



# KEEP

## The Spirit

Most college squads have male cheerleaders, but this was the first year for such at WHS. Each male cheerleader gave new strength to the squad in the areas of partner stunts and voice projection — the areas that are most important in cheerleading.

Improvement was the main objective for the varsity cheerleaders. Under the direction of new coach Sherri Ulrich the squad began an extensive practicing and conditioning program.

The squad attended the Universal Cheerleaders Association Camp at the University of South Carolina in Columbia for a week in July. During that time, the cheerleaders were taught new cheers and dances and how to improve crowd spirit. At the end of the week, the team was named "Most Improved."

"This recognition boosted the

team's spirit and added to our determination to become a better squad," said Stephanie McCarter.

When school began, the cheerleaders practiced for two or three hours after school every day. Practices consisted of meetings to plan upcoming events and rehearse for performances.

"It became quite tiring, but we knew that it would pay off in the end," said Captain Brandy Peurifoy.

The squad entered a competition and captured the 6-AAAA Region Co-Ed title. The team was then supposed to compete for the state title, but elected not to.

"Winning the title gave us pride in ourselves and the experience of winning," said senior Daphne Blocker.

— Andy Wilson



**Front:** Becky Smith, Stephanie McCarter, Shannon Gardini, Felecia Daniels. **Middle:** Daphne Blocker, Tara Roy, Brandy Harrison, Brandy Peurifoy,

**Allie Moseley. Back:** Monica Hickman, Brandy Butler, Andy Wilson (Mascot), Kim Driggers, Nikki Maxey.