

Martial Arts Center demonstrates

A demonstration was held at the Martial Arts Center in Northfield Center last Saturday. Students of Dr. Evan Baltazzi, the founder of the American Self Protection Association (A.S.P.) came from the Netherlands and Chicago to participate.

A.S.P. is a holistic system of self defense, including stick fighting, grappling, kick boxing and sport competition.

Gary Cook of Sagamore Hills, the head instructor of the Martial Arts Center, served as host for the international guests.

Kees Tempel, a sixth degree of black belt in jiu jitsu, and Michiel Menting, the combative arts instructor of the police in Holland, came to the United States to study A.S.P.

Students from India are also expected to come here soon to study.

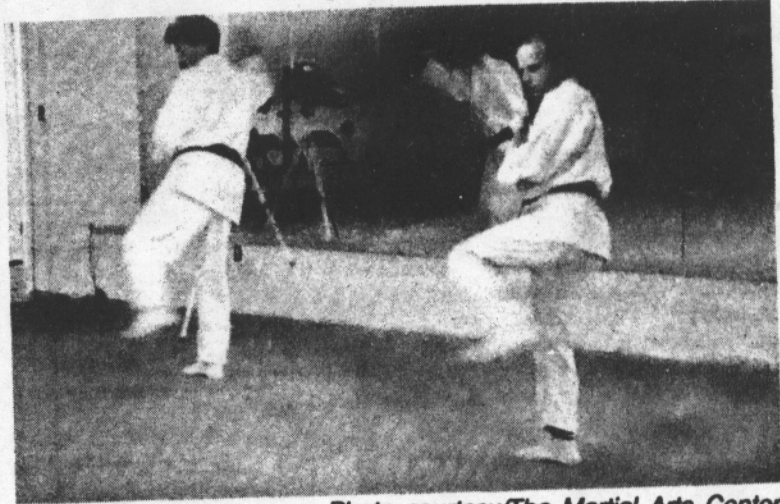


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Kees Temple (left), a sixth degree of black belt in Jiu Jitsu and Michiel Menting, a fifth degree of black belt, practice a low kick at The Martial Arts Center demonstration in Northfield Center.

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The Dutchmen trained with Dr. Baltazzi from Oct. 24 to 30 inclusive, daily from 9am to dinner time, without lunch break, in order to master the BB I program. Both were very impressed by the simplicity and efficacy of A.S.P. and by the rate at which they were learning. As instructors in martial arts, including judo, they fully appreciated why the degree of retention of the techniques learned is unequalled. They have a total of fourteen hundred students in Holland. They also promised to return for training leading to higher A.S.P. ranks.