**SUNY Cortland Baseball**

**SUNY Cortland vs. St. Lawrence Univ.; Duffy Fairgrounds; Watertown, N.Y.**

**Tuesday, April 29, 2003**

**FINAL SCORE: Cortland 11, St. Lawrence 3**

WATERTOWN, N.Y. – Sophomore Nate Gagnon’s (Wilton/South Glens Falls) three-run triple capped a five-run first inning and juniors Josh Horner (Groton) and Pat D’Auria (Nyack) hit back-to-back homers in the third inning as nationally fourth-ranked Cortland (27-9) defeated St. Lawrence University 11-3 in a night game at the Duffy Fairgrounds.

Senior Kyle Johnson (Hornell) improved to 5-1 with five innings of four-hit ball. He struck out eight, walked two and allowed two runs. Sophomore Ryan Brown (Liverpool) struck out two and gave up two hits in two scoreless innings. Freshman Jason Chyr (Vernon/V-V-S) pitched the final two innings, giving up one hit and one unearned run. He struck out four of the batters that he faced and Cortland’s pitchers finished the night with 14 strikeouts.

Senior Cory Haggerty (Ilion) singled with one out in the first and scored on a triple by senior Jeff Flegler (Gloucester, NJ). Senior Ben Albright (Poughkeepsie/Arlington) followed with an RBI single. Later in the inning, singles by Horner and D’Auria loaded the bases and Gagnon cleared them with a triple to left.

In the third, Horner hit a solo homer to left with one out and D’Auria then hit a shot over the right field fence to give the Red Dragons a 7-1 lead. Cortland added a run in the sixth on D’Auria’s RBI single and another in the seventh on an Albright RBI single. Sophomore Brian Edmunds (Johnson City) finished the scoring with a two-run single in the eighth. Scoring were D’Auria and Gagnon, who walked and doubled, respectively, earlier in the inning.

St. Lawrence scored once in the second when Dan Albrecht led off with a double and scored on a two-out single by Tim Malisa. The Saints added a run in the fourth on a two-out solo homer by Corey Swinarski and one in the ninth on a passed ball.

D’Auria finished 3-for-4 with two RBI, Gagnon was 2-for-3 with three RBI and Albright was 2-for-5 with two RBI. Flegler went 2-for-4 with an RBI. Swinarski was 2-for-3 for the Saints (10-14).

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Cortland (27-9): Kyle Johnson (W, 5-1), Ryan Brown (6), Jason Chyr (8) and Kyle Bestine, Ray Chopay (6)
St. Lawrence (10-14): Mike Damann (L, 0-4), Colin Smith (5) and Joe Sgaglione

HR - Josh Horner (C), Pat D’Auria (C), Corey Swinarski (SL)
3B - Jeff Flegler (C), Nate Gagnon (C)
2B - Dan Albrecht (SL), Nate Gagnon (C)