



# Black's Martial Arts Academy

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### **2010 Tournament Results:**

Auvenshine's Taekwondo 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Martial Arts Tournament, Springfield, Illinois:

Jared Greer: 3<sup>rd</sup> in Forms, 2<sup>nd</sup> in Weapons, and 2<sup>nd</sup> in Breaking;

Elijah Greer: 1<sup>st</sup> in Forms, 3<sup>rd</sup> in Weapons, 2<sup>nd</sup> in Breaking;

Josiah Greer: 1<sup>st</sup> in Forms, 3<sup>rd</sup> in Weapons, and 3<sup>rd</sup> in Breaking.

Hall of Fame Tournament, Indianapolis, Indiana:

Jared Greer: 3<sup>rd</sup> in Forms, and 1<sup>st</sup> in Point Sparring;

Elijah Greer: 3<sup>rd</sup> in Forms;

Josiah Greer: 1<sup>st</sup> in Forms and 2<sup>nd</sup> in Point Sparring.

Congratulations! You've gotten us off to a great start this year!

If you want to be on the Tournament Team and compete in tournaments this year, please pick up an information sheet. Beginners can compete, too. You compete in your age and rank groups.

**Alliance Members:** Remember if you are not a Life Time Member, you have to renew each year to be eligible for the Points Grand Championships at the end of the year. Now is time to Renew.

For a list of tournaments, see the Tournament Information Sheet.

Keep these dates open – June 26 and 27, 2010. This is our own tournament that will take place on both of these days in Bowen Gymnasium. For more information visit our website [www.blacksmartialartsacademy.com](http://www.blacksmartialartsacademy.com). Parents, we will have a sign up sheet for those of you who would like to help. Also, we have sponsorship papers available. If you, your business, your family and friends would like to be a sponsor for our tournament, we would appreciate your donations which are tax-deductible. Sponsorship money helps with the expenses of the tournament.

Recently, the Alliance U.S.A. Hall of Fame Hall of Heroes met in Indianapolis, Indiana, to present its 2010 awards. Dr. Black (inducted in 2002) received the Grand Master of the Year Platinum Achievement Award, Dr. Hemphill (inducted in 2008) received the International Grand Master of the Year Award, Mr. Greer (inducted in 2009) received the Assistant Black Belt Instructor of the Year Award. Jim and Heather Minckler (inducted in 2010) received the Martial Arts Family Superior Dedication of the Year Award. Also in attendance for the week-end were Carole Black, Robin Hemphill, Heather Greer, Elijah Greer, Jared Greer, and Josiah Greer.

We are proud to welcome Jim and Heather to our Hall of Fame members who include Dr. Thomas Black, Dr. James Hemphill, Master Bruce Booker, Master Farzad Pourboghrat, Master Nam Nguyen, Master Michael Jessup, Mrs. Elana Floyd-Kennett, Mr. Andy Greer, Mr. Trevan Kirby, Mr. Marcus Hogan, Mr. Srinivas Panchamukhi, Mr. Anthony Stoecker, and Mr. Chris Yohe.

**We are having an INDOOR Rummage Sale** on Saturday, April 24, 2010, in the back of the Academy. We hope you will come and invite your friends.

**Promotions are scheduled for Saturday, May 8, 2010**, beginning around 12:30pm. See Master Black or Master Hemphill if you have questions about promoting. For those who have never promoted, there are certain requirements that you must meet. You will go through your form, etc. with a group. There are information sheets available for each belt form. If at all possible, would you please turn in your application sheet and fee before Saturday, May 8. (It helps us get organized quicker.)

**We now have DVDs available for you to buy and work with at home.** We have available Yellow Belt and Green Belt ones for \$15.00 each with the rest to follow soon. Each one contains everything you have to know to promote to that belt. If you want to purchase one, see Carole.

**Tournament Training** is Saturday from 12:30pm to 2:30pm. This class will not meet on May 8 because of promotions.

**Dr. James Price** will be conducting the second in the bo seminar series on Saturday, May 15, 2010. Information is on the website. Anyone is welcome to take this seminar.

**Black's Martial Arts Academy** is now on Facebook.