

REGION CHAMPIONS!

Pheasants Move on to State Tournament

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The Redfield-Doland Pheasants went up against the Sioux Valley Cossacks in the region championship game. This game took place in Hayti on October 11 and determined what team went on to state and what team saw their last moments on the floor for this season. This game crushed one team's chances on making it to state and gave the other team the opportunity they have been waiting for all season long.

The Pheasants started out trailing the Cossacks during the first set, but when they caught up they stayed close. When the Pheasants pulled ahead, everybody in the crowd went crazy. Both the crowd and the players could feel the tension in the room when the score was tied toward the end of the set. The end of the game was a battle, but the Pheasants fought harder and won 25-23.

All throughout the second game, the score was close and everyone was worked up, on and off the court. The fans and bench of the Pheasants were out of control, and they kept the players upbeat and working hard. With the Pheasants being confident and wanting to go to State they pushed to win the second set 25-23.

Before the third match even started everyone knew it was going to be a hard game, because the Cossacks were not going to give up easily. As the third game started it was easy to tell they wanted this set to be theirs. The girls played as hard as they could and made everyone anxious. The winning point was the most intimidating. There is nothing worse than getting toward the end of the game and not being able to finish. Finishing was not a problem for the Pheasants, though. Danielle Levtzow got a kill to end the game and get last point, giving Alli Tschetter another assist for the night. The final score of this set was 25-18. As soon as this happened all the players rushed to the middle of the court and celebrated as a team.

Sarah Rozell and Jamie Tebben both ended up with 9 kills at the end of this game. Alli Tschetter had 23 assists that night, along with 4 aces. Roni Levtzow made 18 digs, helping her team get the ball up to Alli Tschetter. These helped Redfield-Doland accomplish their goal of going to state and being region champions.

Sarah Rozell, junior, commented "I will always remember the Sioux Valley game as the game that helped us get to our dreams! We took back what we should have earned last year."



Region Champions:

(Front) Addison Rozell, Marlee Mack, Roni Levtzow, Brianna Tschetter, Alli Tschetter, Nikiah Whitley, Autumn Turck, (back) Coach Joel Osborn, Jordanne Howe, Joslyn Heer, Danielle Levtzow, Jamie Tebben, Sarah Rozell, Angel Levtzow, Rylie Gall, Emma Lutter, Chantel Wobbema and Coach Tristen Lechner.