

Almost 100 years have passed since 1900, and a lot of things have changed in the world of sports. Athletes today make 15 million dollars just



MONEY! Corrine Felton concentrates hard while shooting a free throw. "I hate shooting free throws," confessed Corrine. to put a ball through a hoop. Others demand to be traded if one little thing doesn't go their way. But in an age where greed has become very common in sports, the reason why we play has remained unchanged— to have fun, which people sometimes forget.

When you think of sports, you think of you and your friends

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LITTLE BARRY! Justin Lindquist makes a move in a junior high game. "I love football," commented Justin.

going out on the court or field trying to be the best you can be. But memories are not made in the win-loss column. They are made in the amount of fun you had playing. For example, many friendships have begun out on the court or field. Maybe you had a

person on your team that you never passed the ball to because you didn't like them. But



SHARPSHOOTER! Jason Stoneman shoots the ball in a game against Sacred Heart. The Bears won, 55-14.

once you gave them a chance, you found out that they were all right and were, in fact, a pretty good player. Not only did you give them a chance as a player, but more importantly, you gave them a chance as a person.

More than just friendships come out of playing sports. You may find a passion within you



**DARN IT!** Terri Kral walks back to the dugout after getting out. "I think I just struck out," said Terri.

that you never knew was there before. Sometimes the only reason you played a sport was because all of your friends played, but once you got going, you realized that you really did like the sport, and maybe you were pretty good at it. All you needed to do was to give yourself a chance.



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