Price tosses perfect game, shutout, as AU softball team sweeps Hilbert 4/09/07

HORNELL, NY - The Alfred University softball team swept a doubleheader from visiting Hilbert College Monday afternoon at Hornell High School. Freshman pitcher Ilana Price (Wilton, CT/Brien McMahon) tossed a perfect game in the opener as AU (12-8, 1-1 Empire 8) claimed a 17-0 victory. Price struck out six Hilbert batters in the game, which was stopped after five innings. AU scored nine runs in the bottom of the first to take control of the contest, with freshmen Mikki Senkow (Elmira Heights, NY/Thomas Edison), Shannon Mather (Endicott, NY/Union-Endicott) and Holly Seidewand (Webster, NY/Webster-Thomas) each hitting homeruns. Seidewand went 3-for-4 with three runs scored and four driven in; Senkow added three hits and four RBIs in four at-bats; and Mather drove in three. Price helped herself at the plate, going 3-for-4 with two RBIs, while freshman Jordan Siefer (Sylvania, OH/Sylvania Southview) scored three runs for the Saxons. Senkow's homerun was her third of the season, tying her with freshman Jesika LeBarron (Campbell, NY/Corning West) and matching the school single-season record shared by LaBarron and three former AU players. In the second game, a 16-0 AU win that was also stopped after five innings, Price tossed five shutout innings, striking out six, walking one and scattering five hits. Freshman Lauren Peterson (Abington, MD/Harford Tech) was 3-for-5 with a double, homerun, five RBIs and three runs scored. Freshman Karen Folts (Penn Yan, NY/Penn Yan) went 2-for-4 with two runs and four RBIs. Freshman Rachelle Walsh (Corning, NY/Corning East) had two runs and two RBIs; freshman Amanda Knight (Bel Air, MD/C. Milton Wright) went 2-for-2 with a run scored and one driven in; and freshman Emma Walsh (Lancaster, NY/Mt. St. Mary's) had a run scored and an RBI.Kelly Goodwin had two hits, including a triple, for Hilbert (3-15, 1-3 AMCC). Alfred is in action next on Wednesday, April 11, when the Lady Saxons travel to SUNY Fredonia for a 3 p.m. doubleheader.