

THE SOFTBALL TEAM begins to hype up before the start of a league game against Genesee. The impromptu pep assembly must have worked because the Bears took both games, 6-2 and 8-1.



#### 1988 SEASON

15	Fulton	24
5	Fulton	21
4	Webberville	21
4	Webberville	16
11	Dansville	16
1	Dansville	8
6	Genesee	2
8	Genesee	1
8	Byron	7
3	Byron	12
2	St. Louis	3
2	St. Louis	13
6	Morrice	3
10	Morrice	6
7	Central Montcalm	11
4	Breckenridge	16
15	Ithaca	17
0	Sacred Heart	6
2	Sacred Heart	6
11	Portland St. Pats	14
9	Portland St. Pats	8
6	Breckenridge	7
8	Breckenridge	18
	Pre-Districts	
9	Fowler	1

7 W 17 L Overall Record  
5 W 5 L MSAC Record

Not Complete Season Stats

*Even with dedication and hard work,  
this year proved to be a*

## *Disappointing Season*

Only three players lost to graduation . . . Eleven seasoned players returning . . . Sounds like the beginning of a great year, right? Wrong!

The Ashley softball team came up unsuccessful this year. They had hoped to take first place in league away from the previous year's champs, Webberville, but only came away with third. They practiced hard and looked promising but when the games started, it proved to be not enough.

Using the pitching machine almost every practice and batting against live pitchers didn't help the Bears at all. "The hitting started out slow for many players, but toward the end, everyone began seeing the ball and making contact," commented third

baseman, Kim Morris. Maybe it started out too late or for not enough people, because it didn't help their record.

It also didn't help because they played all their league games at the beginning of the season — when the hitting wasn't going well.

Even though the errors were fewer than in previous years, they did contribute to the loss column. In the game against St. Louis, for example, the Bears had the lead but because of errors, they ended up the loser. This, unfortunately, happened in many games for the unlucky Lady Bears.

"It was a disappointing year but we made the most of it and had fun," remarked Amy Lytle.