

Blue Mountain Martial Arts

Newsletter

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NEWS

- **INCENTIVE PROGRAM!** The incentive program is still in effect and will be available year-round! We feel that it is the least that we can do; we want to thank you for helping to bring new students to the school! Please take some of our blue passes and write your last name, initials, etc on the back. For each person that you refer that takes a \$20.00 Trial Month, you will receive \$5.00 off of your next month's tuition! For each person that signs a 12-month contract, you will receive \$20.00 off of your next month's tuition! Please let us know if you would like some blue passes to hand out to your friends and neighbors!
- **DRESS CODE! PLEASE REMEMBER THE DRESS CODE!!!!** When wearing a t-shirt under your school jacket please understand that is just as much a part of your uniform as your jacket or pants. For this reason all students must wear either a school t-shirt or a plain white t-shirt under their jacket. *No other t-shirts will be permitted (even if it is a solid color!).* If you are interested in purchasing a school t-shirt we do have them available in several colors. Please see Master Chris or Becky for more information!
- **FUNDRAISER!!** We still have Scratcher cards available if anyone would like to participate. Not only can the money that you raise can be used toward testing, boards, tournaments, or the annual trip to Mountain Training in Italy, but you also help local business at the same time! Please see Becky for more information!!!
- **WINTER WEATHER POLICY!** As the weather gets colder the threat of snow and ice are looming. Please follow these guidelines for BMMA closing due to weather: If Frederick County Public Schools are closed then BMMA will also be closed. However, if the roads are clear by early afternoon then BMMA may be open; please call (540)868-9331 to verify whether the school is open or not! Please use your discretion as we may not know the condition of all roads in the surrounding area. We want everyone to be safe and sound!
- **THANK YOU BOARD!!!** In case you have not noticed, we have added signs to the bulletin boards to designate their zones. We have areas for Community Info (Business Cards and other Events in the area) and School Events & Info (this is where you will find information regarding events within the school, sign-up sheets, newsletters, etc). We have also added a board for people say thank you to one another (we have so many people in the school that do nice things for one another – sometimes anonymously – that we thought it would be a great way for us to publicly thank each other). Please take a moment to add a thank you or read the notes that are posted – your name may be included!
- **SPECIAL OFFER FOR BMMA FAMILIES!** *Just Country Living* (located in our shopping center down by Papa John's Pizza) is offering a one-time 10% Discount to all BMMA families! The offer is valid November 27th – December 18th! They carry a lot of great items including the *Life is Good*® line of products (if they don't have something that you want you can peruse the *Life is Good*® catalog and place an order – deliveries arrive weekly!). They also offer layaway for those of you that would prefer to make payments. If you haven't taken the opportunity to visit this store you are in for a pleasant surprise!
BRING THIS NEWSLETTER WITH YOU TO GET YOUR DISCOUNT!!!
- **UPCOMING SCHOOL CLOSURES!**
Friday, December 11th: School will be closed for a private party
Friday, December 18th: *No Classes*; Holiday Party begins at 6:00pm
Friday, December 25th: Christmas Day

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- **CHRISTMAS ON THE COMMONS!** The Stephens City Business Association will sponsor the 2nd Annual Christmas on the Commons on Saturday, December 5th from 3:30pm – 6:30pm. The event will be held at the Newtown Commons located on Main Street and it is a social celebration for families and friends. There will be ornament decorating, band concerts, caroling, cookies and warm beverages, the tree lighting, and maybe even a visit from a special guest!
- **PARENT'S NIGHT OUT!!!** Hey Parents! Do you need to finish your Christmas shopping? Do you have a Holiday Party to attend? Do you just want an evening without the kids? Here is your chance!! December 5th, December 12th and December 19th from 5:00pm – 9:00pm! We will have games, activities, a craft projects, and fun! The cost is \$10.00 per participant; please bring a snack to share (we will have popcorn, juice, and water available). All children must be over the age of five. Please see Master Chris or Becky for more information!
- **BOARD HOLDING & BREAKING SEMINAR!** We know that breaking can be difficult for all students, especially as it is not practiced a lot in class with real boards. We are adding a seminar that will be all about breaking on Saturday, December 12th from 12:00pm – 2:00pm ! We know that the price of boards can be high so, taking that into consideration, we contacted our supplier with our idea. We were able to secure a discounted rate if we purchase in designated quantities of 20 boards. The price for 20 boards is \$30.00, regardless of whether they are Kid boards or Adult boards! Please reserve your boards no later than Friday, October 9th as we will not be ordering extra boards! Each participant will be practicing the breaking technique that will be required for their next test. Don't miss out on this awesome opportunity! Anyone
who would like to learn how to hold boards properly is invited to attend as well (no fee is charged for board holders).
- **BMMA HOLIDAY PARTY!!** We will have our annual Holiday Party on Friday, December 18th. We will be having a pot-luck meal; please let us know what dish you plan to bring by listing it on the sign-up sheet located on the bulletin board.
- **TESTING!!!** The next opportunity to test will be on Saturday, January 16th. *COMPLETED TESTING FORMS AND PAYMENT ARE DUE BY FRIDAY, January 8th!* Testing fee is \$45.00; please make checks payable to WMAC (World Martial Arts Center). Students that are testing are required to arrive no later than 8:30am so that they can warm up prior to Grandmaster Lee's arrival at the school. Testing is scheduled to begin at 9:00am. *JACKETS ARE REQUIRED; IF YOU DO NOT HAVE YOUR JACKET YOU WILL NOT BE PERMITTED TO TEST!*