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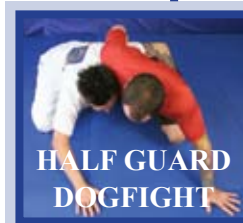
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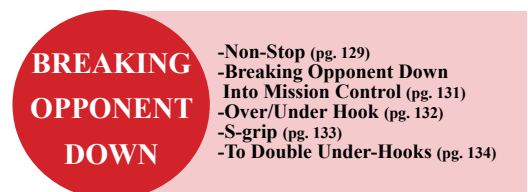
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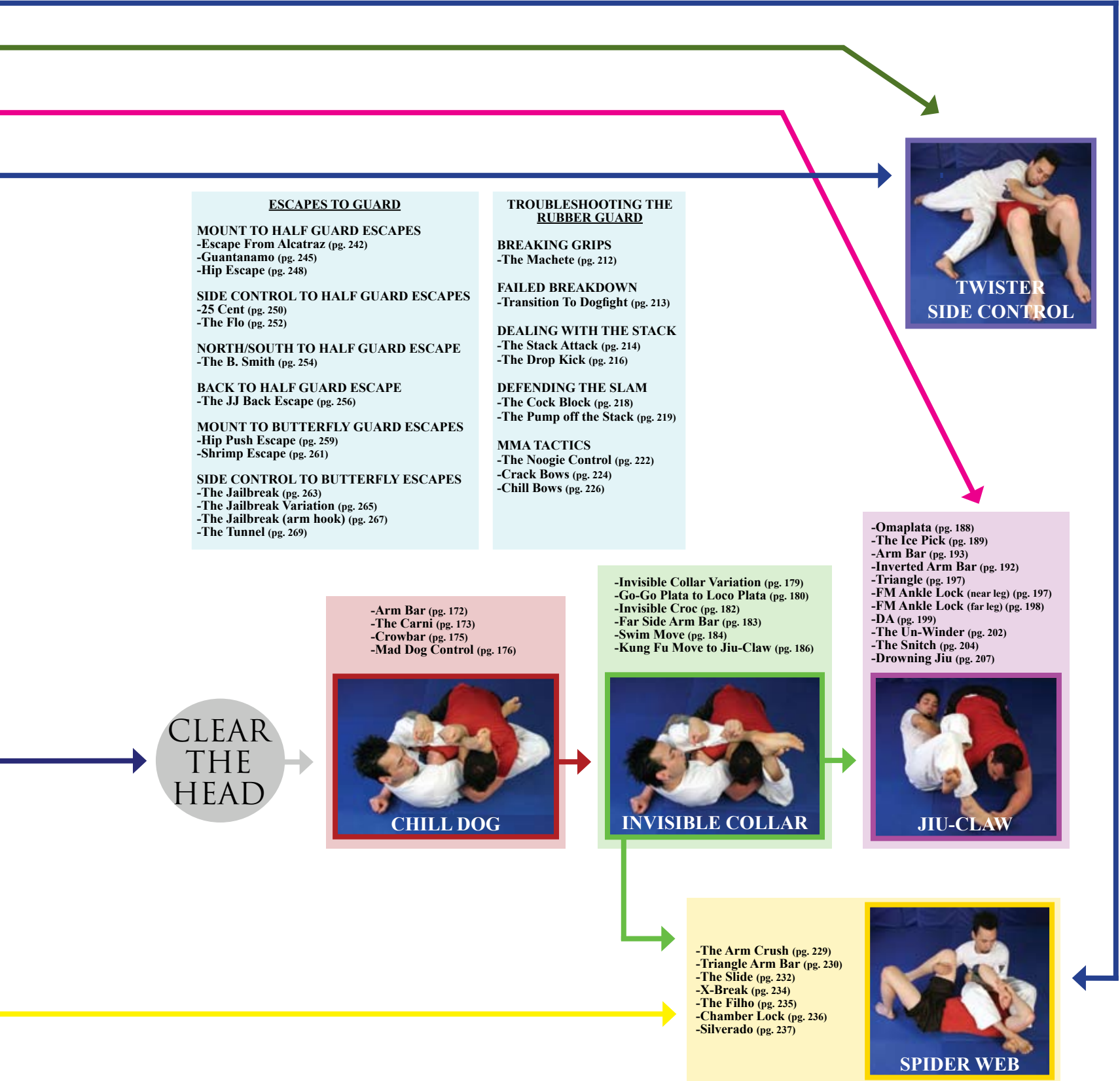
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While growing up, several of my friends in the neighborhood religiously smoked pot. The few times I had indulged, it did little more than make me paranoid and mute. It led me to believe that smoking makes you stupid, and this assumption was reinforced by all the propaganda and the fact that several of the potheads I knew were dumb as shit. Part of my dislike for pot might even have come from my stepfather. He loved smoking, and I hated everything about him. I just couldn't see myself liking something he liked. However, there were those times throughout my teens and early twenties when I put my disdain on hold to do a little puffing. This usually occurred at some party where I felt



Eddie Bravo (right) with his former band Blackened Kill Symphony.

Go to <http://www.jackherer.com> for the details on the "Reefer Madness" propaganda in the 1930's sponsored by the U.S. government. It will blow you away.