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Lady Raider Tennis Drops Heartbreaker to Southern Miss 4-3

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MURFREESBORO, Tenn. - The Middle Tennessee women's tennis team concluded its regular season in a heartbreaker, falling to Southern Miss (14-6), 4-3, in tennis action Saturday morning at Buck Bouldin Tennis Center.

The Lady Raiders (7-13) won the doubles point when [Jennifer Klaschka](#) and [Ann-Kristin Siljestrom](#) defeated Nikhila Narra and Sherry Price at No. 1 doubles, 8-4. Middle Tennessee also won at No. 2 doubles behind Ana Cibils and [Emily Vest](#), 8-4, win against Nicola Slater and Grace Kammerer. Southern Miss' Ali Blackett and Jennifer Sibille was leading in the match, 5-4, over [Jacqui Williams](#) and [Claudia Szabo](#) when the match was stopped.

Southern Miss evened the match 1-1 following Kammerer's 6-0, 6-2 win against Vest at No. 5 singles. The Lady Raiders regained the lead when Szabo defeated Sibille, 6-1, 6-2.

Southern Miss then got wins at No. 1 singles behind Slater's 6-4, 6-1 victory against Klaschka and No. 6 singles when Blackett defeated Williams, 6-1, 6-4.

The Golden Eagles clinched the match with a three-set win at No. 2 singles after Price defeated Cibils, 6-7, 7-6, 6-2. Narra lost at No. 3 singles in three-sets to Siljestrom, 6-4, 2-6, 6-2.

Freshman sensation Siljestrom's win over Narra 6-4, 2-6, 6-2 is her 15th victory of the season. She now boasts a record of 15-5 entering the Sun Belt Conference Championships.

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