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Everyone read the scores from the **Racquetball Tournament** from last week but there is an interesting YMCA story that goes along with that. As I mentioned before, a number of participants in the tournament were from various parts of New York State. Apparently, two of the players were originally from the country of Columbia in South America. While they were at the tournament and possibly even playing each other, they found out that they were not only from Columbia, but also had the same hometown. Apparently, they did not know each other previously but caught up that day on the many things that they had in common. Just another way, that we are able to see that all sorts of YMCA programs can help to build a community.

Many college students are now home from school and coming back to the Auburn YMCA to play basketball or spend time in the weight room. We are offering a college membership for anyone who is home for the holidays and looking to spend some time here. Not only is this a great opportunity to utilize the YMCA, it is also a great gift to get for your college student while they are home on vacation. Think of it as a stocking stuffer. Remember, you may buy a **gift certificate** in any amount for the YMCA and use it towards a membership or any of our fee based programs. This can apply also to camp, martial arts, racquetball, volleyball or massage to name just a few. Show your loved ones that you care by giving them a gift of not just good health but great fun also. **And, speaking of fun...a great gift certificate for your wife, girlfriend or significant other is for Amy and Mena's pajama party which is getting bigger and better all the time.**



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Remember that the Auburn YMCA closes on Christmas Eve, December 24 at 3pm and will reopen on Monday, December 26 at 5a.m. Normal hours will continue throughout the week until New Year's Eve, where we again close at 3 p.m., remain closed on New Year's Day and return to normal hours on Monday, January 2, 2012.. Another year almost down with many exciting things already happening and many more to happen in the future. Hope everyone has a wonderful holiday.