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Softball Shutouts Loyola In Tournament Finale

Flames top Ramblers 4-0 to secure second place at the UIC 'Battle in the Windy City' Fall Tournament.

Sept. 22, 2001

Game 6

UIC 4, Loyola 0

Chicago, Ill. - Behind a strong pitching performance from senior [Rory Gonzales-Gould](#), the UIC softball team secured a second-place finish at the 'Battle in the Windy City' Fall Tournament with a 4-0 win over Loyola on Saturday night at Flames Field.

With the victory the Flames finished with a 2-1 record in the round-robin tournament while Loyola placed third with a 1-2 mark. DePaul claimed the tournament title after posting a perfect 3-0 mark. The Blue Demons did not allow a run in their three contests, outscoring their opponents 27-0. Northwestern finished fourth after going 0-3.

Gonzales-Gould paced UIC to victory in the tourney nightcap, controlling the Ramblers in the circle. The veteran right-hander tossed seven shutout innings while allowing just one hit. Carole Gorecki picked up the loss for Loyola.

UIC got on the board first, tallying a run in the first inning on an RBI single by senior [Amber Stachura](#). The Flames, who had the bases loaded with no outs in the frame, were unable to plate any more, though, as Rambler starter Carole Gorecki retired Emily Hallmann and [Alycia Creese](#) to get out of the early jam.

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Senior Rory Gonzales-Gould pitched a one-hit shutout versus Loyola.

After leaving the bases loaded, once again, in the third inning, UIC broke through in the fourth plating a pair of runs on an error by Rambler shortstop Keilah Williams and a sacrifice fly off the bat of [Sara Hernandez](#). Those two runs would also spell the end of the day for Gorecki, who was tagged with the loss.

The Flames would plate another run in the fifth inning for a 4-0 lead, capitalizing on a throwing error by Loyola third baseman Sue Stanley that rolled down the right field line allowing [Leigh Farina](#) to score from first.

Senior [Amy Gonzales](#) (2-for-3) sparked both Flames' rallies in the third and fifth with key singles.

Final Results

Game #1

UIC 6, Northwestern 5

Game #2

Loyola 7, Northwestern 6

Game #3

DePaul 11, UIC 0 (5 inn.)

Game #4

DePaul 9, Northwestern 0

Game #5

DePaul, Loyola (DePaul clinches tournament title with victory)

Game #6

UIC 4, Loyola 0

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