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**North Atlantic Conference Softball Championship
Hosted by Elms College**

Castleton's season comes to an end at the hands of Thomas College

CHICOPEE, MA - Thomas (21-21) advanced to Saturday's title game with a 1-0 win over Castleton State College (17-17) in the consolation bracket final earlier in the afternoon. Senior pitcher Joy Ireland (Clinton, ME) drove in the game's only run in the bottom of the seventh with a RBI single to left field.

Ireland also threw six shutout innings and allowed just two hits and struck out five. Sophomore relief pitcher Nikki Smith (BuckSPORT, ME) struck out all three Castleton players she faced in the top of the seventh.
