

# SCORE

## PLAYING TOGETHER

**OUTLET!** Eric Fabus rips down a rebound as Patrick Yelsik and Josh Saylor wait for the outlet. Eric had 76 rebounds on the season.

The 1998-99 Ashley boys varsity basketball team had high expectations going into the season. These expectations were being fulfilled and the Bears had started a red hot 12-3. However, in the 16th game, the wheels fell off and the Bears went on a four game losing streak. The Bears then won the season finale and won the first game of districts before bowing out to Sacred Heart in the second game. But the early exit didn't put a damper on what the team had accomplished. Commented Kalep Harris, "We played some pretty good basketball. I think that our victory over Sacred Heart was our best game because we really played as a team." Tim Slaughter had a different point of view. Remarked Slaughter, "I feel that the away game against Vestaburg was our best game. We came back from a large deficit to beat them at their place."

As many good times as there were for the Bears, there were also some disappointments. "The

Vestaburg loss was very disappointing because we didn't play like we were capable of and because it cost us a share of the league title," remarked Jason McCrimmon. Slaughter also took losing league hard. "Losing against Sacred Heart and Vestaburg was disappointing because we beat them the first time and we expected to beat them again for the league crown," said Slaughter. Reflected Kevin Fabus, "Every loss was disappointing. Sometimes things just weren't clicking for us and we didn't play to our potential."

Aside from the win-loss record, this team had a lot of fun. Commented McCrimmon, "The most fun game for me was the away game at Vestaburg because I really had fun being out there." "My favorite part of playing basketball was the bus rides after we won because everyone was happy and we had a lot of fun," said Slaughter. Remarked Fabus, "It's always fun playing against someone you hate."

Patrick Yelsik



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**HERE IT COMES!** Patrick Yelsik looks for an open man during a game against Mt. Baptist. Pat averaged 17.2 points and 5.1 assists per game.