

In Boring and Damascus

'Kid Basketball' making mark



ACTION IS fast and furious in the Kid Basketball program at Boring Middle School. Youngsters 9 through 12 play on Tuesday through Friday nights at the Boring or Damascus school gyms.



JERRY KELLEY, assistant coach for a team in the Boring-Damascus Basketball Association, talks over strategy during a time-out from the action. More than 135 youngsters participate in the action, which involved only youngsters from the Boring-Damascus area.

BORING — They squirt around the floor like mini Bill Waltons, although if most of them challenged the Trail Blazer giant it would be an eyeball to kneecap confrontation.

It's Kid Basketball, in its second year of operation and already ballooning to 136 little hoopsters, up from 85 in the first year.

Board members of the

Boring-Damascus Basketball Association have managed to raise \$2,400 for the program this year, which has decked the youngsters out in their own uniforms.

Cal Howard, one of the residents who guided the league through its first two years, said it keeps the kids off the streets and out of trouble.

In addition, it affords pre-

seventh graders the opportunity to participate in an organized sports program. "It's basically intended for the kids who don't have the opportunity to play in the schools."

There are 28 girls in the program this year in addition

to the 108 boys who are playing. There are six boys teams each of 9-10-year olds and 11-12-year olds, and three girls teams.

Games are played Tuesday through Friday beginning at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday games are played

in the Boring Middle School gym and other games are played in the gym at the Damascus Middle School.

The season runs through March 10 and all games are open to the public, Howard said.

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COACH DAVE VIGIL signals defensive postures for his young hoopsters in action at the Boring gym Tuesday.



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