

KANAZAWA WEEK ANNOUNCEMENT

Dear Members,

In memory of Kanazawa Soke, SKIF-USA would like to announce the creation of Kanazawa Week to celebrate our great teacher's life and philosophy.

Kanazawa Soke truly believed Shotokan Karate could bring peace and harmony to the world. He felt that creating harmony in our communities should be a cornerstone of our training. To that purpose, we would like to introduce SKIF-USA Kanazawa Week: May 1 – 8, 2020. This will be a weeklong event where our dojos and members reach out to their communities and give back to their neighbors. We have two areas in which the dojo can choose to participate, or you can create an event best suited to your community. The primary goal is to give back to the community.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Your dojo could create a service program/activity, which is best suited for your community. This could be a fundraiser for a variety of charitable organizations or donating volunteer hours to a worthy project. These events need to occur during the designated week of service and should be done in a way that supports the betterment of the community the dojo serves. This event will be publicized on our website and social media outlets.

TRAINING TOGETHER

We suggest that dojos could host special training events or shaia's involving either other SKIF-USA dojos or other Shotokan Karate dojos in their area. Although SKIF-USA may differ in details, all Shotokan karate is the same. The effort would be to create harmony in our training. Please show us your support for Kanazawa Soke by sharing your plans for Kanazawa Week 2020 on our social media outlets:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/skifusa/>

[Twitter.com/@skif_usa](https://twitter.com/skif_usa)

[Instagram.com/skif_usa](https://www.instagram.com/skif_usa)

To be publicized on our website, contact Peter Rodriquez: peterrodriquez@hotmail.com

We will have recognition awards for a variety of noteworthy events. These awards will include (but not be limited to) the highest-earning fundraiser, most creative activity, and greatest exposure event. Every dojo will be recognized for their contributions.

CREATING AN SKIF-USA HALL OF FAME

We would like to recognize the contributions made by our own membership to the SKIF-USA organization. Each dojo or Independent Member may nominate one fellow SKIF-USA member

to receive the Hall of Fame award. The board would vote on the recipient. The winner will receive an engraved plaque, a listing on the website, recognition on our social media, and our sincere gratitude. Nominations will be accepted through May 1, 2020.

We invite you to celebrate with us the amazing life of Hirokazu Kanazawa, Soke.