## **AU men s** basketball team falls to 18th-ranked Stevens 1/19/08

ALFRED, NY The Alfred University men's basketball team dropped a 60-49 decision to 18th-ranked Stevens Institute of Technology Saturday afternoon at the McLane Center.Alfred (1-14, 0-6 Empire 8) trailed by only six points, 27-21 at the half, despite making only 22 percent of its shots. Stevens would build and hold a double-digit lead throughout much of the second half before Alfred pulled to within seven points with two minutes left. The Saxons would get no closer, as Stevens made its free throws down the stretch to pull away.Neither team shot well, as AU finished shooting 24 percent and Stevens 40 percent. Stevens (13-2, 8-2 Empire 8) held a slight 44-41 rebounding advantage and forced 21 Alfred turnovers.Freshman forward Ellis Walsh (Penfield, NY/Penfield) led AU with 11 points and a game-high nine rebounds. Sophomore guard Jared Patt (Nelson, PA/Elkland) scored 10 points, while senior guard Garlen Patt (Nelson, PA/Elkland) (six rebounds) and junior guard Carl Embury (Perry, NY/Perry) each netted six.Waleed Farid scored a game-high 13 points to go with five assists and six rebounds to pace Stevens. Tim Williams added 10 points and five boards, while Anthony Passalacqua and George Greco chipped in with nine and eight points, respectively.Alfred is in action next on Friday, Jan. 25, at 8 p.m. at home against Utica.