Bulldogs Place Second at League By Judy Rogers

The Golden Plains Bulldog Track Team placed second at the Western Kansas Liberty League Track Meet in Logan on May 9 edging past third place Wheatland/Grinnell with 68 points. Northern Valley won the league championship. This is the highest the boys track team has finished at league in recent history.

"We've come a long way," said junior Colby Lathrop. "We were surprised at how well we did with both girls and boys earning runner-up. It was a great day for everyone."

Jacob Ritter was the only league champion in a single event. He won Long Jump with a 19' 4" jump. He also placed third in high jump at 5' 8".

Second place points were awarded to freshman Roberto Loya with a PR run of 11:31.54 in the 3200mand a 1600m run of 5:20.15. The 4 x 800m relay team of Colby Lathrop, Roberto Loya, Ethan Weiner, and Joseph Yanez-Perez also placed second with at time of 10:00.58.

Placing fourth wwas Ethan Weiner in the 3200m with a PR of 12:15.95, Nolan Ritter with a PR in Shot Put of 42' 9", Wade Rush in Javelin with a 135' 7" throw, and the 4 x 100m relay team of Austin Patmon, Nolan Ritter, Dylan Spresser, and Jacob Ritter running a 49.29.

Fifth place was earned by Joseph Yanez-Perez in the 1600m run (5:43.23) and in the 3200m run (12:51.50), Wade Rush in Discus (123' 8"), Dylan Spresser in Logn Jump (17' 6.5" and Triple Jump (38' 6.25"), and to the 4 x 400m relay team of Lathrop, Loya, Jovanny Infante, and Patmon with a season best run of 3:59.53. Ethan Weiner placed sixth in te 1600m run (5:44.54) for a final point.

Patmon set PR's* in the 100m dash (12.21) and the 200m dash (24.88) to place seventh in each event. Additional results included: 100m—Lathrop 13.73, Ethan Shea 14.17, Fabian Cepeda 14.96, Joshua Yanez-Perez 15.46; 200m—Shea* 28.72, Joshua Yanez-Perez 32.35; 400m—Infante 59.54, Shea 1:05.37, Joshua Yanez-Perez 1:17.75, 800m-Cepeda 2:54.03.

Shot Put—Rush 36' 11", Tanner Trussel 34' 3", Ashton Schiltz 33' 3.35", Garrett Carter 30' 0.75", Wyatt McDonald 25' 0.5", BJ Rogers 20' 6.5"; Discus—N. Ritter 95' 0", Trussel 78' 7", Carter 76' 2", Schiltz 76' 0", McDonald 58' 10", Rogers 48' 5"; Javelin—Schiltz 89' 7", Trussel 80' 2", Carter* 72' 7", Rogers* 55' 0", McDonald 38' 10"; Long Jump—Shea 14' 7.5", Triple Jump—Infante 33' 3.5", Cepeda 30' 10.5".

The boys look forward to regionals with hopes of qualifying for state. The Regional meet will be held in Hill City on Thursday, May 16, in Hill City with field events beginning at 3:00 pm.