

# Blue Mountain Martial Arts

## Newsletter

September 2009

### NEWS

- **MASTER TESTING!** Chris returned from Italy at the beginning of August where he was able to complete his Master Testing. As many of you already know, he passed! The new certificate has been awarded, has been framed, and will be hung on the wall in the school.
- **WE HAVE MOVED!** After dealing with several issues at the school location on Main Street, we have made the difficult decision to close the gym (It Figures) and move the school to a different location. Our new address is 640 Warrior Drive, Suite 108 in Stephens City (we are located in the Warrior Center along with Anytime Fitness, Papa John's Pizza, and many other stores). We have already experienced an increase in interest as there is more traffic in the area. We are optimistic that this move will be an awesome opportunity for BMMA!
- **INCENTIVE PROGRAM!** We are extending the incentive program that we offered in July! The incentive will now 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! 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!
- **PROGRESS REPORTS!** In an effort to improve communication with parents we will now be issuing weekly progress reports. Please take the opportunity to review the reports when you receive them as they will indicate where your child is doing great in addition to those areas that Master Chris feels need improvement. If you have any questions regarding the reports please do not hesitate to ask Master Chris!
- **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 acceptable (even if it is a solid color!).* The Summer Dress Code will be in effect until the first Saturday in October (October 3<sup>rd</sup>); students have the option to wear either a school t-shirt in class or to wear their uniform jacket with the appropriate t-shirt underneath their jacket (*a plain white t-shirt without a jacket is not acceptable!*). As of the first Monday in October (October 5<sup>th</sup>) we will return to the Winter Dress Code. At that time all students will be required to wear their jackets while in class. 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.

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### EVENTS

- **KICKBOXING!!** Monday / Wednesday / Friday from 7:00PM - 7:50PM. \$55.00 for the General Public or \$45.00 for anyone affiliated with BMMA. We are considering the addition of daytime kickboxing classes...please let us know if you are interested!
- **BIRTHDAY PARTY!** Everyone is invited to BMMA to celebrate Jacob Unger's birthday!! Saturday, September 12<sup>th</sup> from 2:00pm - 4:00pm. Please RSVP to BMMA so we can plan accordingly! We look forward to seeing everyone!!
- **TESTING!!!** The next opportunity to test will be on Saturday, September 19<sup>th</sup>. *COMPLETED TESTING FORMS AND PAYMENT ARE DUE BY FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 11<sup>th</sup>!* 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 1:30pm so that they can warm up prior to Grandmaster Lee's arrival at the school. Testing is scheduled to begin at 2:00pm. *JACKETS ARE REQUIRED; IF YOU DO NOT HAVE YOUR JACKET YOU WILL NOT BE PERMITTED TO TEST!*
- **TOURNAMENT!** We are planning to participate in Grandmaster Choi's Tournament in Leesburg on October 3<sup>rd</sup>. The theme of the tournament is "Kick Cancer Out Of The World" and proceeds from this tournament will benefit Cancer Research. More details, including pricing, will be provided as we receive it. Please keep checking the bulletin board as we will hang the poster as soon as it arrives!
- **SCHOOL CLOSURE!** Due to Master Chris' participation with Grandmaster Choi's tournament, there will be no classes at BMMA on Saturday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>.
- **GROUND FIGHTING SEMINAR!** Grandmaster Lee will be hosting a Ground Fighting Seminar on October 10<sup>th</sup> from 1:00pm – 6:00pm at World Martial Arts Center in Warrenton (608 Blackwell Road, Warrenton, VA). Cost is \$150.00 per participant. If you plan to attend please bring a notepad and pen, a light snack, and a couple beverages (water, Gatorade, etc.). Please see Master Chris if you plan to attend so he can get the appropriate registration forms.
- **BLACK BELT TESTING!** Grandmaster Lee will be conducting Black Belt Testing on October 24<sup>th</sup> at World Martial Arts Center in Warrenton (608 Blackwell Road, Warrenton, VA). Testing will begin promptly at 1:00pm. All students are encouraged to observe this testing so you will have a better understanding of what will be expected of you in the future. If you plan to attend, please arrive no later than 12:30pm out of respect for Grandmaster Lee, WMAC, and those students that are testing.