

Vecchione named Alfred University's Empire 8 Sportsperson of the Week

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ALFRED, NY Randy Vecchione (Seaford, NY/Seaford), a senior on the Alfred University men's tennis team, has been named Empire 8 Sportsperson of the Week. The Empire 8 Sportsperson of the Week program, which debuted this semester, identifies and rewards one student-athlete from each of the Empire 8 conference's member institutions on a weekly basis. The honorees distinguish themselves through exemplary sporting behavior on and off the field of play. Vecchione, who was nominated for the honor by Brian Friedland, head men's tennis coach at AU, was honored for the week of April 18-24. "Randy is a team leader who is extremely well liked by his professors, coaches and teammates," Friedland said. "He always exhibits good sportsmanship and is very coachable." Student-athletes' performance is also considered when being nominated for the honor. Vecchione went 3-0 in second singles during three matches in the Empire 8 Conference championship tournament, leading the Saxons to a fourth-place finish. He completed the season with a 12-0 singles record.