

# Debate scores victories

## Three teams see action; all bring home accolades

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The debate team continued with its success this season as several members of the team saw action during the week and turned in a strong performance at three tournaments.

In a format that had schools divide their squad into teams of two that compete individually, seniors Clay Rhodes and Justin Green, proved to be one of the stronger pairs on the team. They competed at the University of Northern Iowa Sept. 19-21.

The group finished with a record of 5-3 in the preliminary rounds and 1-1 in elimination rounds. Their 6-4 record overall was good enough to garner them octa-finalist honors in the 73-team tournament.

The team of Rhodes and Green along with eight other pairs will fly

to Kentucky this weekend for one of the most prestigious debate tournaments in the country. The Deacs will face off against the top eight ranked teams in the country in the debate.

The team is optimistic about its chances. "We've got a number of good teams this year," said Alan Loudon, the debate team coach and an associate professor of communication. "We should easily be a top ten team in the country, and I think we have the potential to make it up into the top five. I think we could wind up having four teams ranked in the top 16 in the country."

At the Earlybird Classic Tournament, Sept. 18-20, hosted by the University of South Carolina, sophomores Amy Powell and Mark Yopp turned in a solid effort to finish with a 4-3 record among a field of 54 teams. The Deacs defeated Florida State, Emory, Cornell

and Towson State en route to an octa-finals finish.

Despite the youthful look of the team, which boasts seven new faces this year, the Deacs rely on their mix of veterans and rookies to achieve the success to which they are accustomed. "We have a lot of freshman on the team this year, and we will need them to contribute in order to do well," Yopp said.

Sophomores Cyclone Covey and Wes Lotz recorded the best finish of this young season in the National Round Robin Debates held Sept. 16-17. Of the 16 teams on hand at the University of South Carolina, the team finished third in the Deacs' opening event of the season and attained a 6-2 overall record.

Loudon has been pleased with the success of the team so far, saying that their few losses have come at the hands of some of the stronger teams they will face.



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### Winner

Sophomore Dan Sellner smacks a down the line forehand in a tennis class of John Foye, an instructor of health and exercise science. Class was cancelled for the day, but some students decided to stick around at the courts to work on their game.

## WAKE WATCH

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**Is the Charles Taylor of Taylor House the same as the Chuck Taylor of Converse All-Stars? — T.F.**

No. The residence hall was named after the sixth president of the university, Charles E. Taylor.

Taylor oversaw an expansionary period in the school's history during his years in office from 1884-1905.

**What should a student do if he or she has a complaint about the actions of a professor? — T.L.**

According to the university Student Handbook, students should first confront the person or people with whom they experienced the problem.

If the parties can not come to agreement, the department chairman will meet with both parties.

"Finally, a student may appeal to the Committee on Academic Affairs which will study the matter, work with the parties, and reach a final solution," according to the handbook.

**What is the Athletic Department's policy regarding post football celebrations? — B.M.**

According to John Weisenburger, the associate athletic director, fans are allowed on the field at the conclusion of football games and are encouraged to celebrate all victories, but there will be no replays of the display in Knoxville Sept. 19

when Tennessee won an overtime thriller against Florida.

"We would discourage them from tearing down goal-posts, for safety reasons. (Broken field goals) could cause some serious harm to people on the field, and we will do what it takes to prevent that," Weisenburger said.

**Where do I need to go in order to put money on my meal card? — M.L.**

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