

志道館

Basics, basics, basics...

This time, I got to see a lot of you twice. Friday night at Shidokan was a more relaxed and fun time, while I hope that Saturday was more of an educational experience for all of you. What I enjoyed most this time was that many of the faces were now familiar and I have been trying very hard to remember all of your names a little bit about each of you.

I would like to give a special thanks to Gabriel Schor who made sure that I made it to and from Shidokan on both days. I am also pleased that I made it to see Mrs. Funamoto while I was in Montreal. She was very pleased to hear that Shidokan had grown to what it is now. I told her that the club is in very capable hands with Hanitijo Sensei, but I'm sure that Funamoto Sensei wouldn't mind me dropping in once in a while.

Continue to practice some of the concepts that I left with you. Mainly to take things into your own hands and to create your own chances. A lot of people believe this to be a nearly impossible, but I hope that I was able to show you that you can create openings with solid foot work. I also wish for you all to continue training to strike Yuuko-Datotsu from Suburi to Kihon to Waza to Jigeiko. Every move you make must be accompanied with the intention to make an Ippon.

I saw a lot of improvement from October in general and I look forward to next time. I too will continue to train hard. Thank you for the practices and most of all the motivation that you give me.

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*Shidokan Legend: Matsuura Sensei comes home for a 2 days seminar - March 2012
Saturday 24th, Arigato Sensei!*