

## Golden Plains Defeats St. Francis Again By Amanda Cheney

The Golden Plains Lady Bulldogs came home with another win after travelling to St. Francis to take on the St. Francis Lady Indians on January 6. This was the second time the teams have met this year, the first being in the championship game of the Sagebrush Shootout tournament in Brewster with the Bulldogs claiming the win both times.

The Bulldogs were very determined when they stepped onto the court to start the game. The girls worked well together in the first quarter, ending it with a 17-7 lead. Playing into the second quarter, the Lady Bulldogs continued to work hard on the defensive end, only allowing the Lady Indians to score 8 but adding 12 to their own. The Bulldogs went into halftime with a lead of 29-15.

The Bulldogs came out of the locker room and continued to play strong after halftime, leading at the end of the third quarter 38-26. The girls held onto their lead for a win 47-28. "I'm really proud of the way we played after a tough game the night before," said Noel Ritter. "We really stepped up and played well together throughout the game."

Top scorer for the Lady Bulldogs was KayCee Miller with 22 points. Also scoring for the girls were Maggi Nieman-13, Noel Ritter-6, Mabel Lugo-4, and Ashley Stoll-2. The team had a total of 30 rebounds with Lugo leading with 7, Ritter-6, Ashley Stoll-5, Miller-4, Nieman-4, Brooke Stoll-3, and Amanda Cheney-1.

The girls also had a total of 11 assists and 15 steals to contribute towards their win over the Lady Indians. The Bulldogs extended their record to 5-1 and will travel to Ransom to face Western Plains/Healy on January 12.