2015 Morris Cup is Just Around the Corner!

All are invited to check out Judo on **Sunday & Monday, October 11 & 12, 2015** as the Jason Morris Judo Center will host the 14th annual Morris Cup Judo Championships. The tournament will be held at Burnt Hills-Ballston lake High School in Burnt Hills, NY and will feature over 500 of the best competitors in the Northeast and Canada. The Judo action will start at 9:30am each day and continue nonstop until approx. 4pm. The event will feature many local stars including Burnt Hills students & graduates, Quentin Cook, Chris Alaynick, Nick Kossor, Hannah Martin, Paul Martin, Eric Skylar & 2012 Olympian, Kyle Vashkulat.
Judo has been an Olympic sport since 1964. It is the most-widey practiced martial art in the world. In its competitive form judo involves throws, pins, chokes and arm locks but no kicking or punching. Many of the skills developed in wrestling are incorporated by judo players. People who practice judo develop high levels of physical fitness, discipline and an unshakeable respect for their opponents.

Interest in Judo in the capital district peaked at 1200 registered players in the mid-1970s and in the past generation interest has been renewed and revived due to the success and attention brought to the sport by Jason Morris, a 4x Olympic competitor, 1992 Silver medalist and the USA’s 2008 Judo coach in Beijing. Jason is committed today to growing our next generation of Judo champions through his own club and the state, national and international agencies with which he has become familiar.

GOOD LUCK!
* * * USA Judo “E” Level Tournament * * *

Date: * Sunday & Monday *, October 11 & 12, 2015

Location: Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake High School
88 Lake Hill Rd., Burnt Hills, NY 12027

Eligibility: Open to current USJI, USJF or USJA members.

Age: 5 years of age or older

Rules:
IJF Modified Contest Rules & “Golden Score”
(Overtime)
No Chokes under 13 yrs • No Arm locks in 14 and under divisions & Novice
Blue & White gis required for Elite divisions. Must be USA Judo member to be eligible
for points in Senior Elite divisions.

Scoring System: True Double Elimination

Match Time: Juniors, Novice & Masters – 3 minutes • Seniors Men – 5 mins, Women – 4 mins.

Entry Fee:
$65 per person (Postmarked on or before Oct 3) $25 for second division
Late fee: $75 and $35 for second division  No Spectator Fee

Registration & Weigh-ins:
Saturday: 6 – 9pm at Jason Morris Judo Center 584 Saratoga Rd. Glenville, NY
Sunday: 8:00am – 9:00am Seniors, Masters & U18 Cadet
Sunday: 6 – 9pm at Jason Morris Judo Center 584 Saratoga Rd. Glenville, NY
Mon. 8:00am – 9:00am Juniors – 12yrs and under at tournament site
Mon. 9:00am – 10:30am Juniors 13 – 14 & U21 (can check-in & weigh-in earlier)
Athletes fighting more than one division only needs to weigh-in once!

Competition Begins:
Sunday 10:00am – Masters & Sr. Elite • 1:00pm – Cadet (approx.)
Monday 10:00am – Juniors • 1:00pm – U21 IJF Jrs. (approx.)

Tournament Directors: Jason Morris and Teri Takemori
judoteri@gmail.com or jasonmorris210@yahoo.com
(518)399-3936  Cell (518)330-7270

Make Checks Payable And Send Entries to: Jason Morris Judo Center
575 Swaggertown Rd.
Scotia, NY 12302
Food:
There will be a hospitality room for coaches, referees and staff. Also there will be food available for purchase on site.

* * * * Breakfast (breakfast sandwiches & pancakes) will be available starting at 8:30am. * * * *

Awards: S300 Prize money for winners of the men and women elite divisions (Olympic weight classes only). A division must have at least 5 competitors to qualify for prize money. Competitors who desire to win money and who do not have enough competitors in their division may move up to the next weight class.

$500 Total Prize money for the Junior Team 1st & 2nd Place Champions!

Divisions:

| Boys & Girls 5 – 6 years old | Light, Medium, Heavy | All Ranks |
| Boys 7 – 8 years old | 20, 23, 27, 32, 37 | All Ranks |
| Boys 9 – 10 years old | 27, 32, 37, 42, 47 | All Ranks |
| Boys 11 – 12 years old | 32, 37, 42, 47, 52, 58 | All Ranks |
| Boys 13 – 14 years old | 42, 47, 52, 58, 65 | All Ranks |
| Boys U18 (Cadet) | 55, 60, 66, 73, 81, 90, +90 | All Ranks |
| Boys U21 (IJF Jr) | 60, 66, 73, 81, 90, 100, +100 | All Ranks |
| Girls 7 – 8 years old | 20, 23, 27, 32, +32 | All Ranks |
| Girls 9 – 10 years old | 27, 32, 37, 42, +42 | All Ranks |
| Girls 11 – 12 years old | 32, 37, 42, 47, 52, +52 | All Ranks |
| Girls 13 – 14 years old | 42, 47, 52, 58, 65, +65 | All Ranks |
| Girls U18 (Cadet) | 44, 48, 52, 57, 63, 70, +70 | All Ranks |
| Girls U21 (IJF Jr) | 48, 52, 57, 63, 70, 78, +78 | All Ranks |
| Senior Men – Novice | 60, 66, 73, 81, 90, 100, +100 | White – Green |
| Senior Men – Brown | 60, 66, 73, 81, 90, 100, +100 | Brown |
| Senior Men Elite | 55, 60, 66, 73, 81, 90, 100, +100 | All Ranks |
| Senior Female – Novice | Light, Medium, Heavy | White – Green |
| Senior Female Elite | 44, 48, 52, 57, 63, 70, 78, +78 | All Ranks |
| Women’s Masters | 30 yrs: Light & Heavy | All Ranks |
| Men’s Masters | 30 – 39 yrs: 70, 81, 94, +94 | All Ranks |
| | 40 – 49 yrs: 70, 81, 94, +94 | All Ranks |
| | 50 + yrs: 70, 81, 94, +94 | All Ranks |

The tournament directors reserve the right to make any changes they deem necessary to ensure the safety and fairness to all competitors.

Tournament Hotel:
Days Inn • 167 Nott Terrace • Schenectady • NY 12308 • 518-370-3297 • Morris Cup Judo rate only $79.95 continental breakfast included
Days Inn Airport • 20 Airport Park Blvd. • Latham • NY 12110 • 518- 783-1900 • Morris Cup Judo rate $59 continental breakfast included

Directions to Tournament:
Directions from West: Take New York Thruway (90) East. Take exit 26, and get onto 890 East toward Schenectady. You will see GE plant on the right, take exit 4B, stay to the left and take Scotia, Route 5 (which goes under 890). Off the exit, you make a left at the light onto Route 5 (The Schenectady County Community College will be on the left). At second light, make a right onto Route 50. Stay on Route 50 for about 7 miles and make a right on Lakehill Rd. Go about half a mile (past one light) and make a left into school parking lot. Turn right before the school to get to back parking lot.

Directions from the East:
Take the New York Thruway (87 & 90) West. Take exit 25, and get onto 890. Take exit 4C, Washington Ave, Scotia. Off the exit, you make a left at the light onto Route 5 (The Schenectady County Community College will be on the left). At second light, make a right onto Route 50. Stay on Route 50 for about 7 miles and make a right on Lakehill Rd. Go about half a mile (past one light) and make a left into school parking lot. Turn right before the school building to get to back parking lot.

Directions from the North:
Take 87 South to exit 12 – Malta –Ballston Spa (Route 67). Make a right at light. Go about 1.4 miles and make a left at second light (Stewarts on corner). Go .6 of a mile and make right onto Lake Road. Go 1 mile and make right onto Outlet Rd. Go 1 mile and make left at light onto Route 50. Go 3.3 miles and make left onto Kingsley Rd. Take first left into school parking lot. Go past school building and make a left into back parking lot.

Directions to Jason Morris Judo Center:
Directions from West: Take New York Thruway (90) East. Take exit 26 (890 West). After the tollbooth, go straight and cloverleaf onto 890 West. Stay straight at light to go onto Vley Rd. Go about 1.5 miles, go under overpass and take immediate right. Take a quick right
onto Route 147 North. Go past flashing light and take first right onto Spring Rd. Turn right at the end onto Swaggertown Rd. Make sharp left at second street, Droms Rd. Droms Rd becomes Droms Rd. Ext. at stop sign. At dead end turn left onto Woodside Dr. Turn right at, Heckler Dr. Turn left onto Saratoga Rd. Jason Morris Judo Center will be on the right hand side at 584 Saratoga Rd.

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Morris Cup Entry Form
Open Judo Tournament
Sunday & Monday, October 11 & 12, 2015

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Certificate Regarding Non-Black belt Contestants Competing in Brown/Black, Sr. Female and Masters

I, ____________________________, a judo instructor, who has been awarded the Judo rank of

Name of Instructor
Shodan or higher, recognized by under the auspices of the USJI, USJF, USJA or Judo Canada, hereby certify that ______________________, although not having been awarded the Judo rank of Shodan or higher, is of sufficient aptitude and skill in Judo to compete in these Championships.

A copy of my proof of rank (rank certificate or my USA JUDO membership card having the verification symbol “(V)” printed following my rank) is attached.

_______________________________
Judo Instructor (print)

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Signature of Judo Instructor

If assistance/accommodation is needed (check off appropriate box): □ Vision Loss/Blindness □ Hearing Loss/Deafness

Type of assistance/accommodation requested or name of person Assisting: ____________________________

Registration Packet to include:
• Entry form • Certificate for Non-Black belt contestants • Signed Waiver • Copy of USJI/USJF/USJA membership card

Checks payable to: Jason Morris Judo Center • 575 Swaggertown Rd. • Scotia • NY • 12302

WARNING!
WAIVER AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND AGREEMENT TO PARTICIPATE
(Including Limited Co-Ed Competition for Age 10 and Under for USJF Sanction)

In consideration of being permitted to participate in any way, including travel to and from, in any Judo tournament, practice, clinic, and related events and activities (“Activity”) of the United States Judo Federation, Inc., USA Judo/United States Judo, Inc., United States Judo Association, Inc., Shufu Judo Yudanshakai, New York State Judo, Inc., Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake High School, Jason Morris Judo Center, any Medical & Emergency Services Company and individuals, I agree:

1. I understand the nature of Judo activities and believe I am qualified to participate in such Activity. I also understand the rules governing the sport of Judo.
2. I further acknowledge that prior to participating, I will inspect the mats, equipment, facilities, competition pools or divisions, and the elimination or scoring system to be used, and if I believe anything is unsafe or beyond my capability, I will immediately advise my coach, supervisor, and/or a tournament official of such conditions and refuse to participate.
3. I acknowledge and fully understand that I will be engaging in a contact sport that might result in serious injury, illness or disease, including permanent disability or death, and severe social and economic losses due not only to my own actions, inactions or negligence, but also to the actions, inactions, or negligence of others, the rules of the sport of Judo, or conditions of the premises or of any equipment used. Further, I acknowledge that there may be other risks not known to me or not reasonably foreseeable at this time.
4. Knowing the risks involved in the sport of Judo, I assume all such risks and accept personal responsibility for the damages following such injury, illness, disease, permanent disability, or death.
5. I hereby release, waive, discharge and covenant not to sue the United States Judo Federation, Inc., USA Judo/United States Judo, Inc., United States Judo Association, Inc., Shufu Judo Yudanshakai, New York State Judo, Inc., Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake High School, Jason Morris Judo Center, any Medical & Emergency Services Company and individuals, together with their affiliated clubs, their respective administrators, directors, officers, agents, coaches, and other employees or volunteers of the organization, event officials, medical personnel, other participants, their parents, legal guardians, supervisors and coaches, sponsoring agencies, sponsors, advertisers, and if applicable, owners, lessees, and lessees of premises used in conducting the event, all of whom are hereinafter referred to as "Releasees", from any and all litigation expenses, attorney fees, loss, liability, damage or costs on account of injury, illness, disease, including permanent disability and death or damage to property, caused or alleged to be caused in whole or in part by the negligent acts or omissions of the Releasees or otherwise to the fullest extent permitted by law.

I HAVE READ THE ABOVE WARNING, WAIVER, AND RELEASE, UNDERSTAND THAT I HAVE GIVEN UP SUBSTANTIAL RIGHTS BY SIGNING IT, AND KNOWING THIS, SIGN IT VOLUNTARILY AND WITHOUT ANY INDUCEMENT OR ASSURANCE OF ANY NATURE. CONSISTENT WITH THE BY-LAWS OF USJF, THIS TOURNAMENT MAY INCLUDE CO-ED COMPETITION FOR AGES 10 AND UNDER IN COMPARABLE AGE/WEIGHT DIVISIONS WHERE THERE IS AN INSUFFICIENT NUMBER OF GIRLS FOR NON-CO-ED AGE/WEIGHT DIVISIONS. I HAVE READ AND UNDERSTAND THE TOURNAMENT ANNOUNCEMENT CONCERNING THESE SPECIAL DIVISIONS. I AGREE TO PARTICIPATE KNOWING THE RISKS AND
CONDITIONS INVOLVED AND DO SO ENTIRELY OF MY OWN FREE WILL. I AFFIRM THAT I AM AT LEAST 18 YEARS OF AGE, OR, IF I AM UNDER 18 YEARS OF AGE, I HAVE OBTAINED THE REQUIRED CONSENT OF MY PARENT/LEGAL GUARDIAN AS EVIDENCED BY THEIR SIGNATURE BELOW. I INTEND THIS TO BE A COMPLETE AND UNCONDITIONAL RELEASE OF ALL LIABILITY TO THE GREATEST EXTENT ALLOWED BY LAW AND AGREE THAT IF ANY PORTION OF THIS AGREEMENT IS HELD TO BE INVALID THAT THE BALANCE, NOTWITHSTANDING SHALL CONTINUE IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT.

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Participant Participant’s Signature Date

FOR PARENTS/LEGAL GUARDIANS OF PARTICIPANTS OF MINORITY AGE
(UNDER AGE 18 AT TIME OF REGISTRATION)

This is to certify that I, as parent/legal guardian with legal responsibility for this participant, do consent and agree to his/her release, as provided above, of all the Releasees, and, for myself, my heirs, assigns, and next of kin, I release and agree to indemnify and hold harmless the Releasees from any and all liabilities incident to my minor child’s involvement or participation including litigation expenses, attorney fees, loss, liability, damage or costs which may incur as the result of the minor child’s participation in these programs as provided above, even if arising from their negligence, to the fullest extent permitted by law. I have instructed the minor participant as to the above warnings and conditions and their ramifications.

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Parent/Legal Guardian Parent/Legal Guardian’s Signature

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Latest News:

Stanley takes World Bronze

Amsterdam, Netherlands - Pete Stanley (31) from the Jason Morris Judo Center (JMJC) in Glenville, NY won a bronze medal at the Veteran World Judo Championships at the Zuid Sports Hall in Amsterdam, September 22, 2015. Stanley, who resides in Clifton Park, NY, went 3-1 in the 30-34 year old +100kg division with dominant wins over Xavier Fievet (France) and Jeff Allen (Canada) in his first two rounds then lost his only match in a tight exiting battle to Sebastien Chambard (France) in the semifinal. Stanley then went on to defeat Kieber Soares (Brazil) in the bronze medal bout to become the first athlete from the JMJC to reach the podium at the Veteran Worlds. “This was a fantastic performance and result” Stanley’s coach, Jason Morris said. “We are very proud of Pete and work he continues to put in” Morris continued. Stanley will next be in action at the JMJC’s 14th annual Morris Cup, October 11-12, 2015 at the Burnt Hills High school.

Pete with 3x Olympic Medalist Mark Huizinga (NED)
Bolen, Martin Take 7th

Edmonton, AB (April 24, 2015) - Jason Morris Judo Center (JMJC) and New York Athletic Club (NYAC) athletes, Brad Bolen (26) and Hannah Martin (26) both took 7th place in their respective divisions at the 2015 Pan Am Championships over the weekend. Martin was stung by another tough draw losing a close first round battle to eventual 63kg champ, Maylin Del Toro Carvajal (Cuba). Bolen picked up a win in the first round using his signature choke, The "Bolen Arrow" against Juan Tello (Columbia) then dropped his next two matches to eventual silver medalist, Mateo Wander (DOM) then Carlos Tondique (Cuba). Next up for Martin will be the Croatian Grand Prix and Bolen will be travel to Irving, TX to defend his 66kg US National title. Joining Bolen at the Nationals from the JMJC will be Chris Alaynick, Amanda Barone, Maria Dhami, Chad Dukes, Dave Harris, Ashley Heljik, Nick Irabli and Pete Stanley. "We were hoping for better results here, but gathered some important information as to how to improve" Coach and 4x Olympian, Jason Morris said as he made the trip to Edmonton as well.

Bolen takes 5th

San Salvador, El Salvador - Brad Bolen (26) from the Jason Morris Judo Center in Glenville, NY placed 5th at the El Salvador World Cup over the weekend at 66kg. Bolen, who also represents the New York Athletic Club performed well picking up another 20 points on the world ranking list to gain ground in the Olympic qualifying.

Bolen lost in the semis to longtime rival, Nathon Burns (GBR) and then in the bronze medal bout to another Brit, Aaron Turner.
Bolen Wins 3rd National Judo Title

Irving, TX - Brad Bolen (26) from the Jason Morris Judo Center in Glenville, NY, also representing the New York Athletic Club won the 73kg title at the US Sr. Nationals, May 2, 2015 at the Irving Convention Center. Bolen, who is the #1 ranked athlete in 66kg moved up one weight class to gain more competition impressively went 4-0 on the day winning with a variety of ground techniques including beating #1 seed, Harmik Aghaknani by arm bar in the semis. Bolen entered 73kg unseeded. This is Bolen's second straight National crown and third overall, winning two at 66kg and this one at 73kg. The Jason Morris Judo Center has now won 95 US Sr. Nationals medals including 30 Gold in its 14 year history. Bolen's former JMJC teammate and Burnt Hills High graduate, Jack Hatton (19), who now trains at San Jose State climbed onto podium for the second time picking up a bronze at 81kg as he did in 2013. Pete Stanley (30) had a career day placing 5th at +100kg just missing out on the bronze losing to #1 seed, Akbar Iminov. Newly crowned Jr. World team member, Chris Alaynick performed well in his first Nationals, placing seventh at 81kg to close out day one for the JMJC. Dave Harris (29) and Ashley Hejlik (28) Highlighted day two for the Jason Morris Judo Center as both made it all the way to the finals in their respective divisions to win silver medals on day two of the US Sr. Nationals, May 3, 2015 at the Irving Convention Center. Harris posted a 3-1 record at 66kg on the day making the final to earn his first National medal. Hejlik also was 3-1 to earn her second straight 48kg medal and first trip to the finals. Pete Stanley (30) took his first medal at the Nationals by winning a gold in the Masters (30-34yrs.) +100kg division. Chad Dukes (42) reached the podium in his first try taking a Bronze in the +100kg Brown Belt category and Maria Dhami (19) placed 5th at 52kg to close out day two for the JMJC. The JMJC has now won a remarkable 98 medals at the Nationals (not including Masters) in its 14 year history.

Photo L to R: Chad Dukes, 3x National Champ, Brad Bolen & Pete Stanley
Martin Invited to World Judo Masters

Burnt Hills High School graduate, Hannah Martin (NYAC) made the cut and was invited to compete in the prestigious, fifth annual World Judo Masters event May 23-24 in Rabat, Morocco. Martin who trains at the Glenville, NY based Jason Morris Judo Center (JMJC) was the first woman from the JMJC to reach the World Masters two years ago in Russia. The International Judo Federation (IJF) invites only the top 16 athletes in the world in each weight class. Burnt Hills graduate, Nick Delpopol (26) was the first JMJC male athlete to make this event as he competed in 2012. There will be 220 participants from 45 countries in this "best of the best" type of event with the competition being held at the Palace of Sport in Rabat. Total prize money for the World Judo Masters is $200,000 with $6000 going to the gold medalist, $4000 for silver and $2000 for bronze. Martin who competes in 63kg has moved up over 90 spots on the IJF World Ranking List (WRL) in last three years and currently sits at #22 with 601 points. She made the cut due to some of the athletes above her were injured or pulled out. "This has been one of my goals since I moved up to 63kg a couple of years ago" Martin said. "The World Masters has been a fantastic addition to the IJF world tour" said Martin’s coach and 4x Olympian, Jason Morris. "We are very proud of Hannah making it to this event for a second time as it’s a terrific step forward in her career," Morris continued. They seed the top 8, so Martin will not be seeded and face one of the top girls in her opening round. Martin lost in the first round to Edwige Gwend (Italy) in her maiden appearance at the world masters. This event was not held last year due to scheduling conflicts but the IJF intends to try and keep this as an annual affair.
Judo in Glenville

Glenville, NY - The World renowned Jason Morris Judo Center (JMJC) hosted another successful JMJC Open, Saturday, June 13, 2015, their 18th, where over 75 athletes from all over the Northeast came to participate. These events are geared toward development so kids can get many matches in a scrimmage type atmosphere in a relaxed no pressure setting. This edition featured rising JMJC stars including Schuylerville High school Freshman, Aidan Cocozzo (15), Burnt Hills High Sophomore, Quentin Cook (16), Burnt Hills Sophomore, Mitch Paltiel (15), Schuylerville’s, Steve Poulin (12) & Shenendehowa 8th grader, Kiernan Shanahan (14). The event included competition from 5 years old up into those in their 40’s. The JMJC Open are the brainchild of JMJC owners, Teri Takemori and 4x Olympian, Jason Morris. Next up for the JMJC is the hosting of the 3rd annual Liberty Games (Judo), Sunday, July 19, 2015 at Mekeel Christian Academy in Scotia, NY. The event was dedicated to Judo Legend, Jimmy Takemori (Teri’s Father) would passed away May 15, 2015.

Randi Morris (blue) attacks her opponent.

JMJC’s Aidan Cocozzo (blue) in action throwing his opponent.

Photo by: Lou DiGesare/realljudo.net
Shanahan, Skylar Win Double Gold

Indianapolis, IN - Eric Skylar (18) and Kiernan Shanahan (14) from the Jason Morris Judo Center both won 2 golds their respective weight classes to claim US Judo Association/US Judo Federation National titles at the Indiana Convention Center, July 11 & 12, 2015. Burnt Hills High School graduate, Skylar, swept through the 90kg under21 category and the 90kg senior division winning all his matches by Ippon (full point) to take gold in both. Shenendehowa 9th grader, Shanahan posted a 7-1 record on the day to take gold in the 60kg under18 category and then recovered from an early loss to win gold in the 60kg under21 category. Max Alaynick (15) went 3-0 to capture the 90kg under18 division winning all of his matches by Ippon (full point) and also picked up a silver medal in the 90kg under21 weight class losing only to JMJC teammate, Skylar. Chris Alaynick (19) was also a double medalist winning a gold in the 81kg under21 division then picked up a silver in the senior 81kg weight class. Pete Stanely (31) had a solid day going 4-0 to claim the +100kg title and Solomon Choran picked up a silver medal in the 73kg under18 division to close out the JMJC medal count.
NYAC/JMJC athletes, Brad Bolen (26) and Hannah Martin (27) were selected to compete in the Pan American Games that were held in Toronto, Canada from July 10th- July 26th. The Pan American Games takes place every four years and serves as a “mini Olympics.” The Games host around 6,000 athletes, representing 41 Nations in the Americas! Martin made it through to the semi-finals, defeating Mara Arteaga from Venezuela and then lost her semi-finals match to eventual Pan American Games Champion, Estefania Garcia from Ecuador and then lost her bronze medal match by two penalties to 2015 Pan American Champion, Maylin Del Torro Carvaholo from Cuba.

Brad Bolen fell to eventual bronze medalist, Fernando Gonzalez from Argentina in his opening round.
Liberty Games 2015

Congratulations to all the athletes that participated at the Liberty Games hosted at the JMJC on July 19th

Photo Credit: Lou DiGesare/RealJudo.net

JMJC's Amanda Barone throws with harai

JMJC's Kell Berliner throws with uchimata

Brad Bolen executes his signature “Bolen Arrow” choke

JMJC's Harrison Keena

JMJC's Quentin Cook throws with Uchimata
Cook Goes 1-1

Sarajevo, Bosnia - Burnt Hills High School Junior, Quentin Cook (16) fought extremely well in his first World level event going 1-1 at the Cadet (under18) World Judo Championships, August 6, 2015. Cook who fights for the Jason Morris Judo Center (JMJC) in Glenville opened his day dominating Mark Potapov (Estonia) by two scores to move on to a second round matchup with Giovanni Esposito (Italy). Cook started strong scoring in the first exchange but then was countered half way through the bout for a higher score and lost to the eventual finalist. "This was a terrific showing for him in his first world event" Cook's coach and 4x Olympian, Jason Morris said. "Cook also made the Jr. World Team (under21) that will be competing in Abu Dhabi at the end of October so this will serve and a fantastic experience and motivator for him moving forward". Morris continued. Cook will also be in action the 14th Annual Morris Cup Judo Championships held locally at the Burnt Hills High School, October 11-12, 2015 hosted by the JMJC.
Saratoga Springs, NY - For the second straight year the Jason Morris Judo Center (JMJC) was proud to participate and run a Judo sessions at the Camp Abilities Saratoga (CAS) August 9-15, 2015. CAS is a one week overnight developmental sports camp held at Skidmore College for children and teens who are blind, visually impaired or deaf blind. This camp gives kids to be physically active by way of series of sports and activities that have been professionally adapted to their condition. The program is designed to play a critical role in creating and reinforcing each child's self-esteem and confidence by mastering sports activities, recreational and social activities. JMJC’s Nick Kossor, who is a 5x world team member, lead the way running four sessions during the camp with the assistance of JMJC teammates, Zach Judy and Tyler Michaelson. For more information you can visit campabilitiessaratoga.org. This camp is a service project of the Saratoga Springs Lions Club.
Martin at Judo Worlds

Astana, Kazakhstan - Burnt Hills High School graduate, Hannah Martin (NYAC) from the Glenville based Jason Morris Judo Center will be competing in her third World Championships on Thursday, August 27 at the Alau Ice Palace in Astana. The draw was released today and Martin who also represents the New York Athletic Club will face Phupu Khatri (Nepal) in her opening 63kg round. If Martin should win she will lock horns for the first time with one of the favorites to win and 2013 World Champ, Yarden Gerbi from Israel. Two other athletes’ unfortunately had to pull out of the Worlds due to injury. Burnt Hills graduate, Nick Kossor (NYAC) was forced out by a torn labrum in his right shoulder and Brad Bolen (NYAC) pulled a hamstring. Both Kossor and Bolen would have been competing in their 5th world championships. This was Hannah’s third trip to Kazakhstan as she competed in two other tour events in previous years. The World Judo Championships, the flagship event of the International Judo Federation’s (IJF) World tour will last seven days from Aug 24-30. There is 14 total weight classes, 7 men and 7 women. Judo fans around the world can look forward to seeing 729 judoka from 120 countries competing in Kazakhstan’s capital city. The seven-day event, which will feature 432 men and 297 women, will be broadcast in 160 countries and can be followed online on the IJF’s social media channels. "This is what we are in the game for" Martin's coach, Jason Morris said. "She has another great opportunity to compete against the best" Morris continued. Morris himself has competed in the medal rounds in 3 worlds during his time as a competitor with his best finish coming in 1993 when he won a bronze medal in Hamilton, Canada.
3x World Champion & 2012 Olympic Silver Medalist, Alexander Mikhaylin (Russia) conducted a wonderful clinic at Jason Morris Judo Center, Sunday, September 6, 2015 from 3-6pm. This was a great opportunity for all as he showed many useful techniques. Mikhaylin was gracious enough to stick around and take photos and sign autographs until everyone was satisfied.
Hannah Martin Clinic in Gainesville

Hannah Martin (27) was invited to Gainsville, Florida on September 18th to do a clinic at the USJA Club, Chikarakogeki, run by Ron Chapman!
Comedian, radio personality, television host, actor and podcaster, Adam Carolla gives the JMJC a shout out. He hosts The Adam Carolla Show, a talk show distributed as a podcast which set the record as the "most downloaded podcast" as judged by Guinness World Records in 2011. adamcarolla.com

Swedish Heavy Metal Band, Dynazty
www.dynazty.com

Actress, Leah Remini most famous for her role in a JMJC favorite sitcom, King of Queens starring Kevin James
Rock Singer, Songwriter & Musician, Russ Ballard. Ballard has written many songs but two of JMJC's favorites are "New York Groove" which Ace Frehley of KISS covered and "Since You've Been Gone" covered by Rainbow & Impellitteri both sung by Graham Bonnet.

Rocker, Robin McAuley. www.robinmcauley.com

Actor, John Travolta
2015 Events

- Oct. 1-3 – IJF Grand Prix – Tashkent, Uzbekistan
- Oct. 11-12 - Morris Cup XIV – Burnt Hills, NY
- Oct. 10 -11 – Men’s European Open – Glasgow, Great Britain
- Oct. 10 –11 – Women’s European Open – Lisbon, Portugal
- Oct. 17 -18 – IJF Grand Slam – Paris, France
- Oct. 23- 27 – Junior World Championships – Abu Dhabi, UAE
- Oct. 31- Nov 1 – Quebec Open – Montreal, Canada
- Nov. 7-8 – Ontario Open – Toronto, Canada
- Nov. 7-8 –African Open – Port Louis, MRI
- Nov. 8 –Tech Judo Invitational – North Bergen, NJ
- Nov. 13-14 – Oceanic Open – Wollongong, Australia
- Nov. 14 – Jason Morris Clinic - New Jersey
- Nov. 14 – Brad Bolen Clinic – Maryland, JMJC
- Nov. 15 – 3rd Irwin Cohen Memorial – Chicago, IL
- Nov. 20 -22 – IJF Grand Prix – Quingdao, China
- Nov. 21 – Dallas Invitational – Irving, Texas
- Nov. 22 –Presidents Cup Championships – Irving, TX
- Nov. 26-28 – IJF Grand Prix – TBA, Korea
- Dec. 4-6 – IJF Grand Slam -Tokyo, Japan
- Dec. 6 – Northeast Championships – Paterson, NJ

2016 Events

- January 4-9 – Montreal Winter Training Camp- Montreal, Canada
- January 7-16 – IJF “Olympic Training Camp” – Mittersol, Austria
January 16-17 – African Open – Tunis, Tunisia
January 22-24 – Cuba Grand Prix – Havana, Cuba
January 30-31 – European Open – Sofia, Bulgaria
February 7-8 – Paris Grand Slam – Paris, France
February 13 – Pedro’s Challenge – Wakefield, MA
February 13-14 – European Women’s Open – Rome, Italy
February 13-14 – European Women’s Open – Oberwart, Austria
February 18-21 – Dusseldorf Grand Prix – Dusseldorf, Grand Prix
March 5-6 – Scholastic National Championships – Irving, TX
March 6-8 – Pan American Open – Lima, Peru
March 12-13 – African Open – Casablanca, Morocco
March 12-13 – Pan American Open – Buenos Aires, Argentina
March 18-20 – Pan American Open – Santiago, Chile
March 20 – New York Open Team Tournament – NYC, NY
March 26-27 – Tbilisi Grand Prix – Tbilisi, Georgia
April 1-3 – Samsun Grand Prix – Samsun, Turkey
April 9-10 – Senior National Championships – Irving, TX
April 22-24 – Pan American Championships – Rio de Janeiro, BRA
April 30 – Liberty Bell Judo Classic – Philadelphia, PA
May 6-8 – Baku Grand Slam – Baku, Azerbaijan
May 13-16 – Almaty Grand Prix – Almaty, Kazakhstan
May 14 – Ocean State International – Providence, RI
May 28-29 – IJF World Masters – Guadalajara, Mexico

END OF OLYMPIC QUALIFICATION PERIOD

June 4-6 – European Open – Madrid, Spain
June 11-12 – European Open – Talin, Estonia
June 24-26 – Jr. Olympics – Irving, TX
June 25-26 – Budapest Grand Prix – Budapest, Hungary
July 1-3 – Ulaanbaatar Grand Prix – Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia
July 16-17 – Russia Grand Slam – Tyumen, Russia
August 6-12 – Olympic Games – Rio de Janeiro, Brazil
September 4-5 – Asian Open – Taipei, Taiwan
October 6-8 – Tashkent Grand Prix – Tashkent, Uzbekistan
October 8-9 – Morris Cup XV – Burnt Hills, NY
October 16-18 – Men’s European Open – Lisbon, Portugal
October 16-18 – Women’s European Open – Glasglow, Great Britain
November 6-7 – Abu Dhabi Grand Slam – Abu Dhabi, U.A.E.
November 12-13 – African Open – Port Louis, Mauritius
November 18-20 – Qingdao Grand Prix – Qingdao, China
November 20 – President’s Cup – Irving, TX
November 24-26 – Jeju Grand Prix – Jeju, Korea
December 2-4 – Japan Grand Slam – Tokyo, Japan