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of the blue during the final weeks of the campaign, capped by his runner-up finish in the Division I state meet, where he missed the iron ball 52-11.25. Gerstman was also the Oakland County meet champion, won the OAA Division II meet and finished second at the West Bloomfield regional.

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(Stewart) was a state champion last year." Elsworth's story was bitter-sweet because he missed the final two-thirds of the season due to injuries sustained in the basketball season. Learning that he had to give up wrestling, he gave long jump a try, and he went on to win two dual meets, finish first at the OAA Division II meet and end the prep season by winning the Division 2 state title with a leap of 22-0.75.

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cross country, was timed at a career best 9:42.4 at the state finals. That was preceded by his win at the West Bloomfield regional and Catholic High School League meet and a runner-up showing at the county meet. Black also finished fourth in the 1,600 (4:40) at the regional and was fifth at the league meet in the same event.

John ran about 10:30 last year as a freshman, so it's a big try to see how much he improved this year," added Stark. "The longer the race, the better for John. We're hoping to see more good things out of him in the fall in cross country."

RELAY TEAMS

400 METERS: Farmington Hills (Marcus Woods, Robert McCall, Charles Pickett, Charles Stewart) - Saving the best for last is what the Hawks have done as a team the last three years at the Division 2 state final, as Harrison captured the team crown. This foursome of two seniors, Woods and Pickett, along with juniors McCall and Stewart, helped the championship cause by breaking the tape at the state meet in the 400 relay (4:29.4). This unit also won the Observant Relays, OAA Division II and Marysville regional titles and finished third at the county meet. Their best on the year was 4:27.

It was exciting to see them finish up with a state championship this year, because three of them were all-state in this event (last year), said Reed. Individually, Woods, who will compete in football at Western Michigan next year, was fourth at the state meet in the 100, while Pickett was a state qualifier in the 100 and Stewart a state semifinalist in the 200. 800 METERS: Southfield (Derek Hunter, Justin Kinsman, Adam Clements, Chris Howell) - As a team, Southfield finished second at the Division 2 state meet and this foursome were catalysts behind that performance. Made up of the senior trio of Clements, Kinsman and Howell, along with freshman Hunter, this unit cruised to a runner-up showing at the Division I state meet in 1999. This foursome also won the Troy Athens Relays, Ambrose Eccentric Relays, OAA Division II, county and West Bloomfield regional titles.

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