

## JV Girls Open Season at Home By Judy Rogers

The Golden Plains JV Volleyball team opened their season at home on September 3<sup>rd</sup> as they hosted Ness City and Logan.

Their first game of the season was against the Ness City Eagles. The Eagles pulled ahead with an early lead 11-2. The Bulldogs fought hard and had some good plays but were unable to stop the Eagles falling 8-25 in the first set. "We were really nervous to begin," said senior Karla Hernandez-Lopez, "but we improved throughout the games and finished strong."

The Bulldogs switched sides and dug deep to keep the second set close tying it up 8-8 early on. The Eagles would pull ahead slightly only to have the Bulldogs bring it back to a tie 18-18 before pulling ahead with good serves from senior Karla Hernandez-Lopez. The Eagles fought back but the Bulldogs extended the lead to 24-21 with sophomore Lauren Patmon behind the line. The final point was scored with a serve from Candace Taylor for the Bulldog win 25-22 sending the game to a third set.

The Eagles came out strong in the third set jumping to a 6-0 lead. The 'Dogs fought back bringing the score to 5-7. Both teams gave it their all but the Eagles won the set and the match 15-10.

The second game of the night was against the Logan Trojans. The Trojans gave the girls a good set winning 25-19. The second set and the match also went to the Logan girls 25-10.

The Bulldogs will host Triplains/Brewster and Greeley County on September 10 in Rexford. "We are looking forward to getting that first win," added Lopez.