

# SPORTS SCHEDULE

## High school basketball

**Thursday, Dec. 10**

Grant Union basketball vs. Crane in John Day, girls 6 p.m./boys 7:30 p.m.

**Friday, Dec. 11**

Prairie City @ Condon Christmas Tournament in Condon, girls 3 p.m./boys 4:30 p.m.



Dayville/Monument @ Adrian Tourney in Adrian, girls 5 p.m./boys 6:30 p.m. (PT)



Grant Union basketball @ Weston/McEwen Tourney in Athena, girls 6:45 p.m./boys 8:15 p.m.



**Saturday, Dec. 12**

Prairie City @ Condon Christmas Tournament in Condon, girls 11 a.m./boys 12:30 p.m.

Dayville/Monument @ Adrian Tourney in Adrian, TBA

Grant Union basketball @ Weston/McEwen Tourney in Athena, TBA

## High school wrestling

**Friday, Dec. 11**

Grant Union wrestling @ Calhoun Classic in Nyssa, 3 p.m. (MT)

**Saturday, Dec. 12**

Grant Union wrestling @ Calhoun Classic in Nyssa, 10 a.m. (MT)



# Dancers shine at Holiday Showcase

By Angel Carpenter  
Blue Mountain Eagle

**J**OHAN DAY — More than 60 dancers brightened the spirits of a standing-room only crowd, performing in the 19th Annual Holiday Showcase at Grant Union Junior-Senior High School.

The event, held last Thursday and Friday, featured the Grant Union High School dance team, along with younger dance groups who train at Body Fitness & Dance. The program, which is the high school dance team's main fundraiser of the year, included a variety of styles of dance from performers ranging in age from 3-18.

Dance coaches entertained the audience, performing to "Cool Yule," and the Grant Union team topped off the night with an energetic performance to "Shake Santa Shake."

Shannon Adair who coaches the high school team and coordinates the event said about 300 people attended each performance.

"I was really happy with all the performances and all the people who attended," she said. "It was a huge success."

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Level I dancers, from left, Haven Giffin, Harmony Harper and Audrey Colson brighten the stage at the Holiday Showcase.

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## GU wrestlers have winning first outing

Six grapplers go undefeated at Irrigon duals

By Angel Carpenter  
Blue Mountain Eagle

IRRIGON — Grant Union wrestlers met up with success last weekend winning all four dual meets in Irrigon.

Overall, the team took 32 wins and 20 losses as a team.

"We wrestled extremely well," said head coach Andy Lusco. "We had 15 of our 18 wrestlers healthy and eligible."

Fourteen of the 15 wrestlers won at least one match. Scores were 60-24 over Heppner, 51-18 over Echo-Stanfield, 39-33 over

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Grant Union's Braden Spencer battles it out at the Irrigon duals meet, chalking up 2-0 at the event.

## Lady Tigers take aim with positive approach

New head coach guides Dayville/Monument team

By Angel Carpenter  
Blue Mountain Eagle

DAYVILLE — Chants of "Tiger Power" will likely be stronger than ever this year for the Dayville/Monument girls basketball team.

The squad of 11 is making a fresh start with new coach Taylor Schmedeka.

This is Schmedeka's second year coaching, first as head coach.

"My biggest goal is for the kids to have fun, work hard and don't give up," he said. "I try to get them to work as a team and keep their head up, so if someone misses a shot, I want the team to pick them up and remember the next play is the most important."

One of the team's biggest



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Head coach Taylor Schmedeka speaks with the Lady Tiger team during practice last Thursday.

strengths is unity, he said. "They're all friends, and they work well together."

Currently, the team is working to increase their speed on the court and refin-

ing defense skills.

"The league will be competitive this year, and it's an offense-focused league," he said.

Other teams in the 1A-8

High Desert League are Crane, Prairie City, Jordan Valley, Adrian, Harper/Huntington and Burnt River.

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