

## A Boys Finish Season at League

By Judy Rogers

The GPMS A-team boys finished their basketball season in the opening round of the Western Kansas Liberty League tournament in Brewster on February 12 with a close 34-37 loss to the Weskan Coyotes.

The Bulldogs started off the game with an 8-5 lead in the first quarter with 2 baskets from Wade Rush and one each from Jacob Ritter and Caleb Korte. The game stayed close throughout the second, but they could only get two shots, one each from Rush and Nolan Ritter, to fall in the second as the Coyotes tied the game up at 12 by the half.

The Bulldogs added 11 in the third with a three from Ritter, and two more baskets from Rush and Korte. The Coyotes took the lead with 13. The Bulldogs fought hard to keep the game close and added another 11 in the fourth with 2 buckets apiece from Rush and Korte, a shot from N. Ritter and a free throw from Dylan Spresser. The Coyotes edged past them with 12 for the win and the chance to advance in the tournament.

“We didn’t rebound well underneath,” said Coach Russ Aumiller. “We tended to relax too much on the defensive side of the boards. This gave Weskan second and third chances to score points.” “We did battle back at the very end coming up 3 short,” added Aumiller. “We didn’t defend the basket like we should have,” said Caleb Korte

Rush finished the game with 14 points and Korte scored 10. J. Ritter had 5, N. Ritter-4, and Spresser-1. Also contributing to the game was Miguel Monge. This loss finished the Bulldogs season with a 6-6 record. “We are happy with how the season went,” said Dylan Spresser. “We did much better than last year.” “I know we are all looking forward to contributing to the team in high school next year,” added Nolan Ritter.