

Thank You!

Master Steven and I would like to personally thank each and every one of you for your kind, generous and thoughtful birthday and holiday gift offerings for Antonia, Valentina, Master Steven and Myself. I can truly say that West Windsor TaeKwonDo & Kickboxing Academy itself is an amazing family that collectively, all of you have created. I am so happy and proud to be a part of it all. May all of you and your families be blessed this New Year.

Thank you again,
Vanessa Phillips

2011

The New Year is starting off with lots of excitement and lots of snow!! I hope everyone is enjoying the 'snow days' off school and finding time to play outside.

At TaeKwonDo, we're starting off 2011 with a new Township Class, a Belt Test, and a Kickboxing Spectacular here at the West Windsor TaeKwonDo & Kickboxing Academy on February 11th. This is just an Exhibition Fight for me – my first Professional Fight will be in New York City in March. But two of our Kickboxing students will be competing at this event on the undercard! It should be lots of fun.

I hope you'll come & cheer for me and your fellow students.

Master Steven

All Stars!!



We had a really wonderful evening at the All Star Banquet on December 18th – no snow this time!

As some of you might have guessed, **Juliet Bost** was awarded the title of **2010 All Star Champion**, and received the special tournament jacket attesting to her new status! Juliet worked really, really hard this past year – attending all four of the Tournaments available and doing well in each of them. She topped off the year with a Grand Championship in Forms at Master Choi's October Tournament. She would have been the Champion even without this last trophy – she did a consistently amazing job all year!

We're planning to attend a total of 6 tournaments this year and hope more students will be able to participate in the All Star Competition.

January Birthdays

Happy Birthday

Yamila Mottley	-	January 1 st
Feyisara Bello	-	January 3 rd
Harshil Bhullar	-	January 5 th
Nehal Narahari	-	January 5 th
Brittany Gill	-	January 6 th
Brooke Rosenberg	-	January 6 th
Robbie Sifon	-	January 11 th
Josca Schabacker	-	January 18 th
Bryan Mottley	-	January 20 th
Neha Vasudevan	-	January 20 th
Satya Reddy	-	January 23 rd
Dylan Morris	-	January 28 th
Sree Ramireddygari	-	January 31 st



Black Belt Club

In January, the **Black Belt Club** will finish up Grappling and Ground Fighting, and begin working on advanced Board Breaking Techniques. Members will need to order Boards – check with Miss Jenn in the office for an order form.

Upcoming Events

January 1st – Happy New Year – 2011

January 6th – West Windsor Township Class Begins – Thursdays at 6pm through March 3rd.

January 14th – Makar Sankranti - one of the most important festivals of the Hindu calendar and celebrates the sun's journey into the northern hemisphere, a period which is considered to be highly auspicious.

January 15th – Belt Testing at Robbinsville High School
No Regular Classes

January 17th – Martin Luther King's Birthday

January 17th – Closed – No Classes

January 18th – Make-up Test at 5pm – No Classes

January 21st – Belt Ceremony – No Classes

January 22nd – Martial Arts Madness – Movie Night

February 2nd – Ground Hog Day – According to folklore, if it is cloudy when a groundhog emerges from its burrow on this day, it will leave the burrow, signifying that winter will soon end. If it is sunny, the groundhog will "see its shadow" and retreat back into its burrow, and winter will continue for six more weeks



February 3rd – Chinese New Year – Year of the Rabbit

Chinese New Year starts on the day of the first New Moon of the new year and ends on the full moon 15 days later. New Year's Eve and New Year's Day are celebrated as a family affair, a time of reunion and thanksgiving. The 15th day of the New Year is called the Lantern Festival, which is celebrated at night with lantern displays and children carrying lanterns in a parade.

February 11th – Friday Fight Night – Master Steven, now that he is a Professional Kickboxer, will be doing an Exhibition Fight. First Time fighters Mr. Klein, from United TaeKwonDo in Manalapan, and Mrs. DeSalvo, one of our Kickboxing Students, will be fighting on the undercard.

No Classes

February 14th – Valentine's Day



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Outstanding Student of the Month

This month, Master Steven selected **Ayra Khan** – a Green Belt – as Outstanding Student of the Month. Ayra consistently works very hard in class and has been helping teach the beginner class. Ayra is one of six cousins that attend the [West Windsor TaeKwonDo & Kickboxing Academy](#) and she is always looking after them - making sure that their belts are tied properly and that they are observing all the rules and regulations of class. Her leadership skills are outstanding and she is a great role model for her younger siblings and cousins.



Congratulations Ayra!!

Congratulations!

Yufei Tian, a 4th grader at Millstone River School, and a Red Belt here at the [West Windsor TaeKwonDo & Kickboxing Academy](#), won 2nd prize at a Crescendo International Piano Competition on December 4, 2010. As a result of this win, Yufei was invited to perform at **Carnegie Hall** in New York City on January 7th.



place individual trophy and his team from SciCore won a 2nd place trophy.

Congratulations Yufei and Hamza!!

Also winning awards in December 2010, was **Hamza Khan** who is a 9 year old, 4th grade student at the SciCore Academy on Route 571 in Hightstown, and a Yellow Belt here at the [West Windsor TaeKwonDo & Kickboxing Academy](#). At the US Chess Federation Under 12 competition in Miami, Florida in November, **Hamza** won a 3rd

Antonia & Valentina

What a wonderful December it was last month. With the new house – which has bedrooms for each of the girls, and is much closer to TaeKwonDo – the All Star Banquet on the same day as Valentina's 1st Birthday Party, then Christmas and Snow!!! Antonia and Valentina had a fantastic month with tons of relatives and friends and, of course, lots of presents.



Yes, Valentina is walking ... well, running mostly. She found her feet and her balance and is now running all over the place – such a joy to watch. And she is saying many, many words – some of which can be understood by folks other than her parents.

Antonia is still enjoying pre-school at The Happy School – next door to the [West Windsor TaeKwonDo & Kickboxing Academy](#). She is still joining in with TaeKwonDo classes and (given the opportunity) is very happy to lead students in their exercises – standing at the front of the class, insisting on quiet and counting out the push-ups and leg lifts!

New Students

The [West Windsor TaeKwonDo & Kickboxing Academy](#) welcomed the following new students in November:

- Little Dragon** - Abby Reytblat
- Danny Reytblat
- TaeKwonDo** - Mickey Eltveldt
- Mark Sabin

Welcome

Friday Night Fights Coming 11 Feb 11



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