

# NEW PLAYERS, NEW SEASON, OLD LEGACY

Hitting, spiking their way through

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**F**rom serving the ball to spiking it at the opponents, everything was new to them. Even though the team consisted of first year players, they accomplished and learned together.

"It was a fun, great learning season for the whole team," said **Bill Pan, 10**.

With a completely new team and no experience, their overall record was unbelievable to many fans. The best part of the team as a whole was their dedication to win and become better players.

"We had a pretty good season and we worked really hard to get where we ended," said **David Chen, 9**.

The team had tough battles against other schools all throughout the season, most of the time coming out with a win. Practices during the season were intense with a lot of ball handling and running to get

physically fit. They learned a new drill everyday to prepare them for matches ahead. Although some players disliked the hard practices, they had a feeling of accomplishment when it was all over.

The team felt that the practices really brought them closer and got them ready for big games.

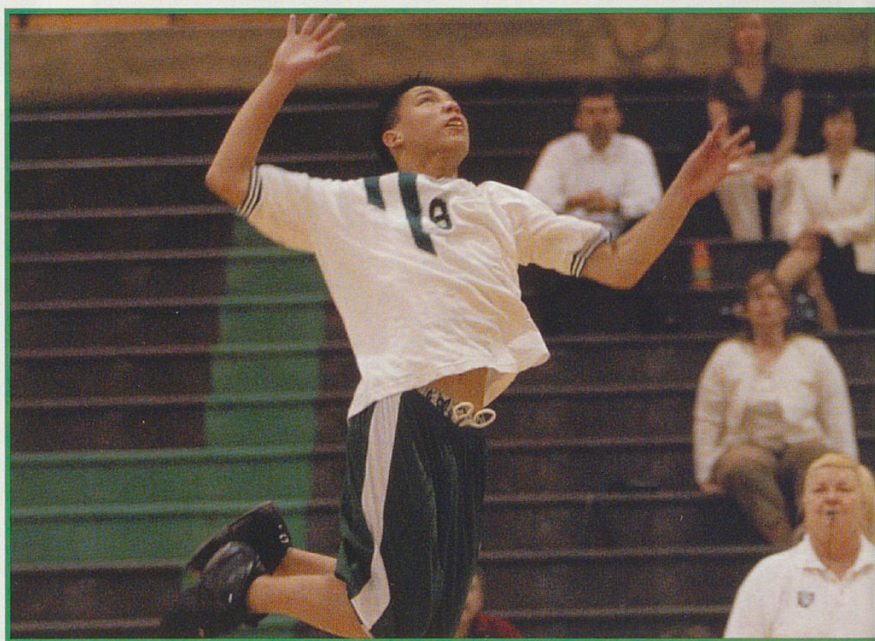
"It was really interesting. We had little talent in the beginning and improved throughout the season. Reaching our goal of being over 500," said **Brian Langhorne, 11**.

**Langhorne**, and **Eric DeMuth, 11**, were both key players throughout the season and even ended up playing on varsity. **DeMuth**, who switched positions often, was always there to help **Langhorne**, who was a setter.

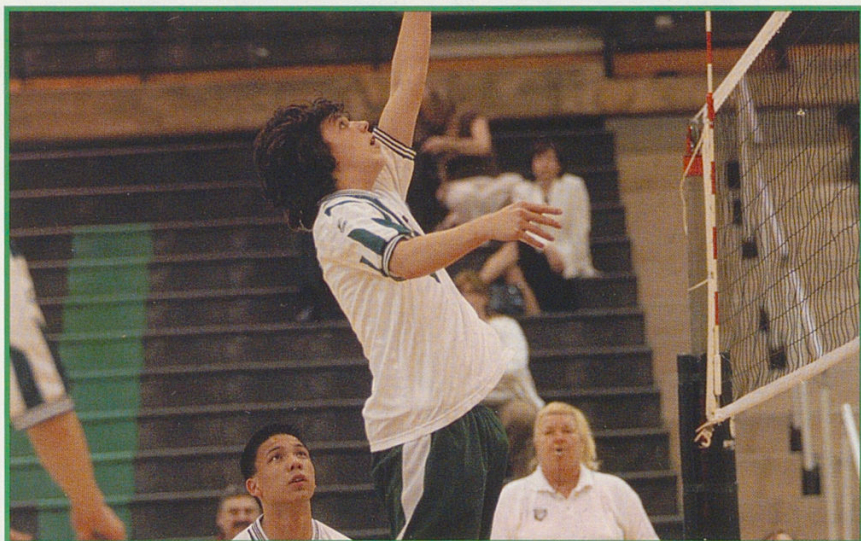
Starting out so strong, many people await the victories ahead.



He goes up alone! Penetration over the net paid off after **Brian Langhorn, 11**, made the block for his team. The continuous effort the front line made resulted in numerous touches.



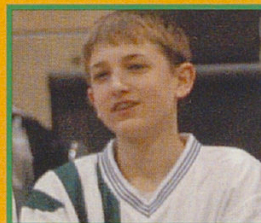
**Junix Alcayaga, 10**, goes for the kill! **Alcayaga** was a key outside hitter, and was considered a "go to" player. He always could be counted on for a big play.



**Jason Kastrup, 10**, tips the ball for the win! "It was really exciting throughout the season. It was my first year playing, so I can't wait for next year!" said **Kastrup**.

## PROFILE

### PLAYER'S



"We started out with a lot of new players, but with our great coach we really improved,"  
-**Kevin Lo, 11**

"I thought the practices were the best part, except for the running. I was upset when it was over, but I can't wait for the next season to begin,"  
-**Andy Graves, 10**

