



On Saturday, February 10, 2018, Wang's Martial Arts held its 16th Annual Chinese New Year and Award Banquet at China Ko in Humble, Texas.

The vegetarian style meal was prepared for the health of all guests, & kindness to animals. At the tables, guest were presented with red envelopes, that contained a lucky Chinese coin, there were many Chinese costumes.

Jordyn Mayo also impressed the audience with her solo dance called fireworks- Great job Jordyn!

The MC for the evening, Mr. Victor Makris, warmly welcomed everyone to the festivities and honored the present black belts (**Rafael Gonzalez, Allen DeWoody, Marvin Henderson, Daniel Thibodeaux, David Barnes, Abel Martinez, Ed Green, Russell Haws, Susan Fischman, Tye Botting, Darren Bush, Padraic Gilbert, Polly Ferguson, Margaret Swavely, Chantel Barnes, Karen Clarke, Chris Rivers, Jessie Diaz, Sue Starr, Paul Greenwood, WuZhong Jia, Xing Ho**) with a medal.

Following, Victor Cheng Scholarship (provides by Mrs. Jenny Cheng) was awarded to a U of H Law Student **Peter Zachry** for **\$1000**. Wang's Martial Arts School also awarded three lucky U of H students. **Samuel Hollingsworth** for **\$1000**, **Sarah Husbands** for **\$500**, **Brittany Pham** for **\$500**. Two whom are Marketing students and one Law student.

There was also a Chinese Fashion show & singing Chinese songs, WMA students, family, and friends showed off lovely silk like garments and their talent.

The entertainment program started with fabulous Chinese Lion Dance. With three lions and music team by Shaolin Kung Fu Academy. There were many smiles and joyful children.

Next, the awards for tournament and report card points were handed out with first place being a seven-foot trophy! Students are encouraged to turn in their report cards, for a chance to win a **seven foot trophy** at the Chinese New Year Banquet.

#### **Report card point - 2017**

5 - 8 years old	1st <b>Nickelus Moreno</b>
	2nd <b>Jordyn Mayo</b>
9 - 14 years old	1st <b>Joseph Alonso</b>
	2nd <b>Conner Roll-Bush</b>
15 year old & up	1st <b>Brandon Roll-Bush</b>

#### **Tournament point - 2017**

9 - 14 years old	1st <b>Makinzi Rodriguez</b>
	2nd <b>Joseph Alonso</b>
15 -108 years old	1st <b>Rosel Rodriguez</b>
	2nd <b>Jeffery Villarde</b>
	3rd <b>Darren Bush</b>
	4th <b>Cleotis Washington</b>
	4th <b>Ruby Lee Abbott</b>

Don't forget those tournament points! After each tournament, students should turn in their points for a chance to also win a **seven foot trophy** at the Chinese New Year Event.

World Peace Martial Arts - HOF goes to Mr. Joel Le Bon and Ms. Ruby Abbott.

Kung Fu demonstration was presented by Wang's Martial Arts students. Impressing the audience with what they have learned throughout the years of discipline and practice.

There were numerous smiles and flashes from the cameras. The students were able to participate in a kicking contest, which consisted of 20 or more kicks within 10 seconds. The winners for the contest are as followed,

5-8 years old- **Juan Ceja.**

9-14 years old- **Joseph Alonzo.**

15-108 years old- **Dezi Hellsten.**

Congratulations to those students who worked hard to win the kicking contest.

Door prizes were also drawn at the banquet, the first place winners for Table Leader, and Door prize drawing are as followed,

**First Place for Table Leader 40 inch T.V.- Sifu Tye Botting**

**First Place for Door Prize Drawing Bicycle - Ms. Madeline Vides**

Once again the banquet was a great success, thanks to everyone at WMA, their family, and friends for making it a successful celebration.