Football team announces captains for 2001

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Alfred University head football coach Dave Murray announces team captains for the 2001 season. They are: Nick Selig (Hamburg/Hamburg), senior free safety; Todd Strong (Deposit/Deposit), senior defensive tackle; Dan Herrling (Weedsport/Weedsport), junior offensive tackle; and Erik Werner (Warren, PA/Warren Area), senior center. Selig is a three-year letterwinner who started nine games in 2000, finishing tenth on the team in tackles with 34 while intercepting two passes and breaking up eight others. He had 41 tackles and two interceptions in 1999 and 37 tackles and one interception in 1998. Selig sat out his freshman year in 1997 after suffering an injury. Strong is a three-year letterwinner who started at defensive tackles his sophomore and junior years. He was third on the team in tackles in 1999 with 62, including a team-high 13 for losses, and was tied for fourth in tackles last season with 63, which included a pair of sacks. In three years he has139 career tackles and 4.5 sacks. Werner, a converted tight end, won his first varsity letter last season after making the move to center. He started throughout the year and was a solid anchor to the offensive line. Herrling is a two-year letterwinner who saw spot duty his freshman year, starting a handful of games due to injuries. He became a full-time starter his sophomore year and won a Saxon Club Award for grading out as the top member of the offensive line. Werner and Herrling helped the Saxons rush for almost 200 yards per contest in 2000. With all but one starter from last year's offensive line and 10 of 11 starters overall returning this season, AU should again possess a potent ground attack and an improved passing game.