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Top teams take top gymnastics honors

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NOT SURPRISINGLY, Plymouth Canton and North Farmington, with the best gymnastics teams in Oberlin, filled half of the 12 positions on this year's All-Area squad.

Canton, which finished ninth in the state, was awarded four first-team berths, and North Farmington, which won its 11th consecutive league title and placed 11th in the state, put two gymnasts on the elite team as did Plymouth Salem and Westland John Glenn.

While their teams were not as strong as the Chiefs and Raiders, John Glenn probably had the best one-two combination in Angie Temelko and Debbie Williams, and Farmington's Jackie Daly was certainly one of the premier performers of 1988.

In addition, Temelko and Williams are both first-team repeaters along with Mary Jo Charron, one of the Canton foursome.

The collection of talent is a veteran group with seven seniors among the honored gymnasts, but the others certainly will be heard from again, some for quite a while. North Farmington's Kristin Szutarski and Canton's Heather Murphy are only freshmen.

Introducing the 1988 All-Area gymnastics team:

FIRST TEAM

Angie Temelko, senior, John Glenn: Temelko qualified for state the last two years and achieved All-American status on the uneven bars, an event in which she shares the school record (8.9) with Williams.

She averaged 8.4 on vault, 8.45 on bars, 8.85 on the balance beam, 8.3 on floor exercise and 32.55 in the all-around. She had season highs of 8.55 on vault, 8.9 on bars, 8.85 on beam, 8.5 on floor and 33.8 in the all-around.

Temelko placed fourth on beam and 10th in the all-around in regional competi-

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Maureen McLean
Sharon Moran
Denise Ahnert
Amy Pastor
Dana Holda

SECOND TEAM

Amy Mosakowski
Darcy Opat
Monique Kozlowski
Tina Hauptman
Debbie Papp
Jude Marlett

HONORABLE MENTION

Farmington: Debbie Ford, Julie Lewiston
Wayne: Cheryl Crowder, John Glenn: Vicki
Sewer, Heidi Cosmick, Cleveland: Jennifer
Kapilo, Roberta Stevens, Canton: Sharon
Connell, Katie Koch, Salem: Krueger
Harrison: Jenny Rick, N. Farmington: Rita Durr, Mary Polts, Ellen Wasserman

tion and was 25th on beam at state.

(Temelko) brings strong leadership and dedication to her practices and meets," coach Pam Yockey said. "You can never get Angie down."

Debbie Williams, junior, John Glenn: Williams also earned All-American honors in the vault and bars. She was among the top 50 gymnasts in the state on vault, beam and floor exercise.

She had season averages of 8.76 on vault, 8.3 on bars, 7.66 on beam, 7.97 on floor exercise and 32.95 in the all-around. Williams registered season highs of 9.25 on vault, 8.9 on bars, 8.85 on beam, 8.35

on floor and 34.25 in the all-around.

In regional action, Williams was second on vault, fourth on bars, sixth in the all-around and eighth on beam. She was second in the WLAA on vault and bars.

"Deb is a strong, consistent performer with top-notch ability and skill," Yockey said. "Her ability to concentrate in any situation is her best asset."

Amy Pastor, senior, Salem: Pastor was league champion and an All-American in floor exercise. She qualified for state on the beam and bars after finishing seventh and eighth, respectively, in those events at the regional level.

Pastor had season-high scores of 8.6 on vault, 8.35 on bars, 8.7 on floor and 8.75 on beam. She placed in the top 10 in all events at the league meet and was sixth in the all-around.

"Beam and bars were her worst events, but she worked hard all year and ended up doing the best in those events at the regionals to qualify for state," coach Kathi Kinsella said.

Maureen McLean, senior, Canton: McLean was a two-time Western Division champion on vault and bars. She qualified for All-America recognition in the latter event.

McLean recorded season-high scores of 8.75 on vault, 8.55 on bars, 8.35 on beam and 8.0 on floor.

"Maureen was my strongest performer on bars and vault, having the team highs in both events," coach John Cunningham said.

Sharon Moran, senior, Canton: Moran, a four-year letter winner, qualified for state competition on the beam and finished 11th. She also was eighth in that event at the prestigious Freedom Invitational and received an All-American rating.

Moran's best scores last season were 8.4 on vault, 8.7 on beam and 8.8 on floor. She also was sixth on beam in the league.

"Sharon is my most improved and consistent gymnast," Cunningham said.

Heather Murphy, freshman, Canton: In her first season of high school competition, Murphy captured third place on beam in the WLAA meet, fourth in the Plymouth Invitational and eighth in the regional at Hillsdale.

Furthermore, she won the beam competition during a quadrangular meet at Freehold, and her initial season resulted in her being named All-American in that event.

"Heather is the best freshman I have ever coached," Cunningham said.

Mary Jo Charron, senior, Canton: Charron, who holds the school record on the beam with an 8.95, has twice been named an All-American in beam and floor exercise.

She was the Western Division's dual-

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Long jump ruled out for Harrison star

Tracey Radke
no more long jumpJane Peters
hurdles championBy Dan O'Meara
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When Tracey Radke went down with a knee injury during pre-season basketball practice last August, it had an effect on the girls track team, too.

Radke needed surgery to repair substantial damage to the knee and sat out nearly the entire fall season.

Having recuperated during the winter months, she'll be back on the track this spring; however, the nature of the injury will prevent Radke from doing what she did best—long jumping.

Radke was the All-Oberlin choice in that event after leading the area with a 16-3 jump last year. She can still run sprints and possibly try high jumping, but the stress long jumping puts on the knee will preclude her from taking part in the event again.

"Long jumping was her forte, but she'll be able to contribute in other areas," Harrison coach Mark Babcock said.

THE HAWKS, WHO were seventh in the Western Lakes meet and 3-2 in division duals, return another All-Oberlin athlete in junior hurdler

Jane Peters, who is the defending WLAA champion in the 38-300 event (47.7).

The hurdles will be Harrison's strong suit, according to Babcock, with Peters and junior Maria Chalogianis complementing each other. Both run the 100 and 300 hurdles and were on the 1,000 relay team that competed in the Class B state meet.

In addition to Radke, who might try throwing the discus or shot put, the Hawks have sophomore Kamala Malosh, probably the team's fastest runner, in the sprints.

As a freshman, she ran 13.9 in the 100 dash and could break the school record this year, Babcock said. Navin Hakim, a sophomore and first-year runner, has raw speed and could help in the sprints.

Harrison graduated Jenny Anderson, a regional champion and state qualifier in the 1600 run, and the Hawks will be quite young in the distances.

Sophomore Sonja Magdevski returns in the 1600 and 3200, but everybody else is a freshman or first-year runner. Two newcomers Babcock believes will help are freshmen Danielle Kudej and Elizabeth Tucker.

"WE'RE VERY, VERY young, but we have a little more depth in certain areas than we haven't had in the past," Babcock said.

"Where we've had one or two (distance runners) now we have 12, but we're not as talented as far as scoring points."

"If we can put some decent relays together and get some younger kids to come along in the distances we'll be competitive," he added.

Senior Stacy Roemer also was on the 1600 relay team, keeping three quarters of that unit intact. The Hawks were about a second off the school record of 4:11.3 last year.

With Radke unable to compete in the long jump, the field events appear to be Harrison's weakest area overall. However, Babcock is optimistic about junior Amy Jarvenpaa's potential in the shot put and discus. She can run the hurdles, also.

"In the last five years, the Western Lakes has grown as far as the number of good teams," said Babcock, assessing the overall outlook at Harrison as being positive. "Our squad size will be smaller than most because of the size of our school, but we'll be competitive."

North coach's main goal to develop goal scorers

By Steve Kowalski
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Matt Davis begins his first year as North Farmington's girls soccer coach without last year's leading goal scorer and, likewise, without any high expectations.

Davis would be thrilled to finish the regular season at or above .500. That would be an accomplishment, considering North must find a replacement for graduated all-star Jean Anzlovor, who last year scored 24 goals. For her career, Anzlovor collected a school-record 106 goals.

Senior Lisa Nordini is the leading goal scorer returning, and she scored four goals last year.

"It'd like to finish about .500," said Davis, an assistant coach last year at Northville. "A lot depends on the strength of the other teams and our ability to play a disciplined brand of soccer."

INCLUDING Anzlovor, eight players were lost to graduation from a team that finished the season at 7-10.

Nordini heads a group of five seniors returning for their final year.

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North soccer coach

The others are midfielders Nicole Zambelli and Sue Keller and full-backs Christy Aoki and Shelly Hall.

Nordini, Aoki and Hall all started last year, while Keller did not play at the varsity or junior varsity level in 1987.

Nordini was named team captain last week and with that comes a lot of responsibility.

"I EXPECT HER to control the midfield area; that's really where

you control the whole team from," Davis said. "If she got a goal a game I'd be happy. No, that's expecting too much. Ten goals (for the season) would be enough."

Davis also hopes to get some goal production out of Cheryl Waller, a promising freshman. Waller and Kelly Kershaw are two freshmen expected to crack the starting lineup.

"From what I've heard from other coaches and from what I've seen so far, Cheryl is going to have a very promising career," Davis said. "Cheryl has real good size and speed, and Kelly has real good ball sense. She knows what she's doing."

Another forward likely to receive playing time is junior Rachel Kohls. Junior Dawn O'Brien, a starter last year, returns at the sweeper position.

The goalkeeper position is Leann Adie's to keep. The Raiders do not have a backup for Adie, and that's fine with Davis as long as Adie does not get injured.

"She's strong, fast and aggressive," Davis said. "I just hope she doesn't get hurt. We're short on backups. We have none."

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