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DESTINY SPLITS TWO, MAINTAINS TOP SPOT

Richmond Destiny fell yesterday 2-1 to their chief rival, the Charlotte Lady Eagles, slipping into a tie for first place in the Atlantic Division with 18 points (6-1). Friday, the Destiny shut out the Atlanta Silverbacks 1-0, beating this team stocked with former WUSA and international stars for the second time in two weeks.

Destiny's success has been powered by forward Jenn Parsons and goalkeeper Emily Niman. Parsons leads the USL W-League in goals scored with 9, tied with Sylvia Forbes of Toronto and Katie Schoepfer of Western Mass. Destiny sports the lowest goals-against average (0.571) in the Central Conference.



Emily Niman preparing to field a shot on goal

Off the field, Parsons and Niman are both students in Virginia Commonwealth University's Bioinformatics and Bioengineering Summer Institute. Parsons, originally from Canada, has just finished a Masters in Teaching at VCU and will begin teaching chemistry this fall at George Mason High School in Falls Church. Niman formerly tended goal for the North Virginia Majestics and is currently an undergraduate at VCU in the bioinformatics program.

Destiny's next match is Saturday, July 1, 7 pm, when they meet division rival Central Florida Krush at home (Sports Backers Stadium).

For league standings and statistics, see <http://wleague.uslsoccer.com/standings>.

For Richmond Destiny schedule and team information, see <http://www.richmondkickers.com/wleague>.