



◆ Freshman Tracy Andersen blocks everything out of her mind as she concentrates on adding points to the scoreboard on Parents' Night.

The Name Game

Does the name "Ramone" sound familiar? Paul Hornak, coach of the JV girls' basketball team, was known as "Ramone" during their practices. Their propensity for assigning nicknames was one of the traits that characterized this basketball team.

The girls worked hard during their practices, scrimmaging, exercising, and drilling. The team and Coach Hornak not only worked hard at the practices, but they made the practices fun. One of the team members, "Squish" Surdock, said, "He would scrimmage with us and make it fun. Coach really helped us." Junior "Shorty" Shaw added, "The girls always made me guard him because I was the tallest. He would try to push me around, so I would play harder."

One indication of their closeness was the calendar they created as a special surprise for "Ramone." Chris Shaw and her mom spent hours putting together special "pinups" of the team members — one for each month, complete with their nickname. For example, March's player of the month was "Melvin" Carpenter. When Coach Hornak flipped to April, he feasted his eyes on "Maynard" Burk.

Finishing with a 10-10 record, the girls' season was neither spectacular nor discouraging. The outstanding part of this season will always be the friendship, the fun, and the memories.



(Front row) Jody Felton, Shannon Carpenter, Kim Morris, Ann Marie Fabus.
 (Middle row) Traci Andersen, Chris Shaw, Cyndi Surdock, Amy Burk, Dianna Garcia.
 (Back row) Coach Paul Hornak, Manager Char Evans.