

## JV Girls Play Close with Bobcats

By Judy Rogers

The Golden Plains JV girls played a close two-quarter game with the Western Plains/Healy Bobcats on January 13 in Rexford. The girls came back from a 2-9 deficit to finish the game with the 12-15 loss. "We played a hard game and didn't give up," said junior Jennifer Esparza.

Following the tip by Emily Stoltz, the Bobcats hit a quick three pointer. Carmen Sepulveda answered with a Bulldog basket, but the Bobcats scored again, then made another three pointer. With a free throw, the Bobcats led the Bulldogs 9-2. Stoltz answered with a Bulldog basket and a free throw from Esparza brought the Bulldogs back to a 5-9 deficit at the end of the first.

Amanda Cheney made a free throw to start the second. Another basket by Esparza brought the 'Dogs to an 8-9 one-point deficit. The Bobcats answered to extend their lead. Esparza hit another shot only to have the Bobcats score again. The girls never gave up and worked hard throughout the game. Two more Bulldog free throws finished the game 12-15 for the Bobcat win.

Points for the Bulldogs were scored Esparza-Luna 6, Sepulveda 2, Cheney 2, and Stoltz 2. "We have room to improve," continued Esparza. "Every game, win or loss, we learn what we do right and what we need to work on." The JV girls play at home again on January 17 when they host Cheylin.