

Sensei Adam Tibon's 5-man Black Belt team Defeats Montenegro the 5th University World Championship Team in Tampere Finland

We are proud to announce the USA Men's Black Belt Kumite Team; with our own Sensei Adam Tibon a 23 yr old 3rd Degree Black Belt and instructor of Modesto GymStars Karate Program won the men's Kumite Team that won the 5th University World Championships earlier this year in New York.

Unfortunately Adam Tibon suffered a broken nose in the battle and need to have some surgery to correct the deviated septum at St. Joseph's hospital on his return to United States. The USA Team first won the advancement by winning over the Ivory Coast by forfeit, then defeating the University World Kumite Team Champions to move on to Croatia and losing that round finishing 16th in the world out of 85 countries that had a men's team Kumite representation.

There were a total of 112 countries in the World Championships this year in Finland. Sensei Gene Tibon Executive Vice President was one of the Head of the USA Delegation, with the new President Roger Jarrett. Both represented USA in the WKF congress for the voting of new WKF Officers, and the new locations of future world championships. The next Senior World Championships will be in Japan 2008, and the next Junior World Championships will be in Istanbul, Turkey.

Sensei Tibon and Sensei Adam had a great time in Finland, and found the people to be very friendly, and I would say have the nicest taxicabs I've ever seen. Every Taxi we were in was either brand new Mercedes or BMW's. Very nice, very clean country!