

BIO of Kyoshi Sensei Ernest Clifford Hewitt Jr. 1936 - 2013

Founder and Dojocho of the Goshin Budokan U.S.A Sleeping Dragon Judo Club



Mr. Ernest Clifford Hewitt Jr. was born on 18 April 1936 in San Diego, California. In 1953 Mr. Ernest Clifford Hewitt Jr. enlisted in the United States Marine Corps and attended Boot Camp at Marine Corps Recruit Depot, San Diego, California. Upon Graduation Mr. Ernest Clifford Hewitt Jr. was promoted to Private First Class and was transferred to Marine Corps Base Camp Pendleton, California for Intensive Training Regiment for Training.

In 1954, upon completing ITR was sent to Staging Battalion to be sent oversea to Item Company, 3rd Battalion, 1st Marine Division, Fleet Marine Force in Korea for temporary duty and then transferred to Middle Camp Fuji Japan for Cold Weather Training for Korea.

While in Japan, PFC Ernest C. Hewitt Jr., studied Judo in a Dojo located in City of Gotemba, Japan. After completing Cold Weather Training was transferred back to Item Company, 3rd Battalion, 1st Marine Division, Fleet Marine Force in Korea for duty. For the next 4 years PFC Ernest C. Hewitt Jr., was promoted to Corporal and finally being promoted to Sergeant in 1958 and was stationed various duty stations also training in Judo whenever he had free time.

In 1959 Sergeant Ernest C. Hewitt Jr. was transferred to Marine Corps Base Camp Le Jeune, North Carolina. From May to December 1959 while being stationed at Marine Corps Base Camp Le Jeune, North Carolina studied the following Martial Arts, Aikido, Judo, and Ju-Jitsu in various Martial Arts Clubs throughout North Carolina

In January 1960 Sergeant Ernest C. Hewitt Jr. was transferred to Marine Corps Base Camp Courtney Okinawa, Ryukyu Island, Japan. While being stationed at Marine Corps Base Camp Courtney Okinawa, Ryukyu Island, Japan, Sergeant Ernest C. Hewitt Jr. trained and studied the following Martial Arts: Judo under the direction of Sensei (Yamaguchi) 5th Degree Black Belt in Judo, Aikido under the direction of Sensei (Maki) 4th Degree Black Belt in Aikido and Sensei (Suri) 4th Degree Black Belt in Aikido. Ju-Jitsu under the direction of Sensei R.C Sullivan, Captain, United States Marine Corps - All Marine Far East Ju-Jitsu Club, Marine Corps Base Camp Courtney Okinawa, Ryukyu Island, Japan. In September 1960 Sergeant Ernest C. Hewitt Jr. was promoted to the rank of Ikkyu in Aikido by Sensei (Maki) 4th Degree Black Belt in Aikido.

In February 1961 Sergeant Ernest C. Hewitt Jr. was promoted to the rank of Shodan 1st Degree Black Belt in Judo by Sensei Sigan Jamaki, Chairman Okinawan Ryukyu Judo Federation (Japan). In September 1960 Ryukyu Island Judo by Sensei Sigan Jamaki, Chairman Okinawan Ryukyu Judo Federation (Japan), during a special 3 of 5 elimination match held by Okinawan Ryukyu Judo Federation (Japan). From September until December 1961, Sergeant Ernest C. Hewitt Jr. had

been given the privilege of being allowed to teach Judo to student from the ages of 9 to 12 years old in several Dojo's located throughout Okinawa, Ryukyu Island, Japan. In November 1961 Sergeant Ernest C. Hewitt Jr. was promoted to the rank of Shodan 1st Degree Black Belt in Aikido by Aiki Aikido Federation of Japan. In December 1961 Sergeant Ernest C. Hewitt Jr. was promoted to the rank of Shodan 1st Degree Black Belt in Ju-Jitsu by Sensei Peter Sachanoshi, Nidan under the direction of Sensei R.C Sullivan, Captain, United States Marine Corps - All Marine Far East Ju-Jitsu Club, Marine Corps Base Camp Courtney Okinawa, Ryukyu Island, Japan. Sensei Ernest C. Hewitt Jr. visited various Dojos in Okinawa until 1963, Sergeant Ernest C. Hewitt Jr., was then transferred back to States to be honorably discharged from the United States Marine Corps.

In 1963 sometime after being discharged Sargent Ernest C. Hewitt Jr. the United States Marine Corps visited various dojos in Texas and finally settled down in a town called Wichita Falls, Texas. While in Wichita Falls from June until December 1963 Sensei Ernest C. Hewitt Jr. practiced judo in various Judo Clubs.

From December 1963 until April 1968 Sensei Ernest C. Hewitt Jr., while working in various construction sites met his future wife Miss Lydia Gomez while he was visiting in El Paso Texas and moving around participating in local Dojos in Texas. During this time frame Sensei Ernest C. Hewitt Jr. not only worked with Judokas, he also practiced with Ju-Jitsuka and Aikidoka students mostly Shodan's and Nidan's in those Martial Arts wherever a Dojo could be found in the state of Texas..

On April 7 1966, Sensei Ernest C. Hewitt Jr., asked Miss Lydia Gomez to be his wife and were married on this day. With his wife he traveled back to teach at the YMCA in Wichita Falls, Texas until June of 1968 and then Sensei Ernest C. Hewitt Jr. and family moved to Mineral Wells, Texas to teach at the Texas Boys Club.

From June 1968 until December 1970 Sensei Ernest C. Hewitt Jr. taught Judo and Ju-Jitsu at Mineral Wells Center.



In January 1971 Sensei Ernest C. Hewitt Jr. moved from Mineral Wells to El Paso Texas for a better paying job. From January 1971 to May 1973 was inactive in practicing and/or teaching Martial Arts due to excessive work load.

From June 1973 until present, Sensei Ernest C. Hewitt Jr. was associated with the following Martial Arts Clubs, all of which are located in Juarez, Mexico, "Samurai" Judo Club, "Tech. Inst. Juarez" Judo Club, and "Mendoza's" Judo Club. From time to time Sensei Ernest C. Hewitt Jr. was honored with letters, plaques or certificate of appreciation by the club mentioned clubs as well as by those Martial Arts Clubs in the State of Texas and New Mexico. Sensei Ernest C. Hewitt Jr. has also taught classes or given seminars in all of the before mentioned clubs in

Aikido, Judo and Ju-Jitsu. During the early years of this time period Sensei Ernest C. Hewitt Jr. was asked to teach and or take over the classes of the White Dove, West Side recreation center, "The Astatsu Judo Club" which served both Army Bases in El Paso Texas.



From 1974 - 1978; Sensei Ernest C. Hewitt Jr. studied and practiced Aikido, Judo and Ju-Jitsu under the late Sensei Hayashi. During this time Sensei Ernest C. Hewitt Jr. continued teach and help coach and train students from all the before mentioned Judo Clubs in Juarez, Mexico; El Paso Texas and New Mexico.

During the month of September 1978 Sensei Ernest C. Hewitt Jr. opened his own Dojo, The Sleeping Dragon Judo Club: in his club the following Martial Arts were taught Aikido, Judo and Ju-Jitsu, (The Main Martial Art taught was Judo).



From 1979 - 1983: while still teaching Judo, Sensei Ernest C. Hewitt Jr. studied the Martial Art of Lia and Lai jitsu under Master Sensei Toshio "Lucky" Sasanuma.

From 1980 -1986; Sensei Ernest C. Hewitt Jr. studied the Martial Art of Kali under Master Instructor Tuhol Leo T. Gage Jr. and Master Instructor Grage Alen, now El Paso Chief of Police.

In 1980 Sensei Ernest C. Hewitt Jr. met and practiced with Staff Sergeant Edward E. Wilkes Shodan in Judo Sensei and Head Instructor of the Laurel Bay Judo Club stationed at MCAS Beaufort South Carolina visiting with family in El Paso on his way to participate in the All Marine Judo Championship's being held in MCAS El Toro, El Toro California.



In the early part of 1981 Sensei Ernest C. Hewitt Jr. met and practiced Judo Techniques with Staff Sergeant Edward E. Wilkes on his way to participate in the All Marine Judo Championship's being held in MCAS El Toro, El Toro California. In July 1981 Sensei Ernest C. Hewitt Jr. was visited by Staff Sergeant Edward E. Wilkes, to practice judo techniques with him, was on his way to MCAS El Toro to be station there for duty and Join up with the El Toro Judo Club under the direction Sensei Ben Mc Kay.

From 1981 - 1985: Sensei Ernest C. Hewitt Jr. continued to teach Aikido, Judo and Ju-Jitsu to Clubs in Juarez, Mexico.

In the early part of 1982 Sensei Ernest C. Hewitt Jr. was visited by Staff Sergeant Edward E. Wilkes, to practice judo techniques with him, in preparation for the All Marine Judo Championships at MCAS El Toro, California. Staff Sergeant Edward E. Wilkes was promoted to Nidan in Judo after the Championships were held by Sensei Bill Dye and Ben Mc Kay.

In June 1982, Sensei Ernest C. Hewitt Jr. participated in a two (2) Day Kata Clinic given by Sensei Dot Sallar, National Kata Instructor, United States Judo Association National Examiners, held at and sponsored by the Westside Recreation Center Judo Club.

In January, 1983 Sensei Ernest C. Hewitt Jr. participated in a two (2) Day Kata Clinic given by Sensei Dot Sallar, National Kata Instructor, United States Judo Association National Examiners, held at and sponsored by the Atatsu Judo Club, Fort Bliss Army Base, El Paso Texas.

In the early part of 1983 Sensei Ernest C. Hewitt Jr. was visited by Staff Sergeant Edward E. Wilkes, to practice judo techniques with him, in preparation for the All Marine Judo Tournament in MCAS El Toro, California. After the 1983 All Marine Judo Championship on MCAS El Toro, Staff Sergeant Edward E. Wilkes would be transferred to MCAS Kaneohe Bay Hawaii and be the Head Instructor of the Kaneohe Bay Judo Club.

In the middle part of 1983 Sensei Ernest C. Hewitt Jr. was visited by O Sensei Phil Porter President United States Judo Association held a seminar with Sensei and promoted students.



In 1984 November 9th - 11th, Sensei Ernest C. Hewitt Jr. participated in a three (3) Day Kata Clinic given by Sensei Dot Sallar, National Kata Instructor, United States Judo Association National Examiners, held at and sponsored by the University of Texas in El Paso Texas.

Since 1984 Sensei Ernest C. Hewitt Jr. as part of the Judo Judansha also worked under the direction of Sensei Loren Bentley, Rokkudan of the Yawara Judo Association for several years.

In 1984 Sensei Ernest C. Hewitt Jr. was promoted to Nidan, 2nd Degree Black Belt in Judo by United States Judo Association and received a Rank Certificate.

In March 1985 Sensei Ernest C. Hewitt Jr. competed in a tournament The El Paso Championships and received 2nd Place in El Paso, Texas.

In 1985 July 9th Sensei Ernest C. Hewitt Jr. sponsored a Kata and Technique Tournament to support patients of Kidney disorder (of which his wife Lydia was one) at OtelDieu Medical Center, El Paso, Texas. Article was by Vince Langford, El Paso Herald, El Paso Texas.

In July 1986 Sensei Ernest C. Hewitt Jr. was notified by Sensei Edward E. Wilkes of the Wild Bill Judo Ju-Jitsu Club in Orange County that he was back in the States and out of the United States Marine Corps and would be visiting him and help him with his Judo Club the Sleeping Dragon Judo Club. Sensei Edward E. Wilkes promised that someday in the future he would be moving to El Paso to practice any style of Martial Arts Sensei Ernest C. Hewitt Jr. wished. Sensei Edward E. Wilkes stated that when practicing with Sensei Ernest C. Hewitt Jr. personally felt that he was a big brother he never had and being a United States Marine we stand together and Always Faithfull to the cause in Service to the United States Marine Corps and to the Martial Arts we practice every day of our life.

From July 1986 - 2007 Sensei Ernest C. Hewitt Jr. practiced with Sensei Edward E. Wilkes throughout the years until he moved down to El Paso Texas on December 2007 to live in Fabens, Texas.

In fall of 1987 Sensei Ernest C. Hewitt Jr. was noted in an article in the "USJA COACH" Editorial by Skip Hult for introducing a different kind of Judo Tournament to help students acquire a better understanding of Judo and its mechanics.

In 1988 Sensei Ernest C. Hewitt Jr. received serviceable letter from Sensei Loren Bentley, Rokkudan of the Yawara Judo regarding Judo abilities and accomplishment and are presented herein this letter Dated 04-23-1988.

In 1988 - 1991 Sensei Ernest C. Hewitt Jr. studied Aikido under the direction of Sensei Oscar Medena and Sensei Yoshimitsu Yamada 8th Degree Black Belt, Head of the East Coast, USA Aikido Federation, out of New York Aikikai, New York City, New York associated with International Aikido Federation and the United States Aikido Federation.

In 1991 January 1st. Sensei Ernest C. Hewitt Jr. was validated to rank of Yondan 4th Degree Black Belt in Judo by O Sensei Phil Porter President of the United States Martial Arts Association.

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In June 1, 1995; Sensei Ernest C. Hewitt Jr. temporarily shut down the "Sleeping Dragon Judo Club" due to the excessive illness of his wife Lydia.

From June 1, 1995 Sensei Ernest C. Hewitt Jr. would occasionally practice Aikido, Judo, Ju-Jitsu with both Sensei Edward E. Wilkes of the Wild Bill Wilkies Judo / Ju-Jitsu Club of El Toro California. and Master John Colby Founder and Head of Takezaki Ryu in El Paso Texas to help take his mind off of worrying about his wife Lydia.

In February 1997 Sensei Edward E. Wilkes of the Wild Bill Wilkies Judo / Ju-Jitsu Club of El Toro California renamed his Dojo to Goshin Budokan U.S.A. Shuyokia Hombu Martial Arts Federation.



In March 1997 Sensei Ernest C. Hewitt Jr. was promoted to Shodan 1st Degree Black Belt in Goshin Do Ryu Aiki Ju-Jitsu / Aikido and registered with Doshu Edward E. Wilkes Dojocho of Goshin Budokan U.S.A. American International Shuyokia Hombu Martial Arts Federation.



On December 25th 1997 Sensei Ernest C. Hewitt Jr. was promoted to the rank of Nidan 2nd Degree Black Belt in Goshin Do Ryu Aiki Ju-Jitsu / Aikido with Doshu Edward E. Wilkes Dojocho of Goshin Budokan U.S.A. American International Shuyokia Hombu Martial Arts Federation.

On February 2nd 1999 Sensei Ernest C. Hewitt Jr. was promoted to the rank of Sandan 3rd Degree Black Belt in Goshin Do Ryu Aiki Ju-Jitsu / Aikido with Doshu Edward E. Wilkes Dojocho of Goshin Budokan U.S.A. American International Shuyokia Hombu Martial Arts Federation.

On October 14 2000 Sensei Ernest C. Hewitt Jr. was notified by phone from Doshu Edward E. Wilkes Dojocho of Goshin Budokan U.S.A. American International Shuyokia Hombu Martial Arts Federation that he was married on this day Miss Bertha Guadalupe Hernandez of El Paso Texas.



In December 24th till 31st 2000 Doshu Edward E. Wilkes Dojocho of Goshin Budokan U.S.A. American International Shuyokia Hombu Martial Arts Federation visited Sensei Ernest C. Hewitt Jr. to have him spend Christmas and New Year's Eve with them at their family home in El Paso Texas and welcome him as part of the Family.

In 2001 February 12th Sensei Ernest C. Hewitt Jr. was promoted to the rank of Yondan 4th Degree Black Belt in Belt in Goshin Do Ryu Aiki Ju-Jitsu / Aikido with Doshu Edward E. Wilkes

Dojocho of Goshin Budokan U.S.A. American International Shuyokia Humbu Martial Arts Federation.

In Mid 2001 - 2003 Sensei Ernest C. Hewitt Jr. studied and practiced Lia, Ju-Jitsu and Aikido with Master Sensei John Colbly Founder and Head of Takezaki Ryu in El Paso Texas.

In 2003 to early 2004 Sensei Ernest C. Hewitt Jr. with his partner Sensei Ernesto X. Ruiz helped each other to instruct and train students of the "Club de Samurai" and through the teaching of the Martial Art of Judo these students acquired 5 Gold, 4 Silver and 2 Bronze Medals at the Mexican Junior Olympics that year in Tijuana, Baja California. In addition, 11 year old, Norma Rubi Zavala Moncada was elected to go to the Junior Pan Am Games held in Santo Domingo, Republica Dominican. There she acquired a Silver Medal in her weight class.

From Mid 2004 Sensei Ernest C. Hewitt Jr. reopened the "Sleeping Dragon Judo Club" mainly due to Doshu Edward E. Wilkes Dojocho(Founder and Chief Examiner of the Goshin Budokan U.S.A. American International Shubukan Federation of Moreno, California) dedicated leadership and coming through on his promised years ago came to El Paso Texas to hold a Seminar at the "Sleeping Dragon Judo Club" on June 10 2004 and to celebrate his wife's birthday "Sensei Bertha G. Wilkes"/the reopening of The "Sleeping Dragon Judo Club"

Also on this day June 10 2004 Sensei Ernest C. Hewitt Jr. was promote and registered to the rank of Godan 5th Degree Black Belt in the Martial Art of Shubukan Ryu Goshin Do Ryu Ju-Jitsu under the direction of Doshu Edward E. Wilkes Dojocho (Founder and Chief Examiner of the Goshin Budokan U.S.A. American International Shubukan Federation of Moreno, California) and signed by Sensei David A. Dye of the Shuyokan Ryu American International Shuyokan Federation of California.



In 2004 September 8th 2004 Sensei Ernest C. Hewitt Jr. was promote and registered to the rank of Godan 5th Degree Black Belt in the Martial Art of Shubukan Ryu Goshin Do Ryu Aiki Ju-Jitsu and Aikido under the direction of Doshu Edward E. Wilkes Dojocho (Founder and Chief Examiner of the Goshin Budokan U.S.A. American International Shubukan Federation of Moreno, California) and signed by Sensei David A. Dye of the Shuyokan Ryu American International Shuyokan Federation of California.

In 2004 September 8th 2004 Sensei Ernest C. Hewitt Jr. was awarded the instructor rank Renshi in the Martial Art of Aikido Issued and signed by Doshu Edward E. Wilkes Dojocho (Founder and Chief Examiner of the Goshin Budokan U.S.A. American International Shubukan Federation of Moreno, California) and signed by Sensei David A. Dye of the Shuyokan Ryu American International Shuyokan Federation of California.

In 2004 September 8th 2004 Sensei Ernest C. Hewitt Jr. was awarded an Official Shubukan Dojo Certificate for the "Sleeping Dragon Judo Club" as a Branch Shubukan Dojo Issued and signed by Doshu Edward E. Wilkes Dojocho (Founder and Chief Examiner of the Goshin Budokan U.S.A. American International Shubukan Federation of Moreno, California) and signed by Sensei David A. Dye of the Shuyokan Ryu American International Shuyokan Federation of California.

On 2004 September 8th 2004 both Sensei Ernest C. Hewitt Jr., Dojocho of the "Sleeping Dragon Judo Club "Branch Shubukan Dojo and Sensei Ernesto X. Ruiz "Club de Samurai" joined as a Triad Martial Art Federation to work together as a team to train students under the Goshin Budokan U.S.A. Shubukan Martial Arts Federation. Both Sensei Ernest C. Hewitt Jr., Dojocho of the "Sleeping Dragon Judo Club "Branch Shubukan Dojo and Sensei Ernesto X. Ruiz "Club de Samurai" agreed that if anything happened to Sensei Ernest C. Hewitt Jr., Dojocho of the "Sleeping Dragon Judo Club "Branch Shubukan Dojo that Doshu Edward E. Wilkes would take over the "Sleeping Dragon Judo Club "Branch Shubukan along with the help of Sensei Ernesto X. Ruiz "Club de Samurai" to train more student the Memory of Sensei Ernest C. Hewitt Jr., Dojocho of the "Sleeping Dragon Judo Club "Branch Shubukan Dojo.



In 2005 February 23 Sensei Ernest C. Hewitt Jr. was promoted to Sandan 3rd Degree Black Belt in Judo issued by United States Judo Association. In 2005 June 10 Sensei Ernest C. Hewitt Jr. was visited by Doshu Edward E. Wilkes Dojocho (Founder and Chief Examiner of the Goshin Budokan U.S.A. American International Shubukan Federation of Moreno, California) to hold a

seminar at the Boys club on Delta in El Paso, Texas.

In 2005 July 23 Sensei Ernest C. Hewitt Jr. and Sensei Ernesto X. Ruiz "Club de Samurai" were inducted for instructor of the Year award into the United States Martial Arts Association Hall of Fame by O Sensei Phil Porter in St Peters Missouri.



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JULY 23, 2005
ST. PETER'S, MISSOURI

<p>Maryland Sharon Galton - Founder of the Year Howard D. Quinn - Martial Arts of the Year</p> <p>Michigan L. Carlo Ferris - Most Dist. Grandmaster of the Year Michael Lee Bardenburgh - Outstanding Instructor</p> <p>Missouri W. D. Chapman - Outstanding Instructor of the Year W. Michael Cox - Outstanding Martial Arts of the Year Paula Kuching - Outstanding Martial Arts of the Year William T. Joffe - Most Distinguished Grandmaster Donald Tordella Wickham - Distinguished Arts Instructor Thomas B. Monahan - Most Dist. Martial Arts Angela Dawn Sutton - Female Martial Arts of the Year Megan Rose Thompson - Female Martial Arts</p> <p>Nebraska Christopher T. Kunkel - Weapons Instructor</p> <p>New Mexico Don Girard - Martial Arts Pioneer Award</p> <p>New York Dr. Keith D. Huffard - Founder of the Year Julia Innocent - Martial Arts Pioneer Award William Alexander Roshin - Most Dist. Martial Arts</p> <p>Ohio Dr. Robert Bruff - Most Dist. Instructor of the Year Heidi Schumacher - Instructor of the Year</p> <p>Oklahoma Andy Blachberger - Instructor of the Year Matthew Clark - Master Instructor of the Year Carl Patrick Frazer - Most Distinguished Instructor Tony D. Mowbray - Instructor of the Year Warren L. Powell, Sr. - Master of the Year Warren L. Powell, Jr. - Grandmaster of the Year John Adam Randall - Martial Arts of the Year</p> <p>Pennsylvania Dr. Raymond Andor - Grandmaster of the Year Shane Keith Baylona - JJJ, Instructor of the Year Norman Bannum - Martial Arts Student of the Year Michael F. Dillard - Most Improved Student John Nee - Founder of the Year Brian M. McFarland - Martial Arts of the Year</p>	<p>Pennsylvania - Continued Sabaton Ryan Dizo - Martial Arts School of the Year P. J. Sabel - Most Distinguished Instructor of the Year Ed J. Warkentin - Martial Arts Student of the Year John W. Winkfield - Weapons Master Excellence Award</p> <p>Tennessee Wayne Watacz - Most Dist. Master Instructor</p> <p>Texas Ernest C. Hewitt - Judo Instructor of the Year Cliff T. King - Military Martial Arts of the Year Ernesto X. Ruiz - Judo Instructor of the Year</p> <p>Wisconsin Joseph Demphs - Instructor of the Year Brian Berger - Instructor of the Year</p>
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2005 USMA FUTURE LEADERS OF THE YEAR

The USMA is proud to present the Future Leaders of 2005 and is honored to have such outstanding Juval students to assist and promote the Martial Arts.

Keep up the great work as we wish you continued success in the years to come.

<p>Kentucky Dylan Kyle Buss - Male Competitor of the Year Cristen Tindler Cash - Martial Arts of the Year Kayla Marie Kowaley - Female Competitor of the Year Megan L. Simpson - Female Martial Arts of the Year</p> <p>Louisiana Alyssa De Yum Mid - Martial Arts of the Year Heather K.C. Whitten - Martial Arts of the Year Larry S. Whitten - Male Competitor of the Year</p> <p>Missouri James Blake Taylor Austin - Student of the Year James Michael Bennett - Most Improved Student Steven Baker - Martial Arts of the Year Renee Lewis - Most Improved Student Kayla Danielle Bullock - Female Student of the Year Aaron Scott Cole - Leader of the Year Samantha Doherty - Female Martial Arts Adam C. Ewert - Most Distinguished Student Christina Heister - Student of the Year Kara Hoover - Assistant of the Year Zachary Lamberton - Martial Arts Student of the Year Zach Law - Instructor of the Year Renee Lewis - Competitor of the Year Zachary Lewis - Competitor of the Year Nicholas Latta - Student of the Year Joshua Latta - Student of the Year Catherine D. Propp - Student Instructor Award Austin Ransley - Outstanding Student of the Year Cody Alan Ross - Most Improved Student Kyle Voss - Student Contributor Award</p> <p>New Jersey Michael Vesce - Male Competitor of the Year</p>	<p>Pennsylvania Alexis Bayona - Female Competitor Taylor Berman - Most Improved Student Jacqueline Marie Beaux - Female Martial Arts Anthony M. Dillard - Most Improved Student Dominic Matthew Dillard - Outstanding Student Kia Watts - Most Improved Student</p> <p>2005 USMA NATIONAL INDUCTEES</p> <p>Alabama James Greg Leary - Master of the Year</p> <p>Alaska John Thomas Carter - JJJ, Law Enforcement Inst. Jon C. Ellingswood - Law Enforcement Instructor Roger Lubbock - Martial Arts of the Year</p> <p>Arizona Walter Van Heider, Ph.D., M.D. - Judo Instructor</p> <p>California Steve L. Chandler - Master Instructor of the Year Dennis A. Chu - Humankind Award Curtis DeWitt - MBJ Martial Arts Pioneer Award Alfred Gehlen - Most Dist. MBJ Master of the Year Robert H. Meyer - Most Dist. Instructor of the Year Chuck Martine - MBJ Humankind Award Chris Peiffer - International Instructor of the Year Robert C. Schumaker - JJJ, Judo Instructor Larry Rayn Schneider - Master Instructor of the Year Rick Tenille - Most Dist. MBJ Master of the Year</p> <p>Colorado Henry F. Casner - Outstanding Martial Arts of the Year Kevin L. Garcia - Instructor of the Year Dr. Joseph A. Spivak, Jr. - Instructor of the Year</p>	<p>Connecticut Frank Corbo - Most Distinguished Martial Arts Pioneer L. Kevin F. O'Brien - Law Enforcement Instructor</p> <p>Florida George D. Lambert - Instructor of the Year Norman Tom Mount - Lifetime Achievement Award Joseph Ferris - Stone Life Award Courtney A. Roberts - International Instructor Jim Thorne - Student Contributor Award</p> <p>Georgia Charlotte Beasley - Tae Kwon Do Instructor of the Year Harry Dean Braghtner - Instructor of the Year Randy Fort - Life Achievement, Combat Art of Wrestling Ode Seale - Life Achievement, Combat Art of Wrestling Brian Holmes - Outstanding Martial Arts of the Year James Holmes - Martial Arts of the Year Jacob Hong - Golden Life Achievement Award Young Hong - Most Dist. Master of the Year Roberto Antonio Kennedy - Most Distinguished Master Paul Peckley - Life Award, Combat Art of Wrestling Don Peckley - Most Dist. Grand Instructor of the Year William Powell - Stone Master of the Year Richard Sakaki - Stone Master Instructor of the Year Paul Tada - Most Dist. Master of the Year</p> <p>Indiana Brent W. Mitchell - Outstanding Black Belt of the Year</p> <p>Kentucky Patricia Lynn Cash - Martial Arts Student of the Year Julie Ann Kowaley - Outstanding Martial Arts Richard Dale Thompson - Most Dist. Instructor Tasha Marie Thompson - Instructor of the Year</p> <p>Louisiana Richard Annette Bessone - Founder of the Year Samuel B. Byrd - Black Belt Student of the Year Samuel B. Byrd - Most Improved Student of the Year Joseph Matthew Peck - Martial Arts Student of the Year Whitson M. Kern - Most Dist. Martial Arts Pioneer Award Mark McCreary - Martial Arts of the Year Robert Smith - Most Dist. Instructor of the Year Amel L. Tachibana - Martial Arts Student</p>
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Ingresan judokas al Salón de la Fama

EL DIARIO

Ernest Hewitt y Ernesto Ruiz, instructores de judo de esta ciudad, figuran como 2 de los 3 representantes del estado de Texas que lograron ingresar al Salón Internacional de la Fama 2005, en Saint Peters Missouri, por su trayectoria en la enseñanza de esa disciplina y su labor altruista como profesores en centros comunitarios paeseños.

"Nos hacemos cargo de las clases de judo del Boys and Girls Club y del Acosta Sports Center y no cobramos nada, lo hacemos estrictamente por los niños, porque los queremos guiar por el camino correcto", comentó el sensei Ernest Hewitt a EL DIARIO.

"El señor (Ernesto) Ruiz y yo nos conocemos desde los '80's, él estaba con el Club de Judo Samurai y yo empecé el mío en 1979, el Club de Judo Dragón Durmiente y desde entonces estamos interconectados, nos ayudamos mutuamente", agregó.

Tanto el sensei Hewitt, de 70 años de edad, de San Diego, California, como el sensei Ernesto Ruiz, juarense, de 45 años de edad, cuentan con certificación nivel 2 como entrenadores de la mencionada disciplina, por la Asociación de Judo de Estados Unidos (USJA), por sus siglas en inglés.

Ruiz comentó que él estaba en el Club de Judo Samurai con el sensei Tello Ronquillo, en Ciudad Juárez, cuando su camino se cruzó con el de Hewitt.

Desde el 2004, Ruiz funge como socio de Hewitt en el Club de Judo Dragón Durmiente.

La estrecha amistad y la pasión por enseñar judo que ambos comparten los acercó a centros comunitarios Boys and Girls Club (ubicado en el número 501 sur de la calle Florence), y Acosta Sports Center (número 4321 Delta Drive).

Los judokas revelaron que enseñan en el Acosta Sports Center desde junio del 2004, mientras que en el Boys and Girls Club iniciaron hace unos meses. Sus alumnos son de la comunidad y la mayoría son niños de 5 a 14 años de edad.

"No se nos paga un centavo, y de hecho yo compré mi propio tatami para trabajar, estos cuestan como 2 mil dólares, porque ellos no tienen tatamis", reveló Hewitt.

"Trabajamos con lo que tenemos", comentó a su vez Ruiz. "Esos centros comunitarios están abiertos para todos, especialmente para niños".

Mencionaron que todos los gastos del material de la enseñanza los cubren Hewitt y Ruiz con sus propios medios.

(Ignar Prieto)

CERTIFICACIONES

ERNEST HEWITT
(oriundo de San Diego, California)
► Empezó a practicar judo en 1959 en la base militar de la Marina en Carolina del Norte, a los 24 años de edad
► Recibió cinta negra primer grado en judo por la USJA en 1984 y noviembre de 1961
► Título de cinta negra 2do grado en judo por la USJA en 1984 y posteriormente 3er grado
► También es reconocido como cinta negra tercer grado por la Federación de Judo de Estados Unidos
► Recibió cinta negra 4to grado por la USJA en enero de 1991

ERNESTO RUIZ
(oriundo de Ciudad Juárez)
► Empezó a practicar judo a los 4 años de edad bajo la supervisión del profesor Gustavo Rojas del Club de Judo Samurai en Ciudad Juárez en 1964
► Aprendió judo con varios instructores experimentados, entre ellos Frank Fullerton, Mario Gil, Benjamín Reyes, Héctor Mendoza, Rubén calvo, Tai Hayashi y Ernest Hewitt

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In 2006 June 8 Sensei Ernest C. Hewitt Jr. received a certificate for a Certified National Judo Examiner issued by United States Judo Association.

In 2006 June 8 Sensei Ernest C. Hewitt Jr. after participating in a Seminar received a certificate that was issued for Certified State Judo Coach from USA Judo.

In 2007 December 31 Doshu Edward E. Wilkes Dojocho (Founder and Chief Examiner of the Goshin Budokan U.S.A. American International Shubukan Federation of Moreno, California) moved to El Paso and now resides at 490 Avo Street Fabens, Texas.

In 2008 Doshu Edward E. Wilkes Dojocho (Founder and Chief Examiner of the Goshin Budokan U.S.A. American International Shubukan Federation with both Sensei Ernest C. Hewitt Jr., Dojocho of the "Sleeping Dragon Judo Club "Branch Shubukan Dojo and Sensei Ernesto X. Ruiz "Club de Samurai" joined as a Triad Martial Art Federation practiced together with students on various Martial Arts techniques.

On April 18 2008 Renshi Sensei Ernest C. Hewitt Jr. on this day his birthday to celebrate his 50 years in the Martial Arts was awarded and issued a Special Shubukan Ryu Happy Birthday and given the Title of "All Ways Faithful Black Belt Instructor" / "Honorary Shichidan Rank" with the Instructor rank of Kyoshi issued and signed by Doshu Edward E. Wilkes Dojocho Judan in Genjitsu Ryu Aiki Ju-Jitsu /Goshin Do Ryu Ju-Jitsu (Founder and Chief Examiner of the Goshin Budokan U.S.A. American International Shubukan Federation of Fabens, Texas.

In August 16 2008 Kyoshi Sensei Ernest C. Hewitt Jr. was inducted in The Masters Hall of Fame by Doshu Edward E. Wilkes Dojocho of the Goshin Budokan U.S.A. American International Shubukan Federation of Fabens, Texas. held in California for Life Time Achievement Award in Martial Arts.

In 2009 January 1st Kyoshi Sensei Ernest C. Hewitt Jr. was upgraded to Senior Rank Examiner in Judo certificate was issued by United States Judo Association.

In 2009 Doshu Edward E. Wilkes Dojocho (Founder and Chief Examiner of the Goshin Budokan U.S.A. American International Shubukan Federation with both Kyoshi Sensei Ernest C. Hewitt Jr., Dojocho of the "Sleeping Dragon Judo Club "Branch Shubukan Dojo and Sensei Ernesto X. Ruiz "Club de Samurai" joined as a Triad Martial Art Federation practiced together with students on various Martial Art techniques.

In 2009 Kyoshi Sensei Ernest C. Hewitt Jr. was inducted in The United States Martial Arts Association Hall of Fame for Instructor of the Year in Martial Arts O Sensei Phil Porter.

In 2009 November 10th The United States Marine Corps Birthday Kyoshi Sensei Ernest C. Hewitt Jr. of the "Sleeping Dragon Judo Club "Branch Shubukan Dojo was promoted and registered to the rank of Rokudan 6th Degree Black Belt in the Martial Art of Shubukan Ryu Aikido issued and signed by Doshu Edward E. Wilkes Dojocho (Founder and Chief Examiner of the Goshin Budokan U.S.A. American International Shubukan Federation of Fabens, Texas and signed by Sensei David A. Dye of the Shuyokan Ryu American International Shuyokan Federation of California.

In 2009 November 10th Kyoshi Sensei Ernest C. Hewitt Jr. of the "Sleeping Dragon Judo Club "Branch Shubukan Dojo received a rank certificate for being registered a Rokudan 6th Degree Black Belt in Aikido from American Martial Arts issued and signed by United States Judo Association.

In 2010 January 1st Kyoshi Sensei Ernest C. Hewitt Jr. of the "Sleeping Dragon Judo Club "Branch Shubukan Dojo was issued a Special Recognition Certificate for the many years he has in the Martial Arts issued and signed by Doshu Edward E. Wilkes Dojocho (Founder and Chief Examiner of the Goshin Budokan U.S.A. American International Shubukan Federation of Fabens, Texas and signed by Sensei David A. Dye of the Shuyokan Ryu American International Shuyokan Federation of California.

In 2010 January 1st Kyoshi Sensei Ernest C. Hewitt Jr. of the "Sleeping Dragon Judo Club" Branch Shubukan Dojo was upgraded to National Judo Coach issued and signed by USA Judo.

In 2010 May Kyoshi Sensei Ernest C. Hewitt Jr. of the "Sleeping Dragon Judo Club "Branch Shubukan Dojo was awarded a Black Belt Instructor Rank of Kyoshi in Shubukan Ryu Aiki Ju-Jitsu issued and signed by Doshu Edward E. Wilkes Dojocho (Founder and Chief Examiner of the Goshin Budokan U.S.A. American International Shubukan Federation of Fabens, Texas and signed by Sensei David A. Dye of the Shuyokan Ryu American International Shuyokan Federation of California.

In 2010 May Kyoshi Sensei Ernest C. Hewitt Jr. of the "Sleeping Dragon Judo Club "Branch Shubukan Dojo was assigned and designated Assistant Technical Advisor to by Doshu Edward E. Wilkes Dojocho (Founder and Chief Examiner of the Goshin Budokan U.S.A. American International Shubukan Federation of Fabens, Texas.

In 2010 Kyoshi Sensei Ernest C. Hewitt Jr. of the "Sleeping Dragon Judo Club "Branch Shubukan Dojo was asked by Doshu Edward E. Wilkes to serve on the United States Judo Association Aikido Certified Examiners and Promotion Board until present.

In 2010 Doshu Edward E. Wilkes Dojocho (Founder and Chief Examiner of the Goshin Budokan U.S.A. American International Shubukan Federation with both Kyoshi Sensei Ernest C. Hewitt Jr., Dojocho of the "Sleeping Dragon Judo Club "Branch Shubukan Dojo and Sensei Ernesto X.

Ruiz "Club de Samurai" joined as a Triad Martial Art Federation practiced together with students on various Martial Arts techniques at various Judo club.

Note: Kyoshi Sensei Ernest C. Hewitt Jr., Dojocho of the "Sleeping Dragon Judo Club "Branch Shubukan Dojo has received many accommodations and awards from many Martial Arts in Mexico and New Mexico and El Paso Texas including letters and plaques in recognition of his dedication and hard work in the Martial Arts throughout his martial Arts Career.

In 2011 Doshu Edward E. Wilkes Dojocho (Founder and Chief Examiner of the Goshin Budokan U.S.A. American International Shubukan Federation with both Kyoshi Sensei Ernest C. Hewitt Jr., Dojocho of the "Sleeping Dragon Judo Club "Branch Shubukan Dojo and Sensei Ernesto X. Ruiz "Club de Samurai" joined as a Triad Martial Art Federation practiced together with students on various Martial Arts techniques at various Judo club.

In 2012 Doshu Edward E. Wilkes Dojocho (Founder and Chief Examiner of the Goshin Budokan U.S.A. American International Shubukan Federation of Fabens Texas with both Kyoshi Sensei Ernest C. Hewitt Jr., Dojocho of the "Sleeping Dragon Judo Club "Branch Shubukan Dojo and Sensei Ernesto X. Ruiz "Club de Samurai" joined as a Triad Martial Art Federation practiced together with students on various Martial Arts techniques at various Judo club.

Even when Kyoshi Sensei Ernest C. Hewitt Jr., Dojocho of the "Sleeping Dragon Judo Club "Branch Shubukan Dojo heath is getting worse from year to year both Doshu Edward E. Wilkes Dojocho (Founder and Chief Examiner of the Goshin Budokan U.S.A. American International Shubukan Federation of Fabens Texas and Sensei Ernesto X. Ruiz "Club de Samurai" have been close by him to ensure things would be taken care of.

Kyoshi Sensei Ernest C. Hewitt Jr., Dojocho of the "Sleeping Dragon Judo Club "Branch Shubukan Dojo passed away on October 2. 2013.

