

Going Up, Busting Loose

Lady Cougars give it all they've got!

Bang, boom, slap, smack, noises filled the air of the stifling hot gym in the afternoon as balls sped through the air at opponents on the opposite side of the net. "Volleyball is an inspiring and active sport. Mrs. Browning is always encouraging us (players) to work harder," senior **Rebekah Weber** said.

Mrs. Browning, the varsity volleyball coach inspired her girls to do their best when playing the sport. She always had a positive attitude and aspiring expecta-

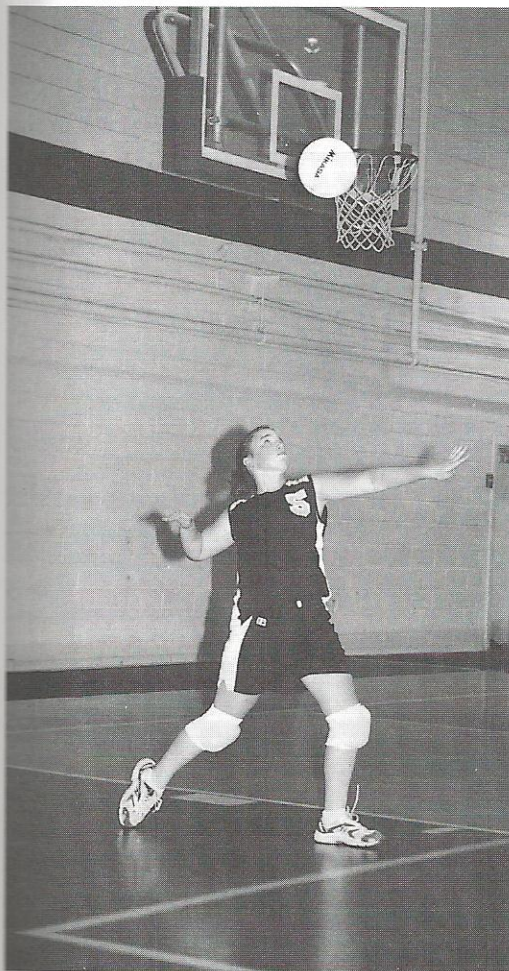
tions. Even when the girls lost 17-4, she would always tell them that they had tried and that they had played their best. "Although volleyball is a rough sport, I still love to play it anyway," sophomore **Ciera Hilton** said. Ciera wanted to eventually play volleyball in college.

During the season, the team played hard and showed strong dedication. They were thankful that they had made it through the season. "The team showed promise when their game against Hilton

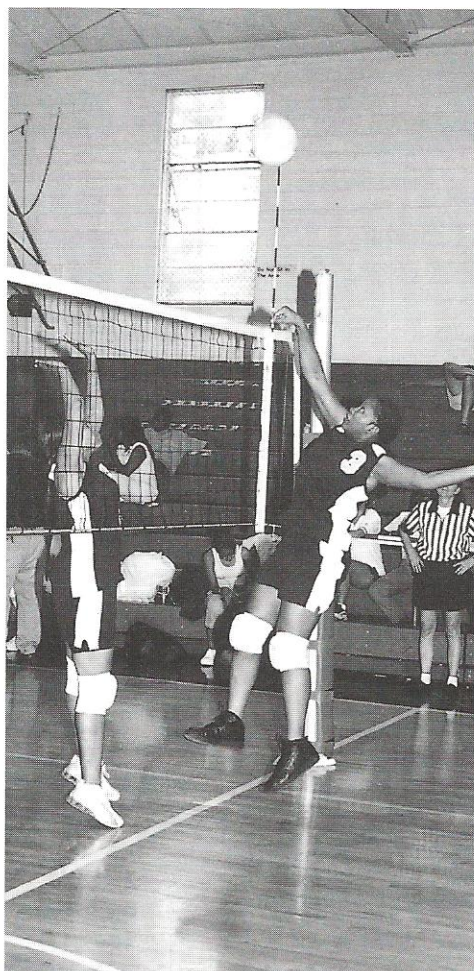
Head was 15-13. Although they lost the game, they acted like they had won," **Coach Browning** said.

The transition of the two schools really did not have an effect on the volleyball team. The girls recieved more experience through their interaction with girls of different ages and backgrounds. The team agreed that the 2002-2003 volleyball season was a great experience and an excellent chance to build their skills for the following year.

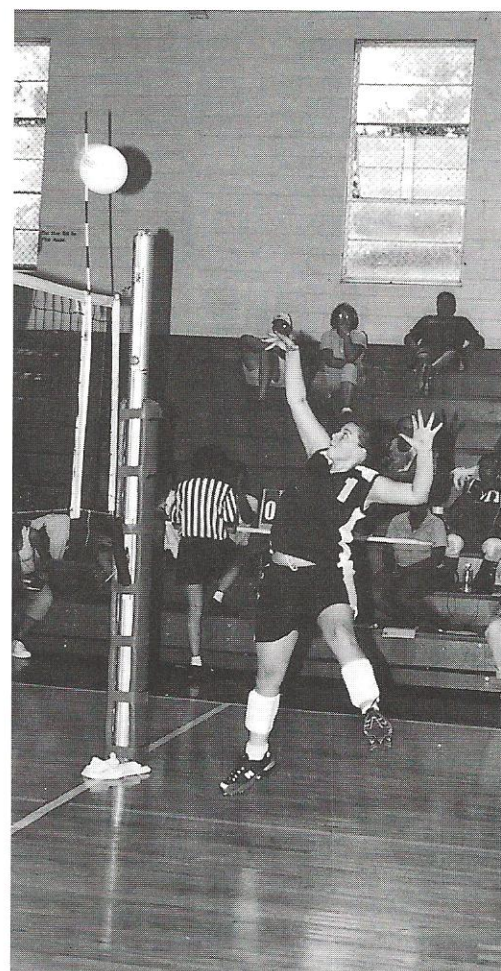
-Nicole Buntton



Super Serving! Junior **Amber Driggers** sets up to serve the ball over the net. "Server, one of the more exciting positions, would have to be one of my favorite positions to play," Amber said.



Bouncing back. Senior **Chederis Kinnery** concentrates on the ball with great anticipation before following through with a "spike." "I love to spike the ball. It makes me feel inferior," Chederis said.



Setting it up. Sophomore **Ciera Hilton** swings back to make another spike. "Spiking the ball is one of my favorite returns to do during a volleyball game," Ciera said.