AU men s tennis team ends season with pair of Empire 8 wins 5/02/11

UTICA, NY The Alfred University men's tennis team wrapped up its 2011 season with a pair of Empire 8 Conference road wins. The Saxons defeated Hartwick, 6-3, on Friday, and shut out Utica, 9-0, on Saturday.In the win at Hartwick, AU (6-7, 3-5 Empire 8) got singles wins from senior Nick Schneider (Liverpool, NY/Liverpool), 6-3, 7-6 (7-4) in second singles; junior Nathan Garletts (Havertown, PA/Haverford), 6-3, 6-2 in third singles; sophomore Stefan Nonnenmann (New Providence, NJ/New Providence), 7-6 (7-4), 6-7 (7-9), 7-5 in fifth singles; and freshman Peter Benoit (Gasport, NY/Barker), 6-2, 7-6 (7-2) in sixth singles. The Saxons received doubles wins from junior Nathan Kucko (Binghamton, NY/Chenango Forks) and senior Connor Houghton (Orleans, MA/Nauset Regional), 9-7 in second doubles; and Garletts and Nonnenmann, 8-0 in third doubles. In the Utica match, AU got singles wins from Houghton, 7-6, 6-4 in first singles; Schneider, 6-3, 6-4 in second singles; Garletts, 6-0, 6-0 in third singles; Kucko, 3-6, 6-3, 10-6 in fourth singles; Nonnenmann, 6-2, 6-3 in fifth singles; and Benoit, 6-0, 6-0 in sixth singles. The Saxons took all three doubles matches. Houghton and Schneider won first doubles, 8-3; Garletts and Nonnenmann took second doubles, 8-4; and Kucko and freshman Eric Teller (Granville, NY/Granville) claimed their third doubles match, 8-4.