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## Mr. Nicklaus' Spotlight Article: **Important to Remember**

A few weeks ago I was out in my driveway trimming a crabapple tree. I was standing near the top of the 8 foot ladder and when I cut the branch that I was working on it crashed into my ladder at lightning speed knocking me off of my perch.

As I lay in the driveway saying bad words about how dumb I had been to do what I had just done another thought quickly came to mind.

It was a thought of thankfulness.

I wasn't thankful for falling off of the ladder but I was thankful that in the end I had only broken a bone in my forearm. Things could have been much worse as I had landed on one of my surgically repaired artificial hips and bounced my head rather hard off of the driveway.

It really is true. Life can change in a minute and every day is a gift.

I tell my tree trimming story not to ask for sympathy of any kind. I did a really dumb thing and if anything I deserve a quick kick in the pants. I just wanted to tell you about my adventure to help us all remember how lucky we are.

Sometimes I think it's easy to forget

We have families who love us. We have friends that we are able to enjoy and spend time with. We have pets that make it fun to come home. We have our health. There are so many gifts that we have that should make us think how lucky we are.

Often times the simplest and best thing we can do is to spend some time in a quiet place and just say thank you.

An attitude of gratitude makes all the difference.

And remember to stay off of the highest step on your ladder.

*Fred Nicklaus*

**Fred Nicklaus**  
**Owner & Master Instructor**

## **SUMMER REFERRAL CONTEST** **Bring-A-Friend to Class** **ENDS Aug 14**

There are only 2 more weeks left for our students to bring friends to the school for their first lesson and be eligible for our Referral Contest.



The winners of our contest will be announced on the evening of our Summer Picnic on Wednesday August 15.

Remember the top prize will be a \$700 gift package to the Great Wolf Lodge in the Wisconsin Dells.

All you have to do is bring a friend to try one class at the Karate school to become eligible to win this great prize and others.

If you have taken the time to invite a friend to our classes then do your best to show up for the picnic. It's always more fun to have those people who win the Referral contest prizes be there when we announce the winners.

## **Summer Picnic** **Myric Park Main Shelter – 5-7 pm** **Potluck & Water Battle**

It's time for good eats and serious water fights.

It's the time of the year when students get a chance to get back at their instructors for all of the pain and hard work that they are put through.

In past years we have seen some of the most incredible contraptions that pass off at water guns. One of the best water fight articles seems to be a simple bucket. Carries lots of water and can soak down a great multitude of folks with one swing of the arm.

**The picnic this year will be on Wednesday August 15<sup>th</sup> at the main Myrick Park shelter starting at 5 pm.**

Every year the food at the picnic is phenomenal.

We are always in need of main dishes so please consider bringing your favorite dish.

We look forward to seeing you at the picnic. Don't worry if you come a bit late. There will be lots of food and lots of fun.

**See you there!**



**Happy  
Birthday!**





- 1 Lucas Wuensch
- 3 Josh Kellicut
- 4 Andrew Spencer
- 7 Lyndon  
Torkelson,  
Stephen Matty,  
Easton Eckes
- 15 Braeden Felber
- 17 Stella Young
- 18 Kaleb  
Weissenberger
- 22 James Irvin
- 23 Julia Sill,
- 27 David Turner,  
Evie Lowell
- 28 Elisha Smith,  
Sam Rosenstein
- 31 Emma  
McAndrews

**Welcome to  
MAA**

- Davis Harrison
- Beatrice Nerud-  
Sersch
- Cullen Payne
- Aiden Peck
- Brooklin Peck
- Sky Thao

**Welcome to the  
Leadership  
Program**

- Elliot Peterson
- Josh Kellicut

<b>ROCK SOLID CALENDAR – AUGUST 2018</b>						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Weds	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>Dragon Theme: Self-Control (Black)</b>	<b>Extra Help 4 pm</b>		<b>1 Extra Help 4 pm</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10 Beginner Test 7 pm @Blessed Sac. School No 615 pm Class</b>	<b>11</b> 
<b>12 Dragon Theme: Respect (Gold)</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15 Annual Summer Picnic 5-7 pm @Myric Park No Regular Classes</b>	<b>16</b> 	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>
<b>19 Dragon Theme: Focus (Orange)</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b> 	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b> 	<b>25</b>
<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Happy Labor Day Weekend!</b> <b>No Regular Classes</b> <b>Aug 27 – Sept 3</b> <b>Busy Summer! We're taking some to recharge before the school year!</b>						
<b>Leadership Weapon of the Month: Escrima Sticks</b> <i>Next Month: Bo Staff</i>						