

AU softball team sweeps Naz

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ALFRED, NY - The Alfred University softball team evened its Empire 8 Conference record with a doubleheader sweep of visiting Nazareth College Saturday afternoon at Hornell High School. Sophomore Holly Seidwand (Webster, NY/Webster Thomas) earned two complete game victories for AU as the Saxons (10-6, 2-2 Empire 8) took the first game, 4-2, and claimed the nightcap, 8-0. Seidwand allowed two runs on four hits and struck out six in the opener. She helped herself at the plate with two hits, including a double, and two RBIs. Sophomore outfielder Shannon Mather (Endicott, NY/Endicott) went 3-for-3 with a run scored and an RBI. Nazareth's Lisa Nazarenko had a solid outing on the mound for Nazareth, allowing four earned runs on nine hits while striking out 10. She went 2-for-3 with a run scored, while Laura Persico (one RBI) and Lizzie Barlow each went 1-for-3 with a run scored. Seidwand scattered six hits and struck out two to earn the shutout in the second game. Sophomore outfielder Lauren Peterson (Abington, MD/Harford Tech) went 3-for-4 with a pair of two-run homers and scored three times. Sophomore third baseman Jesika LeBarron (Campbell, NY/Corning West) went 3-for-4 with two runs and two RBIs and sophomore outfielder Jessica Figallo (Ridgewood, NJ/Ridgewood) (two doubles, one RBI) and sophomore shortstop Karen Folts (Penn Yan, NY/Penn Yan) each had a pair of hits. Persico had three hits in three at-bats, including a double, to pace the Nazareth offense. Jennifer Linnan added two hits. Christa Harris went the distance on the mound for Nazareth, striking out four while allowing seven earned runs on 12 hits. Alfred is in action next on Tuesday, April 15, for a 3 p.m. doubleheader at Elmira.