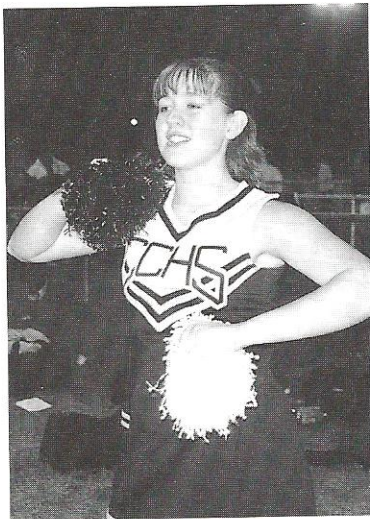
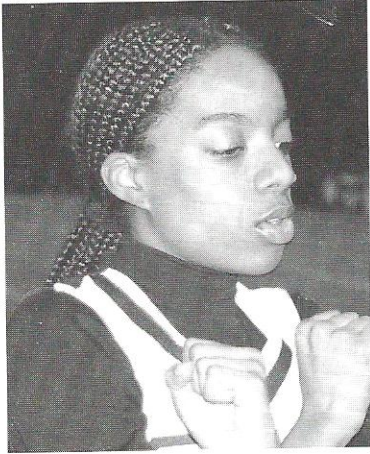


Lets Hear You Shout

Giving It Their Best

Bang Bang Choo-Choo Train. Cheering her team to victory, freshman **Brittany Stephens** thinks carefully while performing the cheers. She cheered hard during the Colleton County, Fort Dorchester game.



Go Cougars! During a game, cheerleaders work very hard to encourage their team. "Cheerleading is a fun sport that takes a lot of hard work and dedication, but I enjoy doing it a lot," freshman **Kristin Donnahoo** said.

Striking a Pose. Cheerleaders use their peppy movements and loud voices to motivate the fans. "You have to have a lot of personality and charisma to be a good cheerleader," sophomore **Kaite Carter** said.

Every Thursday night, J.V. Cheerleaders did one quick run-through of a highly critiqued routine. Leading fans in cheers during the game, the squad boosted the moral of the J.V. Football team.

"Before a game, I usually practice cheers and review the stunts so that I will be well prepared for the game," sophomore **Bonnie Cole** said.

After school, the girls gathered in the gym to practice cheers and stunts

performed at the game the following Thursday.

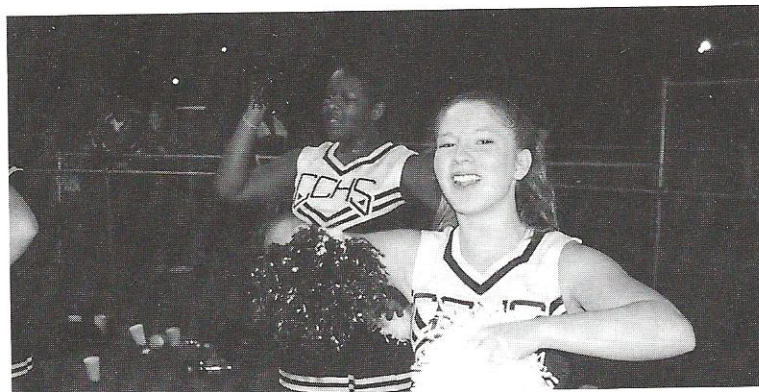
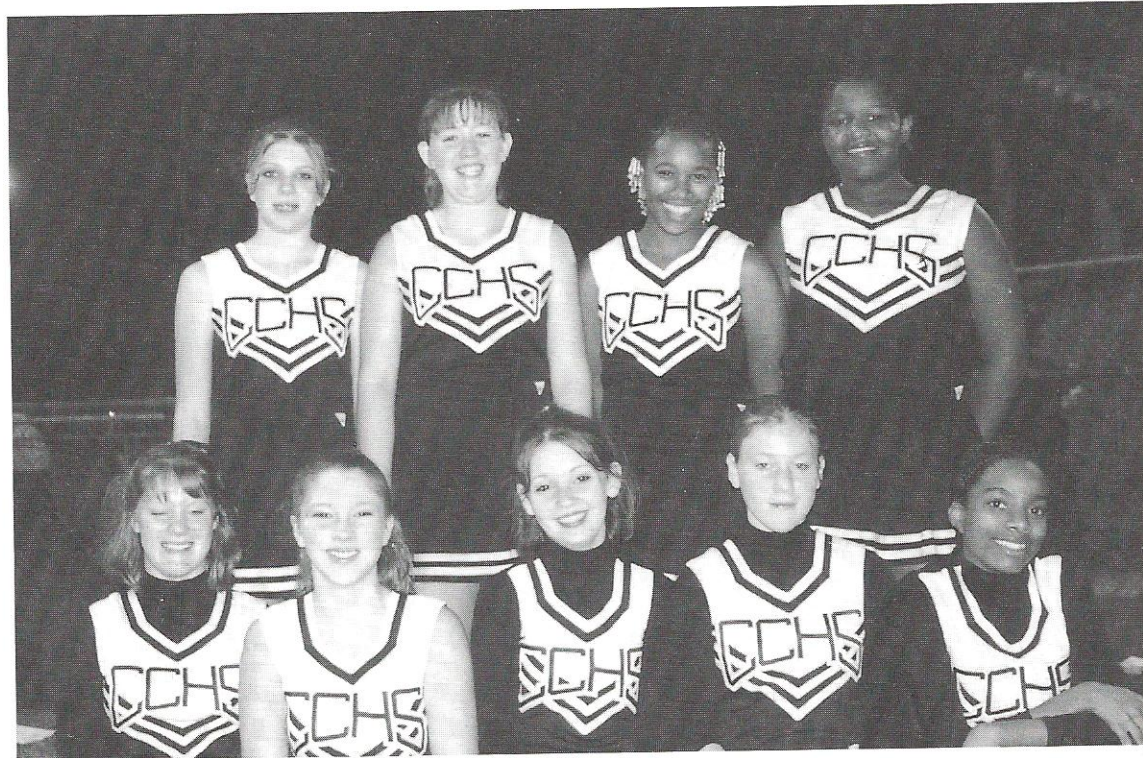
"We usually practice two to three times a week for about an hour and half, or even more if we feel that we need to," freshman **Brittany Stephens** said.

Some cheerleaders found that being cheerful all the time could present the stereotype of being ditsy. "People stereotype us all the time, but I have learned how to

ignore it. Cheerleading is a lot harder than it seems, and all cheerleaders are not dumb and ditsy," freshman **Victoria Harrison** said.

Although cheerleading may not seem to consist of any difficulties or obstacles, cheerleaders placed a lot of hard work and determination into creating a cheering routine.

- Erin Way



Smiling Faces, Beautiful Places. Several cheerleaders use their half-time break in order to take a short and well deserved breather. J.V. Cheerleaders were required to cheer at every home game.