

AU softball team swept by Ithaca

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ALFRED The Alfred University softball team suffered tough back-to-back losses in a doubleheader against visiting Ithaca College on Saturday afternoon at Hornell High School. The Lady Saxons (3-23, 0-8 Empire 8) were defeated 11-1 in the first game and 11-0 in the second game. AU fell behind early in the opener, allowing five runs to be scored in the first inning. Ithaca would later add one run in the third inning, two in the fourth, and three in the fifth. Alfred's lone run was scored by sophomore catcher Jackie Kreamer (South Dayton/Pine Valley), who reached base on a walk in the fifth inning. Freshman third baseman Kristina Goldberg (South Salem/John Jay) and freshman second baseman Andrea Crandall (Almond/Alfred-Almond) each singled to represent Alfred's only hits of the game, while Crandall also produced the team's only RBI. Junior Brandi Backus (Mt. Upton/Gilbertsville-Mt. Upton) pitched a complete game on the mound for AU, giving up 11 hits, including three homeruns, and striking out three batters. In the second game, Alfred was held scoreless while Ithaca produced one run in the third inning and 10 runs in the fourth. Sophomore outfielder Jacque Krycia (Hamburg/Mt. Mercy) and senior shortstop Tara Harwood (Hornell/Hornell) each singled in the first inning for AU. Freshman catcher Beth MacMichael (Scio/Scio) singled in the fourth inning, and junior outfielder Jill Petrie (Wellsville/Scio) reached base on a single in the fifth. Backus pitched four and two-thirds innings for Alfred, allowing 10 runs on five hits. Krycia came in as a reliever and allowed one run on two hits. The Lady Saxons travel to Elmira on Monday, April 22, for a 3 p.m. game.