

## JV Boys Win Again

By Judy Rogers

The Golden Plains boys JV basketball team won their second game of the season 41-39 with a full game over Triplains/Brewster on January 27 in Rexford.

The Titans opened the game with a three, but Dylan Spresser answered with an and-one play to tie it up. He added another basket for the lead, only to have the Titans answer. Despite a third basket from Nick Brown, the Titans pulled ahead 14-7 by the end of the quarter.

Hunter House went on a sixteen point run for the Titans in the second. The Bulldogs spread the ball around to add nine giving the Titans a 30-16 lead at half time.

The tables turned in favor of the Bulldogs in the second half as Jose Ortiz and Austin Patmon each hit a three. Additional baskets by Spresser, Nick Brown, and Jaime Infante pushed the Bulldogs ahead by 12 as the defense held the Titans to 2.

Down by four to start the final quarter, the Bulldogs were determined and worked under the basket to gain control. "We never gave up in the third quarter," said Austin Patmon, freshman, "even though we were down by 12." Nolan Ritter made three free throws to bring the game within one. The Titans hit a three to extend the lead only to have Colby Lathrop answer with his own three point shot.

Both teams battled it out to make it a tied game with 2:23 to play. A free throw from Nolan Ritter gave the Bulldogs the lead. Two more from Jacob Ritter extended the lead. The Titans went to the line with 3.9 seconds to play and added a final point to their score to end the game with the 41-39 win for the Bulldogs.

The Bulldogs' teamwork helped them gain the win with points coming from Dylan Spresser 7, Nicolai Schuellner 6, Nolan Ritter 6, Austin Patmon 5, Jacob Ritter 4, Nick Brown 4, Jose Ortiz 3, Colby Lathrop 3, Jaime Infante 2, and Devin Carter 1.

The JV team has won 2 of their last three contests. "It has been a great season," added Patmon. They will provide support for the varsity squad during the WKLL tournament before playing again in February 7 against Hill City in Rexford.