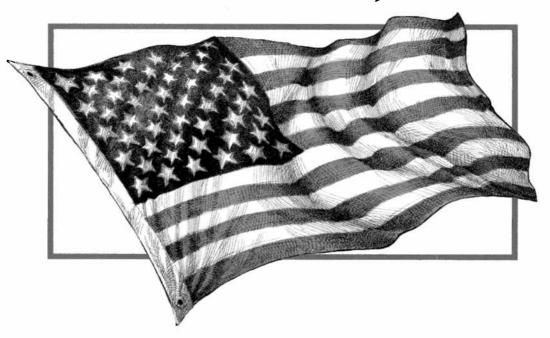
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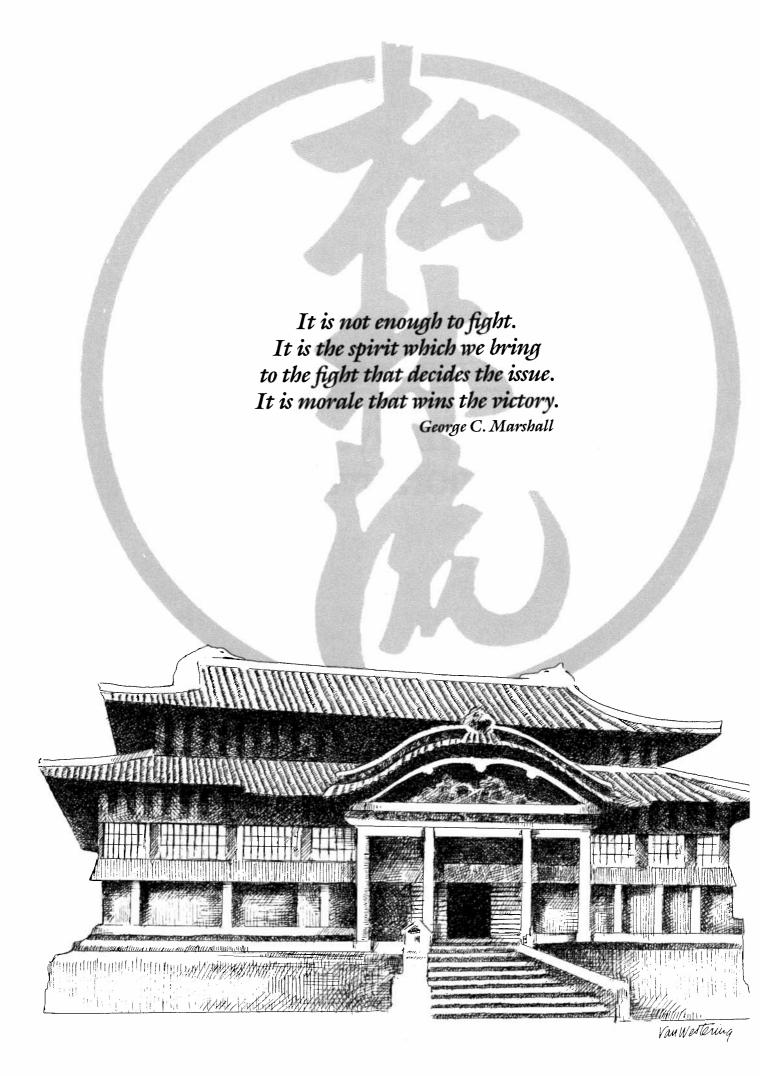


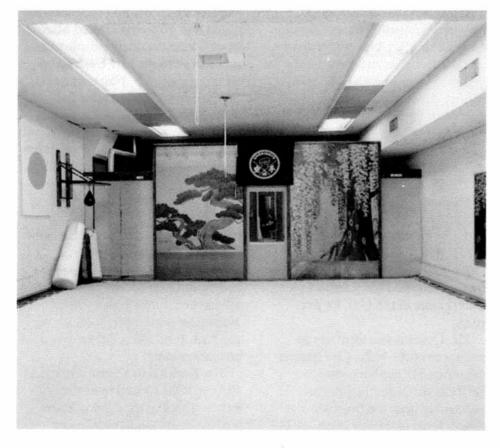
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#### Shorin-Ryu Karate Kata Reference Guide

Three basic, eight intermediate, and six advanced kata demonstrated by Sensei Robert Scaglione, 6th Dan (Master Ueshiro's highest ranking student). Includes bo, nunchuku, sai and kama weapons kata as well. This video features special slow-motion footage which highlights the most difficult techniques in each kata. Produced and edited by Emmy Award winner David Seeger, Yon Dan. (85 minutes). A must for the serious student!

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THIRTY YEARS ago a young Okinawan man arrived on the shores of Alaska—then a territory of the United States of America. The following day, on September 15, 1962, Ansei Ueshiro set foot on the mainland of the USA for the first time. He was one of the first Oriental martial artists to bring karate to this country, and he went on to become one of the most influential karatemen in the world today.

At the request of his sensei, Grand Master Shoshin Nagamine, the founder of Matsubayashi Shorin-Ryu, the landmark decision to leave Okinawa was made and agreed upon by Master Ueshiro and his teachers and students. By special visa of the United States government, Master Ueshiro made the voyage in order to bring the art of Shorin-Ryu to America.

The special visa was obtained through the efforts of James Wax and his students here in the United States. On Okinawa, James Wax was the first American to earn a black belt in Shorin-Ryu under the tutelage of Master Ueshiro. On Sensei Wax's return to the U.S. from military service on Okinawa as a U.S. Marine, he opened a dojo in Dayton, Ohio.

James Wax, Robert Yarnall and many of the original American students in the U.S. helped Hanshi Ueshiro establish himself in America. Nevertheless, there were many hardships and difficulties which he had to overcome. But Master Ueshiro was not unaccustomed to hardship. While he was a child, he suffered through the agonies of World War II on his homeland, Okinawa, one of the most violent battlefields of the war. He then endured the aftermath of the war, the rebuilding of Okinawa.

Master Ueshiro, who was physically disabled during the war, overcame this disability by becoming more proficient with his maimed hands than any other karate practitioner of his time. At first, after the injury, some people suggested he wear gloves to hide the disfigurement and scars. He refused and developed tremendous skill, dexterity and strength in his hands and body. He also became world renowned for his bojutsu.

Having overcome so much, he still sacrificed many things in relocating to the U.S. in order to propagate his martial art. The first few years were the most difficult, as he had left his family behind and had to wait several years to be reunited with them. The language barrier, earning a living in a foreign land, and finding a home were just a few of the obstacles he faced in his effort to bring Shorin-Ryu Karate

to America. Indeed, since traditional karate is not a lucrative financial enterprise, Master Ueshiro, in order to support his family, became a successful entrepreneur in the import/export field. He recently became a U.S. citizen and we are all honored by this.

Master Ueshiro's fortitude, strength of character, and karate training enabled him to survive and to succeed. Hanshi Ueshiro taught karate, opened many dojo in the East and Midwest, and successfully built the organization to what it is today. Presently there is a network of over 100 Shorin-Ryu Karate dojo in the U.S. which directly trace their roots and heritage to Hanshi Ueshiro or his students.

Hanshi Ueshiro is a direct blood descendant of the Okinawan "Bushi" class of warriors. His father, Anho Ueshiro, was his first teacher, along with Entasu Isaenta and Toguchi Seitoku. From these three main teachers, Master Ueshiro gained much of his karate knowledge, which formed the foundation of his skills. Later, he entered the dojo of Grand Master Shoshin Nagamine. And, even as a young man, Ansei Ueshiro brought much to the Okinawan dojo, eventually becoming Chief Instructor at the main dojo in Naha. There, until he left for the United States, he continued to train vigorously on a daily basis with many of today's most famous karatemen.

Since 1962, we in America are privileged to enjoy the art of Matsubayashi Karate under Master Ueshiro's guidance and expertise. We, the students of Shorin-Ryu, are the beneficiaries of his efforts and are proud of Shorin-Ryu Karate U.S.A., the original style, here in the United States.

Now, in 1992, we proudly celebrate the 30th anniversary of Hanshi Ueshiro's arrival on our shores. This commemorative journal is only one of many ways in which we say *Thank You* to Grand Master Ansei Ueshiro.

This is a translation of the newspaper article on the opposite page translated by K. Saito.

KARATE CROSSES THE PACIFIC OCEAN September 9, 1962 Mr. Ueshiro is invited to teach Karate for Five Year Contract INVITED BY THE UNITED **STATES** 

A young Karate Sensei left Okinawa by Northwest Airlines at 4:45PM on September 9, 1962. This person is Ansei Ueshiro, San-Dan, 30 years old. He is the representative of the Nagamine Dojo. He is going to teach the true meaning of Karate, not just the skill. He hand carried the roku-shaku bo, his gi, sai and tonfa onto the airplane with hope in his heart.

Sensei Ueshiro was invited by the Kodo-Kan Karate school located in Dayton, Ohio, USA under the direction of Phil Thompson. Mr. James Wax, promoted to Sho-Dan by Mr. Ueshiro, is the Sensei of the Karate school, and studied karate at the Nagamine Dojo while stationed in Okinawa as a U.S. Marine. Mr. Wax wrote a letter to Mr. Shoshin Nagamine, the Hanshi of Shorin Ryu, asking him to recommend a qualified instructor to teach karate in the United States. It took five years to get results.

Mr. James wax returned to Okinawa in April 1961 to formally propose to Miss Ayako Toyoshima, an Okinawan. At that time he visited the Nagamine dojo to arrange further details for inviting an instructor to the United States. A meeting was then held at the Nagamine dojo among the principal sensei and senior students. It was decided unanimously that Mr. Ueshiro was the most qualified, and should be the one sent to introduce and develop Okinawan Karate in the United States. The Nagamine Dojo notified Mr. Thomson that they would send Mr. Ueshiro to teach karate in the U.S. for five years.

Mr. Ueshiro was formerly an employee of the Naha City municipal office. He has been studying karate at the Nagamine dojo for 11 years, ever since the dojo was established. During those 11 years he has not missed a single day of practice, and was known as the "dedicated deshi" by his colleagues. Mr. Ueshiro said he is not able to speak English very well, but by working with American soldiers at the dojo he has learned enough English to teach karate.

Since this is the first time a karate sensei will go to the United States from Okinawa, many people were a the airport to see Mr. Ueshiro off. At the airport Mr. Nagamine said, "We are so pleased to have the opportunity to send our representative to the United States to introduce and develop karate. It has been our long-term dream to do so. It is vitally important that we protect the traditional values of our ancestors, and develop the dojo character as more than a sport outside of Japan. Therefore we are really counting on Mr. Ueshiro's ability and skill for doing the best job in the United States." Mr. Nagamine patted Mr. Ueshiro on the back as he offered these words c encouragement.

The Kodo-Kan Karate school in Dayton, Ohio is said to be the only karate school in the United States, and has many students learning karate. Director Phil Thompson is enthusiastic about offering American students the essence of karate through Ueshiro Sensei's knowledg and expertise. Mr. Ueshiro left by himself to go to the United States. His wife Hiro Ueshiro and three children hope to join him later on.

Mr. Ueshiro said at the airport, "As long as I'm invited by the United States to teach Okinawan karate, I am going to commit myse as much as I can." He added, "I am always thinking about what I was told by Nagamine Sensei and the other instructors, and I am going to teach karate to the American peopl the way it was taught to me." •



# 9.9. 1962

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This is a reproduction of a newspaper article from Okinawa, Japan, 1962.

Photo Caption: This is Ueshiro Sensei boarding the airplane.



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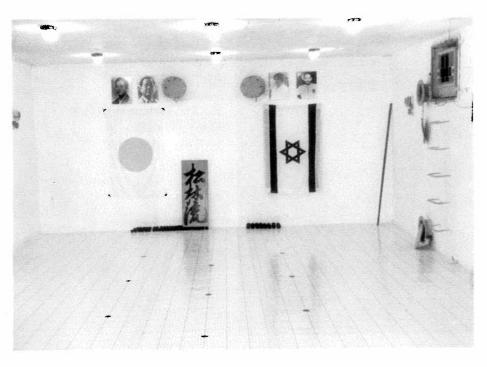
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\*As of August 1991



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Rowayton, Connecticut: Nelson and Gayle DeGracia

Highland Lakes, New Jersey: Lou Suffredini, Sr.

Oakland, California: Michael Lushington

Great Falls, Montana: James Elshoff

Portales, New Mexico: Chris Howsmon

Rochester, New York: Serge Savitcheff



#### SHORIN-RYU KARATE U.S.A. – Dojo Shihan

ROBERT SCAGLIONE Kyoshi, began his karate training 25 years ago in 1967. This is his 20th anniversary as a Blackbelt under Grand Master Ansei Ueshiro-Hanshi of the Shorin-Ryu Karate U.S.A. system. Sensei Scaglione is the Chief Administrator of the original style in the United States. He has traveled with Hanshi throughout the U.S.A. and as his representative worldwide.

Born in Brooklyn, New York in 1938, Sensei served in the U.S. Navy and in 1961 became a NYC Police Officer. He voluntarily worked exclusively in high crime/ high hazard areas during his entire 20 year tenure with the NYPD. He served in many assignments in all five boroughs of New York City including uniformed street cop, undercover officer and as a Detective in the elite Special Investigating Unit featured in the film "The French Connection." He led the NYPD in felony arrests many times and has numerous awards, citations and letters of commendation from Police Department officials, Federal Agencies, District Attorneys, Grand Jurors and the civilian community. He retired from police service in 1981 in order to devote himself full time to the art of karate.

Sensei began his karate training in the NYPD. He continued his training under Sensei Terry Maccarrone-Shihan of the Hegashi Karate Dojo on Long Island, New York. He was Senior Instructor at the St. James Dojo for five years. Hanshi Ueshiro, wanting a dojo in Manhattan, asked Sensei to open a dojo in New York City. He founded the NYC dojo in 1977, which became the headquarters of Shorin-Ryu Karate USA several years later. After ten years, in 1987, Sensei relocated to Merritt Island, Florida and founded the Okinawan Karate Dojo leaving his senior student David Baker, San Dan to continue operation of the NYC dojo.

Over 75 students began their training directly under Sensei Scaglione and have attained blackbelt level. He continues to work closely with all his blackbelts, including the ten who have opened dojo on the mainland US, Hawaii, and in Israel. Among his students are many professionals, doctors, lawyers, military officers, police officers, business executives, artists, writers, housewives, students and children.

Sensei is the co-author with artist Bill Cummins, Ni Dan of "The Shorin-Ryu Karate Question and Answer Book" and has written another entitled "Building Warrior Spirit." His student David Seeger, Yon Dan, an Emmy Award winner, has produced several karate videos with Sensei. Sensei is the Editor-atlarge of this 30th Anniversary Journal. He has written and assisted his students in writing newspaper and magazine articles, film scripts on varied subjects, novels, and stage plays. He has appeared on national T.V. and radio, in stage productions, and at Universities and schools giving karate demonstrations and lectures on self-defense and assault prevention.

Sensei's wife Judith holds the rank of Yon Dan. His three sons, Sal, Robert Jr., and Dion are all Ni Dan blackbelts who began their training in 1969. His youngest son Shane, Ik-kyu started training at age 5 following in his brothers' footsteps.

sensel Judith T. scaglione is the second woman to attain Blackbelt under Grand Master Ansei Ueshiro. She presently holds the rank of Yon Dan in the Shorin-Ryu Karate USA organization. She is the Shihan of the Okinawan Karate Dojo on Merritt Island, Florida. She is the co-founder of the NYC Dojo and founder of the Brentwood Karate Club on Long Island, New York.

Sensei Judy has consistently trained and/or conducted classes for over 15 years, seldom missing a day of her vigorous six and seven day a week schedule. Her emphasis is on instructing women and children, although most of her scheduled

classes are co-ed adult. She has been the "wind-under-the-wings" of the Shorin-Ryu organization since 1975 under the direction of Hanshi Ueshiro. She has initiated Womens Groups in all Shorin-Ryu Karate USA dojo.

Sensei Judy encourages women to have a "take-charge" attitude in their personal training. Her objective is to help women attain high-level ranking and have greater goals for their overall development of mind, body and spirit through karate training.

With Hanshi Ueshiro's guidance, she has defined different methods of training for women. The emphasis is on feedback from other women instructors. The concept of exploring the kata in detail is important to achieve more effective methods for women to execute the techniques. Another aspect is to develop maximum power and effectiveness through timing, speed and balance and refining the movements for a woman's body type while strictly adhering to the traditional Shorin-Ryu kata.

Sensei Judy's tireless energy, spirit and vibrant personality continue to be a great asset to the Shorin-Ryu Karate organization. She is a prominent voice in the traditional karate community nationwide. Her unselfish dedication to karate has made a positive impact on the ancient art as practiced in America today.

SENSEI DAVID SEEGER currently holds the rank of fourth degree black belt in Shorin-Ryu Karate USA. Born in 1956 and raised in Long Island, he began training there in 1970 with Sensei Joe King. Sensei Seeger continued his training with Shihan Robert Scaglione, Go Dan, working with him for twelve years at Person to Person Karate – the headquarters of Shorin-Ryu Karate USA. He currently serves as Master Ueshiro's personal representative in New Jersey and Southern New York State.

Sensei Seeger began making his own movies at the age of thirteen, and was granted early admission to Ithaca College in 1973 on the basis of one of those first works. Although rumors that Sensei Seeger was born with a camera in his hand are unfounded, he does credit much of his success in film and video to his lifelong immersion in show business: His father, Hal Seeger, is the animator who created Milton the Monster and Batfink; and his mother, Beverly Seeger, is a former actress/singer/model and now President of Today Video, a television post-production center in Manhattan. His brother and three sisters are all active writers and actors in Hollywood. Since receiving a B.F.A. from New York University's Film School in 1977, Sensei Seeger has gone on to edit, produce and direct award-winning music videos, television commercials, weekly television newsmagazines and network documentaries. Among his many professional honors are two Emmys.

Most recently, he completed shooting *Sister Sensei*, a martial-arts action-adventure feature starring Sensei Robert Scaglione as "The Tiger" and Mindy Seeger in the title role. Also appearing in *Sister Sensei* is his lovely and talented wife, Holly Whitstock Seeger, whose skills as an animator and producer, as a Sho Dan in the Shorin-Ryu system, and as an all-purpose organizer and expediter are an essential component of his work on the deck, behind the camera, and as a partner in their business, Samurai Studios.

Sensei Seeger was named "Sir David" in 1981 by the ancient Order of St. John, Knights of Malta, and is an active member of the Director's Guild of America, proving that he's more than just another pretty face. These many sides of David Seeger all come together in his powerful, larger-than-life style of karate. Without ever forgetting that "karate can be fun" he has become well known for his kumite and his tamishiwari clinics and demonstrations - which are keeping alive the tradition of spectacular breaking demonstrations in the Shorin-Ryu system.

Having worked for twenty-two

years to emulate Grandmaster Ueshiro's flying side kick, Sensei Seeger says, "check back with me in another twenty-two years." In the meantime, he is also devoting himself to the development of Shorin-Rvu USA in New Jersey and Southern New York State through the personal instruction of students at his headquarters, the Pine Forest Karate Dojo. He and Holly live in Palisades, New York, with their three sons: Max (5) is doing fukyugata ichi, Sam (3) is kicking and punching, and Ben (1) is doing squats.

sensei DAVID BAKER, a fourth degree black belt, is shihan of the Midtown Karate Dojo, the head-quarters of Shorin-Ryu Karate, U.S.A. in New York City. He has trained since June 1979.

Born in Philadelphia in 1952, Sensei Baker was graduated from Wagner College in 1974 with a Bachelor of Arts degree in psychology. After thirteen years as a production manager in advertising, he retired to become a full-time shihan.

Baker lives on the Upper West side of Manhattan. His wife, Carin, holds the rank of San-kyu and is author of the *Karate Club* series of books for children, published by Penguin USA.

sensei jeffrey M. Brooks, began his training under Scaglione Sensei in the New York City Dojo.

He is the founder and director of the Northampton Karate Dojo, in Northampton, Massachusetts.

In addition to running the Northampton Dojo, Brooks Sensei is a writer and teacher, currently on the faculty of Clark University in Worcester, Massachusetts.

He received his M.F.A. in writing from New York University Film School. His work has appeared in dozens of newspapers and magazines, as well as on television.

Several years ago Brooks Sensei accompanied Sensei Scaglione on a trip to Okinawa, representing Master Ueshiro. He holds the rank of San Dan, third degree black belt. sensei Robert Hodes is a most grateful student of Scaglione Sensei, the senior representative of Hanshi Ansei Ueshiro. Mr. Hodes founded Grand Master Ansei Ueshiro Shorin-Ryu Karate in Israel in January of 1988 and served as Shihan until March of 1992. Shorin-Ryu in Eilat, Israel continues to flourish under the leadership of Mr. Rafi Kaneti, Mr. Hodes' senior student and the first black belt to be promoted in Israel by Grand Master Ansei Ueshiro.

In May of 1992, in honor of the thirtieth anniversary of Grand Master Ansei Ueshiro Shorin-Ryu Karate in the United States, Mr. Hodes, and his wife and fellow deshi, Etty, founded the "East Meets West Karate Dojo," the second Grand Master Ansei Ueshiro Shorin-Ryu Karate dojo to be located in Manhattan.

was born in New York City in 1956 and was raised on Long Island, the Virgin Islands, Massachusetts and New Hampshire. In 1979 he graduated cum laude from Yale University with a degree in liberal arts.

He began training at the New York City Dojo in May, 1981 and received his first degree black belt in 1984.

After graduating from college, he worked as a freelance photographer in New York City for five years. In 1984 he began his own business as a computer consultant, and continues to develop customized applications for a variety of large and small businesses.

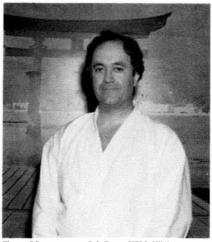
His wife, Meggan, is a doctor of internal medicine completing her residency at the Bronx Municipal Hospital. They live in Pelham, NY.



Ansei Ueshiro, HANSHI



Robert Scaglione, 6th Dan, KYOSHI Chief Representative, USA



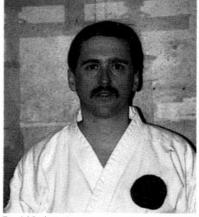
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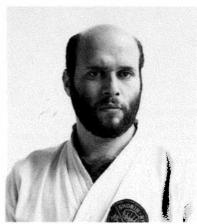
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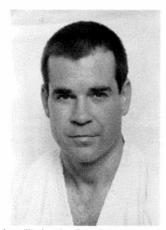
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Robert Hodes, San Dan, DENSHI New York, NY



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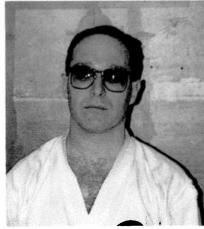
#### ACTIVE BLACKBELTS, SHORIN-RYU KARATE U.S.A.



**STANLEY JOE ROBERTS,** San Dan, began training at the age of 13. He is Team Leader of the 2D Force Reconnaissance Co. of the United States Marine Corps.



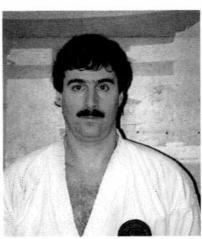
**MICHAEL MACKAY,** San Dan, began training in May of 1981 at the New York City Dojo. He is a computer consultant.



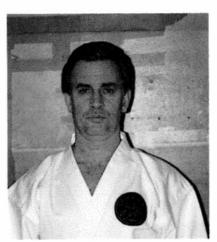
**ROB SMITH,** *Ni Dan,* began training in July of 1980 at the New York City Dojo. He is type manager for ASA/Color by Pergament.



**MARK GOLDENBERG**, Ni Dan, began training in August of 1980 at the New York City Dojo. He is a Chiropractor.



**ELLIOT R. ZGODNY,** *Ni Dan,* began training in March of 1981 at the New York City Dojo. He is President of E.J. Lance Management Associates, Inc.



**PETER VAN WESTERING**, *Ni Dan*, began training in September of 1981 at the New York City Dojo. He is an Art Director for BSA Advertising.



**JAMES D. ELSHOFF**, Ni Dan, began training in the Marine Corps in the late 1960s. He is an attorney practicing in Montana.



**ED HALL, JR.,** *Sho Dan*, Merritt Island Dojo, began training in 1978 at the New Smyrna Dojo under Shihan Richard Pulley (San Dan [deceased], Shorin-Ryu Karate U.S.A.). He is owner of Ed Hall Construction.



**NELSON DEGRACIA**, *Sho Dan*, began training in February of 1981 at the New York City Dojo. He is a Sales Representative for Tonemakers and co-manager a karate club in Southern Connecticut.



**STEVE LOTT,** *Sho Dan,* began training in February 1984 at the New York City Dojo. He is a Producer for Big Fights Inc.



**CECILE SCHOBERLE**, *Sho Dan*, began training in April of 1984 at the New York City Dojo. She is a Freelance Illustrator/Designer.



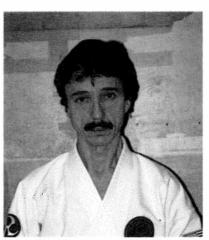
**KIMBERLY MACMILLAN**, *Sho Dan*, began training in June of 1984 at the New York City Dojo. She is General Manager of Benetton.



**GAYLE DEGRACIA**, Sho Dan, began training in August of 1984 at the New York City Dojo. She is a Sales Representative for Austrian Airlines. She is co-manager of a karate club in Southern Connecticut.



LOUIS SUFFREDINI, SR., Sho Dan, began training at the New York City Dojo. He is a Disc Jockey/Bonsai Cultivator and manager of the Highland Lakes, New Jersey karate club.



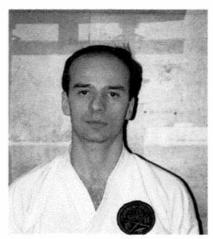
**EDWARD GARCIA**, *Sho Dan*, began training in September of 1984 at the New York City Dojo. He is Union Representative, Plumber, and Steamfitter Mechanic at the FBI Building.



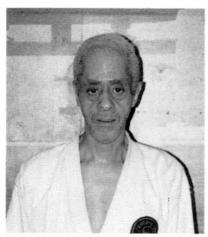
**RAY YAWORSKI**, *Sho Dan*, began training in October of 1984 at the New York City Dojo. He is Vice President-Finance at West Hotel Realty Corp.



**JEFFREY MORIBER**, *Sho Dan*, began training in November of 1984 at the New York City Dojo. He is President of Moriber's Creative Works.



MARK BELLUSCI, Sho Dan, begain training in September of 1985 at the New York City Dojo. He is President of Bellusci & Associates.



**MONTAGUE T. HENRY,** *Sho Dan,* began training in July of 1981 at the New York City Dojo. He is owner of Documont, Inc.



MICHAEL MARGULIS, Sho Dan, began training in August of 1981 at the New York City Dojo. He is Senior Systems Analyst for Bergdorf Goodman.



**MATT KAPLAN**, *Sho Dan*, began training in September, 1981 at the New York City Dojo. He is Assistant Professor of Psychology at Hawaii Pacific University and manager of the karate club at the university.



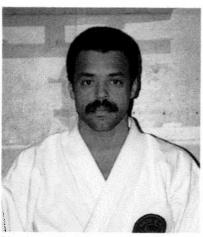
**KEVIN L. REYMOND**, *Sho Dan*, began training in October of 1982 at the New York City Dojo. He is Vice President, Chief Financial Officer of Viacom Broadcasting.



**DOUGLAS P. JACOBS,** *Sho Dan,* began training in October of 1982 at the New York City Dojo. He is Associate General Counsel & Assistant Secretary at CBS Inc.



**KATHY MCMAHON**, *Sho Dan*, began training in November of 1982 at the New York City Dojo. She is Associate Creative Director for J. Walter Thompson.



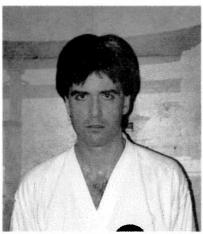
**PRESTON T. POWELL II**, Sho Dan, began training in November of 1982 at the New York City Dojo. He is Senior Vice President of Task Force Management Group, Inc.



**SUZANNE FISCHER**, *Sho Dan*, began training in September of 1983. She is an Account Manager for Direct Travel.



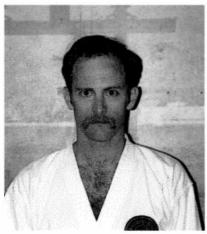
**ANN L. BILLOCK,** *Sho Dan*, began training in November of 1983 at the New York City Dojo. She is an Executive Recruiter for Barbara Gittler's Co.



MICHAEL GARRET LUSHINGTON, Sho Dan, began training in April of 1985 at the New York City Dojo. He is a Research Analyst for VSIA USA and manager of a karate club in Oakland, California



**DANIEL NICHUALS,** *Sho Dan,* began training in September of 1985 at the New York City Dojo. He is Vice President-Operations at Flynn-Hill Elevator Corp.



**GEORGE GROSS,** Sho Dan, began training in December of 1985 at the New York City Dojo. He is an Art Director for William Douglas McAdams.



**DAWOOD EMMENUEL**, *Sho Dan*, began training in July of 1986 at the New York City Dojo. He is Owner/Driver for Elite Car + Limousine, Inc.



**DAVID STENHOUSE,** *Sho Dan*, began training in January of 1987 at the New York City Dojo. He is an Architect.



WILLIAM H. FRIESELL, Sho Dan, began training in May of 1987 at the New York City Dojo. He is Chief Financial Officer-Private Banking at Citibank.

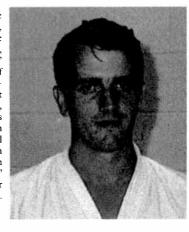


#### REMEMBERED FRIENDS, SHORIN-RYU KARATE U.S.A.



James K. Wax was the first American to earn a Black Belt in Shorin-Ryu in Okinawa. In 1960 he returned to the United States and established the first Shorin-Ryu School in the U.S. in Dayton, Ohio. In 1962 he left his chief instructor, Robert Yarnell, in charge of his schools in the midwest to meet with Master Ansei Ueshiro, who had recently arrived in the U.S. At present, there are more than 100 Shorin-Ryu Karate Schools throughout the US.

Robert Yarnall, a member of the Black Belt Magazine Hall of Fame, was voted "Karate Sensei of the Year" in 1971. His motto, "anyone can benefit from karate" is exemplified by his teaching of the handicapped and underprivileged. As a tournament competitor the years 1960-1968, he won many championships including the U.S. Open Championships and the Central State Grand Championship. In 1968, he originated his own "Gateway Open Championships" and served as the regional director of the USKA.









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David Swenson



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Gus Impagliazzo



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Jimmy Fusezello



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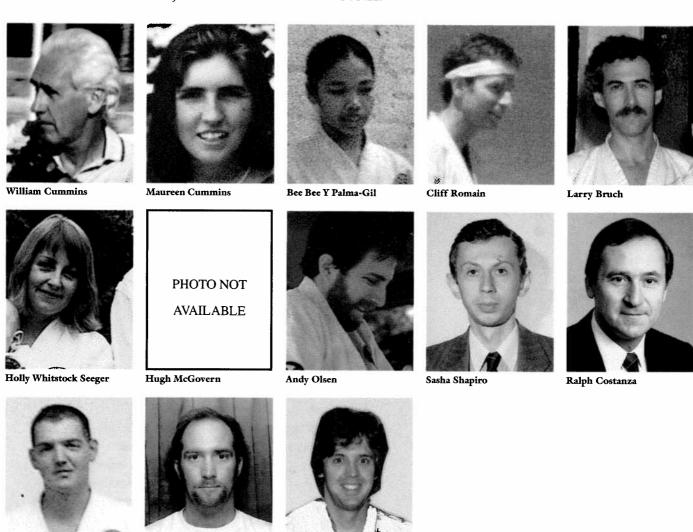


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#### REMEMBERED FRIENDS, SHORIN-RYU KARATE U.S.A.



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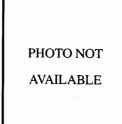
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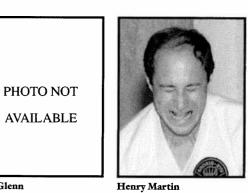
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Richard Pulley



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STATE OF NEW YORK
EXECUTIVE CHAMBER
ALBANY 12224



MARIO M. CUOMO GOVERNOR

July 1, 1992

Dear Mr. Ueshiro:

It is my pleasure to join with your students and friends to congratulate you as you celebrate 30 years in this country.

The citizens of our state and nation reflect a rich mosaic which enriches and revitalizes the American way of life while maintaining the best elements of their cultural heritage. You can take pride in your successful achievements as a longtime resident of New York, and I wish you an enjoyable gathering to mark this personal milestone.

Sincerely,

Mario M. Ocomo

Grand Master Ansei Ueshiro Shorin Ryu Karate USA 465 Lexington Avenue New York, New York 10017



STATE OF FLORIDA

#### Office of the Governor

THE CAPITOL
TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA 32399-0001

September 14, 1992

Dear Ansei:

Congratulations on the occasion of your 30th anniversary in our country. You are to be commended for your perseverance in accomplishing success as a businessman and as Grand Master of Shorin-Ryu Karate U.S.A.

Sports instill in our young people a great sense of pride, responsibility and respect for the talents and abilities of others, and your efforts to share your knowledge are very much appreciated. Thank you for setting an example for others to emulate. Living a clean, healthy life is one of the important aspects of Karate, and this attitude sets a good example for our young people to follow.

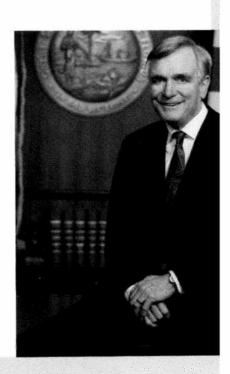
My best wishes are sent for continued success.

With kind regards, I am

LAWTON CHILES

LC/hss

Mr. Ansei Ueshiro





#### THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

STATE HOUSE • BOSTON 02133

April 29, 1992

Northampton Karate Dojo, Inc. 320 Riverside Drive The Cutlery Mill Buildings Northampton, MA 01060

Dear Master Ueshiro:

Lieutenant Governor Paul Cellucci and I are pleased to congratulate you on your thirtieth anniversary of teaching karate in the United States.

The excellence of your teaching ability is evidenced by the fact that former students of yours have gone on to own and manage karate schools throughout the country. In Massachusetts, the Northampton Karate Dojo continues to teach students in the same tradition that you have developed over the past three decades. We are pleased to hear that a special Thirtieth Anniversary Journal will been published in September 1992 in honor of your achievements.

Distribution of this publication to members, families and friends of the Northampton Karate Dojo, as well as all other associated schools nationwide, is a tribute to your invaluable contribution to the martial arts.

Again, please accept our sincerest congratulations on this special occasion and our best wishes for your continued success.

Sincerely,

William F. Weld

Governor

#### United States Senate

WASHINGTON, DC 20510-0903

September 14, 1992

Mr. Ansei Ueshiro, Grand Master c/o Mr. Robert Scaglione Okinawan Karate Dojo Shorin-Ryu Karate U.S.A. 1755 South Tropical Trail Merritt Island, Florida 32952

Dear Master Ueshiro:

It is a pleasure to extend congratulations on the occasion of your 30th anniversary as a martial arts instructor. This is certainly a significant milestone in your career.

One of our greatest resources is individuals, such as you, who are willing to share their time, skills, and energy with others. Your strong dedication to the way of life embodied in Shorin-Ryu Karate has marvelously exhibited itself in your commitment to teach those same principles and techniques to others. We have been fortunate to have the advantage of your knowledge and expertise. Belatedly, I would also like to congratulate you on achieving your citizenship. Florida is definitely glad to have you.

Again, congratulations, and best wishes for your continued success.

With kind regards,

Sincerely,

United States Senator

BG/rjr



#### MESSAGE FROM GOVERNOR JOHN WAIHEE

#### TO GRAND MASTER ANSEI UESHIRO Shorin Ryu Karate U.S.A.

It is a pleasure to extend my greetings and personal congratulations to Grand Master Ansei Ueshiro, founder of Shorin Ryu Karate U.S.A., recognized tonight for the many contributions made in the past three decades to promote karate and community service.

Much has happened in your life since you journeyed away from Kin, Okinawa, and traveled to America some 30 years ago. You are a true hero and living treasure in the karate community, and many of your students have gone on to become masters in their own right. You have spent your life teaching that karate is more than a method of combat, teaching instead that it is a physical and spiritual discipline that promotes inner peace through achieving physical balance.

On behalf of the people of Hawaii, I join with your many students around the world to commend you for your many outstanding achievements. May you continue to enjoy good health and much success in the years ahead.

JOHN WAIHEE

#### TED WEISS 17th District New York

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#### Congress of the United States House of Representatives

June 19, 1992

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Grand Master Ansei Ueshiro Shorin Ryu Karate USA 465 Lexington Avenue New York, NY 10017

Dear Master Ueshiro:

I am writing to congratulate you on the eve of your thirty-year anniversary in this country.

In your roles as entrepreneur of Ando-Kan Trucking, a successful trucking company, and as headmaster of Matsubayashi Shorin-Ryu Karate in the USA, you have exhibited strong leadership qualities. In particular, through school-sponsored self defense demonstrations, self defense lectures, blood drives and CPR training, your work has benefited the community-at-large.

This nation can take pride in the hard work and diligence of individuals such as yourself. On this memorable occasion, I wish to extend my sincere congratulations. Best wishes for another successful thirty years!

Sincerely

TED WEISS

Member of Congress

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Please reply to: 252 Seventh Avenue, 16th Floor New York, New York 10001-7388 JIM BACCHUS

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Mr. Ansei Ueshiro Okinawan Karate Dojo Shorin-Ryu Karate U.S.A. 1755 South Tropical Trail Merritt Island, Florida 32952

Dear Mr. Ueshiro:

I want to express my sincere congratulations on the 30th Anniversary of your arrival in the United States from Okinawa.

Your work in teaching karate and your devotion to the sport is an example of true commitment to excellence. You should be very proud, as we are, of your achievements in karate and your contributions as a citizen of this great nation.

I wish you the best of luck in your continuing efforts in karate and all your other pursuits.

With warmest regards,

Sincerely,

In Bacchus Member of Congress

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Mr. Robert Scaglione Shorin-Ryu Karate U.S.A. 1755 South Tropical Trail Merritt Island, FL 32952

#### Dear Robert:

I wish to take this opportunity to congratulate Master Ueshiro on the 30th anniversary of his coming to the United States.

His efforts in bringing Okinawan karate to the United States are to be commended and we appreciate his perpetuation of this activity in our country so that American students can learn about other cultures.

Best of luck to him in his future endeavors.

Sincerely,

Patsy Kurth Senator

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#### SENATOR WINSTON W. GARDNER, JR.

President Pro Tempore 17th District

30 April 1992

Ansei Ueshiro Okinawan Karate Dojo Shorin-Ryu Karate U.S.A. 1755 South Tropical Trail Merritt Island, Florida 32952

Dear Ansei Ueshiro:

Please accept my warmest congratulations on this your 30th anniversary of arriving in the United States of America. You exemplify what this country of immigrants is all about. You came without your wife and children and without the ability to speak English, but with your hard work and sacrifice you became a successful businessman in New York. Your devotion to Okinawan Karate is deeply felt in Florida, throughout the United States, and overseas. More than 100 Shorin-Ryu Karate dojo schools in the U.S. and abroad can trace their origins directly to you. You are truly a tribute to your profession and to this country. It is indeed my honor to offer my congratulations.

Sincerely,

Winston W. Gardner

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#### MUNICIPALITY OF EILAT

#### ON THE RED SEA ISRAEL

LS/92/5630 July 23, 1992

Mr. Ansei Ueshiro Grand Master

Dear Sir,

In light of the upcoming 30th anniversary of the Shorin Ryu Karate method which is taught here in Eilat, I would like to wish you continued success in your work which is professional and develops respect for others.

The instruction in our city; quiet, well organized, and dedicated, is carried out by Mr. Robert Hodes and by the main proponent of Shorin Ryu, Mr. Rafi Kanti.

As a young and sport aware city, we would be delighted to continue to assist this sport and method.

Sincerely,

Rafi Hoehman Mayor OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

#### CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU

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FRANK F. FASI



#### **MAYOR'S MESSAGE**

September 20, 1992

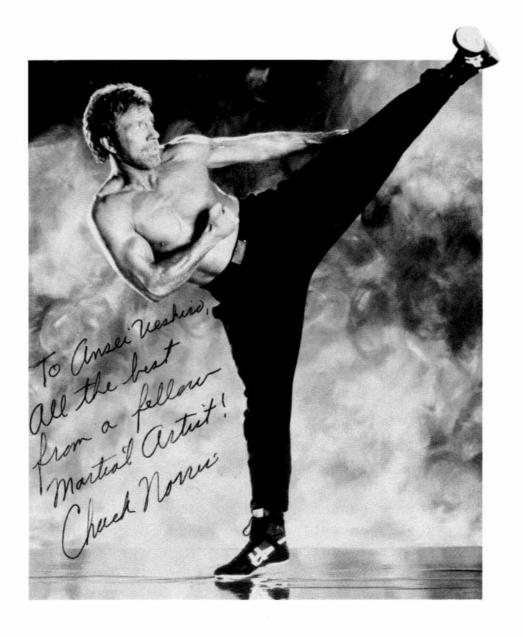
I am pleased to extend greetings of aloha on the occasion of the 30th anniversary dinner honoring the immigration to the United States of Grand Master Ansei Ueshiro, founder of Shorin Ryu Karate USA.

There are many fine martial arts schools in Hawaii. But it was the excellent reputation of Master Ueshiro which led to the decision of the Hawaii Pacific University in Honolulu to join the Matsubayashi Shorin-Ryu Karate USA system.

We welcome his Okinawan style of karate to our City, knowing that it will greatly enhance the sport and discipline of martial arts in our entire community. It also will add an important dimension to the multi-ethnic heritages which we in Hawaii enjoy and perpetuate.

On behalf of the people of the City and County of Honolulu, I offer congratulations to Master Ansei Ueshiro on his 30th year in the United States of America and look forward to his visiting our islands soon.

FRANK F. FASI, Mayor City and County of Honolulu



To: Sensei Ansei Ueshiro

From: Chuck Norris

Date: May 27, 1992



P.O. BOX 872 NAVASOTA, TEXAS 77868

Dear Sensei Ueshiro,

I would like to congratulate you on your thirty years as a teacher of the Martial Arts in the United States.

It is your dedication and leadership that has helped make the Martial Arts in America so popular.

My very best to you,

Chuck nonis

Chuck Norris

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JAROSLAV O. J. STURM

PRESIDENT

June 19th, 1992

To Sensei Ueshiro:

Congratulations on your 30th aniversary of introducing Okinawan karate to the U.S.A.

Most people know you as The Master of unsurpassed Martial Arts skills and infinite wisdom. I was fortunate enough to know you from the very beginning, to be close to get to know your great humanitarian side as well as your wonderfull sense of humor.

May you live long and prosper!



With deep gratitude,

Your humble student and friend

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(a: Master Amai Washira)
Congratulations for 30 years
Congratulations for

