

# The 2005 Awty “Almost” Olympics Collects the Gold !

A number of new records were set at the annual Awty “Almost” Olympics, hosted by the Awty Rams Booster Club on Saturday evening, February 5th, in the PAAC. Now in its fourth year, over 160 parents and friends of Awty, teachers and coaches all joined in the fun and fund-raising for the school’s athletic needs.

After a delicious buffet dinner and world-class Trivia Contest, the teams began an evening of group and individual events to compete for the honor of being crowned 2005 Awty “Almost” Olympic Champions.



A record sixteen teams competed in a number of new events including a hair-raising race with Razor scooters, which had parents careening around an obstacle course on the floor of the gym. Hosted by ‘people’s choice’ MC, Chris Taggart (dressed to the ‘nines’—or perhaps only 4 ½ !) using the PAAC’s new sound system, the evening unfolded with the traditional Ping Pong Plop, Basketball Swoosh, Golf Putting and Chipping...plus this year’s new Frisbee Toss, Paper Airplane Glide and Soccer Kick.

The offerings at the bar were enhanced with a delicious selection of wines through the generous contribution of the Tasting Room plus the options of beer, soft drinks and margaritas. Also new was the “Wish List” where families were able to sign up for donations to a number of sports items and equipment the school would like to acquire. The “Silent Auction” grew to a record number of items including personal training donated by Awty Coaches, vintage port, a handmade necklace, dinners, brunches, a day on the water fishing or boating plus club memberships, sports gear and one-of-a-kind collectibles.



The winning teams (that’s correct, another record was broken as two teams tied for first place in a dead-heat and opted to share the trophy)



were the *Commonwealth Champions* and the *Clever B’s*. The third place was secured by the *Double Black Diamonds*; fourth by the *Winners* and fifth by the *Barbarians*.

Last year’s Olympics’ funds, raised by the Awty Rams Booster Club headed by Amanda Gelb and supported by a host of school Moms and Dads, contributed a significant portion of the money to purchase lights for the outdoor sports field. At this year’s “Almost” Olympics a record amount of over \$14,000 made its way into the coffers for the purchase of enough new equipment, which is

desperately needed by the student athletes as part of their fitness regimen, to properly fit out the weight-training room, Thanks to everyone for their limitless support.