AU volleyball team splits pair at Hartwick 10/19/09

ONEONTA, NY The Alfred University volleyball team beat Utica and lost to host Hartwick in a tri-match Saturday afternoon. The Lady Saxons (3-18, 0-4 Empire 8) beat Utica three games to two (23-25, 26-24, 25-23, 19-25, 15-11) and lost in three games to Hartwick (25-10, 25-14, 25-21). Senior Emily Steen (South Pasadena, CA/Purnell) led AU in the match against Utica with 10 kills, 38 digs and five blocks. Sophomore Emily Crosby (Fairport, NY/Fairport) had 14 kills and 25 digs; senior Janelle Brandow (Dolgeville, NY/Dolgeville) had 15 kills; senior Emma Walsh (Lancaster, NY/Mt. St. Mary) had 49 assists; and junior Tara Quigley (Blue Point, NY/Bayport-Blue Point) had 11 kills and seven blocks. Brandow had six kills and Crosby five kills and five digs to pace AU against Hartwick. Steen had three kills, seven digs and three solo blocks and Walsh added 14 assists. Alfred plays this weekend, Oct. 23 and 24, at the Empire 8 Conference Tournament at Nazareth. The Lady Saxons play St. John Fisher (4 p.m.) and Stevens (6:30 p.m.) on Friday and Utica (9:30 a.m.) and Ithaca (2:30 p.m.) on Saturday.