Aggies roar past Wolverines in straight se

By Travis V. Dabney Staff Writer

The Texas A&M Volleyball Team surprised no one on Friday night with their victory over the Michigan Wolverines in three straight games to send them to the Sweet 16 as this team has made it their goal all season to make it where they are today.

'We're headed to the Sweet 16 and we are really excited about it," A&M coach Laurie Corbelli said. "It was one of the very early goals

The Aggies began their march toward the third round of the NCAA tournament on Thursday night with a victory over the Hofstra Flying Dutchwomen in three straight games by the scores of 15-5, 15-5, 15-4

"Obviously we're really pleased not only with the outcome (against Hofstra) but also with our level of play," Corbelli said.

The victory also impressed Flying Duthchwomen coach Fran Kalafer.

After defeating Michigan in straight sets, (from left to right) Cindy Lothspeich, Stacey Sykora, Farah Menslik

going to go very far in this tournament," Kalefer said," and I think we are going to take a lot home from this experience tonight."

The first game on Thursday night pitted Michigan and Temple and allowed the Aggies a chance to get a feel for the tournament and who eventually would be their next opponent. Michigan was taken to a full five games by the Temple Owls and that allowed the Aggies to get in a little scouting that would come in handy

for Friday night's match up.
The Wolverines began Friday
night's match with the Aggies fired up and ready to go as they took a 2-0 lead. The Aggies came back to tie the game and then take the lead at 5-4. The teams traded points until the Aggies were the benefactor of a net violation by Michigan and went on to win game one by a score of 15-10. The Aggies were led in game one by seniors Kristie Smedsrud and Cindy Lothspeich as they each contributed five kills.

Game two would go in favor of Michigan early as they built a 6-1 lead to start the game but it would be short lived as the Wolverines hurt themselves with costly mistakes.

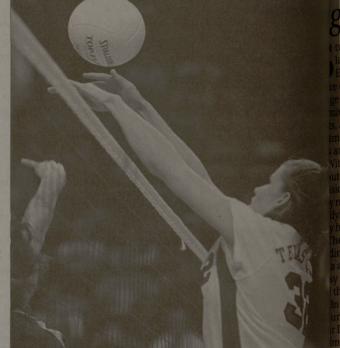
"It felt like a good position to be in at 6-1," Michigan coach Greg Gio-vanazzi said. "I didn't think we were doing a good job of making adjustments though.'

The Aggies would come all the way down from that 6-1 deficit to run off 14 unanswered points and win game two. The Aggies really seemed to frustrate the Wolverines in game two with their serving according to coach Giovanazzi.

Texas A&M was doing a good job of serving tough. I think plays were carrying over into each other and that was having a negative effect on our team.'

Game three would turn out to be an exclamation point for the Aggies in their last game of the season in G. Rollie White. The team jumped out to a quick 8-0 lead as the Aggies faithfully cheered them on. The demoralized but determined Wolverines fought to put up six points on the board but it would be too little too late as the Aggies won game three and the match decisive fashion.

The Aggies were led in the match



Junior Stacy Sykora attempts to block a spike in A&M's win over

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by junior Stacy Sykora and Smedsrud as they put up 15 and 14 kills respectively.

Now the Aggies will move onto State College, Pennsylvania, home of the Penn State Nittany Lions to face Brigham Young University in east region semifinal action Friday night. If the Aggies were to advance from that game they would face the winner of the Ohio State, Penn State match. The Aggies will be looking to avenge an early season loss to BYU.

"It's always fun to play BYU," Sykora said. "We played them (ear-

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