AU men **�**s tennis team earns fifth-place finish at Empire 8 championships 4/19/03

ROCHESTER The Alfred University men's tennis team defeated Hartwick College by a 6-1 score to finish in fifth place at the Empire 8 championships this weekend in Rochester. The Saxons (5-4, 4-2 Empire 8) got singles wins in five of their six matches against Hartwick. The victors were junior Randy Vecchione (Seaford/Seaford), 6-2, 7-5 in second singles, freshman Steve Ventura (Hilton/Hilton), 6-2, 6-4 in third singles, freshman Andrew Lee (Scarsdale/Edgemont), 6-1, 6-2 in fourth singles, junior Dave Streib (Baldwinsville/C.W. Baker), 6-1, 6-0 in fifth singles and senior Steve Harvey (Barker/Barker), 6-4, 6-4 in sixth singles. Vecchione and senior Bill Tuttle (Hamburg/Hamburg) teamed to take first doubles, 8-1, while Streib and sophomore Kristopher Bean (Yarmouth, ME/Yarmouth) won third doubles, 8-6. Alfred will play next on Wednesday, April 23, when they travel to Rochester for a 3:30 p.m. match against the Rochester Institute of Technology.--30---