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Well, the joint meeting of the civic clubs of Corinth is now history. The guest speaker was David Rumbarger, President of the Community Development Foundation of Lee County, who did a fantastic job of preparing us to get ready to entice a sub-contractor plant in our area. I also noted in the Friday edition of the Daily Corinthian that our Representative, the Hon. Travis Childers was in Corinth to accept some kind of award. He could have had lunch with us if he had been so inclined.

I was pleased to hear the incoming president of the Rotary club, Ronnie Sleeper, announce that he would like to see more joint meetings of the clubs as well as some joint projects to work on for the benefit of our community. Our President Dujuana has advocated this concept for some time.

Several years ago, 1994 to be specific, the Kiwanis and the Rotary had a basketball game to raise food for the hungry folks in our community. Needless to say, we won. Below is an account of the game:

By Bill Caruth[®] 1994

The First Annual Feed Bowl Basketball Game was held Thursday night April 7, 1994 between the Kiwanis Club and the Rotary Club at the Corinth Junior High School gym. Admission was two cans of food collected by the FEMEA Food Pantry.

I won't bore you with trivial matters such as the score, but needless to say the Kiwanians won hands down due to our natural mental and physical superiority over the Rotarians. Even the scoring leader of the Rotary Club was former Kiwanian Marty Duceto. Out of sympathy for the Rotary's advanced ages and near senility our team graciously kept the scoring down.

Our high shooters were: Coach Terry Baker -11 points. Keith Frazier -10 points. Joe Lovelace -9 points. Rickey James -7 points. Randy Ferrell and Kevin Cooley -5 points each. (Welcome back into the club, Kevin.) John Dodd -3 points. Mike Lehr -1 point. All the other players did a super job on defense.

Some highlights of the play--John Dodd was being closely guarded by Dedra Walker and gave one of his patented "butt-shrugs" sending Walker to the floor. Speaking of the floor, it was kissed several times by members of both teams. Luckily the school officials had put an extra coat of varnish down at the beginning of the basketball season which broke most of the falls. No broken bones were observed but there has been a run on liniment at the local drug stores. Mike Lehr has an advantage since he can get his liniment at Wal-Mart at a discount.

Harold Patrick was guarding an elbow with his head and incurred a cut to the temple. Coach Terry Baker, during the timeout to give Harold a blood transfusion, held up seven fingers in front of him and Harold said, "Three." "Close enough, Pat," says Coach Terry and back in the game he went. In an interview after the game Harold said he thought Terry was asking him how many strokes on the second hole, and he gave him a golf number. "Eosides," said Harold, "I have Gary Grosinkse do my counting for me."

Jimmy Caldwell got a posterior wound at a practice session and had to sit this game out. His son more than made up for him during his stint in the game.

Del Ashcraft had the most steals. The steals were in favor of the Rotary though. He played an outstanding game--as did all players from both teams. It took a lot of energy to run that floor as much as all players did.

Keith Frazier stood like a rock in the defensive center position. One of the Rotarians, Todd Kirkland, I think, bounced off of Keith so many times onto the floor that his teammates nicknamed him the "mcp."

Rickey James looked like Bob Cousy as he brought the ball down and broke up the defense with his ball handling.

Eddie Howard put some bruises on the Rotarians with his defense.

Due to our side pulling away so early in the game, our secret weapon, Joe Lovelace, did not have to do any slam-dunking. You could see the Rotarians cringe every time Joe would bring the ball up court. Great job, Joe.

Kiwanis Club President Randy Ferrell set an outstanding example to the members of his club by playing his heart out in the game, as did Rotary Club President Frank Rebersen. Members of both clubs should be proud to have those men lead them.

The Rotary team: Terry Bullard, Marty Duceto, Dave Reberts, Randy Long, Dick Dancoreau, Dedra Walker, Todd Kirkland, Ellis Rhott, Frank Rebersen, Jeff Gardner, Bernie Shipp, and Keith Carlton.

One final note--careful investigative reporting has revealed that the rumor is false that Terry Bullard was wearing pantyhose. It was a long-handled socky strap.

The real winners of this game will be the people that the donated food will help. It is through such joint endeavors that our community will be a better place to live. This game should be played each year. Thanks to all who participated both on the floor and in the stands.

Any errors in the above report can be blamed on Art Emmens, the scorekeeper.

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