

Showing fans their spirit

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season games that were cheered for

Juniors dominated the squad. In the previous years there have been many seniors on the varsity team, but this year was different. In the end of the season there were two remaining seniors.

"We had our fun with the juniors. We all got along pretty well and Kristin and I felt like the mothers of the squad," said **Alyssa Molnar, 12**.

Most of the cheerleaders had already cheered together during the fall season so everyone was used to each other.

"I came onto the basketball squad feeling welcome. We all get along really well and cheered great together!" said **Julie Gardner, 11**.

Practices at the beginning of the season were strenuous. But as the games began practices were hard to fit in. The squad already had one practice dedicated to tumbling. The girls either learned or practiced their tumbling at Kid's First.

"All of the girls went through conditioning exercises, sets of continuous jumps, and tumbling classes with a smile and a desire for improvement," said **Amanda Siebert, 11**.

Since there were a total of eight juniors there will be many seniors on next year's squad.

"I can't wait until next year. It's exciting that get to be a senior next year but at the same time I will miss my senior mothers this year," said **Beth Cundiff, 11**.

The basketball games lasted an average of two hours. In that time the cheerleaders did chants, cheers, dances, band chants, jumps, and tumbling. The skills that they performed showed how well their practices went.

Although the squad hoped to go to competition things didn't go the way they wanted them to. There was little time to practice inbetween the busy schedule of games that had to be attended.

To go to a competition the girls would have to practice five days a week maybe even six for about three hours a practice in a single month. This is a ton of dedication that the squad was willing to give but didn't have the time.

In the future the squad is determined to go to competition and compete for a winning title.



Cheering the basketball players to a victory. Trisha Brahnham, 11, Alyssa Molnar, 12, Amanda Siebert, 11, Julie Gardner, 11, and Leah Drapkin, 11, got ready to perform a halftime cheer. Not only did they do a cheer but a dance was done as well. They all stayed focused and smiled to perform their best for the crowd.



Row 1: Kristin Grueninger, 12, Alyssa Molnar, 12, and Sachi Sunamoto, 12. Row 2: Jieun Chae, 11, Amanda Siebert, 11, Jessica Senefeld-Naber, 11, and Liz Back. Row 3: Julie Gardner, 11, Beth Cundiff, 11 and Tricia Branham, 11.