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Volleyball Loses Heartbreaker Against Northern Illinois, 30-19, 27-30, 30-25, 29-31, 13-15

Senior Teaha Shepperd and junior Kristi Herrington each notch career-highs in kills.

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[Box Score](#)

DeKalb, Ill. - The University of Illinois at Chicago volleyball team turned in an impressive performance against Northern Illinois on Friday night.

The Huskies, however, were just a little better when they needed to be as they came-from-behind for the 19-30, 30-27, 25-30, 31-29, 15-13 victory over the Flames in the opening match of the NIU Comfort Inn and Suites Invitational at the NIU Convocation Center.

Senior Teaha Shepperd led UIC with a career-high 25 kills and six blocks, while junior middle hitter [Kristi Herrington](#) chipped in a career-high 15 kills for the Flames. Senior outside hitter [Lindsey Filkins](#) chipped in nine kills and a career-high 27 digs on the evening. For the match, UIC recorded 67 kills to Northern Illinois' 58.

UIC (3-5) took a 2-1 lead heading into the fourth game, but were unable to overcome costly errors with a hitting percentage of -.022, as Northern Illinois claimed the 31-29 victory. In the deciding fifth game, the Huskies (6-1) were nearly flawless, committing only one error for a hitting percentage of .450 (10 kills, 1 error, 20 attacks) to claim the win and the match.

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Senior outside hitter Teaha Shepperd notched a career-high 25 kills on Friday.

UIC saw the good and the bad from behind the service line as the Flames recorded a season-high 12 aces, led by Camille Mankus' five aces, but were done in by 14 service errors.

Northern Illinois' Tera Lobdell posted a team-high 18 kills along with 12 digs, while Brooke Dodson (17 kills, 14 digs) and Megan Markowski (10 kills) both turned in solid efforts for the Huskies.

UIC will be back in action on Saturday morning, as they will take on the Valparaiso Crusaders at 11:00 a.m. in the Flames' second match of the tournament.

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