

## Bulldogs Win Second Game

By Judy Rogers

The Golden Plains Bulldogs basketball team won their second game in a row with an exciting 49-44 victory over the St. Francis Indians in Rexford on December 18. The Dogs had lost to the Indians earlier in the season with a last second shot.

The game was close throughout the night. The Dogs got the first score but the Indians matched them shot for shot during the first quarter. A buzzer shot gave the Indians a 10-9 lead.

The second quarter continued to be close as the Dogs pulled ahead 16-12 midway through the quarter. The Indians worked their way to a 21-19 halftime lead. The Dogs continued to push forward in the third as they added 11 to the Indians 7. All 11 were scored by sophomore Dylan Wark. With a slight 30-28 lead going into the fourth, the Dogs knew they'd have to work hard to finish. Both teams gave it their best and spent much of the quarter on the free throw line. Wark added a couple of shots along with putting in 8 out of 11 free shots. Josh Rath also shot 3 of 4 from the line in the fourth. The Dogs finished with 19 to the Indians 16 for the 49-44 win.

"It feels good to have 2 wins in a row," said Dylan Wark, who led the Dogs with 25 points. "I was glad I was able to hit my free throws to help get this win. Our goal is to get more wins in the new year to improve our record over last year." Wark also had 11 rebounds, 3 assists, and 3 steals.

Josh Rath added 8 points for the Bulldogs—half from the line. Abe Taylor and Owen Patmon each scored 5, Miguel Garcia 4, and Diego Perez 2. Rath had 9 rebounds, 2 deflections, 1 steal, and 1 assist. Garcia had 5 rebounds and 1 steal. Perez had 4 rebounds, 1 steal, and 1 block. Patmon had 2 rebounds and 2 assists. Taylor had 3 rebounds and Zeke Weiner had 1 rebound and 1 assist. The boys return to the court on January 2 when they host Wichita County.