

## GP Forensics Take Second at League

By Amanda Cheney

The Golden Plains forensics team competed in the Western Kansas Liberty League Forensics Meet on March 29 in Almena. The students earned 185 total team points on the day, earning them a second place plaque—just four points behind first place Western Plains.

Competing at this meet were Devin Carter and Angel Sanchez-IDA, Devin Carter and Taryn Fleckenstein-Duet, Charlotte McCurdy- Poetry and Prose, Angel Sanchez-Poetry, Farrah Benavidez-Poetry and Serious Solo, Amanda Cheney-Poetry, Miguel Monge-Oration and Humorous Solo, Taryn Fleckenstein-Prose, Flint Hodge-Extemporaneous and Humorous Solo, Joseph Yanez-Perez-Extemporaneous and Prose, and Rolis Loya-Prose and Humorous Solo.

The Bulldogs had at least one team member break finals in every event that they brought to this meet. At the end of the day, three events claimed the league championship including Devin Carter and Angel Sanchez in IDA; Devin Carter and Taryn Fleckenstein in Duet and Amanda C in Poetry qualifying her for state champs. The other two championships had qualified for state at earlier meets.

Charlotte McCurdy earned 5<sup>th</sup> in Poetry; Farrah Benavidez earned 7<sup>th</sup> in Serious Solo, Miguel Monge placed 7<sup>th</sup> in Oration; Joseph Yanez was 6<sup>th</sup> in Extemp. Flint Hodge placed in two events-- 4<sup>th</sup> in Extemp and 5<sup>th</sup> in Humorous Solo.

“I am so proud of all my forensics students,” said Coach Robynn Wessel. “We had several first-time competitors who did very well! I’m also very proud of Amanda qualifying for state champs!”