Eighth Grade Boys Look Ahead And Vow:

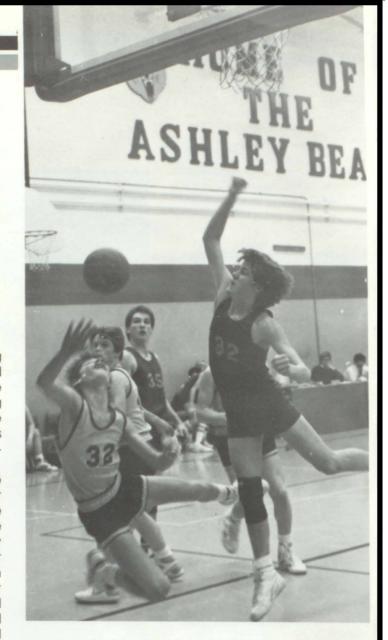
"We'll Be Hot!"

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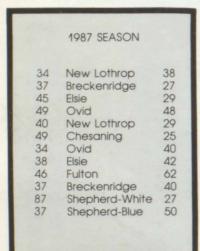
These were just a few of the comments from some of the eighth grade boys' basketball team. The eighth grade Ashley Bears had a six win, six loss season. The season started out great, winning five games in a row, but then it went downhill, losing five in a row. They played well one night and the next game they couldn't put it together. The six of the twelve games they did win, they were proud of because of the high

scoring in the winning games. They were proud of the results in the game against Ovid, beating them by one point in the last few minutes; that was the highlight of the season, they felt.

They had an impressive tournament run. The first tournament game against Shepard, the whole team really clicked. They went out and played hard, each one of them scoring at least four points. They all contributed and played like they wanted to all year. Duane Saylor commented, "Wait till we're seniors — then we'll be hot."



CORY GAVENDA'S ALL-OUT effort to score a basket in the Ashley vs. Fulton game wasn't enough to win this game. The Fulton Pirates came away with the wins, 46-62. Although Cory wasn't able to make the difference in this game, his stats for the season were impressive, with 141 points and 30 steals.





Front row: Christopher Lowe, Adam Palmatier, Bryan Howes, Chris Sosebee. Back row: Matt Miller, Kevin Klatt, Duane Saylor, Cory Gavenda, Jim Drummond.