# Blue Raiders conclude home slate Saturday against Florida Atlantic

## Pair of seniors to be honored prior to tipoff

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**MURFREESBORO, Tenn. -** The Middle Tennessee men's basketball team will host the Florida Atlantic Owls in the Blue Raiders' home finale on Saturday. Tipoff is slated for 5:30 p.m. CT and will be preceded by a ceremony honoring seniors Jimmy Oden and LaRon Dendy. The contest will air on ESPN3 with Chip Walters and Kyle Turnham on the call. **GAME INFORMATION**
Date: Saturday, Feb. 18
Time: 5:30 p.m. CT
Location: Murfreesboro, Tenn.
Facility: Murphy Center

**MEDIA INFORMATION**
Radio: WNSR (560 AM)/WMOT (89.5 FM)
Play-by-Play: Chip Walters
Analysis: Kyle Turnham

Live Video: Available here
Live Audio: Available here
Live Stats: Available here

**SERIES INFORMATION**
Overall: MT leads, 8-4 // As Sun Belt foes: MT leads, 7-4
In Murfreesboro: MT leads, 4-2
Under Davis: MT leads, 8-4
First meeting: MT 90, FAU 76 (12/21/05 in Louisville, Ky.)
First Sun Belt meeting: MT 72, FAU 68 (1/10/07 in Boca Raton)
Last year: FAU 62, MT 51 (1/27/11 in Boca Raton) // FAU 71, MT 61 (1/13/11 in Murfreesboro)

Last meeting: MT 67, FAU 54 (1/14/12 in Boca Raton)
Last MT win in Murfreesboro: MT 74, FAU 68 (2/21/09)
Current Streak: MT, 1 game
Longest MT streak: 4 games (2005-08) // Longest FAU streak: 2 games (1/13/11-1/27/11)
Noteworthy: FAU has won the last two meetings in Murfreesboro. Prior to that, MT had won four in a row over the Owls at home.

## BLUE RAIDER FASTBREAK POINTS

--With MT's 71-66 win over FIU on Dec. 29, head coach Kermit Davis surpassed Jimmy Earle as MT's all-time winningest coach. It marked Davis' 165th MT victory, eclipsing Earle's mark of 164.
--MT's 20-2 start was the best in program history, topping the previous mark of 18-2 in the 1974-75 season.
--MT's 10-0 league start was the best in program history. It topped the previous mark of 9-0 set in the 1974-75 season when the Blue Raiders were a member of the OVC.
--MT's 12-game winning streak from Dec. 10 through Jan. 26 was the longest in 26 years and is tied for the third-longest in school history.
--MT has won 16 games by a double-figure margin, including eight of the last 13 contests.
--As of the NCAA statistics on Feb. 16, MT ranks seventh in the nation in field goal percentage (49.3). MT also ranks 18th in field goal percentage defense (38.8). The Blue Raiders ranked in the top three in field goal percentage for six consecutive weeks to open the season.
--As of Feb. 16, MT is one of only eight teams in the nation to crack the 23-win mark already this season, currently tied for the sixth-most victories in the nation.
--MT's nine road wins this season are tied for the seventh-most in the country as of Feb. 16. The Blue Raiders also lead the Sun Belt with 45 league road victories in the past 10 years.
--MT set a school-record with a 71.4 shooting percentage at UCLA on Nov. 15. The Blue Raiders shot 70.8 percent in the first half and 72 percent in the second half of the contest.

## SCOUTING THE OWLS

Florida Atlantic (11-15, 7-6 SBC) is coming off a 64-57 loss at WKU on Thursday. Prior to that, the Owls had won back-to-back games over Denver and North Texas. FAU has struggled on the road this season, holding a 4-10 record, including a 3-4 mark in league action. Greg Gantt leads the Owls with 13.9 points per game, while Raymond Taylor, who sat out in the last meeting between the two teams, is the team's second-leading scorer with 9.7 points per game. Kore White is the team's top rebounder, averaging 4.8 boards per game.

## IN THEIR LAST MEETING

A second-half surge propelled the Middle Tennessee men's basketball team to a 67-54 victory over Florida Atlantic on Jan. 14 at FAU Arena. A trio of Blue Raiders scored double figures, paced by JT Sulton's 14 points. Marcos Knight added 12 points, 10 of which came in the second half. Knight's second-half performance was one of the key components of MT's 64 percent shooting in the second stanza, as the Blue Raiders shot 52.9 percent for the game. In addition to Sulton and Knight, LaRon Dendy scored 11 points, including a 7-of-8 performance from the stripe. Dendy also grabbed seven rebounds, one shy of Sulton's team-high eight, and had a pair of blocked shots. Bruce Massey was a key contributor as well, collecting a game-high five assists and chipping in six points.

## ALL ABOUT MT (23-4, 12-1 SBC)

### Vote For Dendy

LaRon Dendy has been named as one of the 25 finalists for the Lou Henson Player of the Year

Award, given to the nation's top mid-major player. Fans can vote for Dendy by visiting VoteLouHenson.com beginning Feb. 18 and running through March 12. The fan vote will count for one-third of the final decision. Turn to page 11 to read more about why you should vote for Dendy.

**The Clincher**

With the win over UALR on Saturday, MT clinched the Sun Belt East Division title. A win over Florida Atlantic would guarantee the Blue Raiders a share of the conference title and the No. 1 seed for the upcoming league tournament March 3-6 in Hot Springs, Ark. A UALR loss Saturday coupled with a Blue Raider victory Saturday would give MT the out-right league regular-season title.

**Dendy is Dandy**

After sitting out last season due to NCAA transfer rules, LaRon Dendy has made an impact in his lone season for the Blue Raiders. He netted 21 points in the season-opener against Austin Peay and was one rebound shy of a double-double, collecting nine boards. He notched his first double-double of the season at UCLA, collecting 16 points and 13 rebounds, then added his second double-double with 19 points and 11 rebounds against Akron. n the Sun Belt opener against FIU, Dendy posted his third double-double of the season with 11 points and 10 rebounds, then added his fourth with 21 points and 11 rebounds against South Alabama (12/31). Dendy added his sixth performance of 20 or more points with 22 points at Vanderbilt (1/28), then posted his fifth double-double with career-highs in both points (26) and rebounds (14) against WKU on Feb. 9. He followed that up with a 23-point showing against UALR. It marked his 20th double-figure game of the season and eighth game of 20 or more points. He has also shown versatility on the court, ranking first on the team in scoring (14.7 ppg) rebounding (7.0 rpg) and blocks (45) and third on the team with 53 assists.

**More on Dendy's Dominance**

Senior forward LaRon Dendy was named the Sun Belt Player of the Week on Jan. 30 then again on Feb. 13. Dendy picked up his first career weekly honor and the second of the season for the Blue Raiders after averaging 19.5 points, 5.5 rebounds and 2.0 assists in two games during the week of Jan. 23. Dendy put together back-to-back double-digit scoring performances, including a career-high 22 points against Vanderbilt on Jan. 28. Over the two games, he shot an impressive 70 percent from the field while hitting 10-of-13 from the line. He also scored 17 against Troy on Jan. 26. He earned his second weekly accolade after averaging 24.5 points, 10.0 rebounds and 3.0 assists in wins over WKU and UALR. Dendy had a career day against rival WKU, posting his fifth double-double of the season with 26 points and 14 rebounds, both career-highs. He matched his career-high with four assists in the contest as well. The Greenville, S.C., native followed that up with his eighth game of 20-or-more points this season, scoring 23 as MT clinched the Sun Belt East Division title with a 68-60 victory over West-leading UALR. Not only did Dendy score 19 points in the first half of the contest, but he also scored 12 in a row for the Blue Raiders to start the game. He finished the contest shooting nearly 82 percent from the field. Dendy joined Marcos Knight as the Blue Raiders who have received weekly honors this season. Dendy becomes the first Blue Raider to receive multiple weekly honors in the same season and the third to earn multiple accolades in their career. He is the fifth Blue Raider overall to receive the league's weekly award. It marks the eighth weekly accolade in program history and the first time since the 2001-02 season MT has had multiple player of the week awards.

**One-Two Punch**

Bruce Massey and Marcos Knight are a dual threat when it comes to ball-handling. The duo ranks No. 1 and 2, respectively, in assist-to-turnover ratio in league games. Massey holds a 2.0 ratio, while

Knight is at 17. Massey also ranks first overall in the league with a 2.1 ratio.

**Records on the Ropes**

With 23 wins already this season, the Blue Raiders have matched the program record for victories. MT has had 23 wins four times, with the most recent coming in the 1988-89 season. The 23 regular-season wins this year are the most in school history. The Blue Raiders cracked the 20-win mark for the first time since the 1990-91 season when they went 21-9. The last time MT cracked the 20-win mark during the regular season was the 1988-89 season when the Blue Raiders were 23-8, including three postseason victories. MT is also one conference win away from matching the most league victories in program history. The Blue Raiders won 13 Sun Belt games in 2009-10.

**Among the Nation's Elite**

MT is one of only eight schools in the country to have reached the 23-win plateau this season, and the 23 victories are currently tied for the sixth-most wins in the nation behind Syracuse (26), Kentucky (25), Murray State (24), Oral Roberts (24) and Missouri (24). St. Mary's and Wichita State also have 23 wins.

**19 of 22**

MT has won 19 of its last 22 contests. Prior to the loss at Vanderbilt, MT had won 16 of 17, marking the best 17-game stretch in program history. During the stretch, the Blue Raiders have won 14 games by double-figures and have collected 16 double-digit wins overall.

**Nation Taking Notice**

The Blue Raiders are currently receiving votes in the ESPN/USA Today Coaches poll. In the latest Coaches poll released on Feb. 13, MT received eight votes, putting the Blue Raiders at 36th nationally. It marks the eighth-straight week MT has received votes in the Coaches poll. The Blue Raiders received votes in the AP Top 25 earlier twice this season. MT garnered nine votes on Jan. 23 and also received two votes for the Nov. 21 edition of the AP poll. It marks the first time in program history the Blue Raiders have received votes in either poll. The Blue Raiders are also ranked No. 7 in the current CollegeInsider.com Mid-Major Top 25. In addition, MT currently sits 41st in the Sagarin ratings, the highest rating of any Sun Belt team. The Blue Raiders also moved up seven more spots to No. 38 in the NCAA RPI, best of any league team.

**Starting It Off Right**

The Blue Raiders got off to a 4-0 start this season, marking the first 4-0 start since the 1994-95 season. It also marked the first time in program history MT defeated three Division I opponents to open the season. MT's 20-2 start marked the best in school history. It topped the previous mark of 18-2 in 1974-75. Additionally, MT's 13 wins before the new year are the most in school history, surpassing the previous mark of nine in 1991. **And For League Starters**

MT's 10-0 Sun Belt start was the best conference mark in program history. The Blue Raiders broke the record of 9-0 set in the 1974-75 season as a member of the Ohio Valley Conference. **Gender Wars**

Both the Blue Raider men's and women's basketball programs got off to 10-0 starts in the Sun Belt. It marked the second time in the last four years both teams have started league play 5-0 or better (2008-09). WKU is the only other Sun Belt school to have both programs start at least 5-0, which occurred in 1992-93. No Sun Belt program has had both teams earn 10-0 starts. With a combined record of 44-9, the MT programs are tied for fourth nationally in wins and rank sixth in winning percentage. Additionally, MT is among only seven schools in the country to have both its

men's and women's teams with at least 20 wins.

**Streaking Raiders**

The Blue Raiders 12-game winning streak spanning from Dec. 10 through Jan. 26 was the longest since MT won a school-record 14 straight during the 1985-86 season. It ties the third-longest streak in school history, matching the 12-game mark during the 1980-81 season, and marks only the fourth time history MT has won at least 12 straight games.

**Road Warriors**

MT is currently 9-3 on the road after starting the season 4-0 in away contests, marking the first time since 1967-68 the Blue Raiders won four straight road games to start the season. The last time the Blue Raiders won at least four consecutive road games in a season was 2006-07 when MT reeled off five in a row during Sun Belt play. The Blue Raiders' nine road victories this season are tied for the seventh-most nationally and are tied for the most in program history. MT has won nine road games three times in history, with the most recent coming in the 1997-98 season. And with four of road victories coming in league games this season, MT has collected 45 league road victories in the past 10 years, the most of any Sun Belt school.

**Offense vs. Defense**

The Blue Raider offense got off to a hot start during non-conference play, but its the defense that has dominated in MT's 12 Sun Belt victories. In non-conference action, the Blue Raiders averaged 76.1 points per game, held opponents to 64.1 points per game, and shot 52.9 percent from the field, including a 41.2 percent from beyond the arc. Compare that to MT's 66.9 points per game, 45.6 percent shooting and 29.1 percent 3-point shooting in conference play. Despite cooling off offensively in league games, the Blue Raiders are holding opponents to 57.9 points per game, best in the conference, and have outscored their league foes by an average of 9.0 points per game. In fact, nine of 12 conference foes have scored less than 60 points.

**Davis becomes all-time winningest coach**

Head coach Kermit Davis became Middle Tennessee's all-time winningest coach in the Blue Raiders' 71-66 win over FIU on Dec. 29. It marked Davis' 165th victory at the helm of the Blue Raiders, surpassing former coach Jimmy Earle, who held the record with 164 wins. This season, Davis joins Earle, who spent a decade guiding the Blue Raiders, as the longest tenured coaches in program history.

**Unselfish Play**

MT has been one of the top assisting teams in Sun Belt this season, currently ranking second in the league with 15.0 assists per game. The Blue Raiders have 405 assists on 693 field goals, marking the most assists of any team during head coach Kermit Davis' tenure. Prior to this year's total, the 2006-07 squad had 401 assists.

**Home Sweet Home**

MT currently owns a 12-game winning streak at Murphy Center. The streak is the longest since MT won 14 in a row spanning the 1996-97 and 1997-98 seasons. It matches the fifth-longest mark in history. With 13 wins at home this season, the Blue Raiders have collected double-digit home victories in each of the past five seasons and in eight out of 10 years during Davis' tenure. The 13 home wins are also tied for the second-most during the regular-season in program history. MT won 14 regular-season home games in 1973-74 and twice won 15 home games (1978-88, 1975-75), but

each of those seasons included two postseason home victories.

**Cracking 300**

MT head coach Kermit Davis earned his 300th career victory in the Blue Raiders' 65-62 win over Belmont on Dec. 13. Davis, in his 10th season at the helm of the Blue Raiders, holds a 247-180 record as a Division I head coach and was 66-25 as a junior college head coach.

**Statistically Sound**

MT is currently one of the hottest teams in the nation, ranking seventh in the country in field goal percentage (.493) and 18th in the country in field goal percentage defense (.388) according to the NCAA as of Feb. 9. Additionally, the Blue Raiders rank in the top 50 in six other categories:

Win-Loss Percentage: 6th (.852)
Field Goal Percentage: 7th (.493)
Field Goal Percentage Defense: 18th (.388)
3-Point FG % Defense: 44th (.307)
Scoring Margin: 31st (10.6)
Blocks Per Game: 38th (4.9)
Scoring Defense: 42nd (61.1)
Assists Per Game: 41st (15.0)

MT also tops the Sun Belt in five categories (scoring offense, scoring margin, field goal percentage, field goal percentage defense and 3-point percentage defense) and ranks second in five more (scoring defense, assists, assist-to-turnover ratio, steals and blocks).

**Quadruple Threat**

It's no surprise MT's offense is not only one of the best in the Sun Belt, but also in the nation. Four of the top 10 shooters in the league are Blue Raiders. Shawn Jones (.543) is third, JT Sulton (.540) is fourth, LaRon Dendy (.530) is seventh and Marcos Knight (.494) is 10th. That kind of shooting has helped MT to shoot 50 percent or better in 12 contests, including five performances of better than 60 percent.

**It's Not Just Offense**

While the Blue Raider offense has been hot, the defense is no slouch either. MT leads the Sun Belt in field goal percentage defense (.388) and 3-point defense (.307), holding 24 of its 27 opponents under 50 percent shooting. In fact, 17 of 26 opponents have shot 40 percent or worse against the Blue Raiders, with South Alabama's .263 percentage marking a season-low for MT opponents.

**Double-Double Duo**

LaRon Dendy and JT Sulton each posted double-doubles against Akron on Dec. 4. Dendy collected 19 points and 11 rebounds, while Sulton had 16 points and 11 boards. It marked the fourth double-double of Sulton's career and the second for both Dendy and Sulton this year. It also marked the first time two Blue Raiders had a double-double in the same game since Michael Cuffee (24 pts, 10 rebs) and Marcus Morrisson (10 pts, 11 rebs) did it against Arkansas State on Jan. 13, 2005. It is the 75th time in program history at least two Blue Raiders have had a double-double in one game.

**Speaking of Double-Doubles**

Dendy added his third and fourth double-doubles of the season in back-to-back games to open Sun Belt play. Dendy had 11 points and 10 rebounds against FIU on Dec. 29, then followed that up with

21 points and 11 boards against South Alabama on Dec. 31. It marked the first time a Blue Raider had back-to-back double-doubles since Steve Thomas accomplished the feat in 2005. Altogether, he has 20 double-figure games this year, eight games of 20 points or more and five double-doubles. He is the first Blue Raider since Steve Thomas and Michael Cuffee to have at least five double-doubles in one season. Thomas had six in 2004-05, while Cuffee had five. **The 10-Win Mark**
MT won 10 games within the first 12 this year, marking the fastest the program has reached the 10-win plateau since the 1990-91 season. It also marks the first time the Blue Raiders have collected at least 10 non-conference victories since the 2004-05 season when MT had 12 non-conference wins.
**Halfway There**
MT is 21-0 when leading at halftime. The Blue Raiders are outscoring opponents 1034-873 in the second half compared to a 887-760 advantage in the first half. MT is shooting 53.5 percent in the second half, including a 40.0 percent clip from beyond the arc, while holding opponents to 38.7 percent in the second stanza. MT also hasn't trailed in the second half in nine of the last 14 games.
**Oden in the Clutch**
Senior guard Jimmy Oden was clutch against Tennessee State on Dec. 1. Oden finished with a career-high 14 points, going 11-for-12 from the stripe. In the final two minutes of the contest, Oden hit 10 consecutive free throws to seal the 77-62 victory. **Knight of Honor**
Marcos Knight was named the Sun Belt Player of the Week on Nov. 22. Knight averaged 16.3 points and 7.0 rebounds during a three-game stretch for the Blue Raiders. He became the first Blue Raider to earn the league's weekly honor since Desmond Yates on Jan. 25, 2010 and is the fourth Blue Raider in program history to earn the award. **Painting the Town Blue**
In 23 of 27 games this season, including 19 of the last 22, the Blue Raiders have dominated their opponent in the paint. Altogether the Blue Raiders own an 856-618 advantage in the paint and have outscored their opponents by an average of 8.8 points per game in the paint. The widest margin came against Cumberland when MT owned a 42-8 advantage in the paint (+34). The Blue Raiders' season-high for paint points was 44 at South Alabama. The only contests where MT did not outscore its opponent in the paint were against Belmont on Nov. 20 when the Bruins held a 42-34 advantage, at FIU on Jan. 12 when both teams tied with 26 points in the paint, at Vanderbilt on Jan. 28, with the Commodores holding a 38-32 advantage and at Denver on Feb. 4, with Denver holding a 40-24 advantage. **Sulton Reigns**
Junior forward JT Sulton has developed into one of MT's most consistent players. He has started 38 consecutive games, the longest streak of any current Blue Raider. Sulton hasn't missed a start since Jan. 29, 2011. He became the first Blue Raider to record a double-double this season, collecting 12 points and 11 rebounds at Loyola Marymount. It marked the third double-double of his career, with his last coming against UALR (21 pts, 11 reb) in the 2011 Sun Belt tournament. Sulton has reached double figures in 17 contests this season and in those 38 consecutive starts, he has produced a total of 24 double-figure scoring performances. **Shooting the Lights Out**
MT's shooting performance against UCLA on Nov. 15 was one for the ages. The Blue Raiders smashed the school record, shooting a 71.4 percent clip from the field and surpassing the previous mark of 68.9 percent set in 1981. MT has now had five halves of basketball this season shooting 70 percent or better:
2/11 vs. UALR 1st half: 70.0%
11/22 vs Cumberland 2nd half: 75.0%
11/15 vs. UCLA 2nd half: 72.0%
11/15 vs. UCLA 1st half: 70.8%
11/11 vs. Austin Peay: 70.0%

On record, the Blue Raiders had only bettered the 70-percent mark in one half three times in program history prior to this year:
.833 vs. Akron (2/4/82)
.800 vs. Tennessee Tech (1/8/81)
.724 vs. Austin Peay (1/12/87)

**Raining Three's**

Not only did MT set a record from the field, but the Blue Raiders also hit a Sun Belt record 90.9 percent of their 3-pointers against UCLA. The mark, also a school record, surpassed the previous league record of 90.0 percent set by UAB in 1986 and is tied for fourth in NCAA history.
(Min. 10 made)
03/06/11 - 93.3%, Ohio State (14-15) vs. Wisconsin
12/03/00 - 91.7%, Drexel (11-12) vs. Delaware
12/11/04 - 91.7%, Northern Arizona (11-12) vs. Willamette
11/15/11 - 90.9%, Middle Tennessee (10-11) at UCLA
02/01/88 - 90.9%, Duke (10-11) vs. Clemson
01/16/93 - 90.9%, Hofstra (10-11) vs. Rhode Island

**And One More Thing**

MT hit its first nine treys and finished 10-of-11 from beyond the arc against UCLA. The Blue Raiders didn't miss a trey until 1:39 to go in the game. Before the streak ended, MT's 9-for-9 performance matched an NCAA record for highest perfect 3-point field goal percentage in a game, set by Minnesota against Penn State on Jan. 11, 2009. **Keeping Up with the Jones'**

Both Shawn and Jason Jones have played key roles for the Blue Raiders this season. Shawn has had seven double-figure games, including a 15-point performance, matching his career-high, against FIU on Dec. 29. Jones ranks second on the team with 30 blocks. After missing the first four games and nine total, Jason has produced four double-figure games in 18 appearances, including three starts. He also has chipped in 15 assists and six steals. **Playing Extra**

MT and Belmont played into double overtime on Nov. 20, marking the first overtime game of the season for the Blue Raiders. Last season, MT played four overtime games, including one double-overtime contest, ironically, a loss to Belmont on Dec. 7, 2010. The two contests against Belmont are the only double-overtime games for the Blue Raiders since a triple overtime loss to New Mexico State in 2002. **Spreading the Wealth**

MT's 10-of-11 3-point performance against UCLA was far from a one-man show. In fact, it was a six-man show. Six different Blue Raiders hit a triple, led by Raymond Cintron and Bruce Massey, who each went 3-for-3. In addition, five Blue Raiders scored double-figures. Altogether, 10 Blue Raiders have had at least one double-digit performance this year and nine of them have had multiple double-figure games. **Hammonds Stepping Up**

Sophomore guard Kerry Hammonds reached double-figures for the third time in his career with 11 points against Cumberland, including a 3-for-3 performance from beyond the arc. Hammonds also recorded career-highs in assists (5) and blocks (4) in the contest. After missing seven games, Hammonds picked up where he left off, scoring a season-high 13 points against Arkansas State on Jan. 19. He earned his first start back from injury against WKU on Feb. 9. **It's Good to be 80**

With multiple scoring threats, it's no surprise MT has cracked the 80-point mark six times in the first nine games. The Blue Raiders scored 80 or more only seven times all of last season. **Tremendous Transfers**

In addition to Dendy, three other transfers have made a considerable impact this season:
Chipola Junior College transfer Marcos Knight has started each contest. Knight is the team's

second-leading scorer with 12.0 points per game points and is third with 5.4 rebounds per game. He posted his first career double-double with 17 points and 11 rebounds against Belmont. Knight became the third Blue Raider to post a double-double this season and has reached double-figure scoring in 21 contests. His career-high of 19 points came against North Texas on Feb. 2.

Bruce Massey dished out a career-high eight assists against Belmont, then matched that against WKU on Feb. 9 and leads the team with 104 assists this season. In addition, the Dodge City Community College transfer went 3-for-3 from beyond the arc against UCLA, marking his first 3-point attempts of the season, and scored a season-high 14 points. He made it back-to-back games in double-figures with 11 against UNC Greensboro. His 46 steals are the most on the team.

Mississippi Gulf Coast Junior College transfer Raymond Cintron came off the bench and sank a pair of free throws in his first D-I contest against Austin Peay, then added his first D-I triple against Loyola Marymount. He heated up against UCLA, draining 3-of-3 treys to finish 4-for-4 from the field with 11 points. He followed that performance with a career day against Belmont, going 5-for-9 from 3-point land en route to a career-high 18 points. Cintron added his third double-figure game with 12 points, including 6-of-6 free throw shooting, against UT Martin. He then matched his career-high of 18 points against Ole Miss and made it back-to-back double-figure performances with 12 points against FIU on Dec. 29. Against Troy on Jan. 26, Cintron matched his career-high of six field goals and five treys, finishing with 17 points in the contest. **Sun Belt Championship Information**
Booklets for the 2012 Sun Belt Men's Basketball Conference Championship are now on sale. Cost is $83 and includes a ticket to all eight sessions for the tournament in Hot Springs, Ark., March 3-6. Fans can purchase tickets by calling 1-888-YES-MTSU or visiting GoBlueRaiders.com.

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