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DODGEBALL

It's never easy starting a new organization, and the Dodgeball Club was no exception. Despite the initial obstacles of introducing the club mid-semester and having no budget, the club has persevered and is now fully operational. We're currently focusing our efforts on maintaining the integrity of the club, but we are prepared for the future and have big, BIG plans for the 2017-2018 school year.

The philosophy of our club is simple--we provide an environment in which the sport of dodgeball can be played in a fun and friendly atmosphere to the students and faculty of WIU. Whether it's a recreational environment someone is seeking or something competitive, we make a point to make it a good time for everyone. Our current practice time is Monday's at 7:00 p.m. in the racquetball court room five at the Rec Center. We always welcome new players with any level of experience.

WINNER NEVER QUIT AND QUITTERS NEVER WIN.

~ VINCE LOMBARDI

WOMEN'S RUGBY PRESIDENT HONORED



Congratulations Kirsten Kessling, Rugby President, for being named the Gordon Taylor Student Leadership award recipient.



BOWLING

The Bowling Club has been around for many years and competes in tournaments around the country from October to March. We meet three days a week at Digger's College City Bowl for two hours a day and usually work on improving our bowling skills through games, spare shooting, and drills. Our main goal is to help everyone improve their bowling skills whether it be physical or mental as well as be as competitive as possible in the tournaments we do.



This season, we had an increase of eight members from last year and we were able to compete in 10 tournaments. Some of the highpoints of the season included a 16th place finish out of 35 teams at our tournament, the Leatherneck Classic, and an 8th place finish out of 23 teams at the Warhawk Open. Some of our top individual performers were sophomore Nick Shupryt who averaged 188, junior Kyle Rognstad who averaged 184, and sophomore Corey Baker who averaged 182. Corey also had the highest individual finish of anyone on the season with a 7th place finish at the Crusader Classic. We will be returning several of our current members next season and also hope to add some new talent and members. The Bowling Club is excited of what the future has in store for us.

MEN'S VOLLEYBALL

Volleyball has been a major part of my life so one can only imagine the excitement I have as the new Club volleyball president. This is a new chapter in my college experience and I am looking forward to recruiting new members and playing with familiar faces as well. We had a bumpy year, but through it all I learned a lot about how to help this team and hopefully pick up their mojo. I don't want to be another president; I want to make sure this team makes it to tournaments. My main objective is going to nationals and experiencing it as I have heard many great things. Since I've been at Western Illinois University, I have not had that opportunity for whatever reasons, but next year is going to be different and I am ready. Club Volleyball is about fun and new experiences and that is what I am most excited about!

