Lady Saxons come up short against visiting Nazareth 2/03/07

ALFRED, NY - The Alfred University women's basketball team lost at home to Nazareth College, 80-73, Saturday afternoon at the McLane Center. Alfred (4-16, 0-9 Empire 8) shot 43 percent from the floor (36 percent from three-point range) and made 79 percent of its free throws. But visiting Nazareth (7-13, 3-6 Empire 8) made 50 percent of its three-pointers (nine of 18) and sunk 21 of 34 free throws to help overcome a 37-32 rebounding disadvantage. Senior guard Megan Sampsell (Corry, PA/Corry) scored a game-high 25 points for AU, making four of six field goal attempts (three of four from three-point range) and sinking all 14 of her free throw attempts. Sophomore guard Melanie Jackson (Andover, NY/Wellsville) scored 13 points and pulled down a game-high nine rebounds. Freshman forwards Libby Meier (Rochester, NY/Greece Odyssey) and Hannah Meier (Rochester, NY/Greece Odyssey) added 12 and 11 points, respectively for Alfred. Kelly Dunne scored 18 points, making four of five three-pointers, to pace Nazareth. Whitney Smith tallied 13 points and five rebounds, while Sarah Homer scored 12 to go with three steals. Alfred is in action next on Tuesday, Feb. 6, at 6 p.m. at St. John Fisher.