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Coac Finds Cheerful Solution for Men’s Hoops
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Lord of the Balls

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The news left the university scrounging to fill the voids of the departed athletes. Recruiting was the first option, but being that our school is Rider and not Rutgers or Princeton, that quickly fell through.

Athletic Director Corn Flake instituted open tryouts for the entire campus, extending an open invitation to anyone interested in being on the basketball team.

“This is the only way to get kids to try out,” said Flake.

“Hopefully we can get them done soon though since our entire campus has curfew at 11 o’clock now. I love that rule so much and it fits so well into the college environment.”

Cheerleader Peppy Rahrah reveals her special skills as she performs this unprecedented shot in front of the basketball team.

“I don’t know why the guys had such problems with it.”

The girls have also decided to stay true to their cheer pride, as they continue to wear the outfits, including the skirts. This has increased male attendance, while keeping the cheerleaders comfortable.

“We love playing in skirts because it creates a nice breeze,” said Rahrah. “We have no opinions of our own, so like, you know, like ya know, like ya know, like ya know, like ya know, like ya know, like ya know, like ya know.”

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R.I.L. Shows Up Broncs at Meet
By Art Vandeleigh
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Normally, one would think that the athletic teams at Rider would not have a problem defeating the intramural squads of the student body. Think again.

Annually, the Rider Intramural League (R.I.L) presents a challenge to the intercollegiate teams of Rider. Every year the Division I athletic teams decline this proposal. Fortunately, for R.I.L., administration has had a change of heart and is in favor of this potential “David versus Goliath” spectacle.

What has transformed the minds of administration in 2004? Administration claims that it is simple to describe their reasons for the implementation of such a potentially dubious event.

Most of our athletic teams stink and play with no heart,” said administrator Monty Burns. “Athletics needs a wake-up call and we seriously think that the spirited intramural athletes can teach the ‘real’ athletes a lesson.” R.I.L. representative teams would be the champions of each respective sport in the league.

This new unnamed challenge was set to take place during spring break, in anticipation of concealing any sort of embarrassment in front of the entire student body, alumni, and media.

“I can’t believe that I had to cancel my trip to Cancun to play against a bunch of scrubs,” said scholarship athlete Scott Smalls. This year’s challenge would serve as a test pilot for years to come. Since spring sports have been in session since the end of February, administration chose to test out this year’s challenge with four events, men’s basketball, men’s soccer and women’s volleyball.

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