

AU softball team sweeps Pitt-Bradford

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HORNELL, NY The Alfred University softball team scored seven times in the last two innings to earn a dramatic 13-12 win over visiting Pitt-Bradford Thursday afternoon at Hornell High School and complete a doubleheader sweep of the visiting Panthers. Freshman second baseman Jordan Siefer (Sylvania, OH/Sylvania Southview) hit a walk-off solo homerun in the bottom of the seventh to give AU (10-8, 1-1 Empire 8) the victory. Alfred trailed 12-6 entering the bottom of the sixth, but a three-run homerun by freshman shortstop Karen Folts (Penn Yan, NY/Pann Yan) and a solo shot by junior first baseman Amanda Muncy (Redding, CA/Enterprise) cut the deficit to 12-11. In the seventh, freshman centerfielder Jessica Figallo (Ridgewood, NJ/Ridgewood) drew a one-out walk, stole second and advanced to third on a wild pitch. A groundout by freshman rightfielder Shannon Mather (Endicott, NY/Union-Endicott) scored Figallo with the tying run and Siefer followed with her game-winning blast to left field. Folts finished the game with three hits, including a double and homerun, two runs scored and six batted in. Siefer had two hits, scored four runs and drove in a pair and freshman Jesika LeBarron (Campbell, NY/Corning West) had two RBIs. LeBarron tossed a scoreless seventh inning in relief of Muncy and freshman starter Holly Seidewand (Webster, NY/Webster Thomas) to earn her first collegiate pitching victory. Catrina Retterer (three hits, three runs scored and four driven in), Kristy Zavinski (one run, three RBIs) and Tiffany Washington each hit homeruns for Pitt-Bradford (1-11, 0-0 AMCC). Jillian Kreitzer took the loss on the mound for the Panthers, allowing 13 runs (eight earned) on 10 hits while striking out seven. In the opener, freshman hurler Ilana Price (Wilton, CT/Brien McMahon) limited Pitt-Bradford to a pair of earned runs on five hits while striking out five to lead AU to a 3-2 win. LeBarron went 2-for-3 with a double and an RBI and Muncy had a base hit, a run scored and one driven in. Figallo also had an RBI and Siefer and senior Christon Forsyth (Harpursville, NY/Harpursville) each scored a run. Zavinsky took the loss on the mound for Pitt-Bradford, allowing three earned runs on 11 hits and striking out three. LeeAnn Kramer had a hit, a run scored and an RBI. AU is in action next on Saturday, April 7, for a 1 p.m. doubleheader at Empire 8 foe Ithaca College, the third-ranked Division III team in the nation.