



24th Annual Cleveland Kendo Tournament
Greater Northeastern United States Kendo Championships
Adelbert Gymnasium
Case Western Reserve University
Cleveland, Ohio
March 30, 2012 - April 1, 2012

January 25, 2012

Dear Fellow Kenshi:

We are happy to invite you to the **24th Annual Cleveland Kendo Tournament / Greater Northeastern United States Kendo Championships** at Adelbert Gymnasium at Case Western Reserve University in Cleveland, OH on March 30 – April 1, 2012. Attached please find information on the planned activities for the weekend. We are processing applications the same way as last year. **Please make sure that each participant in your team is aware of the following.**

Please assign a team representative as a contact person. Duties include:

Each representative is required to report to a tournament registration desk at Adelbert Gym the night before the tournament to check in all members of your team and to inform the registration desk if there happen to be any changes in the composition of your team (absent or additional members, et cetera). For each group arriving in Cleveland Saturday morning (March 31st), its group representative is required to report to the registration desk at Adelbert Gymnasium at 7:30 am. The representative serves as the primary contact for your team. Thus, we may contact you while processing applications before and throughout the tournament. Each team representative is encouraged to send individual applications as one package as a team by the due date.

Please complete competitors entry list (excel format) and send it along with applications.

We will be processing tournament applications and kendo promotion testing applications **at different locations.**

Please refer to the invitation documents for specific instructions regarding the tournament applications and exam applications.

Mail to Dr. Tsuyoshi Inoshita: Tournament applications and the tournament registration fees. Postmarked by 3/19/2012 (Monday)

Mail to Ms. Isabella Church: Kendo promotion applications, fees, and materials related to the examination. Postmarked by 3/12/2011 (Monday)

The hotel location will be the same as last year. We have reserved a block of rooms at the **Cleveland Clinic Guest House**, which is reasonably close to Adelbert Gymnasium. It is approximately a **15 to 20 minute walk**. Please refer to the invitation documents for more detailed information.

Please join us for the **Godo Keiko** (general practice), which will be held at Adelbert Gymnasium the night before the tournament, 6:00 PM – 7:30 PM **Friday, March 30, 2012. Immediately following this (or concurrently if necessary)** we would like to have a **PROMOTION TEST SEMINAR** between 7:30 PM and 9:00 PM for those planning to take promotion tests for an hour. This will be followed by a **dinner** at THE PRACTICE SITE (Adelbert Gymnasium) until 12:00 midnight.. The cost for the dinner (which will start after the godo keiko/seminar) will be \$12 per person (\$8 for 12 years old and younger). No alcohol will be served.

The site of **the banquet on Saturday** March 31, 2012 will be also at Adelbert Gymnasium. The cost will be \$20 (including alcohol) per person (21 years and older). \$10 for 12 years old and younger and \$15 for 13 and 20 years old. This will start immediately after the tournament and end at 12 midnight.

We will have the second kendo seminar and Godo Keiko (general practice) 9:00 AM – 10:30 AM, followed by GNEUSKF promotion examinations (kyu – 4dan), starting at 11:00 AM on Sunday, April 1, 2012.

You are **strongly encouraged** to send all materials by the due dates to the appropriate addresses in order to expedite the application process.

Case Western Reserve University Kendo Club students are planning to sell tournament T-shirts for \$12.00. Please indicate how many you might be interested in purchasing. You do NOT need to send checks. Please pay at the time of purchase. You will not be committed to buy the t-shirts. They are trying to figure out the approximate number needed.

Thank you for your cooperation, and we are looking forward to seeing you in Cleveland this spring.

Sincerely,

Tsuyoshi Inoshita, M.D.
Tournament Committee Chair
President, Greater Northeastern United States Kendo Federation

TWENTY-FOURTH CLEVELAND KENDO TOURNAMENT /GREATER NORTHEASTERN UNITED STATES KENDO FEDERATION CHAMPIONSHIPS

I. TOURNAMENT INFORMATION

TIME: 8:00AM, SATURDAY, MARCH 31, 2012
Gym opens at 7 am.

PLACE: Case Western Reserve University - Adelbert Gymnasium, 2106 Adelbert Road, Cleveland, OH 44106

DIVISIONS:

JUNIOR A (UP TO 12 YEARS OLD)

JUNIOR B (13 -15 YEARS OLD)

JUNIOR C (16 - 18 YEARS OLD)

WOMEN

MUDANSHA

SHODAN AND NIDAN

SANDAN AND UP

TEAM TOURNAMENT

REGISTRATION	\$35.00	TOURNAMENT FEE (including godo practice, seminars on March 30 and April 1)
	\$10.00	BENTO LUNCH (March 26, Saturday) - shimpans exempted
	\$12.00	DINNER after Joint Practice (\$8 under 13 yrs old) (Friday March 30)
	\$20.00	BANQUET FEE (\$15 13-20 years old, \$12 UNDER 13 YEARS OLD) (Saturday March 31)

INSTRUCTIONS FOR TOURNAMENT REGISTRATION

Please send all correspondence related to the tournament to the following address:

MAIL TO: Tsuyoshi Inoshita, M.D.

916 11th Street,

Portsmouth, OH 45662

E-mail: pcancer@zoomnet.net

DEAD LINE: Postmarked by Monday March 19, 2012

1. Please pay registration fees in advance. Please make your checks payable to "CLEVELAND KENDO ASSOCIATION" for fees associated with registrations (e.g. tournament fee, bento lunch, and banquet fee). Staple your check to the assigned space on the tournament application.
2. **Please assign one representative from each club/dojo as a contact person /renraku kakari.** We may contact the representative if we have any questions during the application process about your team members. The club/dojo representative is ***strongly encouraged*** to send individual applications, fees, and a competitors list **all in the same package as a club.** Also, each club/dojo representative is responsible for reporting to the tournament registration desk before the tournament to check in all competitors from your dojo. For each group arriving in Cleveland Saturday morning (March 31) ITS group representative is required to report to the registration desk at Adelbert Gymnasium at 7:30 am.
3. Please provide the **exact number** of box lunches (bento) needed. **Lunches will be free** for those who **volunteer as referees** (3dan and above) at the tournament.
4. Please make sure that every participant **signs under "waver of liability" on the registration paper** ***send all the correspondence related to the tournament to the following***

II. PROMOTION TESTING INFORMATION

TIME: 11:00am, Sunday, April 1, 2012

Gym opens at 7am. Godo keiko will precede the shinsa (promotion test).

PLACE: Case Western Reserve University - Adelbert Gymnasium
2106 Adelbert Road. Cleveland, OH 44106

EXAM FEE: \$20

MENJO FEE: Refers to Menjo fee chart on the exam application

INSTRUCTIONS FOR PROMOTION EXAM APPLICATION

Please send all correspondence relating to promotion testing to the following address:

MAIL TO: Ms. Isabella Church
330 Judge's Lane,
North Plainfield, NJ 07063
E-mail: Bchurch@kendoka.org

DEADLINE - post marked by Monday March 12, 2012 (NO EXCEPTION)

1. Please pay the exam fee and menjo fee (make separate checks) **in advance**. Please make both the **exam fee check and menjo fee check payable to GNEUSKF**. The menjo fee check will be voided if the applicant does not pass the promotion exam. In addition, **menjo will not be requested** if menjo fee is not paid in advance.
2. Please make separate checks for exam fee and menjo fee, and attach each check to the assigned space on the application form.
3. A club/dojo representative is **strongly encouraged** to send individual applications and fees associated with promotion testing **all in the same package as a club. Documents associated with testing are the following.**
 - a) GNEUSKF Kendo examination application form. Please note that the menjo application is on the same paper.
 - b) A photocopy of your current rank menjo.
 - c) Fees for exam and menjo.
 - d) Essay answers: Please send them **in advance** with your exam/menjo application form.
4. Please provide the sensei's signature on your Kendo Examination Form.
5. If you are a member of a different regional federation, you will need to obtain approval from the president of your regional federation (AUSKF form attached).
6. Please provide the sensei's mailing address on the menjo application. We are going to send all menjos at one time to the dojo sensei's address.

III. ACCOMMODATIONS

HOTEL: CLEVELAND CLINIC GUEST HOUSE

9601 Euclid Ave., Cleveland, OH 44116

RATES: \$89 per room (group reservation rate)

ROOM TYPE: Two double beds per room. Each room can host up to 4 adults.

RESERVATION PROCEDURES: Reservations will be made by individuals directly with Hotel Reservations Department. Please call the Reservation Department at

(216) 707-4000 or toll free (877) 707-8999. Please provide group name "Greater North Eastern United States Kendo Federation (GNEUSKF) in order to receive the group reservation rate.

RESERVATION DATE: Please make a reservation by March 17, 2012, in order to receive group reservation rate. Cancellation fee will not be charged if you cancel before 4 pm of the expected arrival date. If rooms are available, you may receive the group discount after March 4 - but please try to reserve your room **by March 17, 2012.**

BREAKFAST: The Continental Breakfast is available at the hotel (free). Cleveland Kendo Association will also prepare ANPAN (bread with sweet red beans Inside) for \$1 in the gym for those who could not have breakfast.

CHECK-IN TIME: 3:00 pm on the day of arrival. If early arrivals are necessary, please let the hotel know in advance.

CHECKOUT TIME: 12 noon on the day of departure. If late departures are necessary, please let hotel know in advance.

CANCELLATION: Individual reservations must be canceled by 4:00 pm the day prior to arrival to avoid a no-show charge.

PARKING: Free at the hotel parking.

SMOKING POLICY: Cleveland Clinic Guest House is a non-smoking facility.

OTHER INFORMATION AROUND THE HOTEL:

The hotel is very close to a small shopping center that has a grocery store and a drug store (RITE AID)The hotel is next to the Health Science Museum and close to the Cleveland Art Museum. If you bring your guests, they can enjoy these museums. Severance Hall, where the famous Cleveland Orchestra performs, is also located very close (on the same campus), and your guests can enjoy classical music performances on Friday nights.

The hotel and the gym are very close to each other. The distance between the hotel and the gym is approximately 0.8 mile. It is approximately a 15 to 20 minute walk.

Maps and directions: <http://www.clevelandclinic.org/maps/campusmap.pdf>

IV. GODO KEIKO (GENERAL PRACTICE) / SEMINAR

We will have two godo keiko and a promotion test seminar

GODO KEIKO 1:

TIME: FROM 6:00 PM TO 7:30 PM FRIDAY, March 30, 2012 (*Gym opens at 5:00pm.*)

PROMOTION TEST (SHINSA) SEMINAR

TIME: FROM 7:30 TO 9:00 PM FRIDAY, March 30, 2012

GODO KEIKO 2:

TIME: FROM 9:00 AM TO 11:00 AM SUNDAY, April 1, 2012 (*Gym opens at 7:30am and it is reserved until 6:00 pm.)*

PLACE: ADELBERT GYMNASIUM 2106 Adelbert Road. Cleveland, OH

PARKING: Parking structure (Lot 53) is next to Adelbert Gym. It is \$1/hr, maximum up to \$8. Please have cash available.

A dinner will be provided after the Godo Keiko / Seminar at the same location. Cost: \$12 for adults, \$8 for 12 years and younger (Qdoba Mexican Grill's buffet will be provided)

V. BANQUET

TIME: IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE COMPLETION OF TOURNAMENT SATURDAY, MARCH 31, 2012 (it is reserved until midnight)

PLACE: ADELBERT GYMNASIUM

COST: \$20 EACH FOR ADULTS, \$15 13 - 20 YEARS OLD, \$12 FOR CHILDREN 12 YEARS AND YOUNGER

MENU (Buffet style) : Italian dishes (beef, chicken, pasta, vegetarian foods, etc.), vegetable sticks, fruits, ice cream, etc.

Alcoholic beverages (sake, wine, beer) are included!!

VI. BENTO

PRICE: \$10 each and includes a bottle of water.

BENTO: Bento consists of the following dishes: Big chicken katsu, roasted salmon, potato salad, vegetable salad with special dressing, tsukemono, and white rice. There will be no pork or beef dishes. Bento will be prepared by "Pacific East Restaurant," the most popular Japanese restaurant in Cleveland area. Excellent quality bento!

*** We are planning to prepare small snack in the morning of March 31 (Saturday) and April 1 (Sunday), for those who miss breakfast.*

Please have cash available if you wish to purchase it.

VII. PARKING

At Cleveland Clinic Guest House (hotel): Free at hotel parking.

At Adelbert Gym: Parking structure (Lot 53) is located next to the gym. It is \$1/hr, maximum up to \$8. Please have cash available.

VIII. TRANSPORTATION

SHIMA LIMOUSINE: Please call "Shima Limousine" at 216-481-1888.

Between the Airport and Hotel on Friday, March 30, 2012

Between the Gym and Airport after the Godo Geiko / Promotion Exam on Sunday, April 1, 2012.

PRICE: \$55/Van (10 people with bags) between airport and the hotel. It means \$6 per person for one way. *Please mention that you are in the KENDO GROUP going to the CLEVELAND CLINIC GUEST HOUSE.* They can arrange the departure time at the airport (upon arrival) and Case Western Reserve University Gym (upon departure). **We strongly recommend for you to contact "Shima Limousine" 2 days in advance before your arrival.**

IX. SHUTTLE:

BETWEEN THE HOTEL AND THE GYM: There will be no shuttle this year. Please use your own vehicles for transportation between the hotel and Adelbert Gym. You can walk - it will be a 15-20 min walk.

X. INTERNET ACCESS

Internet Access: The entire campus of Case Western Reserve University, including Adelbert gym, has **FREE** wireless Internet access. Please feel free to bring your own laptop computer with wireless Internet capability.

XI. QUESTIONS

CONTACT: Tsuyoshi Inoshita M.D.

740-353-4884 (work)

740-354-7523 (answering service)

740-352-2718 (cell phone)

740-353-8798 (Fax)

E-mail: pcancer@zoomnet.net

Information regarding the tournament, examination, and forms are also available at www.gneuskf.com and www.ClevelandKendo.com. Click on "tournament info."

TOURNAMENT REGISTRATION FORM
24th ANNUAL CLEVELAND KENDO TOURNAMENT
GREATER NORTHEASTERN US KENDO FEDERATION CHAMPIONSHIPS

I. PARTICIPANT'S INFORMATION. *Please type or print clearly*

NAME _____ AGE _____ RANK _____ Kyu / Dan
 (Last) (First) (M.I)
 ADDRESS _____ CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP CODE _____
 E-MAIL _____ CELL PHONE _____
 CLUB NAME _____ GENDER _____ M / F

II. PARTICIPATING DIVISIONS *Please check all that apply*

Junior A Junior B Junior C Women Mudansha Shodan/Nidan Sandan and Up Team

III. WAIVER OF LIABILITY

Please read below and provide individual signature

I, intending to be legally bound, do hereby, for myself, heirs, executors, and administrators, wave, release, and forever discharge any claims for damages which I may incur, or which may hereafter accrue to me against Case Western Reserve University, Case Western Reserve Kendo Club, Cleveland Kendo Association, and Great Lakes Kendo Federation for all, or any damages which may be sustained or suffered by me in connection with my participation in, or arising out of transportation to and back from the above tournament held at the Adelbert Gymnasium of the Case Western Reserve University in Cleveland, OH, and where the contestant is a minor, I, the parent or guardian, do agree to the above waiver and give permission to the tournament officials to seek medical attention for the contestant in the event of sickness or injury.

SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____

PRINT NAME: _____

(STAPLE REGISTRATION FEE CHECK HERE)

IV. TOURNAMENT REGISTRATION FEES: *Please make a check out to "Cleveland Kendo Association"*

NUMBERS:		FEES:
()	TOURNAMENT FEE	\$35.00
()	FRIDAY DINNER (AFTER PRACTICE)	\$12.00
()	FRIDAY DINNER (CHILDREN 13 years and under)	\$ 8.00
()	BENTO LUNCH	\$10.00
()	BENTO LUNCH (VOLUNTEER as a REFEREE: 3dan & up)	FREE
()	BANQUET FEE (ADULT)	\$20.00
()	BANQUET FEE (13 – 20 YEARS OLD, NO ALCOHOL)	\$15.00
()	BANQUET FEE (CHILDREN 13 YEARS AND UNDER)	\$12.00

TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ _____

Mail to: Tsuyoshi Inoshita, M.D 916 11TH Street, Portsmouth, OH 45662
Deadline- Postmarked by March 19, 2012 (Monday)

Additional information for **T-SHIRT** request: **This is for information only** – you can change your mind, and there will be no obligation. We need to know an approximately number beforehand.

XS = _____ S= _____ M= _____ L= _____ XL= _____



GREATER NORTHEASTERN US KENDO FEDERATION
The regional federation
of
All United States Kendo Federation
KENDO EXAMINATION APPLICATION FORM

Exam Date _____ / _____ / _____

Examination Location _____

Requesting Rank _____ (Kyu / Dan)

Name _____
(Last) (First) (M.I)

Address _____
(street) (city) (state) (zip code)

Phone _____ E-Mail address _____

Date of Birth _____ / _____ / _____

Regional (Member) Kendo Federation _____

AUSKF ID Number _____

Present Rank _____ (kyu/dan) Date obtained ____/____/____ Location _____

Testing Federation _____ Issuing FIK member federation _____

Note: Please attach a copy of your current rank menjo

List any handicaps, injuries etc: _____

MENJO FEE CHART

English only

Kyu
17yrs & Under \$10
18yrs & Over \$20

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1 Dan \$30
2 Dan \$40
3 Dan \$60
4 Dan \$80

(Date) _____
(Signature of Applicant)

(Date) _____
(Instructor's Signature)

(Date) _____
(Signature of Regional President) *required only for non-GNEUSKF member*****

***Please provide one address for each dojo since we will send all menjos together in one mailing. We prefer sensei's address

DOJO SENSEI'S NAME _____

MAILING ADDRESS _____
(Street) (City) (State) (Zip)

1. Please pay exam & menjo fee **in advance**.
2. Please make **separate checks** for the exam fee and menjo fee and staple them to the application form
3. Please make both exam & menjo checks out payable to **GNEUSKF**.
4. Menjo check will be voided if the applicant does not pass the test.
5. Exam fee is \$20
6. Please send your essay with this application form.
7. Menjo menjo **will not be requested** if menjo fee was not paid in advance.
8. Please send a copy of your current rank



All United States Kendo Federation

Request for Kendo/Iaido Examination by an Affiliate Organization of the AUSKF

KENDO / IAIDO (Please circle one)

Requesting Rank: _____ Exam. Date: _____ Date: _____
(Kyu/Dan)

AUSKF ID No.: _____ Regional Kendo Federation: _____

Name of the affiliate that will conduct the test: _____
(ex. AEUSKF, PNKF, SUSKIF, ETC.)

Name: _____ Age: _____
Last First Middle

Address: _____
(Street)

(City) (State) (Zip)

Phone: _____ E-Mail: _____

Date of Birth: _____ FAX: _____

Present Rank: _____ Date Received: _____

Place of Practice: _____ How many times a week: _____

List any handicaps, injuries etc.: _____

(Signature of Applicant)

(Date)

Print Name: _____

(Signature of Regional Federation President)

(Date)

Print Name: _____

- * For fewer mistakes, please print clearly.
- * A Copy of your Menjo (Promotion Certificate)
- * We cannot process without your AUSKF ID Number.

GNEUSKF PROMOTION TESTING

I. ESSAY QUESTIONS (modified according to the new AUSKF questions)

1. 1ST KYU AND 1ST DAN

Choose one

- Describe the parts of the shinai and how to keep the shinai in good condition
- What is the correct basic practice and why is it necessary?

2. 2ND TO 4TH DAN

Choose one

- What is basic kendo practice
- Explain “MA-AI.”

II. KATA & JITSUGI

Examination Rank	Examination Criteria
6 KYU ~ 2 KYU	Kirikaeshi, Menuchi
1 KYU	Keiko(matches) Kata 1~3 Essay Questions
1 DAN	Keiko (matches) Kata 1~5 Essay Questions
2 DAN	Keiko (matches) Kata 1~7 Essay Questions
3 DAN	Keiko (matches) Kata 1~7 & Kodachi kata 1~3 Essay Questions
4 DAN	Keiko (matches) Kata 1~7 & Kodachi kata 1~3 Essay Questions