

Snow Canyon's girls work off the court

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When he saw that the Snow Canyon girls' basketball team had an off-day during the state Class 4A basketball tournament last week, Curtis Jensen suggested its members do a service project. Jensen's daughter Alex is a senior member of the team.

"We talked to the girls about it and they were excited," said assistant coach Jack Rolfe. "We looked up (the Murray Boys and Girls Club) on the Internet and called them up."

On Feb. 21, the Warriors, who had won their first two games in the tournament, spent about an hour with a group of 8- through 12-year-old boys and girls at the club. They visited with the youngsters, listened to their concerns and presented each with a book titled, "Learn to 'School' Your Toughest Opponent."

"We were given the books by Jack and asked to study one thing we could talk about," said Anna Nostrant, one of the Warrior seniors.

The subtitle of the book, which Rolfe wrote, is "Achieve Straight A's in The School of Life." Rolfe has given away over 2,000 books to youth organizations around the country through the non-profit School of Life Foundation. The A's listed in the book include appreciate, assist, attitude, aim, associate, align, action, avoid, adapt and always.

"When he told us we got to do this, we were way excited," Nostrant said. "We are up here to play basketball, but being able to give back just makes it awesome."

Bob Dunn, director of the club, told the girls that there are Boys and Girls Clubs from Logan to Provo. He noted that kids from all walks of life spend time involved in the clubs' activities.