

JV Girls Edge Past Quinter  
By Judy Rogers

The Golden Plains JV girls held on to get the edge on Quinter for a 36-34 win in Rexford on January 23. This is their third straight win this season. "We competed well," said Jennifer Esparza.

Quinter hit the bucket first but the Golden Plains girls answered back with baskets from Brooke Stoll. Amanda Cheney chipped in a score along with a free shot from Tylor Todd. Still trailing by 1, Ashley Stoll made a final first quarter layup to gain an 8-7 lead by the end of the first.

The girls continued to work hard in the second, but the Quinter girls managed to outscore them for a 19-15 lead at the half. The GP team was determined and stepped up their defense in the third holding the Quinter girls to a single basket while adding 12 of their own for a 27-21 third quarter lead.

Quinter rallied in the fourth for 13. They answered each shot made by the Bulldogs and managed to pull ahead. A basket by Candace Taylor brought the game within one and a free shot by Jennifer Esparza tied it up with one minute to play. The girls spent the last minute on the line and Golden Plains stayed the course and made their shots for the 2-point win.

The girls worked well as a team with points coming from Jennifer Esparza-8, Tylor Todd-8, Ashley Stoll-6, Brooke Stoll-4, Amanda Cheney-4, Taryn Fleckenstein-4, and Candace Taylor-2. Freshman Danica Ritter helped out under the board and on defense.

"There is always room for improvement," added Esparza. "If we continue to play our best, we can continue to win." The JV girls look to extend their winning streak as they travel to Winona to take on Triplains/Brewster Titans on January 26.