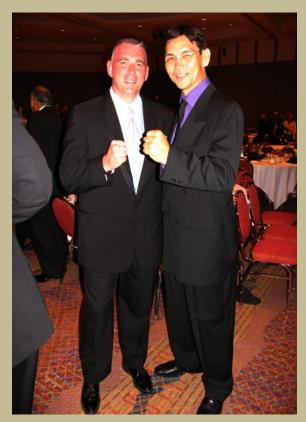
Taekwon-Do Master is Inducted into the 2009 Masters Hall of Fame



Mr. Munyon with Don the Dragon Wilson Both receiving Masters Hall of Fame Recognition

On Saturday 8 August 2009, Mr. Stace Sanchez and Taekwon-Do Master Michael Munyon teamed up for a photo shoot at the Korean Friendship Bell memorial located in San Pedro, California. Mr. Stace Sanchez is the owner of the world wide recognized Kickpics and travels all around the USA and the UK taking pictures of martial artists in all systems and styles. People at this location were amazed at the kicking, striking and HapKiDo techniques being demonstrated in front of the Korean Friendship bell. Family members sat on park benches and laid in the grass watching Mr. Munyon execute traditional martial art techniques for three hours straight. One of the high lights was the Korean people and children who were there coming up to Mr. Munyon to shake his hand with smiling faces.

Later that evening at the Hyatt Regency/Long Beach Convention Center, Master Michael Munyon was inducted into the Masters Hall of Fame for his many years dedicated to the martial arts. Hanshi Daniel R. Hect, CEO, Soke David A. Dye, President, Sifu Lyn Walker, Senior Vice President and Grand Master Robert Parham presented Master Munyon with the "Pioneer Award" in front of over 300 martial artists ranging from color belts to Grand Masters. Guest

speakers included Don "The Dragon" Wilson and Orange County Sheriff Stanley Sniff. Other inductees at this event included:

The late David Carradine (martial artist and Movie Star)

The late Hilio Gracie (Founder of Gracie Jui-Jitsu)

Jeff Speakman (American Kenpo Master and Movie Star)

Taimak Guarriello (Star of the hit movie "The Last Dragon")

Ed Parker Jr. (Son of Ed Parker Sr., Founder of American Kenpo)

Stace Sanchez (Owner of the world famous Kickpic website)

Also in attendance was Sifu Eric Lee (Kung Fu legend, actor and fight choreographer)

Benny "The Jet" Urquidez (Kickboxing Champ and Movie Star)



Pictured above is Stace Sanchez, Grand Master Robert Parham and Mr. Michael Munyon

During the banquet and award ceremony the Masters Hall of Fame awarded two young martial artists college tuition money to help cover their college expenses. To receive this money these young men and women had to write a paper on the martial arts and the top two winners received money for their education; another example of martial arts giving back to the community.

For more information about the Masters Hall of Fame go to www.mastershalloffame.com.

About the Author:

Master Michael Munyon has been training in the martial arts since 1979. Currently, Master Munyon is a member of the United States Korean Martial Arts Federation (USKMAF) under HapKiDo Grand Master JR West. Additionally, Master Munyon is in the United States Air Force and is a member of the Security Forces at Offutt AFB, Nebraska, USA.