Softball Drops Doubleheader to TSU

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NASHVILLE, Tenn. - Middle Tennessee (7-5) lost a doubleheader sweep to Tennessee State (7-8) Tuesday, dropping the first game 1-0 and then losing the nightcap 10-8. In the first game, TSU sophomore Justine Jontz pitched into the sixth inning allowing six hits before giving way to junior Tara Evanisko who allowed one hit the rest of the way to record the save. The Tiger hurlers stranded 10 Middle Tennessee base runners. The lone run came in the fifth inning when Amanda Buhler and Caryn Barber opened the inning with consecutive hits. Buhler later scored the winning run on a Lady Raider throwing error. In the second game, TSU built a 6-1 lead before Middle Tennessee pulled to within one run with a four-run third inning. However, the Tigers expanded the lead on a Hollie Sanders' two-run homer in the fourth and Shannon Hick's two out, two run double in the fifth. Evanisko came on in relief in the third inning and recorded the win. Hicks pitched two and one-third innings to earn the save. Lady Raider Angie Huebner hit a three-run homer for Middle Tennessee in the third inning. Dani DeCamino had a pair of RBI and Leah Grothause had two hits and scored twice for Middle Tennessee. Junior pitcher Crystal Bobo took the loss in both games and falls to 4-3 on the season. The Lady Raiders will compete in the Evansville Tournament on Saturday and Sunday.

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