**May 2018**

**News and Notes**

Welcome to spring. Just like for most of you, it’s time for the club to do some spring cleaning. Part of the cleaning is looking into some fun things for the club to do. Some of which will be pointed out later.

1. Our 2017 tournament will take place on Saturday, October 28 at the YMCA and I look forward to seeing everyone then, if not soonerOur 2017 tournament will take place on Saturday, October 28 at the YMCA and I look forward to seeing everyone then, if not sooner Insurance is due this month. Please turn in your payment by May 23, 2018. This is needed to keep training at our location. This is the first time 15 years that the fee has gone up. The fee is $45.00 for the year.
2. Sensei Now to Fun stuff. Club picnic is July 14th at Tyler State Park. Fun in the sun. A day to have fun, play some games, and maybe do a kata or two.

1. ShirtMay 20th is Sensei Spivack’s tournament at Central Bucks High. It is a Shotokan tournament with clubs form New York and Maryland coming. For more info about this, please see Sensei Joe.
2. What does the club think about a Trenton Thunder night? Ms. Cindy and Sensei are kicking around the idea. It would be open to club members and families. We would need a head count to pre-purchase tickets. The date is not set yet, but one idea is to hold it on a Monday or Wednesday since we are used to holding class those days. This would be a group event. Would you be interested?
3. Would the club like a photo night? We would bring in a photographer and have some good quality stills taken of you. One family used their photos as their Christmas card photos. No, it was not Sensei.

As the weather gets nicer try a kata in your back yard. You could see how karate can be used for other outside events. Gardening? Walking around the block? Or just unplug and sit in the shade and listen to the world around you. Take advantage of the warmer weather!

Sensei Joe