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INTERNATIONAL UMPIRE COURSE

WITH

GRAND MASTER NESTOR GALARRAGA

MASTER JOSE MAIDANA, VIII DAN

Dear Grand Masters, Masters, Instructors, and Students,

The Phoenix Group would like to invite you and your students to attend an International Umpire Course taught by Grand Master Nestor Galarraga, Chairman of the ITF Tournament and Umpire Committee, and Master Jose Maidana, VIII Dan, from Argentina. The Course will be held at Global Taekwon-Do, 12603 Louetta Rd, #102, Cypress, TX 77429. The link provided will provide you with contact information for a variety of hotels near the Umpire Course venue: <https://www.google.com/maps/search/Hotels/@29.983427,-95.5845615,14z> . If you are flying to the course you will fly into either one of the Houston airports.

This course will take place on March 24 and 25 and is open to all ITF Black Belts holding a valid status card and to all 1st and 2nd kup ITF students that are 14 years old or older. Depending on which criteria are met, participants will receive either a Class A, Class B, or Class C certification. Those students who already have certification but would like to take the course as a refresher will be allowed to do so at a reduced rate.

On March 26, we will be hosting a tournament for students of all ages, white belt through 6th degree black belt, who practice the Chang Hun (ITF) style. Grand Master Galarraga will be present to oversee all the umpires and to help them practice and sharpen the skills they acquired in the Umpire Course. The tournament will provide students with the opportunity to participate in patterns, sparring, power breaking, and specialty breaking. It will follow ITF rules and will be an excellent opportunity for students to see what it is like to participate in all the individual events provided at a World Championship. It will also be an opportunity for the USA coaches and seniors to look at prospective candidates for the next World Championship which will be held in Argentina in 2018.

Registration for one or both events is available on line at JunbiNow.org. The deadline for registration is February 24th. The cost of the Umpire Course and the tournament combined is; Class A $330, Class B $200, Class C $150, and the refresher $150. The cost of the tournament by itself is $60.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call me at (816) 506-4246.

Sincerely,

Suzan Crochet

President - Phoenix Group