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Suny Cortland Women’s Volleyball
Sunyac Semifinals and Finals
Saturday, November 9, 2002; Suny Brockport; Brockport, N.Y.

Semifinals: Cortland def. Brockport 30-26, 22-30, 30-21, 29-31, 15-11

Brockport, N.Y. -- Cortland’s string of six straight Sunyac titles came to an end as the Red Dragons dropped a five-game decision to Oneonta in the championship match of the league tournament at Suny Brockport. Oneonta defeated Cortland 26-30, 30-23, 27-30, 31-29, 15-4 to claim its first league title and earn an automatic bid to the NCAA Division III playoffs. Cortland finishes the season with a 27-14 record, while Oneonta improves to 30-11.

Cortland earned a spot in the finals with a 30-26, 22-30, 30-21, 29-31, 15-11 win over host Brockport in the semifinals earlier in the day.

Junior Andrea Smith (San Diego, CA/ Frontier Central (NY)) and junior Megan Thurkins (Painted Post/Corning-Painted Post) were named to the Sunyac All-Tournament First Team and junior Jamie McMullen (Castile/Letchworth) was an honorable mention selection.

Against Oneonta, Smith recorded 17 kills and 16 digs and Thurkins added 13 kills and 13 digs. McMullen registered 44 assists and 12 digs. Freshman Lauren Nels (Syracuse/C.W. Baker) finished with 19 digs and sophomore Barbie Lang (Cuba/Cuba-Rushford) had 15 digs.

In the Brockport match, senior Colleen Stocum (Owego/Tioga) led the Red Dragons with 19 kills and also recorded 22 digs. Smith tallied 17 kills and a team-high 28 digs, Thurkins had 14 kills and 11 digs and junior Katie Pietrzak (Rochester/Greece Arcadia) finished with 12 kills, six blocks and nine digs. McMullen assisted on 47 Cortland kills.

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