

D'Arbonne Martial Arts at Battle of the Champions 2009



Students from D'Arbonne Martial Arts Training Center in Farmerville traveled to Mandeville, LA to compete in the Battle of Champions on Saturday the 17th of January. Pictured are (from left to right) Rodney McPherson – Chief Instructor, 1st place Black Belt Weapons, 2nd place Black Belt Forms. Sensei Mcpherson went on to win the tournament Forms Grand Championship; Garrett Nyegaard – 3rd place 10 & 11 year old beg. Forms, 3rd place 10 & 11 year old beg. Sparring, 3rd place 10 to 13 year old beg. Weapons; Wesley Edwards – 2nd place 14 & 15 year old int. Forms, 2nd place 14 & 15 year old boy's adv. Sparring, 3rd place in 14 to 17 int. Weapons; Bethany Rhodes – 2nd place 12 & 13 int. Forms, 3rd place 12 & 13 adv. Girl's Sparring; Brantley Turnage – 3rd 8 & 9 year old beg. Girl's Sparring; David Rhodes – 3rd place 8 & 9 year old int. Forms, 4th place 10 to 13 int. Weapons; Kristin McPherson – 4th place 12 & 13 year old girl's advanced Sparring; Grace Nyegaard – 2nd place 8 & 9 year old beg. Forms, 4th place 8 & 9 year old beg. Sparring; Aleck Nyegaard – 2nd place adv. men's Sparring, 2nd place adult Forms. This was a fairly long distance to travel and we are very proud of the good showing by our representatives. A large number of our students are planning to compete at the upcoming Bossier Challenge on January 31st in Bossier City and the United States Karate Alliance South Central Regional Championships to be held in Ruston on Feb. 14th, 2009.