

Lady Bulldogs Receive All-League Honors By Judy Rogers

The Golden Plains Lady Bulldogs had four girls named to the Western Kansas Liberty League All-League Volleyball team at their meeting on November 4. Girls recognized for their efforts this season included Mabel Lugo, Kassie Miller, Brooke Stoll, and Ashley Stoll.

Senior Mabel Lugo was named to the all-league first team. This is her third year to be recognized by the league. She was honorable mention her sophomore year and 2nd team as a junior. "It was great to be selected to the first team for my final season," said Lugo. "It shows that all the hard work these past four years was worth the effort."

"Mabel was a six rotation player and our go-to outside hitter this season," said Coach Ashley Arnberger. "Mabel finished the season with 260 kills and a .237 hitting percentage. She also had 261 serve receive attempts with 1.9 serve receive rating." Mabel was also selected to play in the Northwest Kansas All-Star game in Colby on November 17. "I would like say thanks to my coaches for teaching me and never giving up on me," added Lugo.

Kassie Miller, sophomore, was also named to the first team for the league. This is her second year to be honored. She received honorable mention last season as a freshman. "It's always good to be recognized for your efforts," said Miller. "I hope I can continue to help my team succeed in the years to come." Kassie was the only sophomore named to the first or second team.

"Kassie was our number one setter and played both right side and outside hitter positions throughout the season," said Arnberger. "Kassie had to really step up and take more attacks and pass more serve receive rotations following Mabel's injury. She finished the season with 420 assists and 264 digs. She had 169 kills and a .124 hitting percentage. Kassie was a 94.3% server this season and tied Ashley (Stoll) for the most ace serves with 52."

Brooke Stoll, junior, was named to the second team. This is her first year to make the list. "We have a lot of good players in our league," said Brooke, "so it's nice to be recognized in this way." "Brooke ran our libero for the second season in a row," commented Arnberger. "She played all six rotations and served. She had 525 serve receive attempts this season with a 1.77 serve receive rating. She also had a team high 387 digs. She also maintained a high serving percentage at 94.7% racking up 32 aces."

Ashley Stoll, junior, received honorable mention recognition. This is also her first season to be honored by the league. "I appreciate everything the coaches have done for our team this year," said Ashley. "Everyone worked really hard to be successful this season. I look forward to another successful volleyball season next year."

"Ashley was also a six rotation player," said Arnberger. "She played several positions across the front row but mostly outside and middle. She had 104 kills and a .135 hitting percentage. She had 302 serve receive attempts with a 1.57 serve receive rating and 237 digs. Ashley was a 93.6% server and was tied with Kassie for team high aces at 52."

Zoey Hillis was also recognized for her team accomplishments this season. She played in the Northwest Kansas All-Star game in Colby on November 17. "Zoey played middle for us most of the season and then transitioned into playing more outside as needed," said Arnberger. "She had 187 kills and a .170 hitting percentage. Zoey also tallied 23 blocks this season. She was selected to play in the all-star games held by Colby Community College where her team won both matches." "It was definitely a good experience," said Hillis of the all all-star game. "Everyone should do it if they get the chance."