

# BEIJING 08: controversy and accomplishments

The 2008 Olympic Games were full of excitement and controversy. Michael Phelps, an American swimmer, won eight gold medals, topping Mark Spitz's old record of seven. Phelps also set seven world records.

Another popular name this Olympic season was Jamaican runner Usain Bolt. He went three for three in his Olympic performance and set a world record in each of his events.

Controversy also circled around some of the Chinese athletes. There were allegations against some

of the Chinese athletes that they were not old enough to perform in the games. The most talked about age controversy was He Kexin, a gymnast from China that didn't look as old as 16: the required competing age.

Another bit of debate was the gold medal round of the women's uneven bars when American gymnast, Nastia Liukin and Chinese gymnast He Kexin, earned identical scores. As a result, Kexin was still awarded the gold medal through an "Olympic tie-breaking procedure". Trevor Weise '10 said "I think that

they should have to compete against each other in an overtime fashion, 1 on 1."

The overall medal count of the games was the U.S. with 110 medals, and the Chinese team finished with 100 medals. The third-place team was Russia with 72.

Overall, the U.S. prevailed this Olympic season. "I think this Olympics when good. Michael Phelps is awesome." Clay Medina '12 said. "I liked watching this Olympics, especially the men's basketball team because they dominated," Jake Bell '10 said. - **Jake Sand**



Trent Pollman '10 catches a ball on the side line to give the Jeffs a new set of downs. /whitney ebke

## quickfacts

FOOTBALL 09-05-08

Game 1

Jeffs vs Filmore Central

**35**

**0**

rushing yards:

Scmidt 70, Horky 24, Sand 10

passing yards:

Horky 278

play of the game:

Lee Horky's 60 yard pass to Jake Sand to score the first touchdown of the game. It set the tone for the rest of the game.

your reactions:

"I was really impressed on how the guys looked and im excited that we will have a good season." Emily Hergott '09

season record: **1-1**

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**ATHLETE**  
of the month

**Lee Horky**  
Senior



Football, Basketball, Golf

All school Passing records broken  
Has a 1100 CC Motorcycle  
Has a Boxer dog named Angus