Lady Saxons in 12th place after first day at state women's swimming and diving championships 2/21/08

SYRACUSE -- The Alfred University women's swimming and diving team stood in 12th place after the first day of competition Thursday at the New York State Women's Collegiate Athletic Association (NYSWCAA) championships. AU had 80.50 points after six events. Union was in first with 390 points, followed by second-place Nazareth (312 points) and third-place Ithaca (311 points). The championships are being held Thursday, Friday and Saturday at Nottingham High School in Syracuse. AU was paced by junior Brynja Seagren (Bradford, PA/Bradford), 15th in 1-meter diving; freshman Elyse Caldwell (Endwell, NY/Maine-Endwell), 17th in 1-meter diving; and freshman Sarah Blair (Auburn, NY/Auburn), 19th in the 50-yard freestyle (25.71 seconds). Also scoring points for the Lady Saxons was junior Jessie Caccamo (Ballston Lake, NY/Shenendehowa), 24th in the 500-yard free (5:39.40). Alfred's team of sophomore Meghan Jones (Beaver Falls, NY/Beaver River), senior Lyndsay Scypta (Plymouth, MI/Cranbrook-Kingswood), Caccamo and Blair took 13th in the 400-yard medley relay (4:26.70), while Blair, Casccamo, freshman Cailin Asmo (Johnson City, NY/Johnson City) and Seagren took 14th in the 200-yard freestyle relay. The championships continue Friday with the 200-yard medley relay, 400-yard individual medley, 100-yard butterfly, 200-yard freestyle, 100-yard breaststroke, 100-yard backstroke, and 800-yard freestyle relay. The meet wraps up Saturday with the 1,650-yard freestyle, 200-yard backstroke, 100-yard freestyle, 200-yard breaststroke, 200yard butterfly, and 400-yard freestyle relay. The men's state championships are Thursday, Friday and Saturday, Feb. 28-March 1, also at Nottingham High School.