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The objectives of the Kokusai Budoin, IMAF, include the expansion of interest in Japanese Martial Arts; the establishment of communication, friendship, understanding and harmony among member chapters; the development of the minds and bodies of its members; and the promotion of global understanding and personal growth.

2008 – Special Edition no. 2: IMAF-Americas and Spring Japan Tour

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Commit oneself to maximum efficiency,
and mutual benefit in all endeavors

UPCOMING EVENTS

2008 Kokusai Budoin, IMAF European Seminars

Date: October 17th - 19th
Location: Charleroi, Belgium

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Martial Arts as practiced by living
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Online Gendo Special Edition:

2008 IMAF Spring Japan Tour

Date: March 16th - 29th
Location: Tokyo, Japan

2008 IMAF-Americas Seminars

Date: May 16th - 18th
Location: Mission Viejo, California, USA

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for all event information:

www.imaf.com/events.html

Kokusai Budoin, IMAF-Americas Congress and Seminars

Mission Viejo, California

The 2008 Kokusai Budoin, IMAF-Americas Congress and Seminars were held May 16th thru 18th at the Japan Karate-Do Federation Hombu Dojo in Mission Viejo, California (USA). IMAF Headquarters Japan representatives, IMAF-Americas representatives, members, and friends from across the world gathered to share extraordinary training and related events.



Mission San Juan Capistrano, California - founded 1776

IMAF – 2008 Spring Japan Tour

Tokyo, Japan

Spring Tour participants arrived on March 17th with great hopes of discovering traditional and modern Japan, and studying with world-renowned Kokusai Budoin, IMAF instructors.

Their dreams came true during the following twelve busy days that were filled with intensive studies, and unique cultural events.

A day trip Odawara castle, a national historic site (built in 1495), was one of the many cultural activities tour members enjoyed.

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Kokusai Budoin, IMAF-Americas Seminars

The 2008 IMAF-Americas seminars began Friday, May 16th with demonstrations of iaido, Karate-do, and Nihon Jujutsu by Headquarters Japan representatives.



Hidetoshi Iwasa, Iaido Kyoshi 8th dan



Participants during the opening address



Akira Wariagi, Karate-do Hanshi 8th dan



John Gage, Nihon Jujutsu Kyoshi 7th dan



Paul Godshaw, Event Sponsor
Shihan Japan Karate-Do Federation Hombu Dojo



Nihon Jujutsu participants

The daily seminar schedule included Iaido, Karate-do, Nihon Jujutsu, open training (final sixty-minutes each day), from morning to late afternoon. Saturday evening, the Annual Banquet was held, which featured demonstrations by nationally ranked Jr. JKF members.

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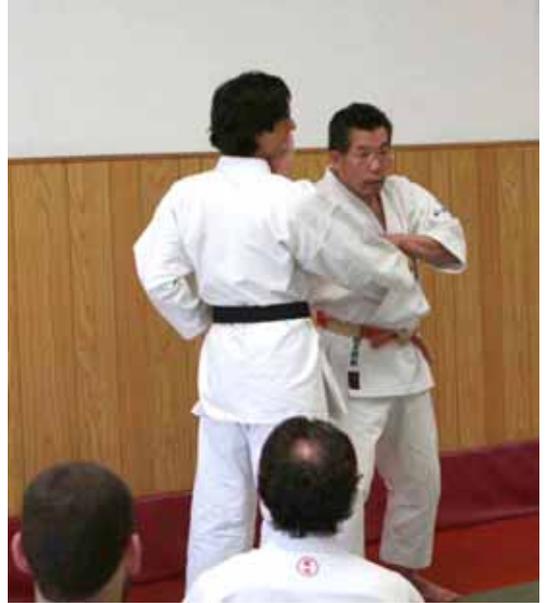
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The daily Iaido sessions were directed by IMAF HQ Representative H. Iwasa, as well as N. Suino, and F. Nieves.



Iaido participants at Japan Karate-Do Federation Hombu Dojo

The daily Karate-do sessions were directed by IMAF HQ Representative A. Warigai.



Karate-do applications directed by A. Warigai.



Karate-do participants



Karate-do participants



Judo Nage-waza demonstrated by N. Suino and D. Holland

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2008 IMAF-Americas Seminar Participants



2008 IMAF-Americas Banquet



2008 IMAF-Americas Banquet, H. Iwasa, A. Warigai, P. Godshaw, J. Cruz, J. Gage (right - left)

Special appreciation is due to all the IMAF-Americas, and JKF members, families, and friends whose hard work, and tireless devotion made this years' events a memorable success.

Everyone is invited to attend the 2009 IMAF-Americas seminars. Dates and location to be announced soon!

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IMAF – 2008 Spring Japan Tour

Spring Tour activities included sightseeing at significant cultural centers in and around the greater Tokyo area, studying with prestigious leaders of traditional martial arts at a variety of locations (Ikushinkan Aikido Dojo is featured in the photos below), and sharing these experiences with like-minded brothers and sisters in *budo*. Among the many highlights of the 2008 IMAF Japan Tour, members trained at the Ikushinkan Dojo, Gima-ha, Shotokan-ryu Hombu Dojo, US Embassy Judo Club (established in 1957), Hiyoshi Dojo, and Seiseikan Dojo.



Hidetoshi Iwasa demonstrating Iaido



Ryosaku Yoshida demonstrating Iaido

SJT members visited nearby Kamakura and Odawara castle, and in central Tokyo, Meiji Jingu, the shrine, Memorial Park, and museum dedicated to Emperor Meiji, Asakusa, with its famous temple built in 645, Sengakuji, a temple where the tombs of the 47 Ronin are found, and other areas where living traditions, both modern and ancient can be found side-by-side.

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Hans and Christine Rauscher, Ikushinkan Dojo



IMAF Spring Japan Tour participants at Ikushinkan Dojo



Kazuo Sakai (IMAF Karate-do Shihan) demonstrating Karate-do



IMAF Spring Japan Tour participants sightseeing with H. Iwasa



IMAF Spring Japan Tour participants at Seiseikan Dojo

Friday, March 28th the annual Farewell Banquet was held for all Spring Tour members, and IMAF HQ instructors. Certificates of Achievement were presented to all Tour participants, as everyone had demonstrated dedication and tireless efforts throughout his and her training.

Sincere appreciation is due to Mr. and Mrs. Hans-D. Rauscher, and IMAF members both in Japan and Europe, for their dedication that helped ensure the successful conclusion of the 2008 Spring Japan Tour.

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Special Feature

The Contribution of Judo to Education

by Jigoro Kano

The object of this lecture is to explain to you in a general way what Judo is. In our feudal times, there were many military exercises such as fencing, archery, the use of spears, etc. Among them there was one called Jujutsu which was a composite exercise, consisting principally of the ways of fighting without weapons; using, however, occasionally daggers, swords and other weapons.

The kinds of attack were chiefly throwing, hitting, choking, holding the opponent down and bending or twisting the opponent's arms or legs in such a way as to cause pain or fracture. The use of swords and daggers was also taught. We had also multitudinous ways of defending ourselves against such attacks. Such exercise, in its primitive form, existed even in our mythological age. But systematic instruction, as an art, dates only from about three hundred fifty years ago.

In my younger days I studied this art with three eminent masters of the time. The great benefit I derived from the study of it led me to make up my mind to go on with the subject more seriously, and in 1882 I started a school of my own and called it Kodokan. Kodokan literally means *a school for studying the way*, the meaning of *the way* being the concept of life itself. I named the subject I teach Judo instead of Jujutsu. In the first place I will explain to you the meaning of these words. Ju means gentle or to give way, Jutsu, an art or practice, and Do, way or principle, so that Jujutsu means an art or practice of gentleness or of giving way in order to ultimately gain the victory; while Judo means the way or principle of the same.

Can this principle be applied to other fields of human activity? Yes, the same principle can be applied to the improvement of the human body, making it strong, healthy and useful, and so constitutes physical education. It can also be applied to the improvement of intellectual and moral power, and in this way constitutes mental and moral education. It can at the same time be applied to the improvement of diet, clothing, housing, social intercourse, and methods of business, thus constituting the study and training in living. I gave this all-pervading principle the name of "Judo". So Judo, in its fuller sense, is a study and method in training of mind and body as in the regulation of life and affairs.

Judo, therefore, in one of its phases, can be studied and practiced with attack and defense for its main object. Before I started Kodokan, this attack and defense phase of Judo only was studied and practiced in Japan under the name of Jiu-jitsu, sometimes called "Tai-Jitsu", meaning the art of managing the body or "Yawara", the "gentle management." But I came to think that the study of this all-pervading principle is more important than the mere practice of Jiu-jitsu, because the real understanding of the principle enables one to apply it to all phases of life.

This speech by Jigoro Kano was given at the University of Southern California (USC) in Los Angeles on the occasion of 11th Olympiad, 1932.

Excerpted from JudoInfo.com by Neil Ohlenkamp:

<http://www.judoinfo.com/menu.htm>

EVENT CALENDAR**2008 Kokusai Budoin, IMAF European Seminars**

Message from Mr. André Fredrix
Kokusai Budoin, IMAF Belgium Branch Director

Dear Friends,

We have the pleasure to invite you to join us in celebrating the 20th anniversary of KOKUSAI BUDOIN (IMAF) BELGIUM ASBL.

Date: FRIDAY/SATURDAY and SUNDAY

October 17th, 18th and 19th

Location

"Centre Sportif" LA FERME DU CHATEAU (Adeps)
Allee des Sports B. 6280 LOVERVAL (near Charleroi) Belgium
Phone: 00 32 71 43 99 80

ACCOMMODATION PACKAGES at the Sport Centre:• **Price INCLUDES cost of seminar**

- limited space available, early reservations recommended

- Dorm rooms for 4/8 persons: 140 beds available

- Private rooms (2 persons per room): 20 rooms available *

2 nights (dorm room) with meals at the venue: **euro 160.00**

2 nights (private room) with meals at the venue: **euro 185.00**

(3 meals on Saturday and 2 on Sunday)

* two persons per private room requirement

* + refundable key deposit (private room only): **euro 10.00**

Sport Centre Reservation Deadline: 6th October!**Fees For Guests Not Staying at the Sport Centre:**

Seminar, with lunch Sat/Sun at the venue: **euro 125.00**

Seminar only fee (no meals at the venue): **euro 95.00**

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