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## Volleyball Drops Horizon League Opener To UW-Milwaukee

Panthers edge UIC in five games 27-30, 30-21, 25-30, 30-24, 15-8.

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**Chicago, Ill.** - UW-Milwaukee has had the University of Illinois at Chicago volleyball team's number in recent history.

In fact, the Flames had not won a game from the Panthers since 1998.

UIC took UW-Milwaukee to the limit, but fell short by the score of 27-30, 30-21, 25-30, 30-24, 15-8 at the Physical Education Building on Friday night in the Flames' Horizon League opener.

"This is a tough one to talk about," UIC head coach [Don August](#) said. "We came out ready to play and I thought we did a real good job in the first game. Then I thought our level of play dropped, but not significantly."

UIC (4-5, 0-1 Horizon League) received solid performances from sophomores [Teaha Shepperd](#) (14 kills, 11 digs), [Lindsey Filkins](#) (13 kills, 14 digs) and redshirt freshman [Dawn Strahanoski](#) (50 assists, 14 digs) as each recorded a double-double for the Flames.

"We had some people do some real nice stuff," August said. "I thought Filkins, Teaha and Dawn each had solid matches."

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Sophomore Lindsey Filkins recorded 13 kills and 14 digs against UW-Milwaukee on Friday night.

Senior [Lynn Clarkson](#) added 14 kills for UIC while junior [Gina Caneva](#) contributed 12 kills.

"The fact that we didn't win the match hurt," August said. "But at the same time, it is early in the season.

"I think we are a young team and a match like this can give us some confidence."

UW-Milwaukee's Laura Dallenbach recorded a match-high 22 kills and 23 digs to pace the Panthers' attack. Teammate Chrissy Schurla added 13 kills and 14 digs.

With the match tied at two, UW-Milwaukee (4-4, 1-0 Horizon League) pounced on the Flames for a 5-1 outburst at the outset of the final game for a lead they would never relinquish.

"I don't want to say it's a good loss, because it's not a good loss, because we should have won the match. We put ourselves in position to win.

"Now we have to be able to respond tomorrow against a good Green Bay team."

UIC will return to the Physical Education Building tomorrow to take on the UW-Green Bay Phoenix at 4:00 p.m.

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