



# The East Valley Kicker

“Perseverance, secret of all triumphs.” -Victor Hugo

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## MAY 2015

### Welcome

- ♦ Fiona Richert (Kids)
- ♦ Thilo Richert (Kids)

### SUMMER FUN

opportunities! See flyers, or here → for more details:

**Sat. May 9:** Bring a Mom to Karate (Tea & Demo) 9:10a

**Fri. May 29:** Sleepover 7pm

**Sat. May 30:** Pajama Day 9:10am

**Sat. June 6:** Eku Weapon Seminar 1pm

**Tue. June 9:** Japanese Language Day Camp 1:30p

**Sat. June 20:** Bring a Dad to Karate (disarms) 9:10am

**Sat. June 20:** After-Camp Weapons Tune-Up 11:10am

**Tue. July 14:** Ninja Training Day Camp 1:30-4:30p\*

**Tue. July 21:** Samurai Training Day Camp 1:30pm\*

**Tue. July 28:** Samurai vs. Ninja Day Camp 1:30-4:30p\*

\*Same price as Japanese Day Camp>

*The East Valley Kicker is provided courtesy of East Valley Martial Arts—Kenshin Kan*

Head Instructors:

Kirk Gauger,

Renshi, 5th Dan &

Jenifer Tull-Gauger,

Renshi, 5th Dan

### BRING A MOM

Sat. May 9th at 9:10am,

free. To celebrate Mother's Day, all students are encouraged to bring their mom or a woman they respect to karate. We will have green tea in the Japanese tea ceremony spirit, and share what we appreciate about moms. Students will demonstrate their kata(s) for our guests.

### DOJO SUMMER SLEEPOVER\*\*

To kick off the summer, we are holding a Dojo Sleepover from Friday May 29 at 7pm until Saturday May 30 at 9am. \$35 per kid, or \$30 per kid if pre-paid by Wed. May 27 (followed by Pajama Karate, see below). We will have yummy snacks, scary stories, dodgeball, a movie, and breakfast. Feel free to stay for:

### PAJAMA DAY

Sat. May 30, 9:10am, free— this is the one time you get to break dress code and wear (modest) pajamas to class! Little Dragons are invited to join us for the first

half-hour (until 9:40), Kids & Adults train until 10:00am. Then it's time to put on the uniforms for Certificates and Testing at 10:10am (if you are staying to participate).

### EKU SEMINAR

Sat. June 6th, 1 to 4pm, \$25 if you have an Eku (also called Kai Bo), or purchase one (\$51.99 & up) and attend the seminar for only \$10. Open to students at least 8 years old and at least green belt. This special workshop is lead by Griffin Tull-Gauger Sensei. He is our dojo's Eku expert. Seminar proceeds will go to his ASU tuition for next year. Eku must be purchased by Wed. May 20th.

### JAPANESE DAY CAMP\*\*

Tues. June 9th, 1:30 to 4:30pm, \$20, or \$25 if pre-paid by Sat. June 6th. Learn to say hello, and basic introductory conversation. Also, practice proper Japanese pronunciation, learn to sing "Happy Birthday" and more. Japanese snack provided.

### BRING A DAD

Sat. June 20th at 9:10am, free. To celebrate Father's Day, all students are encouraged to bring their dad or a man they respect to karate. We will learn about gun safety and weapons disarms.

### WEAPONS TUNE-UP SEMINAR\*\*

Sat. June 20th, 11:10am to 2:30pm, \$25 per weapons student, or \$20 if pre-paid by Wed. June 17th. Instructors will return from Summer Camp with weapons katas "all polished up." You chose the one you'd like to work on for the day in a small group (Nunte Bo, Jo, Tonfa, Sai, or Bo Kihon). Lunch will be provided. Space is limited!



\*\*The minimum # of participants required to hold the event will be marked on the sign-up sheet.

MAY WEAPON: *nunchaku*  
 (for June: sai, tonfa)  
 FOCUS: *Perseverance*



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**NEW Sai or Tonfa**  
**10% off**  
 In-stock or order by Sat. 5/20

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>Certificate Ceremony &amp; Test</b> takes place the last Saturday of the month, except holidays. 					1	2
3	4	5	6 Last day to order and pay for black New Zealand shirts as displayed in entry room (by pre-order only).	7	8	9 Bring a Mom to Karate at 9:10am for Tea and a Demo.
10 <i>Mother's Day</i>	11	12	13	14	15 MO Summer Camp Registration due. BBC 7:10-8pm (Black Belt kata & exercise game).	16
17	18	19	20 Last day to place Century orders for this month. Order/ Register for Eku Seminar on Sat. June 6 (\$10/25).	21	22 Dojo Closed, No Classes	23 Dojo Closed, No Classes
24 31	25 <i>Memorial Day</i>	26	27 Last day to pre-pay for Sleepover for only \$30.	28	29 Dojo Summer Sleepover starts 7:00pm \$35.	30 Sleepover ends 9a. Pajama Karate 9:10a. Certificates* & Testing* 10:10a.

\* = Wear full formal gi / uniform.