

DIAMOND BLAST

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Birthdays in Feb/Mar

Feb 13: Wayne Ferrell
Feb 17: James Lewis
Feb 24: Lynne Johnson
Feb 26: Thomas Mylott
Feb 28: Laura Suarez
Mar 03: Samuel Dellalian
Mar 09: Viviana Collazo
Mar 12: Alexander Hinners
Mar 19: Alexander Luna
Mar 19: John Mylott
Mar 20: Jennifer Smith
Mar 20: Carmen Velasco
Mar 30: Diane Mehta

Upcoming events

Feb 26: Belt promotion (6:30p)
Mar 07: Talent show
Mar 13: Nat'l tourn (closed)
Mar 14: Nat'l tourn (closed)
Mar 15: Nat'l tourn (closed)
Apr 12: Boca tourn.

ATA Las Vegas Spring National Tournament

The Spring National tournament will be held at the Las Vegas Convention Center from Mar 14-15. We will be closed Mar 13-14. For tournament details, see the ATA web site:
<http://www.ataonline.com/>

Boca Raton Tournament

We will hold our regional tournament on April 12 at Lynn University. For forms and driving directions, see our website (click the link to Boca Raton Tournament Info).

Join Our E-Mail List

Get important announcements! Be the first to get the Diamond Blast newsletter (with color photos)! If you'd like to be on our new e-mail list, please give your e-mail address to Dr. Lewis or send a note to bocaata@netscape.net.

Student of the Month

Samuel Ferguson
Congratulations!!!

Holiday Party

Our December holiday party was a great success, with everyone having a very good time. There was plenty of food, games, fun, and friends.



Tournament Sponsors

We're still looking for more tournament sponsors for our upcoming regional ATA tournament in April 2003. Please see Mr. Nelson for details.

Women's Self Defense II

Thanks to everyone who attended the second seminar on women's self defense.

Never Give Up!

One day a farmer's donkey fell down into a well. The animal cried piteously for hours as the farmer tried to figure out what to do. Finally he decided the animal was old and the well needed to be covered up anyway, so it just wasn't worth it to retrieve the donkey.

He invited all his neighbors to come over and help him. They all grabbed a shovel and began to shovel dirt into the well. At first, the donkey realized what was happening and cried horribly. Then, to everyone's amazement, he quieted down. A few shovel loads later, the farmer looked down into the well and was astonished at what he saw. With every shovel of dirt, the donkey was doing something amazing. He would shake it off and take a step up. As the farmer's neighbors continued to shovel dirt on top of the animal, he would shake it off and take a step up.

Pretty soon, everyone was amazed as the donkey stepped up over the edge of the well and trotted off!

Life is going to shovel dirt on you – all kinds of dirt. The trick is to shake it off and take a step up. Each of our troubles can be a stepping stone. We can get out of the deepest wells just by not stopping – never giving up!

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