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Dear Chief Instructors and Dojo Members,

Once again, Birankai Summer Camp and the annual raffle are rapidly approaching. It is time to start thinking about the exciting, eclectic, and exquisite prizes you can donate to this worthwhile event. This year, the raffle will raise funds for Birankai scholarships. These scholarships are used to help Fukushidoin and Shidoin attend instructor's seminars, including summer camp and the regional instructor's seminars. Your support of the raffle helps ensure that cash-strapped instructors can be present at these important events, and thus, preserve the quality of Birankai aikido. Perhaps more importantly, the raffle gives you the opportunity to win fabulous prizes, including fine arts and crafts (some made by Birankai members), books and DVDs, aikido weapons and weapons bags, and the grand prize: tuition, room and board for Summer Camp 2011.

As in past years, your prize donations make the raffle tradition possible. During the week of camp, please bring your raffle prizes to the camp store, where we will display them before the final drawing the night of the Summer Camp party. Raffle tickets will be sold throughout the week of camp. For those not attending summer camp, contact Ea to reserve tickets in advance. Thank you again for your continued support. We look forward to seeing you at camp!

Sincerely,

Ea

and

The Birankai Scholarship Committee

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