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## Blue Raiders set to open 2009 season

### Team will play at home on Sunday

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**MURFREESBORO, Tenn.** - The Blue Raider women's tennis team will begin the 2009 season this weekend.

Middle Tennessee will first open play on Friday at 5 p.m. when it faces Chattanooga in Chattanooga, Tenn. Then on Sunday, Feb. 1 the Blue Raiders will play host to Tennessee Tech at 12 p.m. at Nashboro Village in Nashville, Tenn.

There are just two players returning from the 2008 squad in seniors **Marlene Chemin** and **Andrea Herrera**. Chemin and Herrera will guide the Blue Raiders this season as they are the most experienced.

Juniors **Natalie Araya** and **Anna Djananova**, who transferred from Lee College, were JCAA women's doubles finalist in 2008 and will use that experience to help them this season.

Rounding out the 2009 Blue Raiders are freshmen **Marietta Bigus**, **Taylor Coffey** and **Alex Dachos**. The trio all performed well in the fall and will add depth to Middle Tennessee this season.

Results will be posted on [www.goblueraiders.com](http://www.goblueraiders.com) throughout the weekend. Fans are welcomed to attend all Blue Raider home matches at Nashboro Village in Nashville, Tenn.



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