

JV Girls Win First Game By Judy Rogers

The Golden Plains Lady Bulldogs played two games in two days last week gaining their first win of the season over St. Francis on Saturday.

On Friday, the girls traveled to Logan to take on the Trojans in a half game. They played a very close two quarters as they led the Trojans 9-7 after the end of the first. They added 6 in the second quarter, but the Trojans put in 10 to win 17-15.

Freshman Karri Schaben led the scoring with 5 points with teammates Emily Stoltz, Candace Taylor, Jennifer Esparza-Luna, Carmen Sepulveda, and Taryn Fleckenstein each adding two. "We are glad to have two of our injured players back," said Carmen Sepulveda. "We play with a lot of excitement and lift each other up when something goes wrong."

On Saturday, they hosted St. Francis. The Bulldogs opened with a basket from Sepulveda. The Indians answered and pulled ahead 5-2. Sepulveda hit another shot to close the gap, and a final basket by Amanda Cheney gave the Bulldogs a 6-5 lead at the end of the first.

Schaben hit a three to extend the Bulldog lead at the beginning of the second quarter. They added another five with shots from Esparza-Luna, Fleckenstein and Schaben to lead 14-5 before the Indians scored again. The Indians then went on a 7-point run to close the spread to 14-12 with just over two minutes to play. A couple of free throws from Schaben put the Bulldogs ahead by four.

The Indians hit a three and the 'Dogs only had a one point lead with a minute to play. The remainder of the game was spent on the free throw line and a shot by Sepulveda gave the Bulldogs a 17-15 win over the Indians for their first win of the season. "This was a big accomplishment for us," added Carmen Sepulveda. "We worked together as a team very well."

Schaben finished the game with 6 points, Sepulveda 5, Cheney 2, Fleckenstein 2, and Esparza-Luna 2. The girls, who have a 1-2 record, will play at home again on January 13 in a three quarter game against the Western Plains/Healy Bobcats.