

ANTIOCH KENYUKAI BLACK BELT REUNION

Hosted by Alan Dollar, October, 2010

In a blast of nostalgia, black belts representing the 25 year history of Alan Dollars Kenyukai Dojo came together for a black belt reunion and BBQ. Only thirty-five of the vast number of black belts promoted in the Antioch Kenyukai Dojo could be found. Their attendance represented black belts from the first public Kenyukai dojo in downtown Antioch, those who helped build and were promoted in the custom built Kenyukai Shubukan, and the current Antioch dojo owned by Sensei Dollar's senior black belt, Doug Achterberg.



It was a unique experience to watch some black belts from the same dojo, covering a thirty year period, meet each other for the first time. An unexpected highlight of the gathering is that several of the black belts have returned to karate training in the three Kenyukai dojos in the River Delta area around Antioch California.



Jonathan Bernardi, Debbie Davis and Alice Dollar

Watching the DVD highlights of our recent trip to Okinawa.



Thom Murphy and Sam Le.