



Bobby Lawrence
KARATE



BLACK BELT GRADUATION

MAY 3, 2025



EVENT PROGRAM

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ENTRANCE OF GRADUATES
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
HONORABLE MENTIONS

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COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES
AWARDING OF BELTS

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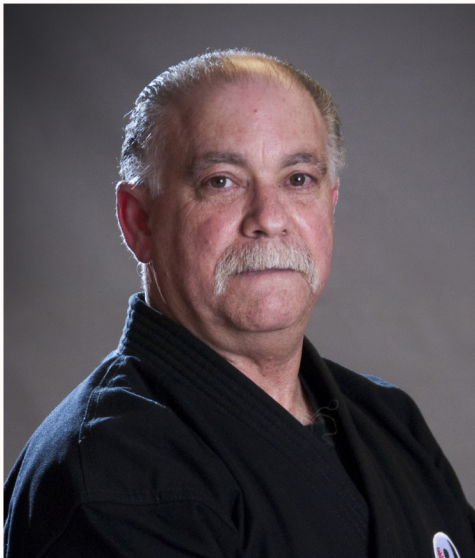
SPEECH BY MASTER LAWRENCE
CLOSING REMARKS

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THE BOBBY LAWRENCE KARATE HEADS OF SCHOOL



GRANDMASTER BOBBY LAWRENCE AND
MASTER CHARLENE LAWRENCE



MASTER KEN RUANO



MASTER ALBERTO VAZQUEZ

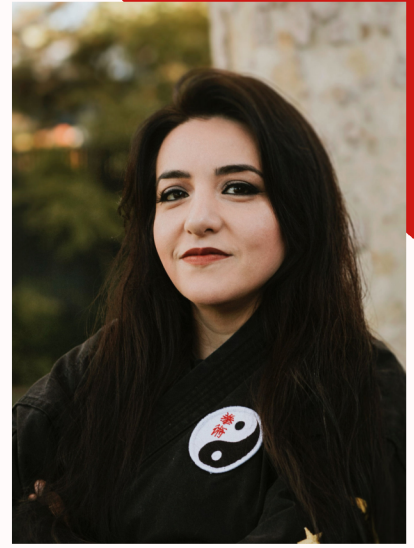
THE BOBBY LAWRENCE KARATE HEADS OF SCHOOL



HEATHER ORGILL
CASTLE VALLEY



AUSTIN MARSHALL
FORT UNION



CLARISSA RODRIGUEZ
OREM



ALBERTO VASQUEZ
PANGUITCH



COLE KLEKAS
PARK CITY



JOSH MARTINEZ
RATON

THE BOBBY LAWRENCE KARATE HEADS OF SCHOOL



JON BRONSON
RED CLIFFS



HALEY AND MICHAEL BROOKS
SPANISH FORK



MARC WILSON
SUNSET



LEAH FOX
WEST VALLEY

CASTLE VALLEY - HEATHER ORGILL

OWNER

HEATHER RUNS BLK CASTLE VALLEY.



SHE STARTED KARATE IN THE FALL OF 2010 WITH HER OLDEST DAUGHTER WHO WAS THEN 5. HER DAUGHTER HAD SEEN KUNG FU PANDA AND THOUGHT IT LOOKED AWESOME AND WANTED TO TRY IT. HEATHER IS A FIERCE COMPETITOR, A GREAT TEACHER, AND A GREAT EXAMPLE OF A STRONG WOMAN AND HAS RAISED 3 WONDERFUL DAUGHTERS TO BE JUST AS STRONG AS SHE IS.

IT GOES WITHOUT SAYING THAT HEATHER CARES VERY MUCH ABOUT HER STUDENTS AND THEIR CONTINUED PROGRESS TO BLACK BELT AND BEYOND!

BLK CASTLE VALLEY PROUDLY PRESENTS THE FOLLOWING BLACK BELT CANDIDATES:

MAVERICK JEWKES - JR 1ST DEGREE BLACK BELT

JANELLE JONES - JR PLAIN BLACK BELT

HEATHER ORGILL.- 4TH DEGREE BLACK BELT

OREM - CLARISSA RODRIGUEZ

OWNER



CLARISSA IS THE OWNER OF THE BLK OREM SCHOOL AND A 5TH DEGREE BLACK BELT. EVER SINCE SHE WAS 4 YEARS OLD, SHE WANTED TO STUDY KARATE AND EARN HER BLACK BELT.

SHE'S A PERFECTIONIST AND AN EXTREMELY HARD WORKER. SHE LOVES HELPING HER STUDENTS LEARN AND THE OREM SCHOOL GROW.

CLARISSA IS COMMITTED TO LEARNING THE ENTIRE BLK SYSTEM DIRECTLY FROM GRANDMASTER BOBBY LAWRENCE.

BLK OREM PROUDLY PRESENTS THE FOLLOWING BLACK BELT CANDIDATES:

JEFF HAMILTON - 1ST DEGREE BLACK BELT

WILLIAM NORRIS - 3RD DEGREE BLACK BELT

JACK HARDING - JR 1ST DEGREE BLACK BELT

ALEX PEARCE - 3RD DEGREE BLACK BELT

AIRYN HERRERA - JR 1ST DEGREE BLACK BELT

CAT PEARCE - 3RD DEGREE BLACK BELT

LEON LIN - 1ST DEGREE BLACK BELT

JOSEPH PETERSEN - JR PLAIN BLACK BELT

SIMÓN MONTANEZ - JR 1ST DEGREE BLACK BELT

HEATH WEBB - 3RD DEGREE BLACK BELT

PARK CITY - COLE KLEKAS

OWNER



COLE KLEKAS STARTED KARATE IN 1991 WHEN HE WAS 5 YEARS OLD, AFTER HIS FRIEND DID A NUNCHUCK PERFORMANCE FOR SHOW AND TELL. HE HAS BEEN DOING KARATE EVER SINCE. HIS DAD, COURT KLEKAS SR., RAN THE PARK CITY SCHOOL FOR MANY YEARS BEFORE COLE STARTED RUNNING IT IN 2003.

COLE SAYS THAT KARATE HAS HELPED HIM IN EVERY ASPECT OF HIS LIFE AND HE FEELS VERY FORTUNATE TO BE ABLE TO CONTINUE TEACHING, TRAINING, AND LEARNING. HE LOVES WORKING WITH STUDENTS OF ALL AGES, HELPING THEM OVERCOME CHALLENGES, AND WATCHING THEM IMPROVE AND EXCEL. HE AND HIS WIFE BRITNEY HAVE TWO CHILDREN, COLBY AND CORA.

BLK PARK CITY PROUDLY PRESENTS THE FOLLOWING BLACK BELT CANDIDATES:

LILIAN REED HENDERSON - JR 1ST DEGREE BLACK BELT

DASHEL LACASCE - JR 2ND DEGREE BLACK BELT

COOPER MANNING - JR 2ND DEGREE BLACK BELT

SG RED CLIFFS - JON BRONSON

OWNER



JONATHAN STARTED HIS TRAINING AT THE OREM SCHOOL IN THE SUMMER OF 1994. HE RECEIVED HIS 1ST DEGREE BLACK BELT IN THE SUMMER OF 1999. AFTER TRAINING FOR SEVERAL YEARS AT THE SPANISH FORK SCHOOL, HE MOVED TO ST. GEORGE WHERE HE WAS ABLE TO FULFILL HIS DREAM OF OWNING HIS OWN BOBBY LAWRENCE KARATE SCHOOL.

BOBBY LAWRENCE KARATE RED CLIFFS OPENED IN SEPTEMBER 2016 AND HAS BEEN GROWING EVER SINCE. JONATHAN CONTINUES TO TRAIN REGULARLY TO EXPAND HIS KNOWLEDGE AND DEMONSTRATE HIS COMMITMENT TO THE BLK SYSTEM. HE EARNED HIS 5TH DEGREE BLACK BELT IN THE SPRING OF 2019.

BLK RED CLIFFS PROUDLY PRESENTS THE FOLLOWING BLACK BELT CANDIDATES:

ZANE ATKIN - JR 1ST DEGREE BLACK BELT

RILYNN SCHERN - JR 1ST DEGREE BLACK BELT

SG SUNSET - MARC WILSON

OWNER



MARC STARTED KARATE AT THE AGE OF 31. FOUR YEARS LATER, HE AND HIS SON BRAYDEN EARNED THEIR BLACK BELTS TOGETHER.

ONLY A MONTH LATER, MARC, ALONG WITH HIS WIFE SHALYNN AND THEIR CHILDREN BRAYDEN, KADE, AND JORDAN, MOVED TO ST. GEORGE TO RUN THE BOBBY LAWRENCE KARATE SCHOOL THERE. UNDER HIS LEADERSHIP, THE ST. GEORGE BRANCH OF BLK HAS GROWN TO BECOME A STABLE FORCE IN ST. GEORGE.

HE IS A GREAT TEACHER WHO CARES DEEPLY ABOUT HIS STUDENTS' LIVES AND SUCCESSES.

BLK SUNSET PROUDLY PRESENTS THE FOLLOWING BLACK BELT CANDIDATES:

KAZYHA CHAPIN - 1ST DEGREE BLACK BELT

SOPHIE HARMON - 3RD DEGREE BLACK BELT

LEAH POULSEN - JR PLAIN BLACK BELT

PRESTON SIMON - JR 1ST DEGREE BLACK BELT

CHARLES TAYLOR - JR 2ND DEGREE BLACK BELT

SALLY TAYLOR - JR 2ND DEGREE BLACK BELT

WEST VALLEY - LEAH FOX

OWNER



LEAH STARTED TRAINING WITH MASTER VASQUEZ WHEN SHE WAS IN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL. WHEN SHE WAS 8 YEARS OLD, SHE MOVED TO THE SANDY SCHOOL AND BEGAN STUDYING WITH MASTER RUANO. SHE RECEIVED HER 5TH DEGREE BLACK BELT IN APRIL 2010 AND OPENED THE WEST VALLEY SCHOOL TWO MONTHS LATER. SHE EARNED HER 6TH DEGREE BLACK BELT IN MAY OF 2015.

LEAH HAS PLACED FIRST IN FORMS AND SPARRING AT THE DISNEY NATIONALS AND LONG BEACH INTERNATIONALS, AND WON THE OVERALL KENPO FORMS GRAND CHAMPIONSHIP AT THE LONG BEACH INTERNATIONALS WITH LONG 6. SHE IS A GREAT INSTRUCTOR, ROLE MODEL, AND SUCCESSFUL BUSINESSWOMAN.

BLK WEST VALLEY PROUDLY PRESENTS THE FOLLOWING BLACK BELT CANDIDATES:

OZZY CROFT - JR 1ST DEGREE BLACK BELT

THOMAS HOLT - JR 1ST DEGREE BLACK BELT

AVERY LINDSAY - JR 2ND DEGREE BLACK BELT

GISELLE TRINIDAD - 2ND DEGREE BLACK BELT

THANK YOU FAMILY AND FRIENDS!

ON BEHALF OF THE ENTIRE TEAM AT BOBBY LAWRENCE KARATE, WE WISH TO EXTEND OUR HEARTFELT THANKS FOR THE UNWAVERING SUPPORT YOU HAVE SHOWN YOUR STUDENT THROUGHOUT THEIR MARTIAL ARTS JOURNEY. EARNING A BLACK BELT IS NOT SIMPLY A PERSONAL ACHIEVEMENT. IT IS A SHARED VICTORY THAT REFLECTS THE TIME, SACRIFICE, AND ENCOURAGEMENT PROVIDED BY LOVED ONES LIKE YOU.

YOUR PRESENCE, WHETHER IN THE STUDIO, AT HOME, OR CHEERING FROM THE SIDELINES AT TOURNAMENTS, HAS MADE A MEANINGFUL DIFFERENCE. THE PATH TO BLACK BELT REQUIRES DEDICATION, PERSEVERANCE, AND RESILIENCE, AND HAVING A STRONG SUPPORT SYSTEM IS INVALUABLE IN HELPING OUR STUDENTS REACH THIS IMPORTANT MILESTONE.

AT BOBBY LAWRENCE KARATE, WE ARE DEEPLY COMMITTED TO MORE THAN JUST PHYSICAL TRAINING. **OUR MISSION IS TO SHAPE LEADERS THROUGH THE DISCIPLINE OF AUTHENTIC MARTIAL ARTS.** WE BELIEVE IN CHANGING LIVES BY INSTILLING THE CORE VALUES THAT DRIVE SUCCESS NOT ONLY ON THE MAT BUT IN EVERY ASPECT OF LIFE. THROUGH THE PILLARS OF LEADERSHIP, EXCELLENCE, ATTITUDE, AND DISCIPLINE, WE GUIDE OUR STUDENTS TO MAKE INTENTIONAL DAILY CHOICES THAT ALIGN WITH WHO THEY WANT TO BECOME.

AS OUR BLACK BELT CANDIDATES STEP FORWARD TO RECEIVE THEIR RANK, THEY CARRY WITH THEM THE LESSONS, VALUES, AND STRENGTH CULTIVATED OVER YEARS OF HARD WORK—AND THE LOVE AND ENCOURAGEMENT OF THEIR FAMILIES AND FRIENDS WHO BELIEVED IN THEM.

THANK YOU FOR BEING SUCH AN IMPORTANT PART OF THEIR JOURNEY.

WITH DEEP GRATITUDE,

-THE BOBBY LAWRENCE KARATE ORGANIZATION
