



48th Anniversary *Wa no Kizuna* Invitational Karate Tournament

Dear Sensei,

This year marks the 48th Anniversary of the Wado Karate Federation of USA (WKF-USA). In celebration of this milestone, the Denwakan Marital Arts Center is hosting its **48th *Wa no Kizuna* Invitational Karate Tournament**. We are honored to invite you and your students to participate in this event. Please join us on **Saturday, April 14, 2018** to celebrate, through shared competition, the bonds of peace and friendship to which we are all dedicated.

Rules for this year's tournament will be based on the WKF Rules of Competition (January 2017 **modified**). Kumite will be decided by the first competitor to score **6-points**. We will be using the traditionally point system for kata. For larger divisions we may modify the procedure and have the top four kata competitors compete again using a flag system.

Please note that **Divisions 24, 31 and 33** will compete immediately after the opening ceremony. Family team kata, children's team kata and children's Kobudo will follow and then we will begin the children's divisions.

This year the competition floor will be restricted to participants and **pre-registered coaches only**. We are permitting one coach for each ten competitors who are pre-registered to participate. Please contact Kurobane Sensei no later than **April 7, 2018** to request coaches' credentials as they will not be authorized the day of the tournament.

Please inform parents and competitors of our rules and regulations so the tournament runs smoothly. Please contact us at the dojo or visit our web site (www.karatedenver.com) for additional details regarding the tournament. I will be happy to answer all questions and I look forward to seeing you and your students in April.

Sincerely,

Sadaharu Kurobane
Tournament Chairman