

First baseman, Nichole Proveaux, stretches out her glove to receive the ball from Shalarece Murdaugh. In that instance the two veteran players turned a double play.



HIT AND RUN!



Sheneka Hallmon clutches the ball in her glove after receiving a ground ball hit into right field.

Laquita Jenkins, an eighth grader, awaits her turn "on deck." She batted .375 that game.

Hit and run! That was the job of all the members of the Lady Patriots. The ladies played fourteen games this season. The Patriots had a team of thirteen members including three seniors. The majority were veterans who had played ball before, either on a community team, or at school. The young members of the team were also an advantage for next year's team. The number of returning players will be higher. The season was not the best, but the girls played their hearts out. They showed lots of pride in being a Lady Patriot. The softball team practiced everyday of the week except for on the days they had games.

The team had many ups and downs. The first being the winning of their games; the latter being players who were benched for a couple of games. The removal of some of the players from the team was also a downside. Through it all, the dedicated players kept their heads up and did their best in all their games. Team captain, first baseman, and alternate pitcher, Nichole Proveaux, had these words to describe her softball experience this year: "Although this softball season was exciting, things could have been better. We had excellent winning potential, but we didn't focus on the basics enough to grasp their concepts. That doesn't matter, because next year we are going to be 'THE BOMB'!"

— Gerald Jenkins