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SUNO continues four-game home stretch against Dillard tonight Knights and Lady Knights think pink to fight cancer

NEW ORLEANS, LA – SUNO Basketball continues a four-game home stretch tonight against area rival Dillard in a Gulf Coast Athletic Conference (GCAC) game at The Castle (in the Southern University at New Orleans Health & Physical Education Building at 6400 Press Drive). Tip-off for the Lady Knights' (2-7, 7-9) game is 5:30 p.m. and the tip for the Knights' (2-7, 2-16) game is 7:30 p.m.

Dillard's men are 5-4 in the GCAC and 8-11 overall. The ladies are 1-8 in the GCAC and 5-16 overall.

Tonight SUNO's coaches and players will wear pink ribbons to increase fans' awareness of the fight against breast cancer.

The SUNO Lady Knights are a young team with players who continue to develop as the season progresses. Freshman forward Kiarra Sims, who prepped at Broadmoor High School in Baton Rouge, leads the Lady Knights in points averaging 11.44 per game. Sims also leads the team in rebounds with 7.56 per game, and she has the most double-double games on the season with four.

Junior guard Jazzlyn Prince also proves to be a formidable force for the women. Prince has posted three double-double games and she averages 11.13 points per game. She also leads the team with 4.31 assists and 3.06 steals per game.

The Knights have struggled during the season but seem to be buying into the system of first-year head coach Dale Valdery. Junior guard/forward Lionel Green, a former Carver High School stand-out, leads the Knights in scoring with 19.09 as well as assists with 3.36 per game. Sophomore guard Brent Leduff, who played at Glen Oaks High School in Baton Rouge, has been developing as a leader as he averages 14.33 points and 2.33 assists per game. Leduff is also shooting 82% from the free throw line.

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