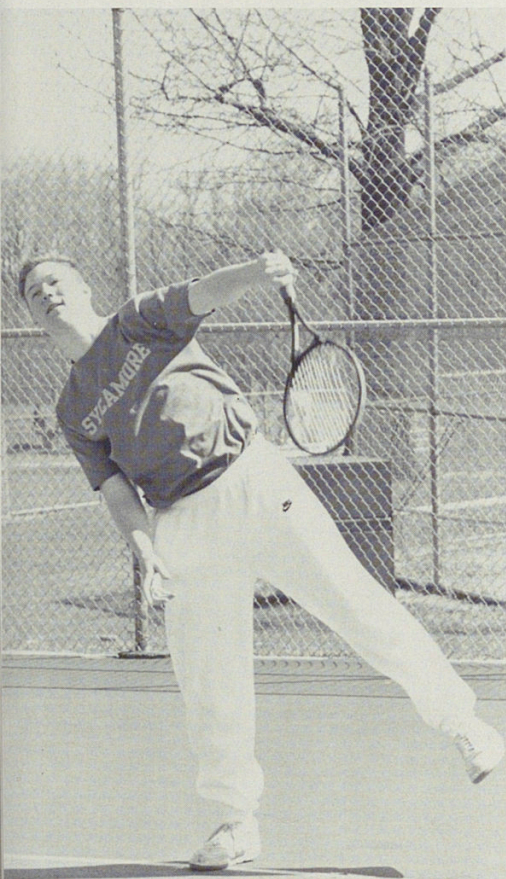


Ken O'Day finishes up his serve.



SMASHING THE COMPETITION

During the 1990 Boys' Tennis season, one could flip to the sports section of the *Enquirer* on any given day, and almost always find an article on the Sycamore Boys' Varsity Tennis Team. Unlike the stories criticizing other sports teams and players, these stories were full of praise and enthusiasm. Gee, wonder why . . .

Could it be because the Aves won the Team GMC title their first year in the new league? Or what about the fact that two doubles teams (Singh-Kilpatrick, Marshall-Goldberg) and one singles (Chris Thatcher) made it to districts? Or maybe it was because one of those doubles teams (Marshall-Goldberg) won the districts and finished third in the state? Whatever the reason may be, the Sycamore Boys' Varsity Tennis Team had an exceptional season that was not overlooked by the newspapers!

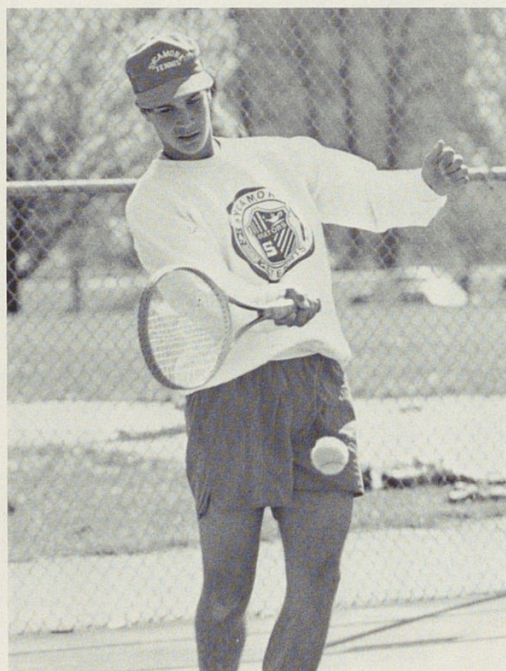
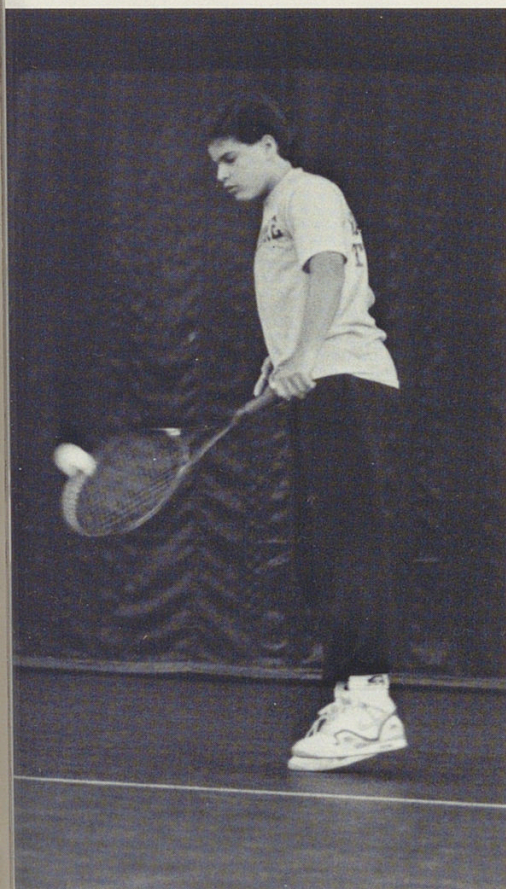
Made up of one senior (Jason Singh), three juniors (John Barton, Dan Dennis, Mark Kilpatrick), two sophomores (Lee Sutton, Chris Thatcher), and four freshman (Brad Goldberg, David Levy, Bryan Life,

Scott Marshall), the Aves were practically unstoppable. With seven wins and zero losses in the conference matches, and 15 wins and two losses in all the matches combined, the Sycamore team met all the high expectations put on it. Senior Jason Singh knew why — "We had a good blend of youth and experience . . . and that made a great team!"

Adding to the long list of accomplishments, all of the team members were All GMC. In the sectional tournament, Marshall-Goldberg was the doubles champion, Singh-Kilpatrick was the doubles runner-up, and Chris Thatcher took the singles third place. Finally, making up the GMC All Academic Team, were John Barton, Jason Singh, Chris Thatcher, and Mark Kilpatrick.

Each and every forehand, backhand, serve and volley from these 10 hardworking Aves contributed to the extremely successful season of the Sycamore Boys' Varsity Team. They definitely deserved every single headline they were given!

by Jennifer Tolchinsky



Scott Berkley eases into a skilled forehand.

Brad Goldberg gets ready for another tough match.