

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER



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Holiday Sale

Looking to get an appreciated and useful gift for an MTC student? Is the high water style dobok no longer appreciated in the below zero temps? Want to get a set of sparring pads to make you a little more confident in the ring?

The once per year sale of everything in the MTC Pro Shop will be a great time to check some items off your list. The Sale will be **December 14 and 15th**.

We can also order things you do not see in the Pro Shop like belt racks, gear bags and kicking bags. Catalogs are available on the front counter.



Please place special orders by December 8th to



Period 12 of 2016 will run until **December 23rd**. Period 1 of 2017 will begin **January 4th**. Note there will be no class on Monday the 3rd. Please plan to attend a makeup class later in the week. Also, later in the month we will experience a similar Monday Closure for the Missoula County Public School's Holiday on **January 16th**.

[CALENDAR](#)

First Night

Practice times will be **Tuesdays 12/13 and 12/20 from 6-7PM** then **December 27-30th 5:30-6:30** each day. We will gather at MTC on **December 31st at 11AM** for dress rehearsal then lunch then walk over to the mall for our 2PM performance.

ALL MTC STUDENTS are welcome to sign up to be on the First Night Demo Team. No previous experience is necessary. White belts through black belts can participate and age is not a factor. Everyone who joins the team will have an opportunity to showcase a special skill or two. Students who show the most dedication by making it to all of the practices and working on their own will be eligible for added opportunities.

We are proud of all of our students and their progress and we want each of them to be able to show the skills they have worked hard to perfect. Typically we have 3 ways to showcase our martial arts skills; tests, tournaments and the most fun: demos. We have had the pleasure of participating in the First Night Missoula Celebration every year for the last 12 years and it is the most well attended demonstration we do. With family members coming out to support their martial artists as well as a large community of art lovers of all kinds enjoying the varied performances of this city wide celebration this is the most festive fun we may ever have while doing Taekwondo.

There is no cost to participate in the demo, but participants, please plan to



Paddleball

Teams are being formed now for the December 19th tournament. There are 2 divisions: The Teen/Adult division and the Child/Mixed team division. The Teen/Adult division is for 3 member teams of ages 14+. Child/ Mixed teams can have up to 4 members and up to 1 adult. Players must be MTC family. Winners will receive bragging rights and their names engraved on the championship plaque. Paddles will be shared or you may purchase your own pre-tournament.

There is a \$25 team registration fee. Please plan to contribute a dish to share so we all can graze, mingle and replenish our energy throughout the event. We will all be working up quite the appetite. Sign up as a team or indicate your free agency status on the sign up sheet on the bulletin board.

Teams are encouraged to create jerseys, cheers, mascots, theme songs and such. The Paddleball Tournament is a time for us all to assume an alternate identity for the day, putting our game faces on during play. When it is all done, and there is a clear winner, we will pick up our etiquette and resume our usual gracious ways. Play hard and have fun.

Upcoming Events and Happenings

December 13th & 20th
6:00-7:00pm
First Night Practices

December 17th
Annual [Paddleball Tournament](#)

December 19th
Black Belt Ceremony 7:30pm

December 26th - January 2nd
NO Classes - Winter Break

December 27th-30th
First Night Practice 5:30-6:30pm each day

December 31st
11am dress rehearsal
2pm [First Night](#) Southgate Mall
Performance

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