

## **AU softball team bounces back with doubleheader sweep at RIT**

4/22/07

ROCHESTER, NY - The Alfred University softball team rebounded from two losses Saturday to visiting Empire 8 Conference foe St. John Fisher with a doubleheader sweep of host RIT in Empire 8 action Sunday afternoon. The Lady Saxons (18-10, 5-3 Empire 8) won the first game 5-2 and took the second contest 11-3 in six innings. Freshman pitcher Ilana Price (Wilton, CT/Brien McMahon) got both victories on the mound for AU, improving her record to 13-3. With the two wins, AU established a new single-season record for victories. The mark of 16 had been shared with the 2004 team. In the opener, AU rallied from a 2-1 deficit with four runs in the final three innings. Price allowed two earned runs on eight hits and struck out five. Junior first baseman Amanda Muncy (Redding, CA/Enterprise) hit a two-run homerun; freshman leftfielder Holly Seidewand (Webster, NY/Webster Thomas) went 3-for-4 with a run scored and an RBI; and freshman shortstop Karen Folts (Penn Yan, NY/Penn Yan) had a pair of hits, including a double, and one run driven in. AU broke a 3-3 tie with eight runs in the bottom of the sixth to take the nightcap. Price allowed three runs (all unearned) on nine hits while striking out three. Freshman second baseman Jordan Siefer (Sylvania, OH/Sylvania Southview) went 3-for-4 with a double and three RBIs to pace the Lady Saxon offense. Muncy went 3-for-3 with a pair of runs scored and one driven in and freshman rightfielder Shannon Mather (Endicott, NY/Union-Endicott) had two hits, including a double, scored a run and had one RBI. Alfred is in action next on Tuesday, April 24, at 3 p.m. for a doubleheader at Ithaca. AU is in third place in the Empire 8 standings with a 5-3 conference mark, 1 game ahead of fourth-place Utica. AU hosts Utica in a season-ending doubleheader Friday, April 27. The top four teams in the Empire 8 standings earn bids to the conference championship tournament, the winner of which earns an automatic berth in the NCAA Division III tournament.