

for another big year

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9 **Gates-Chili:** Coach Brad Caudel does not believe in rebuilding years. "You take what you have and use it the best way possible," he said. But, added the coach who has guided the Spartans to four straight division titles, "We definitely should be stronger next year."

Gates-Chili's roster boasts 22 juniors and 22 sophomores, including Mike Lacey, Eric Westrich, Dave Carroll and Eric Lettau. John Keady is one of the few seniors.

10 **Midlakes:** "This hasn't been a building process," Coach Gary Tiffany said of his team, which seemingly overnight became a Finger Lakes League power. "It has sort of been a haphazard thing. I got a lot of these guys as juniors . . . they came out, did well and enjoyed it. Now they're back."

Among those who returned are Scott Record (long and triple jumps), Rob Burri (400 and hurdles), Aaron DeContie (400), Tim Maslyn (3,200) and Tom Gilpatrick (3,200). Dave Viggiani, who runs an :11.3 100 and :23.6 200, is a fifth-year competitor for the Screaming Eagles.

King Lewis is the heir to the Section 5 long-jumping crown, which was abdicated by the graduation of Williamson star Mike Johnson. Lewis was second only to Johnson last year, but he could be challenged by Marshall's Randy Bailey, DiGennaro or the Ellis brothers of R-H at season's end.

DiGennaro, the class of the triple jumpers, has reached 21-6 in the long jump. Bailey and the Ellis' all have surpassed 21 feet.

Joe Woody of Geneva, a 43-11 triple jumper, had his senior season ended by a broken knee cap, suffered at the Finger Lakes Invitational. However, Geneva still has one of the area's best in pole vaulter John Arthur, a junior who has cleared 13-6.

Other field event standouts include high jumpers Craig Kerley of Brockport (6-6), Dan Graf of Fairport (6-6) and Steve Kuntz of Palmyra-Macedon (6-5). Graf is a two-time indoor champion, while Kuntz reigned in the last outdoor season.

Weights — Indoor shot put champion Robert Lewis of Franklin placed eighth in the state with a toss of 54-6½. Contenders outdoors include Mooney's Heh, who was 12th in the state indoors; Aquinas' Romano, Paul Mills of Olympia and Midlakes sophomore Rob Rivera.

Sprinters — East's LaVonne Richards was an indoor champion in the 45 dash, while his brother, Terry, cham-

though capable of breaking :22.0, will be challenged by Mooney's Cliffel and Monroe's Chris Townsend. Duane Burks of Edison is defending Class A champion in the 100.

Hurdlers — Martin Ellis has replaced former teammate and Sperry graduate Barry Anderson as the area's hurdler to beat. Ellis is a defending sectional champion in the 400 intermediate hurdles as well as an indoor champion in the 55 high hurdles. He went on to place seventh in the state indoors. Brother Greg, McQuaid's Riley and Mike McCarter of Penfield should offer challenges.

Middle distances — Mendon's Gibson (:50.7) was a sectional runner-up in the 400 last year, while Webster junior Jim Andolsek captured the 800 title in 1:56.8. McQuaid's Warth brothers were indoor champions — Tim in the 600 and Dave in the 1,000.

Distance — R-H's Cichon was the indoor champion at 3,200, but his teammate, Burke, was slowed by an achilles tendon injury. Burke placed 12th in the state in cross country last fall. Olympia's Oberholzer and intra-district rival Dan Fernandez of Athena also promise to run sub-9:30s in the 3,200.

Mendon's Cooney was Section 5 champion in the 1,600 (4:21.2). His challengers for supremacy in the 1,600 probably will include Mooney's Hilling, Hilton's Mullan and Pete Knowlton of Newark.