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Charlie Jaeger (138), senior, Farmington: Jaeger finished seventh in the Division II tournament, achieving the goal he set for himself in his final high school season.

He was the WLAA champion and placed second in the district, third in the regional and fourth in Oakland County. Jaeger was 43-13 this year and 81-31 during his career.

"Charlie is a hard worker, team motivator and team leader," coach Al Bayer said. "His success can be attributed to his year-round work ethic along with his great attitude on and off the wrestling mat."

Dan Hamblin (140), junior, Salem: Hamblin was a state qualifier who had a 29-10 record that included 18 pins.

He won the Berkley Invitational and finished second in the Salem team, Overland and WLAA tournaments. He was third in the district and fourth in the regional.

Hamblin will take a 67-29 career record into next season.

"Dan got hurt in the middle of the season, and it took awhile to get him back on track," Krueger said. "Dan doesn't realize how good he is and how good he can be. When he does, he will be a very tough young man. Being only a

junior, we are looking forward to next year."

Nick Petryk (145), senior, Stevenson: Petryk had an outstanding senior season, winning 40 of 52 bouts and placing seventh in the state tournament.

He was the Overland, WLAA and district champion. He also won titles at CC and Garden City, finished second at Trenton and was third in the regional.

Petryk's career record was 100-28.

"Nick will be a difficult young man to replace," Berg said. "Getting 100 wins, being in the state and winning the CC tournament were season highlights for him."

Anwar Crutchfield (152), junior, Salem: Crutchfield was a state qualifier who finished with a 40-13 record that included 22 pins.

He won the WLAA championship and was third in the Salem team, Berkley, Overland, district and regional tournaments. He defeated the Nos. 1 and 2 district placers in the regional.

"In his first season on the varsity, Anwar had a great year," Krueger said. "After the Salem Invitational, Anwar got better each week. Being only a junior, Anwar should have many more good days on the wrestling mat."

Craig Rose (152), junior, Clarenceville: Rose is a two-time Metro Conference champion and state qualifier. He was third in the regional but was unable to compete in the Division IV state meet due to injury.

Rose placed in every tournament he entered, winning six times and finishing no lower than fourth. He was the most valuable wrestler at the Clarenceville Invitational.

He was 40-7 this year and has an 80-37 career record.

"Craig is one of the hardest working young men in our room," coach Grant Gordon said. "He has great leadership skills on and off the mat."

Mike Allison (150), senior, Stevenson: Allison was a state qualifier, averaging several losses to place third in the regional.

The team captain was second in the WLAA and Overland tournaments, fourth in the district. A member of the

All-Area football team, Allison was 33-18 this year.

"Mike was a coach's dream," Berg said. "He worked hard every day, controlled his weight and led by example. Making it to the states was a just reward for his hard work."

John Abshire (173), sophomore, Detroit CC: Abshire is another rising star for the Shamrocks, winning the Catholic League title and posting a 34-10 record.

He also won the Toys for Tots and district championships. His two-year record is 53-15.

"John is a very determined young man who works hard to reach his goals," Rodriguez said.

Teono Wilson (189), junior, Salem: Wilson set the Salem junior-class record for single-season victories with a 49-8 record.

A strong showing (fourth place) in the state tournament enabled him to reach that milestone. Wilson pinned three opponents at the Division I finals.

He also won the WLAA, Salem team, Berkley and district tournaments, was second in the regional and Holt Invitational and placed third in Overland. Wilson has a 106-40 career record.

"Teono had a banner season," Krueger said. "If Teono puts forth the time to be great, he might work his way up (in the state meet) next year. We hope Teono decides to be great and not just good."

George Buckner (215), senior, Wayne: Buckner got better as the sea-

son progressed, rebounding from a slow start due to a football injury to finish second in the state.

He is the Mega Conference champion, and he also won the Gibraltar Carlson tournament and team titles. He was second in the Overland, district and regional meets.

Buckner was 27-4 this year and 55-8 in his career.

"George has been a great person to coach," Davis said. "Not only does he have a powerful appearance but also a good team spirit that helps pump the rest of the team."

"As a coach, it was an inspiration to hear other coaches and wrestlers ask 'Where's George?' It made us proud."

Bob Fowler (215), senior, Churchill: Fowler dropped from the 275 weight class to have a fine season at 215, winning the Overland championship and finishing fourth in the state.

He also won the River Rouge, Garden City Christmas, Berkley, Western Leagues and district tournaments. He was fourth in the regional.

His season highlights included being state champion Larry Johnson of Monroe in the Garden City finale and the runner-up at Overland. He was 41-5 this year and 128-42 in his career.

"He worked hard for everything he received," coach Marty Atkinson said. "He understood what it meant to be a winner and team leader. He gave the younger kids a model to follow."

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