SUNY Cortland Women’s Basketball

vs. Western Connecticut State University; Saratoga Springs, N.Y.
Skidmore Invitational Championship Game; Sunday, November 23, 2003

FINAL SCORE: Cortland 65, Western Connecticut St. 42

SARATOGA SPRINGS, N.Y. – Tournament Most Valuable Player Michelle Cique (Massapequa) scored 14 points on 7-of-10 shooting as Cortland defeated Western Connecticut State, 65-42, in the championship game of the Skidmore College Invitational. The senior forward also recorded four steals, three assists and three rebounds and averaged 15 points and 4.5 steals per game in two wins for the Red Dragons (2-0).

Junior guard Kristen Egan (Oyster Bay) and sophomore guard Dani Maye (Kirkwood/Windsor) were both named to the all-tournament team. Egan scored a career-high 12 points for the second straight day. She made three of her four three-point attempts and also finished with a team-best six assists. Maye added 11 points, making 5-of-9 shots from the floor. Sophomore guard Kaylin VanDusen (Schuyler/West Canada Valley) dished out four assists.

Cortland used first-half runs of 10-0 and 14-2 to build a 33-11 halftime lead. The Red Dragons shot 59 percent in the opening half (13-of-22) while holding the Colonials to 21 percent shooting (5-of-24). Western Connecticut's starters were held scoreless on a combined 0-for-13 from the field in the opening 20 minutes.

The Red Dragons' lead was between 20 and 28 points the entire second half. Cortland finished the game shooting 50 percent from the field, including 57 percent (8-of-14) from three-point range.

Cortland will host Elmira in a non-league game Tuesday at 6 p.m.