Lady Bulldogs Win Two in Colby By Judy Rogers

The Golden Plains Lady Bulldogs won two matches in Colby on September 26 defeating both Heartland Christian and Christian Family Educators in two sets each.

The first match was against Heartland in a closely contested set. The Bulldogs would gain a slight lead only to have the Crusaders catch up and take the lead. The game was tied at 10 and again at 19 as the Bulldogs couldn't quite pull away for the Crusaders. The 'Dogs finally pulled ahead hanging on for the first set win 25-21.

The Bulldogs regrouped as they switched sides and took control of the set with a series of ACE serves from Noel Ritter and Jennifer Esparza to lead 16-5. Brooke Stoll added her serving power to the team along with Malilah Green's to win the set and the match 25-9.

The second game was against the Christian Family Educators. The CFE Falcons played with heart and enthusiasm but were no match for the Bulldogs serving power as Maggi Nieman led off with a 5-1 run. Getting the serve back, the Bulldogs couldn't be stopped as they earned a 25-4 win. The second set was all Bulldogs as Nieman servied 13 straight to start the game. Coach Orba Smith worked in her younger players as Green contributed her muscle behind the line before the Falcons got a score. Rileigh Korte added a six-point streak as the Bulldogs won the second set and match 25-3.

"It was fun to play this game," said Korte. "We played very well; the entire team worked together for the wins." The Lady 'Dogs will get a rare Saturday off before travelling to Winona to play Triplains/Brewster and Northern Valley on October 3.