

Greetings members and parents!

**PARTY NOTICE!!!**

The Saskatoon Martial Arts Association (SMAA) is hosting a Christmas Party on Sunday, December 18th at the Lakewood Civic Centre for all members of Scheer's Martial Arts and their families and we'd like to see you all out for the fun!!!

Swimming from 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm and

Pizza from 3:00 pm - 4:00 pm in the multi-purpose room

This Christmas Party is free to all members of Scheer's Martial Arts and their families and we just ask that you sign up on the sheet in the reception area so we can be sure to have enough Pizza and drinks for all! There will be representatives from the SMAA to hand out wrist bands at the Civic Centre on Sunday. Please sign up by Friday December 16.

If you can't make it here to sign up by Friday, if you phone or reply email and let us know how many are in your group, we can get you on the list.

**FACILITY CLOSURES:**

- Christmas break from Friday December 23 until January 3. Regular classes resume on Wednesday January 4, 2012. (The last day of classes is Thursday December 22)
- Family Day, Monday February 20.
- Easter weekend, Friday April 6 to Sunday April 8. Please note there are no children's classes on Monday April 9<sup>th</sup>, but all adult classes will go as regularly scheduled.

**UPCOMING TOURNAMENTS:**

- February 12, 2012 Scheer's In-House Grappling Tournament
- April 21, 2012 Scheer's Western Plains Open at Walter Murray Collegiate
- May 26th 2012 Can Am Classic 24th Annual Open Martial Arts Tournament, Balgonie Stardome Balgonie, Sask.

**TOURNAMENT REIMBURSEMENT:**

Please remember to hand your completed form in to the office as soon as possible (but no later than December 15) to receive out-of-town tournament reimbursement cheques from the SMAA for any 2011 tournaments. (Kickboxers/grapplers– this includes you!!!)

**CONGRATULATIONS!**

Congratulations to Marlee McKay who is the provincial champion!

**EXCITING NEW CLASS!:**

As the kata has been removed from our testing parameters, we have added a kata class for those students interested in keeping up their skills for tournament purposes. Starting in January, Sensei Denee will be teaching a ½ hour of kata on Mondays from 6:45 p.m. to 7:15 p.m. that will be open to all youth excel students. There is no extra charge for this class for the students that are on the "silver" program, however will be subject to a drop-in fee for those students that are attending only once a week.

On behalf of Scheer's Martial Arts and the SMAA Board,, I would like to take this opportunity to

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wish you all Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!!!

Hope to see you Sunday!