

Stein named Alfred University's Empire 8 Sportsperson of the Week

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ALFRED, NY Dillon Stein (North Huntingdon, PA/Norwin), a sophomore center on the Alfred University men's basketball team, has been named Empire 8 Sportsperson of the Week. The Empire 8 Sportsperson of the Week program, which debuts this week, identifies and rewards one student-athlete from each of the Empire 8 conference's member institutions on a weekly basis. The honorees distinguish themselves through exemplary sporting behavior on and off the field of play. "This is a dynamic and thorough program," explained Chuck Mitrano, Empire 8 conference commissioner. "We want to acknowledge and reward positive ethical behavior by student-athletes while stressing the importance of these attributes to the individuals that attend our contests." Stein, who was nominated for the honor by Jay Murphy, head men's basketball coach at AU, was honored for the week of Jan. 3-9. He will be recognized before tonight's game against visiting Pitt-Bradford. "Dillon has exhibited good sportsmanship, in games and in practice, since he arrived at Alfred University as a freshman last year," Murphy commented in his nomination. "In both games this past weekend he helped opposing players up who fell to the floor on numerous occasions." Student-athletes' performance is also considered when being nominated for the honor. In two Empire 8 conference games last week, a loss to RIT and victory over Nazareth, Stein averaged 13.5 points, 8.5 rebounds and 3.5 assists.