

HIGH ABOVE

Astoria's **Darian Hageman** gets over the bar on her third attempt at 10 feet and would go on to finish third in the pole vault Saturday. She also won the triple jump and placed second in the long jump and high jump. Hageman's 32 points was the most of any athlete in the 4A girls competition.

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Astoria girls rally, finish just short of fourth straight title

By **DAVID BALL**
For *The Daily Astorian*

EUGENE — The Astoria girls track and field team had a step up on the competition to start the final session of Saturday's 4A state meet, but late in the day the Lady Fishermen found themselves with a mountain to climb and time was running thin.

The way the state meet schedule played out, Astoria was left with a string of empty events in Saturday's session, suffering through four-and-a-half hours without putting a single point on the scoreboard.

That dry spell allowed Marshfield to zoom up the leaderboard, overtaking the Lady Fishermen that morning and growing a 22-point margin late in the day. Astoria sat in seventh place with six events remaining.

Cue senior Darian Hageman to start a comeback.

Wrapping up a busy four-event weekend, Hageman zipped to the top of the leaderboard in the triple jump with an effort of 37 feet, 3.25 inches on her second trip down the runway. She fouled her first attempt.

"That allowed me to just focus on my own jumps and not worry about everyone else," Hageman said.

She would lead the rest of the way, turning in the four best marks of the competition. Hageman's best hop, skip and a jump measured in at 18-2.5 on her final trip down a Hayward Field runway.

"I feel relieved, like a huge weight has been lifted off my shoulders," Hageman said. "I was feeling a lot of pressure coming in, and I'm happy to have gotten as many points as I did."

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ABOVE: Seaside's Gretchen Hoekstra stares into the pit before making an attempt in the shot put. She won the event with four throws over 40 feet.



LEFT: Astoria's Sophie Long holds off a chase pack to start the bell lap of the 800-meter final. She put on a late surge to finish second in the race.

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Walmart wetlands lawsuit continues

Store expected to open in Warrenton in June

By **EDWARD STRATTON**
The Daily Astorian

Clatsop Residents Against Walmart, the group formed in 2010 to battle the national retailer's move to Warrenton, continues its legal battle over the wetlands filled for the new location at the North Coast Retail Center.

The group sued the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers in 2015 after the agency approved a permit to fill 0.37 acres at the retail center for the store. The case was dismissed in 2016, but the group challenged the ruling in the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals.

Karl Anuta, the group's lawyer, argues that the Army Corps failed to adequately and independently review alternatives to filling in the wetlands, namely an already approved 17-acre site at Dolphin Avenue and U.S. Highway 101. The lack of an analysis violated requirements of the federal Clean Water Act and National Environmental Policy Act, he said.

Mark Hague, a lawyer for the Corps, argued the level of independent analysis should be commensurate with the likely impact of the project.

"There's not much impact from filling .37 acres in a shopping center," he said.

Anuta argued that the wetland complex near the North Coast Retail Center has survived multiple depredations over the years but still falls under the water laws.

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Feds in Oregon will target pot trafficking

U.S. attorney issues enforcement guidance

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Capital Bureau

SALEM — Oregon's chief federal prosecutor says his top priorities in enforcing cannabis laws will be threats to public safety and interstate trafficking fueled by overproduction of marijuana since the state legalized medical and recreational use.

U.S. Attorney Billy Williams on Friday provided slightly more detailed information about the aspects of marijuana enforcement his office will prioritize now that U.S. Attorney General Jeff Sessions has given federal prosecutors wide latitude on the issue.

Cannabis is legal for adult use or medicinal purposes in 29 states, including Oregon and Washington, but it remains illegal under federal law.

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For Latinos, a program for college readiness

Juntos helps students, families

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Ensuring students are prepared for college can be daunting for parents.

The Juntos program's six-week college readiness workshop — taught entirely in Spanish — aims to provide Latino families with the right information to support that process.

Ryan Stanley, the coast coordinator for Juntos, offered through Oregon State University, said the biggest benefit is showing students and families "what's possible, especially living in a smaller community."



Mari Mitchell, a longtime educator in the Seaside School District who retired two years ago, and Leticia Campos, a teacher at the Cannon Beach Academy, facilitated a Juntos workshop in Seaside that wrapped up in late April. Over the course of six weeks, participants learned about preparing students for higher education, from high school graduation requirements and standardized testing to the admissions process and obtaining financial aid.

At its core, Mitchell said, the

course is about giving parents and students "the keys to be able to open the door to higher education."

When preparing students for college, many parents face a language barrier, which is why the curriculum is shared in Spanish, Mitchell said. Another issue families face is uncertainty about how legal documentation, or the lack thereof, affects students' opportunities.

In Oregon, there are multiple options for all students to not only attend a post-secondary institution — whether it be community college or a university — but also obtain financial aid through the Oregon Student Aid Application, institutions themselves, or other sources, Stanley said.

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