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Mr. Nicklaus' Spotlight Article: ***Believe & Don't Quit***

My father came from Germany in 1950. He was a butcher by trade. He was not an educated man by academic standards but he was a person of much common sense and worldly intelligence.

I remember as a sophomore in high school and being on the high school football team. I had trained very hard the previous summer lifting weights to get ready for the football season but I made the mistake of not doing anything for my cardio vascular fitness.

During one of our 2 a day summer practices that season the coach ran us for so long and so hard that I decided that I wasn't going to continue to do this.

I decided to go home after the first practice with the intention of never coming back.

When I got home my dad came home early from work that day.

He was surprised to see me home because he knew that I was supposed to be at football practice.

He asked me why I was home.

I was hesitant but eventually told him that I was quitting football

He said, "pull up that chair and sit down".

I need to tell you that as a freshman I had quit the freshman team. I had never played organized football before and the freshman coach had handed us the plays on paper. It looked like a foreign language to me and I knew that I would fail so I decided to not put myself through the misery.

My dad stared at me with that steely stare that he was a professional at using. I was very uncomfortable.

This is what he said.

"You will go back to practice tomorrow and continue to play football. You will never quit anything again. If I let you quit now you will forever quit anytime something becomes too difficult."

Dad was right.



I went on to have an outstanding year and memorable and rewarding high school career.

I tell you this because as a father, business owner, and coach I now realize what a special gift my dad gave to me that day. It has changed my life for the better in so many ways. I wish the same for all of our students.

I wish that you don't quit when things get tough and that you learn how to believe in yourself and become tougher and more able to handle challenges because you stuck it out.

I wish that moms and dads don't let their kids quit and make them see their commitments through to the end.

My dad's knowledge and persistence changed my life that day and every day after that.

My father passed from this life in 1998.

At his funeral my mom had chosen a poem that I would like to share with you.

It's simply called ***Don't Quit***.

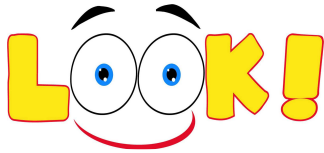
***When things go wrong as they sometimes will,
When the road you're trudging seems all up hill,
When the funds are low and the debts are high
And you want to smile, but you have to sigh,
When care is pressing you down a bit,
Rest, if you must, but don't you quit
Life is queer with its twists and turns
As everyone of us sometimes learns
And many a failure turns about
When he might have won had he stuck it out
Don't give up though, the pace seems slow
You may succeed with another blow
Success is failure turned inside out
The silver tint of the clouds of doubt
And you never can tell how close you are
It may be near when it seems so far
So stick to the fight when you're hardest hit
It's when things seem worst that
You must not quit***

Thanks Dad. I'll be forever grateful for your example and your words of wisdom.

Fred Nicklaus

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Owner & Master Instructor



Christmas Season Specials

Every Christmas season we make it a point to offer special savings for our students and families.

This year we are offering the following specials.

The 50% Tuition Sale **Get 2 Months of Lessons** **For The Price Of 1**

This is a chance for you to add time to your existing martial arts program.

You can add 2 months to the end of your program but only pay for one month.



We do this every December because we want to thank you for your commitment and give you a chance to SAVE some monies.

It's our 2 for 1 Sale and it gives you a chance to purchase 2 months of martial arts lessons for the price of one.

50% DISCOUNT

It's a very cost effective way to add time onto your program at 1/2 the cost of your regular lessons.

Thanks again for being part of our martial arts family. We are thrilled to have you in our program and very excited about the chance to be able to bring you the many benefits of our martial arts training program.

Stop in the office during December to add on 2 more months of training to your program. This offer will expire on December 28th so don't wait.

Gear & Catalog Sale

Martial arts gear, uniform, weapons, and other goodies

This a the time of the year for all of our families to SAVE

- If you've outgrown your gear or it's falling apart, this is a great time to get some new equipment
- If you're new to our program but you have not yet purchased your safety equipment, this is the time to do it
- If you like cool martial arts stuff be sure to take a look at the century catalogs in the school and make your order

Sale ends December 8th

These are the biggest savings of the year. Be sure to take advantage

Important:

Special Sparring Introductory Classes

We will be hosting 2 special classes for those who are very new to sparring and for those who have just purchased their entire set of sparring gear over the Christmas Season. **Watch for those classes in January** (Mr. Nicklaus will be teaching these classes)

New Student Special

\$39 Special

Sale ends December 20th

This special is for new students only.

You receive 2 months of lessons and a martial arts uniform all for only \$39.

This is a great way for a friend or family member to experience the benefits of our program and see how things work for them before they decide whether or not they want to continue.

Sale ends December 20th

There you have it. 3 ways for you to SAVE and enjoy the benefits of our program at Nicklaus' Martial Arts America.

Stop in the office to take advantage of any or all of these specials.

Dates that we will be closed during the Christmas Season

December 21-25

December 29-January 1

From all of us at Nicklaus' Martial Arts America we want to thank you for an outstanding year. We appreciate the opportunity to work with all of our students and the chance to get to know all of our families We wish for you a wonderful and blessed Christmas Season!



Happy

Birthday!




- 6 Andrew Bucher
- 11 Siena Folkers
- 13 Vitor Gerbig
- 24 Jack Olson
- 28 Rylee Karrigan
- 30 Jeff Bingham
- 31 Ryan Titcomb

Welcome to MAA

- Mark Anibas
- Liam Hammell
- Adarsh Jeejula
- Ashish Jeejula
- T. William Spah
- Cameron Fellgy-McDonald
- Nick Felleg
- Brooklyn Schild
- Ryan Wilder

Welcome to the Leadership Program

William Elliott

ROCK SOLID CALENDAR – DECEMBER 2018						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Weds	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
2	3	4	5	6	7 Beginner Test 7 pm @Blessed Sac. School No 615 pm Class	8
Holiday Shopping Thru Dec 8						
2 for 1 50% Tuition Sale Thru Dec 28						
9 Dragon Theme: Respect (Gold)	10	11	12 	13	14	15 
16 Dragon Theme: Focus (Orange)	17 	18	19 	20	21	22 Happy Holidays!!! No Regular Classes Dec 22-Dec 25 See you Weds! 
23 Dragon Theme: Team Work (Green)	24 No Regular Classes	25 Merry X-Mas! No Regular Classes Today	26 Regular Classes	27 Regular Classes	28 Regular Classes Holiday 50% Off Lessons Ends Today!!!	29 No Regular Classes
30 Dragon Theme: Fitness (Purple)	31	1	2 Regular Classes	3	4	5
		Happy New Year!!  No Regular Classes Dec 29 – Jan 1 See you Weds!				
Leadership Weapon of the Month: BO STAFF						
<i>Next Month: Nun-chuks</i>						