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Rivera And Astiazaran Both Homer Twice As Softball Rolls Past Valparaiso In First Game Of Doubleheader

Flames win 15-0 in five innings.

April 19, 2004

[Box Score](#)

Chicago, Ill. - Junior [Cameron Astiazaran](#) and senior [Amanda Rivera](#) both homered twice as the UIC softball team rolled to a 15-0, five-inning victory over visiting Valparaiso in the first game of a twilight doubleheader.

The Flames are now 23-19 on the year while the Crusdaers fall to 13-22.

Astiazaran, who went 3-for-3 on the day to extend her hitting streak to 19 games, hit three-run homers in both the first and second innings and has now hit a career-high eight long-balls this season. It was the first multi-homer game of her career while the six RBI were a single-game best.

Rivera (2-for-2, 3 RBI) also homered in both the first two frames, launching a two-run shot in the first and a solo blast in the second. She now has a team-high 12 home runs this season, just three shy of the UIC single-season record of 15 set by All-American [Edel Leyden](#) in 2002.

Senior [Alison Aguilar](#) (8-6) pitched five shutout innings, allowing just

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Junior Cameron Astiazaran went 3-for-3 with six RBI in the Flames' game one win over

one hit and striking out seven for her eighth win of the season.

Valparaiso.

Senior Amanda Gilbertson surrendered 10 runs, five earned, in just over an inning of work and suffered the loss for Valparaiso, falling to 6-10 on the year.

UIC wasted little time jumping on the visiting Crusaders, tallying eight runs in the bottom of the first inning.

Astiazaran paced the Flames' offensive explosion with a triple and a three-run homer, her seventh of the season, in the opening frame.

Rivera also homered in the first inning, a two-run shot to left field. Junior [Sara Hernandez](#), freshman [Elizabeth Jacoby](#) (3-for-3, 3 RBI) and sophomore [Joyce Cathey](#) also registered RBI knocks during the rally.

The Flames kept pouring it on in the second inning adding six more runs as Rivera and Astiazaran both launched their second homers of the game while [Tonya Maosi](#) and Jacoby added run-scoring hits. Rivera's was a solo blast while Astiazaran hit her second straight three-run homer. Rookie [Jenna Yaeger](#) tallied a hit in her first career at-bat in the frame.

Jacoby would push the UIC lead to 15-0 in the third inning with her third hit and third RBI of the game.

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