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The Lady Bulldogs volleyball players held up their second-place plaque from the league tournament. The girls went 4-2 on Oct. 13, pushing their record going into substate to 23-14.

## Lady Bulldogs squad second in league play

By Hailee Spresser

Golden Plains High School

The Golden Plains High School Lady Bulldogs volleyball team traveled to Brewster to play in the Western Kansas Liberty League tournament, coming home with four wins and two losses and the second-place plaque.

Golden Plains played in a pool with Logan, Northern Valley, Weskan and Cheylin. The Lady Bulldogs were seeded No. 3 in the tournament, played Oct. 13.

Golden Plains played the first match of the morning against Weskan. The Lady Bulldogs came out prepared, defeating Weskan 25-17. In the second set, the girls fell short, 25-21, but Golden Plains regained control in the third set, 25-22, to win the match.

The Lady Bulldogs sat out two games and then took on Logan for the first time this season. Lack of movement and communication led to a loss in two sets, 25-16 and 26-24.

The girls then took on Cheylin. The Lady Bulldogs destroyed the

Bird City girls, 25-10 and 25-18.

The final match of pool play was against Northern Valley. The Almena had beaten the Lady Bulldogs, and Golden Plains wanted revenge. The girls got it, fighting hard to annihilate Northern Valley in two sets, 25-19 and 25-13.

Golden Plains made it out of pool play as the No. 1 seed; therefore, they played the second seed from the other pool, Palco. They had some stiff competition in the first set, but came out on top 29-27. In the second set, Golden Plains was down six and came back at the very end to defeat Palco 25-23.

The Lady Bulldogs took on Grinnell-Wheatland for the championship. Golden Plains didn't get a grip in the first set, falling to Grinnell-Wheatland 25-15. The Lady Bulldogs never gave up in the second set, and played close with Grinnell-Wheatland before losing 25-23.

Golden Plains with four wins and two losses, the girls claimed the second-place plaque and medals.

# Heartland team reaches 6-0

By Kayla Cornett

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The Heartland Christian High Crusaders football team grabbed another win Monday, sliding by the Triplains-Brewster Titans 46-42 to remain undefeated this season at 6-0.

"The game was very entertaining to watch," said Coach Steve Ziegelmeier. "The score went back and forth, and both sides did well at bouncing back. All of the kids played hard."

On offense, Blaine Wertz had a big night for the Crusaders, rushing for 392 yards and scoring 6 touchdowns, with four of them being

over 40 yards.

Brennan Ziegelmeier had 69 yards and 1 touchdown, Brent Wilson carried the ball for 21 yards and Corey Wertz added a reception for a two-point conversion.

On the defensive side, Brennan Ziegelmeier had an interception and Brook Ziegelmeier had a fumble recovery.

Also playing well on defense were Taylor Miller and Wilson, who combined for 15 tackles.

"The front line did a very good job of blocking and sealing the edge," the coach said. "These kids just do not give up."

However, Coach Ziegelmeier added, Heart-

land did make some mistakes.

"There was a point in the second quarter where the offense self-destructed with fumbles and penalties," he said. "Heartland Christian was up in the second quarter 26-12, then gave up the lead to go into halftime behind 28-26."

The coach said senior Cody Schmeiser led the teams in prayer as they huddled after the game.

Heartland will play its last game of the year at 4:30 p.m. today at home on the field behind the school, which is on West Fourth Street. The Crusaders will face the Fellowship Baptist Falcons from Liberal.

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