

## Ladies Play Catch-Up After Late Start

Women's Softball team got off to a late start due to the extended basketball season. The team began practicing a month and a half after other area teams. As the season began, Coach Phyllis Willis did not know what to expect, the team was very young, but each player improved her fundamentals through hard work and dedication. The younger athletes developed into tremendous softball players and helped the team to a successful season. The team consisted of two seniors four juniors four sophomores, and six freshmen. The Lady Patriots concluded their season with a 10-4 record. They contended for the conference title before falling to North Lenoir in an extremely close 8-7 loss. The Patriots tied for second place in the Coastal 3A Conference and

showed promise for next year's team. Shammara Henderson, Jennifer Lewis, and Michelle Parker were named to the All-Conference team while Felicia Adams, Kelli Butler Rian Rowland, and Katrina Smith received Honorable Mention All-Conference.



Front row: Emily Page, Gabrielle McCabe, Rian Rowland, Natricia Tootle, Katrina Smith Second row: Leah Brown, Shammara Henderson, Coach Phyllis Willis, Assistant Coach Marsha Harris, Jennifer Lewis, Lucy

Page Last row: Michelle Parker Kelli Butler Kelly McDaniel, Emily Mercer Felicia Adams, Trixie Watson, Amanda Viereck, Lorna Burke

