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Softball Posts Third Straight Win With 3-2 Triumph Over Northern Illinois

Flames move to a perfect 3-0 at home this season.

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Chicago, Ill. -The UIC softball team picked up its season-best third straight victory with a 3-2 triumph over visiting Northern Illinois at Flames Field on Sunday afternoon.

The Flames improve to 11-26 on the year with the win, while the Huskies drop to 14-11. The game was not originally on the schedule for either team, but was organized after both teams had road league games cancelled over the weekend.

Junior pitcher [Alison Aguilar](#) went the distance for UIC, allowing two runs on five hits for her fifth victory of the season. Kathy Dearborn was tagged with the loss for NIU, despite surrendering just four hits in six innings of work.

UIC scratched the scoreboard early with a two-out first-inning rally.

Sophomore [Sara Hernandez](#) got things going with a single, then [Amanda Rivera](#) drove in the Flames' first run with a single into the gap in right-center field. After [Alycia Creese](#) reached on an error, rookie [Nicole Shepard](#) staked UIC to a 2-0 lead with a run-scoring double.

The Flames tacked on another run in the third inning, scoring, once again, with two outs on a single by freshman

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Freshman Meghan Gallagher drove in what proved to be the game-winning run with a single in the third inning.

[Meghan Gallagher](#).

Northern Illinois finally broke through off Aguilar in the fourth inning, working a little two-out magic of its own. An RBI single by Amy Ligmanowski gave the Huskies their first run, then a well orchestrated double-steal led to their second run, cutting the Flames lead to 3-2.

That would be as close as the Huskies would get, though, as Aguilar, who fanned nine batters on the day, stranded the tying run on second base in the seventh inning.

The Flames will be back in action on Tuesday afternoon when they travel to Macomb, Ill., to take on Western Illinois in a non-conference doubleheader starting at 2:30 p.m.

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