

Kelly Parker attempts to hit the ball over the outstretched arms of a South Putnam player.

Misty Myers accepts the Most Valuable Player Award for volleyball. The award was presented at the Fall Sports Banquet.



Bump-Set-Spike!

By Laurie Frank

The North Putnam Lady Cougars had an up and down year in volleyball. They got off to a bad start when they were 0-5 after losing to Tri-West, Turkey Run, North Vermillion, Northview, and Attica.

North lost four of the six setters that were in the program last year. Coach Ron Price tried to play a two-setter offense to open the season. It didn't work the first two matches. One Friday, in a practice after school, Coach Price changed the Cougars to a five-setter offense. They played it for the first time at the Early Bird Tourney, and The most dramatic improvement for the team was that they passed much better. The Cougars had 14 kills as a team against Attica. They served a season high 87 percent against Turkey Run.

Megan Hurst said, "We had an up and down season, but all in all, the season turned out alright."

"It was disappointing to lose in the sectionals, but I think we have a lot of potential for next year, and I'm looking forward to the challenge," commented Rachael Neier.



First row: Misty Myers and Hope Richardson. **Second row:** Megan Hurst, Kelly Clampitt, Heidi Albin, Kiley Myers, and Natalie Berry. **Back row:** Angel Burdine, Coach David Weaver, Kristen Godwin, Kelly Parker, Coach Blaine Vandersnick, Miranda Clahan, Rachel Neier, Coach Ron Price, and Dusty Shraub.