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DATEBOOK

1. Jan 1, Hatsugeiko at Seattle Kendo Kai, 6am to 7am at St. Peter's gym. Everybody is welcome.
2. Jan 7, PNKF Board meeting, 10am home of CJ Chaney.
3. Jan 20, Vancouver Taikai, Sat, 11am.
4. Feb 4, PNKF Board meeting, 10am home of CJ Chaney.
5. Feb 10, Steveston Taikai, Sat, 10am.
6. Feb 24, PNKF Kendo Seminar and Shinsa, Sat, doors open 9:30am, Shinsa start 11am sharp, leave the building by 3:30pm.
7. Feb 25, PNKF Iaido Seminar and Shinsa, Sun.
8. March, no PNKF Board meeting.
9. Mar 17, Highline Taikai, Sat, 10am, Highline.
10. Mar 23/30, Kenseikan Kamei Dojo visit to Alaska.
11. April, UW Taikai.
12. Apr 8, PNKF Board meeting, Sun, 10am, home of CJ Chaney.
13. May 6, Bellevue Junior Taikai, Sun, 11am, Bellevue.
14. May 20, PNKF Board meeting, Sun, 10am, home of CJ Chaney.
15. June, no PNKF Board meeting.
16. Jun 29-Jul 2, AUSKF Iaido Summer Camp 2001, in Portland, Oregon.
17. Jul 15, PNKF Board meeting, Sun, 10am, home of CJ Chaney.
18. End of July, send out for PNKF Board nominations.
19. Aug 11, PNKF Iaido Seminar and Shinsa, Sat.
20. Aug 12, PNKF Kendo Seminar and Shinsa, Sun.
21. Aug 21/26, Shidogakuin 2001 Summer Kendo Camp.
22. September, nominations for new Board due.
23. Sep 16, last meeting for current PNKF Board, Sun, 10am, home of CJ Chaney.
24. Oct 14, first meeting for new PNKF Board, Sun, 10am, home of CJ Chaney.
25. Nov 3, PNKF Taikai, Sat, 9:30am, Renton.

ALL US KENDO FEDERATION ELECTIONS

During the AUSKF Board of Directors meeting held in Torrance, California Dec 2-3, the following officers were elected: **President:** Charlie Tanaka; **Executive VP:** Walter Hashimoto; **VP Education:** Koki Ariga; **VP Promotions:** Atsushi Hori; **VP Competition:** Yoshinobu Tagawa; **Secretary/Historian:** Norman Otani; **Treasurer & Recorder:** Masaharu Makino; **Auditor:** Ken Lorimer. **Committees:** **Policies & Procedures Committee:** Mr. Hashimoto and Mr. J. Marsten. **Iaido Committee:** Mr. Yamaguchi, Mr. Kato, Mr. Konno. **Education Committee:** Mr. Ariga, Mr. Yuge, Mr. Parker, Mr. Makino. **Promotions Committee:** Mr. Hori, Mr. Koike, Mr. Henmi, Mr. Ebihara, Mr. Miyahara. **Competition Committee:** Mr. Tagawa, Mr. Arima, Mr. Kataoka, Mr. Kato. **Budget Committee:** Mr. Makino, Mr. Henmi, Mr. Lorimer, Mr. Tagawa. **Marketing/Newsletter:** Mr. Otani, Mr. C. Marsten

PASSAGE.

It is with deep sorrow that we learned of the deaths of two of our treasured friends. Our sincere condolences to the families.

Roy Harada of Sunrise Kendo Club suffered a heart attack and passed away on November 29, 2000 at age 62.

Tsugio Kawaguchi passed away on December 8 in Las Vegas at age 78 of diabetes complications. Kendo Hachidan, Honorary Hanshi, he had been KFUSA President and AUSKF Advisor and Honorary Co-Chairman, and past head instructor and current advisor of Chuo Dojo. He was also an advisor to Orange County Buddhist Church Dojo. A student of Maki Miyahara's father, in 1960 he was the US Champion.

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9 Years and Under

1st place - C. Benak, Cascade
2nd place - D. Holmes, Tacoma
3rd place - M. Rasmussen, Tacoma
3rd place - A. Karout, Obukan

10 to 12 Years

1st place - R. Rasmussen, Tacoma
2nd place - D. Gejima, Obukan
3rd place - K. Wang, Cascade
3rd place - T. Imanishi, Cascade

13 to 15 Years

1st place - J. Marsten, Highline
2nd place - H. Paik, Highline
3rd place - L. Hancock, Obukan
3rd place - Y. Iwanaga, Obukan

Women's

1st place - R. Barr, Bellevue
2nd place - E. Marsten, UW
3rd place - H. Merley, Highline
3rd place - V. Marsten, Renton

Mudansha 0-4 Kyu

1st place - K. Lee, Renton
2nd place - L. Tsybert, UW
3rd place - K. Goodwin, Obukan
3rd place - D. Moles, Cascade

Mudansha 3-1 Kyu

1st place - S. Yen, Seattle
2nd place - M. Rigler, Bellevue
3rd place - J. Syring, Bellevue
3rd place - S. Uehara, UW

Yudansha 1-3 Dan

1st place - R. Barr, Bellevue
2nd place - N. Sunderland, Renton
3rd place - D. Rittenberg, UW
3rd place - S. Blechschmidt, Bellevue

Team

1st place - Bellevue
2nd place - UW

Renton Kendo Club Most Improved - Jeff Lundell

KODANSHA SHINSA, December 2, 2000, Torrance, California.

5TH DAN: Masa Ando (Alaska), Shig Hamamatsu (Palo Alto).

6TH DAN: Glenn Harada (San Jose), David Yotsuuye (Bellevue).

HOKUBEI KENDO TAIKAN WILL APPEAR IN 2001

More details will be coming soon regarding an incredibly rare major historical document in the history of US Kendo which came out just before World War II and is now being reprinted by a publisher specializing in recovery of rare books. The book is **Hokubei Kendo Taikan**, written by Ikken Momii, and published in San Francisco by Hokubei Butoku Kai in 1939. This book is essentially a copiously illustrated history and directory of the majority of Kendo activity and most of the important Kendo personages in every town on the West Coast.

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THE LAST WORD

Invisible SEME is not learned. It is more of a gift granted after many years of training, KATA, and thousands upon thousands of SUBURI, or empty swings. It is mastered only by the highest ranks. Ogawa Kinnoosuke Sensei, Sato Chuzo Sensei, and many other Busen Sensei did SUBURI and stressed it to all of their students. My classmate, Horigome Keizo Sensei, 9th Dan and 31st graduate of Busen, strongly stresses SUBURI. --Rod Nobuto Omoto, "Understanding SEME," **Sempo: Midwest Kendo Newsletter**, vol. 13, no. 1, Spring 1997, page 5.

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