\$35.00.

Motion passed,

all in favor.

President Kanokogi mentioned she attended the International Coaches Conference in Japan in December 2006.

President Kanokogi spoke about the late Radomir Kovacevic and the long history the Kanokogis and Kyushu Judo had with him. From Kyushu he went to the NYAC with the Kanokogi's blessing. He passed away unexpectedly. His love was his family, children in Judo, and Tokai University. At the church, Mr. & Mrs. Kanokogi were approached by a gentleman who said he wanted to help with Radomir's legacy. He asked for a wish list from Mrs. Kanokogi. He liked 3 items on the wish list including the NYSJI Jr. Olympics which would include a medal honoring Radomir, with Tokai University logo on the front, a NYSJI brochure with his portrait on the front, with a writing inside by Sports Illustrated writer Gary Smith.(5000 brochures). The remainder of the brochure will be

generic, children and photos. The third would be a Radomir Kovacevic Judo Legacy Fund to help NYSJI children 8-16 years. An Ad Hoc Committee has come up with criteria (in Minutes). The fund would be administered by the NYSJI Executive Committee. It will consider children/youth who placed in 2006 and have a good track record. Via negotiations, this gentleman offered \$25,000.00 each year. The first year expenses for medals and brochures will be deducted. This fund will help children develop in Judo. In 2006 approximately 17 children might be eligible. With the advice of members of the Executive Committee a bank account was opened. The bank is waiving all fees. A report must be submitted to the attorney of the benefactor quarterly.

Election of Officers

Frank Colonnesse moved to hold the election.

The results are as follows:

President	Rusty Kanokogi	
Vice President	Tony Grisanti	
Treasurer	Vincent Liuzzi	
Secretary	Joseph Ahern	
Development Director	Billy Martin	
Law & Legislation	David Goldberg	
Standards	Devin Cohen	
Registration	Connie Rosado	
Public Relations	Will fall under Registration	
Promotion	Chairperson, Ryohei Kanokogi	
	Secretary	George Pasiuk
	Members	Downstate Upstate
		Tager Syamiulin Chuck Dalessio
		Yoichiro Matsumutra Vincent Liuzzi
		Mrs. Rusty Kanokogi Tomoji Kidach

Web Master. John Bassano will continue in this position.

### Upcoming Events

2 Kata Clinics will be held in 2006. 1 in NY and 1 in NJ.

It was brought up at the Hudson Yudanshakai meeting that at the Promotional/Kata tests, it is observed that the quality of the Kata's have been deteriorating.

February 4	HCST
February 17	Pedros Judo Challenge. – Wakefield, Mass. Referee testing and evaluation
February 18	Pedros Judo Challenge Clinic
February 25	NJ State Championship. Brick, NJ Y. Yonezuka - yonejkc@comcast.net
March 10	NY Open. - NYAC. - Mel Applebaum. - middiemd@aol.com
March 14	High School National's Miami Fla.
March 18	CPR/First Aid. - Devin Cohen. - Columbia Univ. 9am-6pm NYSJI web site
March 31, April 1	Liberty Bell. Phil., PA. - Lou Moyerman, - Lou Moyerman @aol.com
TBA	New Rochelle Open. - New Rochelle, NY
April 7-13	Jason Morris Judo Ctr. Spring Camp
April 14	Morris Cup. Scotia, NY - J. Morris 518 399 3936 - silver 92 @albany.net
April 15	Kata Clinic, Bklyn, Mr. Shiina and Mr. Kanokogi
TBA	New Rochelle Open
April 20-21	US Senior Nationals.. - USA National Office
April 29	Cranford Invit. Cranford,NJ. - Y. Yonezuka yonejkc@comcast.net
May 6	NYS Jr. Olympics, Polytechnic Univ. Bklyn NY R. Kanokogi
May 19	Hudson Yudanshakai Promotional. HCST (APA) - N. Bergen NJ - Y. Yonezuka
May 26.-27	Am Can Int'l. – Amherst, NY - www.amcanjudo.org
June 2	NYC Empire State Games Trials – Berkeley Athletic Center R. Kanokogi
June 3	LI Empire State Games Trials. - John Anderson Rec. Ctr. - Rockville Center. B. Martin. - Godan 6161 @aol.com
June 9	Hudson Yudanshakai Kata/ Test - HCST B. Martin/M. Braziel
June 10	Summer Slam Judo Championship. - Paterson, NJ. - A. Camal - 973 256 0110 or 973 812 6322
July 7 & 8	USJA Jr. Nat'l's Ind. Indiana.
July 14-15	USJF Jr. Nat'ls – Ypsilanti MI.- no@usjf.com
July 21	USA Jr. Olympics San Antonio, TX
July 25 & 27	Empire State Games, - Westchester, NY
July 28-29	Jr. US Open Ft. Lauderdale, FLA
July 30-August 1	Jr. US Open Training Camp. Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.
August 12.-18	YMCA Int'l Judo Camp – Huguenot, NY - G. Pasiuk
Sept TBA	American Juyukai East Coast Championship - NJIT – Newark, NJ. – Y. Yonezuka - yonejkc@comcast.net
October 19-20	US Open TBA
Nov. 18	Cranford Invit. Cranford,NJ. - Y. Yonezuka yonejkc@comcast.net
December 2	NE Invitational West Paterson, T. Camel

Meeting adjourned at 4:25PM

Motion - Billy Martin

Second - Connie Halporn

Forms & Applications

**RADOMIR KOVACEVIC JUDO LEGACY FUND APPLICATION**

Administered by the NYSJI Executive Committee and the Kovacevic Family

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

STATE: NY ZIP CODE: \_\_\_\_\_ USJI #: \_\_\_\_\_

AGE: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE OF BIRTH: \_\_\_\_\_ MALE / FEMALE

HOME TELEPHONE #:(    ) \_\_\_\_\_

PARENT'S CELLPHONE #:(    ) \_\_\_\_\_

E-MAIL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

FAX #:(    ) \_\_\_\_\_

JUDO CLUB: \_\_\_\_\_

JUDO CLUB ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP CODE: \_\_\_\_\_

PUBLIC OR PRIVATE SCHOOLS ATTENDING:

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ADDRESS OF SCHOOL: \_\_\_\_\_

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USA JUDO POINT LIST RANKING: \_\_\_\_\_

AVERAGE WEEKLY PRACTICE: \_\_\_\_\_

HOW MANY MEMBERS OF YOUR FAMILY PRACTICE JUDO?

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APPROXIMATE AMOUNT SPENT ON THE CANDIDATE

ATTENDING 2005 & 2006 NATIONAL COMPETITIONS:

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LIST UP TO FIVE (5) EVENTS, NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL JUDO TOURNAMENTS THE CANDIDATE ATTENDED IN 2005 & 2006 BE SURE TO ALSO INCLUDE THEIR RESULTS AT EVENTS ATTENDED.

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I, \_\_\_\_\_, CERTIFY THAT THE ABOVE  
PRINT PARENT/GUARDIAN'S NAME  
INFORMATION IS CORRECT AND I APPROVE THIS APPLICATION

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Parent/Guardian's Signature Date

## RADOMIR KOVACEVIC JUDO LEGACY FUND CRITERIA

### Administered by the New York State Judo, Inc. (NYSJI) Executive Committee and the Kovacevic Family

To be considered for a grant you must qualify under the criteria listed below:

1. 8 to 16 years of age on the day of the competition.
2. Must be a member of NYSJI for at least one (1) year prior to submitting an application.
3. Must be a member of a NYSJI registered club.
4. In order to apply for a grant you have to fill out the Radomir Kovacevic Judo Legacy Fund Application. To receive an Application and Waiver please contact Rusty Kanokogi at [Judorustyk@aol.com](mailto:Judorustyk@aol.com). Mail completed Application and Waiver to: Rusty Kanokogi, 2126 East 17<sup>th</sup> Street, Brooklyn, NY 11229. By regular mail, registered and certified mail will not be accepted.
5. In order to be considered for a grant you must show proof of participation and placement in approved competitions. (Listed below)
6. New York State Judo, Inc. must be listed as one of your sponsors if you receive a grant.
7. If you receive any apparel with the NYSJI logo on it you must wear it at some point during the event you are attending.
8. There is no obligation on the sponsor or anyone else to make any grant.
9. Must be attending public school or private school and receiving passing grades. Copy of report card may be requested. Home Schooling will also be considered

The following competitions will be under consideration for a grant:

1. United States Junior Olympics.
2. United States Judo Federation Junior Nationals.
3. United States Judo Association Junior Nationals.
4. Junior High School Nationals.
5. High School Nationals.
6. USA Judo Senior National Championships.
7. US Open.
8. Junior US Open.
9. New York Open (If Competitor travels more then 50 miles to the Venue).
10. Any International Junior Shiai that has been approved by USA Judo, Inc.

The application and criteria are subject to change.

I have read, understand and agree to the above criteria.

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Parent/Guardian's Signature

Date

#### WARNING! WAIVER AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND AGREEMENT TO PARTICIPATE

In consideration of being permitted to participate in any way, including travel to and from, in any Judo tournament, practice, clinic, and related events and activities of the United States Judo Federation, Inc., United States Judo, Inc., United States Judo Association, Inc., New York State Judo, Inc., I hereby:

1. Acknowledge that I am familiar with the sport of Judo and understand the rules governing the sport of Judo.
2. Agree that, prior to participating, I will inspect the mats, equipment, facilities, competition pools or divisions, and the elimination or scoring system to be used, and if I believe anything is unsafe or beyond my capability, I will immediately advise my coach, supervisor, and/or a tournament official of such conditions and refuse to participate.

3. Acknowledge and fully understand that I will be engaging in a contact sport that might result in serious injury, including permanent disability or death, and severe social and economic losses due not only to my own actions, inactions or negligence, but also to the actions, inactions, or negligence of others, the rules of the sport of Judo, or conditions of the premises or of any equipment used. Further, I acknowledge that there may be other risks not known to me or not reasonably foreseeable at this time.

4. Knowing the risks involved in the sport of Judo, I assume all such risks and accept personal responsibility for the damages following such injury, permanent disability, or death.

5. Release, waive, discharge and covenant not to sue the United States Judo Federation, Inc., United States Judo, Inc., United States Judo Association, Inc., New York State Judo, Inc., together with their affiliated clubs, their respective administrators, directors, agents, coaches, and other employees or volunteers of the organization, event officials, medical personnel, other participants, their parents, guardians, supervisors and coaches, sponsoring agencies, sponsors, advertisers, and if applicable, owners, lessors, and lessees of premises used in conducting the event, all of whom are hereinafter referred to as "Releasees", from any and all claims, demands, losses, or damages on account of injury, including permanent disability and death or damage to property, caused or alleged to be caused in whole or in part by the negligence of the Releasees or otherwise to the fullest extent permitted by law.

I HAVE READ THE ABOVE WARNING, WAIVER, AND RELEASE, UNDERSTAND THAT I GIVE UP SUBSTANTIAL RIGHTS BY SIGNING IT, AND KNOWING THIS, SIGN IT VOLUNTARILY. I AGREE TO PARTICIPATE KNOWING THE RISKS AND CONDITIONS INVOLVED AND DO SO ENTIRELY OF MY OWN FREE WILL. I AFFIRM THAT I AM AT LEAST 18 YEARS OF AGE, OR, IF I AM UNDER 18 YEARS OF AGE, I HAVE OBTAINED THE REQUIRED CONSENT OF MY PARENT/GUARDIAN AS EVIDENCED BY THEIR SIGNATURE BELOW.

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Participant	Participant's Signature	Date
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FOR PARENTS/GUARDIANS OF PARTICIPANTS OF MINORITY AGE (UNDER AGE 18 AT TIME OF REGISTRATION)

This is to certify that I, as parent/guardian with legal responsibility for this participant, do consent and agree to his/her release, as provided above, of all the Releasees, and, for myself, my heirs, assigns, and next of kin, I release and agree to indemnify and hold harmless the Releasees from any and all liabilities incident to my minor child's involvement or participation in these programs as provided above, even if arising from their negligence, to the fullest extent permitted by law. I have instructed the minor participant as to the above warnings and conditions and their ramifications.

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Parent/Guardian	Parent/Guardian's Signature	Date
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USA Judo Coaches 2007 Renewal Form

<http://usjudo.org/documents/CoachesRenewalForm.pdf>

Family MembershipApplication.pdf

<http://www.usjudo.org/documents/FamilyMembershipApplication.pdf>

Certificate of Insurance Request Form

<http://www.usjudo.org/documents/o6RequestforInsuranceCertificateAMER.pdf>

Joseph Ahern  
Secretary

