

Shooting hoops

Students ball it up

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Intramural basketball had another popular season with almost 200 participants. It consisted of two separate leagues, the Couch Potato League and the Competitive League. Team rosters were compiled and turned into the coordinators **Mr. Kevin Wittman** and **Mr. Breen Reardon**.

"I have worked with the intramural department for four years. We try to serve those students who like to participate in athletics, but do not have the time or interest to join organized teams," said **Wittman**, coordinator.

The Couch Potato League had 12 different teams. The teams met at 7:30 p.m. in the main gym. They had a five minute warm up followed with three different fifteen minute games.

The tournament games were on December 12, January 2, January 9, and January 23. The winners of the Couch Potato League were the Angry Dragons with a record of 12-2. Even though the name did not sound like they had a drive for competition, it was definitely the best played season in intramural history.

The Competitive League only had eight teams. It consisted of students that

had more experience, a need for victory, and a competitive nature. The teams met at 6:30 p.m. in the main gym.

The teams also had a five minute warm-up, but only played two games per week. Each game was 20 minutes long. The winners of the Competitive League were the Fighting Squirrels with a record of 12-0.

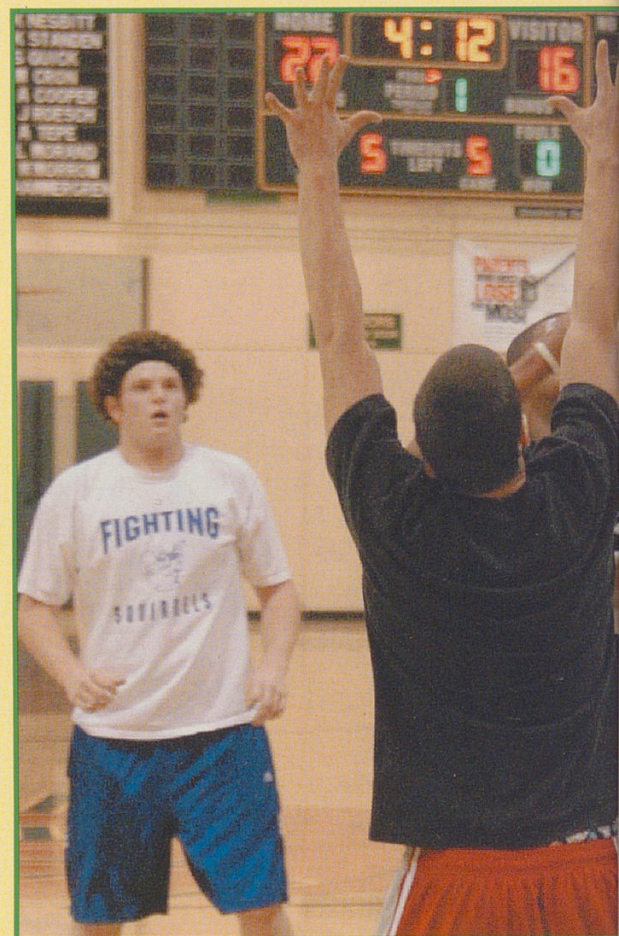
"It was a hard fought game. With both teams trying extremely hard, but as the score indicated, the better team came out on top," said **Stuart Solomon**, 12.

Coming in second were the Angry Gorillas.

"They were a rough team. They pinched hard and kicked...," said **Michael Latessa**, 11.

Not only did intramural basketball give students the chance to compete, but it allowed them to spend quality time with their friends. Since both leagues allowed the students to pick their own teams and their own jerseys, it made the games that much more fun.

All of the students who were involved in intramural sports had a special memory to take along with them.



Stuart Solomon, 12, **Michael Latessa**, 11, and **Adam Woll**, 12, fight for the basket. The championship game was between the Fighting Squirrels and the Angry Gorillas. The Fighting Squirrels took the victory with an amazing lead. **Woll** was going up for a lay up, but with **Latessa's** outstanding defensive block, he missed. **Solomon** was right behind for the rebound and got it up for another basket. "We played hard. It was a close game, but we pulled through in the end. No upsets this year," said **Woll**.

Girls step up the game!



Tina Emery, 12, started her warm ups with a nice lay up. With her nice follow through she sunk the shot. Although the girls did not make it to the finals, they really tried their best and had a great season.



Jessica McLean, 12, and **Jennifer McLaughlin**, 12, tried to double team their opponent. They used their amazing defense to block the pass to **Daniel Schear**, 12. The girls worked really hard and had a great game against the boys.