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Kings of the hill

Cortland wins fourth straight SUNYAC crown

CORTLAND – The Cortland Red Dragons captured their fourth consecutive SUNYAC title – and 16th in 18 years – with a 12-5 win over Brockport in the championship game. With the win, Cortland will receive an automatic bid into the 2008 NCAA Tournament.

Matt Vitalone (Rome/Rome Free Academy) belted four hits and drove in three runs while **Nick DeVito** (Hingham, Mass./Hingham) contributed two hits, including a two-run home run. DeVito also drove in three runs and scored three more for Cortland.

Mike Zaccardo (Rochester/Irondequoit) contributed three hits, including a double, in support of winning pitcher **Ryan Hooper** (Red Hook/Red Hook) who worked 3 2/3 innings in relief.

Rob Maxwell (Amherst/Sweet Home) and **Joe LaDuca** (North Tonawanda/North Tonawanda) had two hits apiece for Brockport during the championship game.

During Cortland's second game at the SUNYAC Tournament – a 13-4 win over Oneonta – pitcher **Matt Tone** (Rochester/Irondequoit) ran his season record to 7-0. He worked 6 2/3 innings and recorded 13 strikeouts and one walk.

The Red Dragons opened their tournament run with a 15-7 victory over Plattsburgh. **Andersen Gardner** (Fairport/Fairport) led the attack with four hits, including a double, and **Steve Nickel** (Lake Ronkonkoma/Sachem North) drove in four runs.