

Thiel beats AU in shootout, will play Hilbert for tournament title

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ALFRED, NY - Thiel College will play Hilbert College Sunday evening for the championship of the Alfred University Invitational women's soccer tournament. Thiel defeated host Alfred, 5-4, in a penalty kick shootout after the two teams played to a scoreless draw after regulation and two sudden death overtime periods. Thiel's Heather Cozak tallied the winner after the teams tied 4-4 in the first shootout round. Shanna Ewoldt (Tuscon, AZ/Waubansie Valley) made one save in net for Alfred (0-1-1) while Jill Harry made four saves for Thiel (1-1-1). In the second first-round game Saturday, Hilbert's Maggie Fage scored the lone goal in Hilbert's 1-0 win over Cazenovia. Fage's goal, with 25 seconds left in the first half, came off an assist from Kayla Norman. Hilbert outshot Cazenovia 15-4. Hilbert goalie Mary Zinni made two saves to earn the shutout, while Cazenovia netminder Brittany Westcott stopped five shots. Alfred takes on Cazenovia in the consolation match at 4 p.m. Sunday, while Thiel and Hilbert square off for the title at 7 p.m.