SBJ Newsletter

February 2026

What's Happening This Month Outside the Club

February 8th

SBJ Superbowl 50/50 fundraiser, buy squares before it's too late!

For additional information please contact:

Mark Sakaguchi - 415-812-4603 or Milton Shiosaki - 310-995-6991

February 14th-15th

Joshiro Maruyama Clinic, Budokan LA - More informaiton and can register **HERE**

February 23rd-25th

SBJ Dining #1 - Lazy Dog at Del Amo

Important Club Dates!

Feb 10th/12th: This week will be close to the halfway point of the current judo session. These are the requirements needed to get to the next rank. We understand that this may be the first time you or your child is taking judo and may not know how or what you need to do to prepare for testing. Don't worry, the Senseis will be more than happy to answer any questions you have!

Feb 16th: Online registration for Spring session opens. **Please click** HERE **to register**. To receive the family discount, you must register all immediate family members at the same time!

Feb 24th/26th: Evaluations and testing for all students (1st, 2nd, 3rd class). All white belts (junior/seniors) will be testing. Yellow and higher - optional.

The 26th will be testing/make up testing. If you plan to test on this day, you must make arrangements with the instructor and had turned in your check-off list beforehand!

Student Spotlight

Congratulations to Zachary and Manami for winning Judoka of the year! 🏅

At our annual awards luncheon, we were able to celebrate 2025 and recognize the dedication, growth, and accomplishments of our students! Thank you to all that attended and helped make it a great day!

Student Spotlight

Yuriah Ordinario

This past weekend at the San Fernando Kohaku Shiai, Yuriah had 5 wins, took 1st place, and got his Batsugun promotions to blue belt!

(Batsugun: an "instant" promotion after winning a designated number of matches [5] by ippon)

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Megumi Ishikawa

On January 22, we had the pleasure of having Sensei Ishikawa join us and teach our students some of her techniques!

Our students learned a lot and we appreciated her time at our dojo! Hopefully we will see her soon!

San Fernando Kohaku Shiai

Congratulations to our students that competed at the San Fernando Kohaku Shiai! Xairah fought hard in her division and did well! Zachary placed 3rd and Yuriah placed 1st winning 5 matches! Thank you Sensei Milton & Sensei Shane for coaching!

We look forward to more tournaments to come in 2026! If you are interested in competing in a tournament this year, please speak with Sensei Milton.





Annual Awards Luncheon

Thank you to all those that helped us make our Annual Awards Luncheon another success! Congratulations to all the recipients who received an award. Thank you to our group of Senseis that help keep our classes going and continue to teach and inspire the next generation of Judokas!