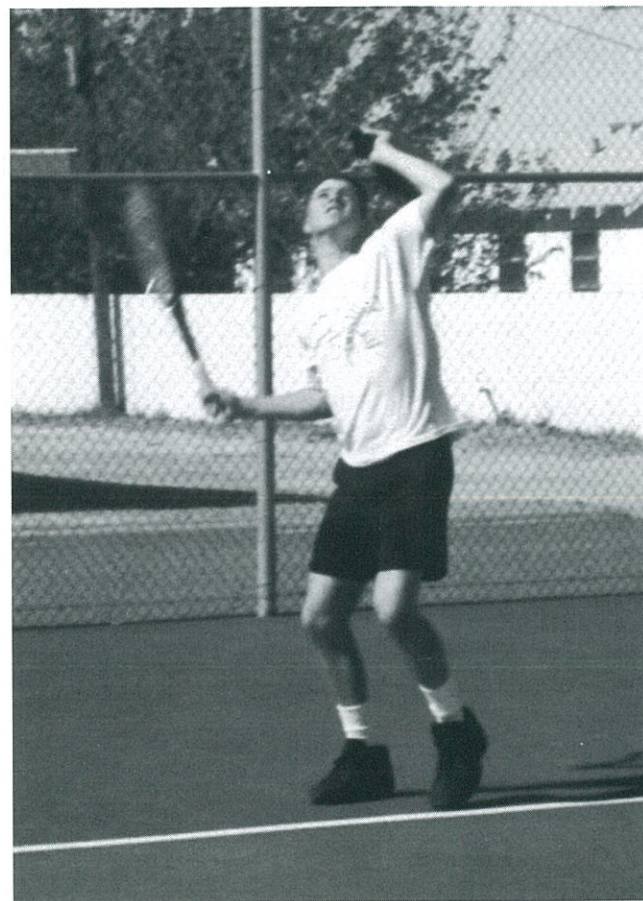


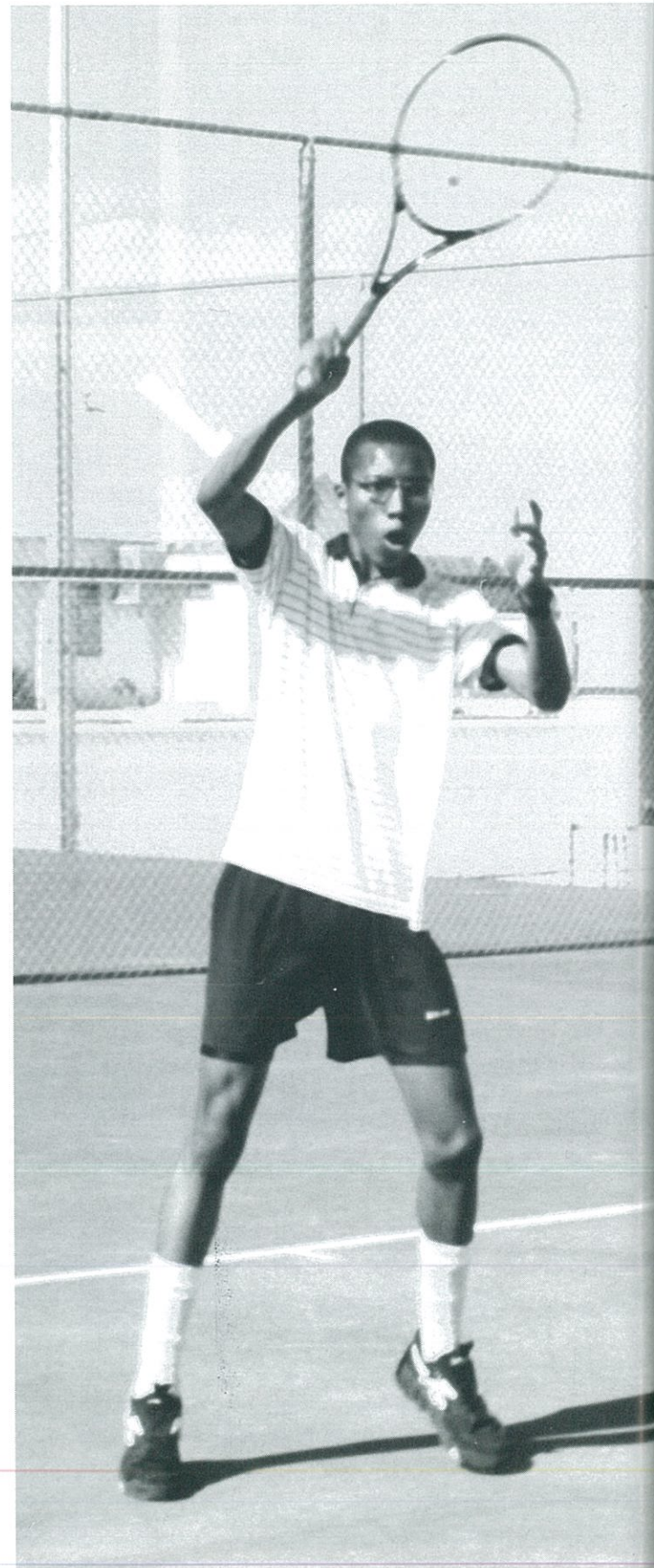
Match Point Year

The tennis year started as soon as the basketball season ended. Coach R.C. Brister jumped in full blast to try to get the tennis team ready for district in just two weeks. The team was quite young, consisting of four freshmen, three sophomores, one junior, and two seniors. Duals with Balmorhea and Fort Davis proved to be great experience, especially for the freshmen on the team. Competition was hard as the team met for district at Fort Stockton. Competitors from Sanderson, who had competed at State the year before, were back to defend their title. The Wildcat team held on the first day of district to win several matches. Reaching the finals the next day was a top goal for each team member. The players battled the windy weather and succeeded in playing their matches with good sportmanship and determination. Even though no player advanced past the district level, Jodi Carlton placed third in girls singles after a hard fought match that lasted two hours and forty-seven minutes.



Sophomore Sheldon Claborn sets it up to smash his first serve down the line.

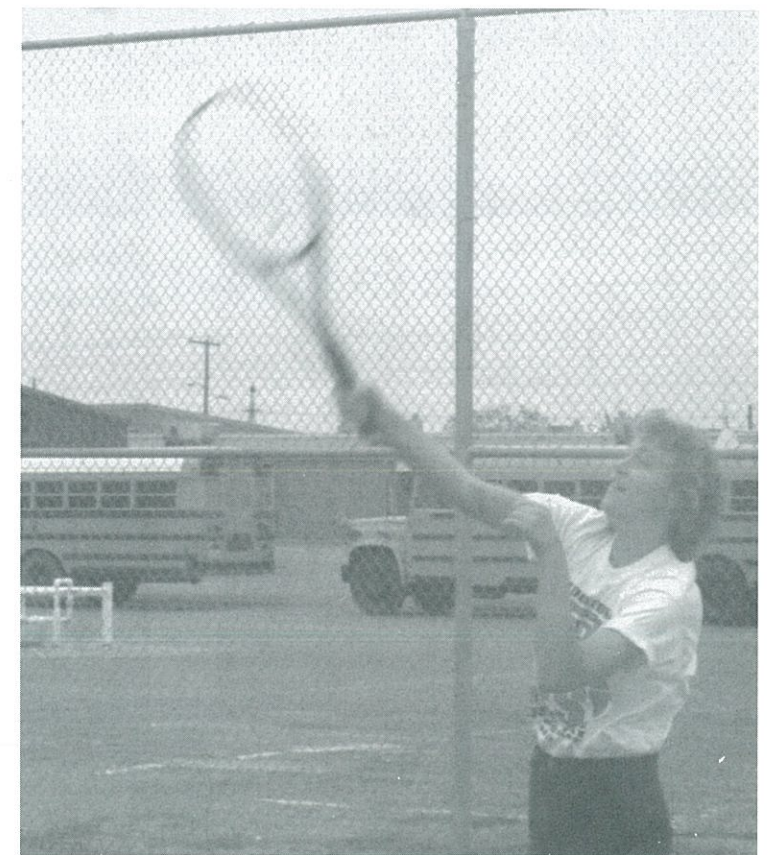
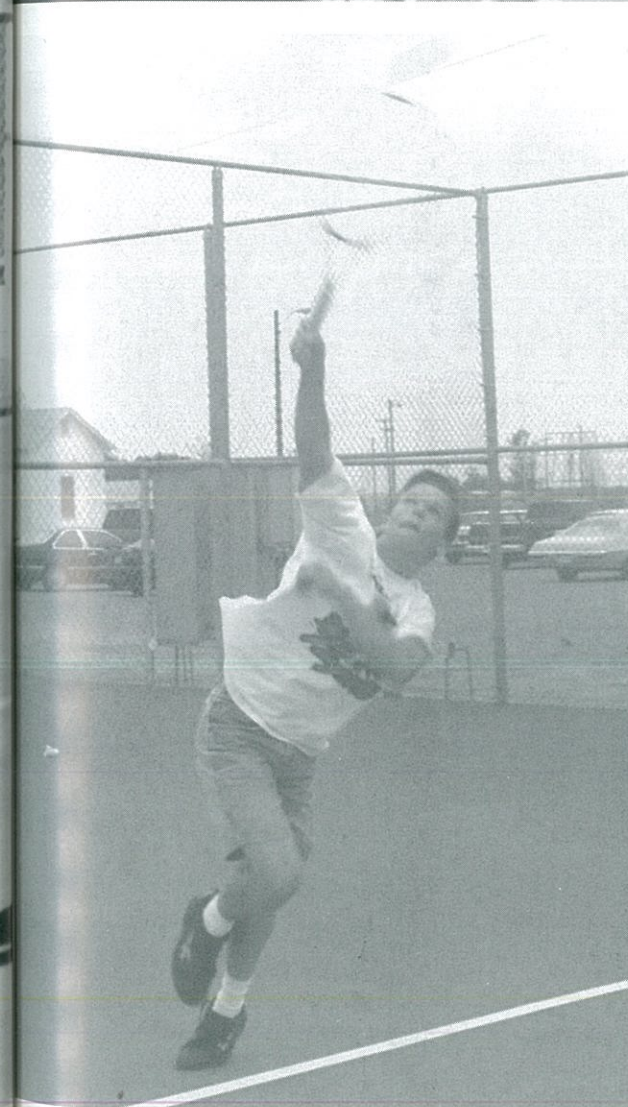
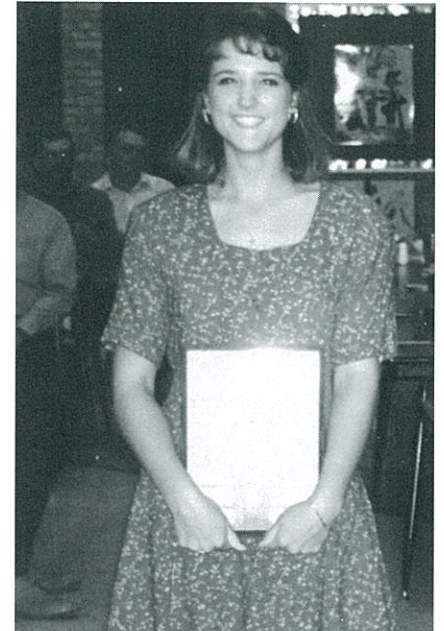
Freshman Shawn Matthews practices his top spin in the heat of the day to prepare for district.



1995 Tennis Team: standing-Jodi Carlton, Debbie Thomas, Marcie Wilkinson, and Clifton Hall; sitting-Pat Gray, Amber Connell, Desiree Bickle, Karina Carrillo, and Sheldon Claborn.



Junior Jodi Carlton receives her award at the sports banquet for placing third at district.



Sophomore Debbie Thomas watches the ball as she aces her opponent.

Freshman Clifton Hall shows perfect form for all the spectators.