

B-Team Girls Win League

By Judy Rogers

The Golden Plains Middle School B-Team girls won the Western Kansas Liberty League Championship in Brewster on February 9 with wins over Grinnell/Wheatland and Triplains/Brewster to finish their season with 5 wins and 2 losses.

The girls faced Grinnell/Wheatland for the semi-final round in the morning. They put in 8 points in the first quarter and 4 in the second with the Lady Thunderhawks not making any points in the first half. The Bulldogs scored another 8 in the third and 4 in the fourth while the Hawks scored all 5 of their points in the third quarter as the Dogs won 24-5.

Hayden Wark and Emma Weiner each had 8 points for Golden Plains while Anette Hernandez-Lopez put in 4. Mariah Barnett and McKinzie Horobik each added 2.

The championship game was against Triplains/Brewster. The Bulldogs again got off to a good start with a 10-4 first quarter lead. They continued to play well extending their lead to 23-8 by the half. The Dogs outscored the Titans 12-4 in the third, but both teams put in 9 to finish the season with a 44-21 Bulldog win.

Emma Weiner led the Bulldogs with 18 points along with 16 from Hayden Wark. Anette Hernandez-Lopez added 6 along with 2 each from McKinzie Horobik and Siena Vargas.

"Everyone played well in the tournament," said Emma Weiner, 7th grade. "Everyone hustled and never gave up," added Anette Hernandez-Lopez, 6th grade. "The girls worked hard in practice," said Jacqueline Manriquez, 6th grade, "and it showed on the court." "I am proud of the girls that we won," continued Jorja Juenemann, 7th grade. "It was a good season; the sixth graders came in and worked well. It was a lot of fun. We have some big shoes to fill next year to continue to be successful."