

Big week for Fuhrman

Hawaii signs Silverton senior

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Maddie Fuhrman is a closer. The Silverton High School senior finished a big week well.

She won a couple races in a dual meet at Dallas on Wednesday, signed a National Letter of Intent to compete at Hawaii on Thursday and ran a stellar closing leg to win the 4,000 distance medley relay at the Viking Twilight Relays on Friday.

She was understandably a little tired after all that.

But she was relieved to be done with it all, too, especially signing her letter of intent.

"I'm so excited," Fuhrman said. "When I went on my visit in March, I loved the campus and the team. It was really fun and I had to think about it for a really long time.

"I'm really relieved to have it all done with. I wanted to sign early in November and then I'm signing in track season. It took me a long time to sign, but I'm so excited and it's going to be awesome."

In the Viking Twilight Relays at North Salem on Friday, she ran the final 1,600 meters of the 4,000 meter distance on a team that included Samantha Sinn, Addie Schmitz and Amanda Kuenzi.

With one lap to go, however, Fuhrman was passed for the lead by Tualatin's Katie Intile.

Fuhrman passed her back with 250 meters to go and gave Silverton the win in 12:57.20. Tualatin placed second in 12:59.10.

"We haven't done a DMR in years and also we broke the school record by 30 seconds so that was really cool," said Fuhrman.

"I didn't know she was right behind me so when she passed me it helped me go a lot faster and definitely helped me finish because I closed in like a 70, which is like really fast. It helped me when to time my kick, which helps a lot."

Silverton's girls relay teams, which Fuhrman anchored, also placed second in the 800 relay and the 1,600 relay at the meet.

The Foxes' girls placed second to Tualatin in the meet with 97 points.

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Silverton's Maddie Fuhrman smiles as she crosses the finish line in the 4,000 meter relay on Friday during the Vikings Relays Twilight Invitational track and field meet at North Salem High School.

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Silverton athletes honored, invited to see Jerry Rice

Athletes from Silverton High School received certificates and invitations to the Mid-Valley Sports Awards during an assembly on Friday at Silverton High School. The event is set for June 7 in Salem, and the featured speaker will be former NFL great Jerry Rice.



Baylie Cameron walks up to claim an award and invitation to the Mid-Valley Sports Awards.



Statesman Journal Executive Editor Michael Davis recognizes Alia Parsons with an award and invitation.

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Davis invites Maddie Fuhrman to the Mid-Valley Sports Awards and presents her with a certificate.



Davis lets Alex Molloy know she's going to see Jerry Rice at the Mid-Valley Sports Awards.