



# Shoshin Ryu Yudanshakai Newsletter

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"Great things in business are never done by one person; they're done by a team of people." – Steve Jobs

## The Face of Shoshin Ryu

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The mission statement of Shoshin Ryu Yudanshakai is “to teach Danzan Ryu Jujitsu, to assist those who teach Danzan Ryu Jujitsu, and to recognize those who have come before us.” As long as we as an organization adhere to this mission, we will come out of this COVID 19 nightmare in good shape.

The thing about our mission statement, or any mission statement for that matter, is that it has to be embraced by everyone, it needs to be part of all of us. We all need to be faithful to the three basic ideas that our mission presents, whether it is the most recent junior student to the grizzled old black belts at the old age end of the bow-in line. Mission statements and philosophy, outlast people, they give the next generation something to hang on to when the founders are gone.

Use the United States Constitution as an example. It has outlived its authors by 234 years. We know who the authors were, but we as a nation follow the values the Constitution espouses. Those values are more important than the people who wrote them.

On a much smaller scale, the mission statement of Shoshin Ryu is just a small part of a larger philosophy that can ensure that fifty years from now people are still practicing Danzan Ryu Jujitsu and that Shoshin Ryu will still be a viable part of that world. For that to happen, we need to use our energy demonstrating the philosophy of what we stand for.

With the mission statement in mind, I would like to thank the following senseis for what they have done for Shoshin Ryu:

Sensei Jayson Pickens, Mountainside Jujitsu, Cheyenne, Wyoming.

Professor Dave Woodland, Lyman, Wyoming

Professor Sue Jennings, Kaishinkai, Centralia, Washington

Professor Ron Jenning, Kaishinkai, Centralia, Washington

Professor Leonard Riley, Northwest Martial Arts, Woodinville, Washington

Professor Dave Wojcik, Ippon Judo and Jujitsu, Peachtree, Georgia

Professor Rory Rebmann, Amador Judo and Jujitsu, Livermore, California

Professor Joe Medlen, Quiet Storm Jujitsu, Madison, Alabama

Sensei Russel Newquist, Spirit Made Steel Martial Arts, Madison, Alabama

Sensei Mike Chubb, Boulder City Jujitsu Club, Boulder City, Nevada

Professor Kevin Dalrymple, Hi No De Ryu and Santa Ana Dojo, California

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## Words of Wisdom

"It is amazing what you can accomplish if you do not care who gets the credit." – *Harry S. Truman*

"Satisfaction lies in the effort, not in the attainment." – *Mahatma Gandhi*

"The dictionary is the only place that success comes before work." – *Vince Lombardi, Jr.*

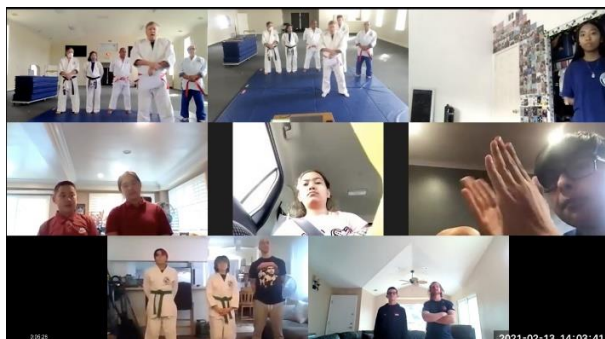
## First Ever Shoshin Ryu Zoom Clinic

Shoshin Ryu hosted its first Zoom Clinic on February 13, 2021. Since the early part of the pandemic, Professor Kevin Dalrymple and Sensei Remi Pintang have been hosting clinics for their dojo. They used that newly acquired knowledge and hosted an organization wide clinic.

Any Shoshin Ryu member was welcome to take part in the two hour activity. Among the presenters were Professor Dalrymple, Professor Carlos Gallegos, and Professor Dave Williams.

The only difficult part of the activity was finding someone to workout with. For a few lucky people, they had family members who they could use as workout partners. For others, it was more of a kata type exercise, doing the movements against imaginary attackers.

Overall the sentiment was one of gratitude. The participants got to see and hear the instructor's advice and anecdotes about techniques and their applications. It was also an opportunity to refresh the brain about how to do jujitsu.





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Professor Carlos Gallegos, Kaito Gakko, Westminster, California  
Professor Jeff Doyle, Tsuba Jujitsu, Merced, California  
Sensei Edward Bederov, South Coast Jujitsu, Laguna Hills, California  
Sensei Gregory Poretz, Kenshokan Martial Arts Academy, Woodland Hills, California  
Sensei Nick Rejniak, Downey YMCA Dojo, Downey, California  
Professor Dave Williams, Downey YMCA Dojo, Downey, California  
Sensei Dale Evola, Golden West Dojo, Riverside, California  
Sensei Mike Whitaker, Golden West Dojo, Riverside, California

The Shoshin Ryu mission statement starts with, “...teach Danzan Ryu Jujitsu, to assist those who teach Danzan Ryu Jujitsu...” All of you listed above are the first part of the mission statement. You are the face that students see. You are the face of Shoshin Ryu. The people you come in contact with will remember you more than any other person in this yudanshakai. You are the teachers in the trenches, giving your time and energy to teach others this fine art. You are the examples that represent Shoshin Ryu in your community and in the entire Danzan Ryu Family. You do more for our organization than any one person can do. In this situation, the best assistance we can give you is our thanks. Thank you. Thank you. Thank you.

The third part of the mission statement says, “...recognize those who have come before us.” There are so many who came before us that it is hard to name them all – I wrote a book about it, and I still missed people. Here is a list of people who have come before us (at least before me; I started in 1984):

Professor Roger Medlin  
Professor Steve McMillian  
Professor Jon Jacques  
Professor Kevin Dalrymple  
Professor Mike LaMarche  
Professor Rick DeHaven  
Professor “Big” Jim DeHaven  
Professor H. Bruce Stokes  
Professor James Lambert  
Professor Carlos Gallegos  
Professor Dave Williams  
Professor Rory Rebmann  
Professor Rich Charlebois  
Professor Len Riley  
Professor Roy Center  
Professor Clyde Zimmerman

By representing Shoshin Ryu, you have had a huge impact on the lives of hundreds of people. As far as they are concerned, you are the face of Shoshin Ryu. You have been the person who represents the ryu in the real world, yudansha in Shoshin Ryu and other Danzan Ryu organizations (See “*Face of Shoshin Ryu*” on page **FIVE**)



# Shoshin Ryu Yudanshakai



## Membership form

Please check one: \_\_\_\_\_ New member \_\_\_\_\_ Renewal \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Name (Last) \_\_\_\_\_ (First) \_\_\_\_\_ (MI) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Birthdate \_\_\_\_\_ Sex: M / F \_\_\_\_\_ Phone(s) \_\_\_\_\_

e-mail address \_\_\_\_\_ Dojo affiliation \_\_\_\_\_

Instructor \_\_\_\_\_ Your current rank \_\_\_\_\_

Dues/ fees are per year. Membership dues include mandatory liability and supplemental medical insurance. Memberships are for the current calendar year from January through December 31.

\_\_\_\_\_ \$25.00 General Membership Dues (for Adults & Juniors)

\_\_\_\_\_ \$30.00 Adult Kyu Rank Membership Dues

\_\_\_\_\_ \$40.00 Black Belt Membership Dues

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Parental consent if under 18 years \_\_\_\_\_

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**C/O Remi Pintang**  
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look to you to see what Shoshin Ryu is all about.

I did not leave Bill Fischer off the list on accident. If any of you have read my newsletter over the years or listened while I introduced him at any number of Shoshin Ryu reunions, you know how much respect I have for Bill. If there is ever a Shoshin Ryu Mount Rushmore, his face will be on it. I don’t know if anyone has ever said it, but thank you. Thank you for the work you have done over the years, Bill. Thank you.

I also left Sensei Mike Chubb off the list on purpose. If there is a face of Shoshin Ryu, the first face on the Mount Rushmore of Shoshin Ryu, it is his. He started all of this. For better or worse, his face will always be the face of Shoshin Ryu. Just like John Wooden is the face of UCLA basketball; Lee Iacocca is the face of Ford; Professor Okazaki is the face of Danzan Ryu; Sensei Chubb is the face of Shoshin Ryu. Sensei, you have done so much for so many. Thank you. No better two words exist. Thank you.

We must remember that Sensei Chubb is just one man. Yes, he throws a big shadow, but his shadow is dwarfed in comparison to all of us. He is part of Shoshin Ryu, and We are Shoshin Ryu. Every time any of us steps on a mat, we are representing ourselves, our family, our dojo, our organization, and the greater Danzan Ryu community. In stepping on the mat, we are showing everyone what Shoshin Ryu is all about. No one person can represent Shoshin Ryu as well or as thoroughly as all of us can. From the youngest junior to the oldest judan, WE are the face of Shoshin Ryu. Or to put it another way, when people think of Shoshin Ryu, they think of all of us.

## Visit the Danzan Ryu Bookstore at

<http://www.danzan.com/HTML/bookstore.html>

Professor George Arrington has a lot of great books about Danzan Ryu for sale.

## Picture from the Past

This picture comes from the mid-1980s. I figure this because it came from a folder of pictures called “Lake Gregory Date Unknown.”

The other reason I know it is from the mid-1980s is because of the hair. Professor Charlebois, who is holding up Sensei Dennis Fortner, has some. He started shaving his head in the early 90’s. It’s a long story. Unlike his hair, which isn’t.

