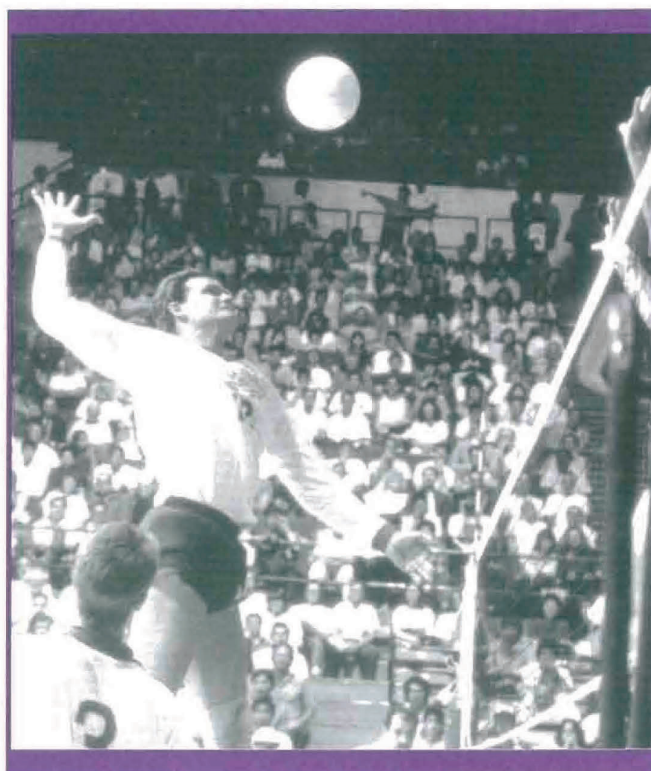


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## **DON DENDINGER**

### *Outstanding Athlete*

A standout basketball and volleyball player at Dos Pueblos High School, Don Dendinger went on to become a first team All-American volleyball player and a NCAA Champion at UCLA and a member of the USA National Volleyball Team.

Dendinger garnered the boys' basketball MVP awards in his junior and senior years at Dos Pueblos as well as the same award for the boys' volleyball squad in his senior year. A first team All-Channel League performer in 1983 and 1984, Dendinger earned first team league honors in volleyball in 1984 as well as a second team All-CIF nod and the Santa Barbara Athletic Roundtable Athlete of the Year award for volleyball.

A four-year letterman at UCLA, Dendinger was the Bruins' MVP in 1988, in addition to his NCAA first team All-American accolades. In one of Dendinger's proudest sports achievements, he and the Bruins won the NCAA Men's Volleyball Championship in 1987, his junior year. In 1989 Dendinger remained with the Bruins as a Graduate Assistant coach to their NCAA Championship team and was a member of the USA National Volleyball Team in 1989 and 1990. From 1992 through 1995 Dendinger made his mark on the Budweiser 4-Man Volleyball, and the Asian Professional Beach Volleyball Tours.

In 1995, Dendinger completed a master's degree in physical therapy at USC with a full scholarship from the Veterans Administration Health Professional Scholarship.

Dendinger notes his parents John and Irene as well as Al Scates, the head UCLA volleyball coach, and Tony Vigna, his Goleta Boys Club basketball coach, as the greatest influences in his life.

Dendinger currently lives in Moraga, Calif., with his wife, Lucy, and their two daughters, Kate and Anna. He is the co-owner of Tice Valley Physical Therapy in Walnut Creek, specializing in orthopedic and sports physical therapy.