

THROWIN' DOWN



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Duke graduate student Jonathan Su throws UNC graduate student Alex Couture while sparring Monday night. The Carolina Judo Club studies Kodakan Judo, a form of martial arts involving intense pins and throws. Taught by Sensei Bill Cabrera and volunteer black belts, the Judo Club meets every Monday and Thursday from 8 p.m. to 10 p.m. and Sunday from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. in the bottom of Fetzer Gym.

BIODIESEL

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the hundreds of dollars needed to buy an energy converter, he said biodiesel production could become a major industry in North Carolina, where farmers are looking for agricultural alternatives to tobacco.

"Both in the biodiesel industry and the biofuel industry in general, North Carolina is going to be a home for these facilities."

The localized aspect of biodiesel production is one its biggest selling points, he said, since it potentially could wean North Carolina and other communities off foreign oil.

Chris Thomson and her husband came from Raleigh to attend the grand opening celebration because they were curious. She said the local focus of the plant is exciting because of what it could mean for energy independence.

"I think we should be more self-sufficient in this country as individuals, as a culture and as a government," she said.

Pittsboro Mayor Randy Voller said green energy always should be a consideration in the development and land planning of Chatham County, and the new plant should facilitate the discussion.

"We can take control of our energy policy if we work together," he said. "And that's what we want to accomplish."

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REGISTRATION

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the forum.

Officials said they are unsure what contributed to the low turnout.

The forum also served to clarify the mechanics of the new system.

Students in each quartile will be divided randomly into groups of about 200 to register. These smaller "alpha groups" will be randomized again each semester.

Each alpha group will have a 15-minute window in which its members can log onto the system and register. After 15 minutes, the next group will have a chance.

A student can register at any time after his window opens, but will face more competition if he misses it entirely.

Registration will begin at 8 a.m. each Saturday. Poehls said all students in a class will have access to registration by 1:30 p.m.

Aside from the late start on Saturdays, the "7-7-7 Rule" will be in effect — any student whose window has opened then can register anytime between 7 a.m. and 7 p.m., seven days a week.

Students must register with their Onyens and passwords and can have only one active Onyen at a time.

This means students cannot try to enter the system more quickly by using multiple browsers or separate windows, but Poehls said she hopes they won't have to.

Spring 2007 registration dates

Starting today, students can access information on changes to class registration. The following are class-specific registration dates with an 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. window:

- > Graduate and professional students: Sept. 30
- > Seniors: Oct. 7
- > Juniors: Oct. 14
- > Sophomores: Oct. 28
- > Freshmen: Nov. 4

For information on the changes, visit [http://regweb.unc.edu/students/reg\\_schedule.php](http://regweb.unc.edu/students/reg_schedule.php).

Students received more than 50,000 error messages in the first half hour of each class's registration period last year.

The new system will prevent most of this overcrowding, Poehls said.

Allred said he believes it also will make the process more equitable. Students who were able to register first in the past were those with the most expensive laptops and Internet connections.

"I really feel that most students, if they understand what we're doing, are fine with it," Poehls said.

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MAINSTREET

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Mainstreet, said that although the number of students dining has remained about the same, many are taking advantage of the new option.

"I think it's good because sometimes you forget your One Card," said sophomore Jennifer Sessoms, who was eating lunch with Shucavage.

"There are students off campus who do not use One Cards, and this is another convenient way for students to pay," Freeman said.

Students also have discovered other advantages to using credit cards.

"It's easier not to have to transfer money to your expense account," said Shucavage said. "It's convenient and I give it a thumbs up."

Students, including Tony

*"It's easier not to have to transfer money to your expense account. It's convenient."*

**SAMANTHA SHUCAVAGE**, STUDENT Coggins, a sophomore English major, said they already have used credit cards to purchase a meal.

"I like it because I don't have a flex account and I don't keep cash on me," Coggins said.

Freeman said it's just another convenience for customers.

"If it's Friday and you got a few bucks on your pocket you might want to save that for a movie on Friday night."

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The Friends of the Library & the Bull's Head Bookshop invite you to hear *New York Times* bestselling author **Lee Smith** read from her just-released novel, **On Agate Hill**

Tuesday, September 26  
Reception at 5:00pm  
Reading at 5:45pm  
Pleasants Family Assembly Room,  
Wilson Library

Copies will be available for sale on-site.

**CAMPUS RECREATION UPDATE**

ALWAYS COCA-COLA. ALWAYS CAROLINA!

**Intramural Sports**

**GRAIL SOFTBALL**  
10 players • Men's, Women's & Co-Rec  
Today is the **last day** to sign up!

**3 v 3 BASKETBALL**  
3 players • Men's & Women's  
Today is the **last day** to sign up!

**VOLLEYBALL**  
6 players • Men's, Women's & Co-Rec  
Sign up September 25–October 3

Sign up in 203 Woollen Gym

**RACE {for a} REASON**

**RACE for a REASON-5K**  
ALL proceeds will benefit the Lineberger Cancer Center.

- Open to UNC students, faculty/staff, and non-UNC affiliates.
- \$10 UNC-affiliates / \$15 for community members

Registration fees include a t-shirt.

Event day: Saturday, October 7  
Sign up in 203 Woollen Gym

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**Carolina Fitness**

*Celebrating 1 Year*

You're invited to the 1 year opening celebration for the **RAMS HEAD RECREATION CENTER**.

When: Wednesday, September 27 @ 3pm  
Where: Rams Head Rec Center Lobby

Join us for cake, fun fact sheets, and facility tours. FREE. First come, first served for cake.

**Carolina Adventures**

**HIKE. KAYAK. CLIMB. EXPLORE.**

**KAYAKING ~ Falls Lake**  
Saturday, September 30

**KAYAKING ~ Roanoke River**  
October 7–October 8

**ROCK CLIMBING ~ Pilot Mt.**  
Sunday, October 15

Stop by the PIT for free women's fitness, nutrition & health information.

**women's health & fitness day**

presented by: **CWS** campus recreation

Thursday, September 28 • 10am–2pm in the PIT

Sign up in 203 Woollen Gym

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