Girls Place Third in League By Judy Rogers

The Golden Plains Girls Track Team placed third in the WKLL meet in Logan on May 13.

Gabrielle Schiltz jumped nearly 2 foot further than her season best to win the league championship in the triple jump with a career high 34' 1.75" jump. She also ran a 29.62 in the 200m dash. "It was good to be able to jump again after having to sit out the last track meet," said Schiltz. "I was very excited when I found out that I had jumped two feet further thand what I had jumped in the previous meets. I hope to have an improvement again at regionals."

Kami Miller placed second in several events including the 100m hurdles with a 16.81 finals run and a 54.47 run in the 300m hurdles. She also placed fifth in long jump (14' 0.25"). KayCee Miller ran 13.13 in the finals of the 100m dash for second place, finished second in the 200m dash (27.56), and second in long jump with a 15' 6.5" jump.

Kynndra Rush threw her season best 89' 6'' for sixth place in javelin, placed sixth in the 100m dash with a 14.08 preliminary run and a 14.15 run in finals. She also placed sixth in the 800m run (2:52.74). These four girls, Schiltz, Miller, Miller, and Rush finished the  $4 \times 100m$  relay in 55.01 seconds for third place.

Maggi Nieman placed second in the 3200m run with her season best 13:28.16 and finished fourth in the 1600m with a time of 6:24.25. She ran with Haley Miller, Jessica Koerperich, and Morgan Ritter in the first  $4 \times 800m$  relay of the season in 13:34.19 for a fourth place finish.

Koerperich, Haley Miller, and M. Ritter also ran the  $4 \times 400$ m relay with Jennifer Esparza for a fifth place time of 5:23.22. Esparza set three personal records in her events including the 400m dash (1:20.19), discus (71' 9"0, and shot put (30' 0.5"). Koerperich also ran 21.67 in the finals of the 100m hurdles for fifth place.

Haley Miller ran the 400m dash in 1:22.46. Morgan Ritter threw the discus 69' 1.5" and the shot 26' 3.75" and Carmen Sepulveda threw the javelin 59' 10" and the shot put 24' 1.25".

"I think that this track meet helped all of us that are going to regionals figure out what we need to work on to improve our times and distances," added Schiltz. The girls will compete at Regionals in Phillipsburg on May 20 attempting to qualify for the state meet in Wichita.