

# Blue Raiders Get Road Win at UNO

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**GONE IS THE MONKEY:** The Blue Raiders' win over New Orleans got two big monkeys off the team's back. Middle Tennessee had dropped 16 straight games away from the Murphy Center. The last road win came at Rice on Dec. 4, 2000. The Blue Raiders also knocked off a Sun Belt Opponent for the first time since defeating North Texas on Jan. 6, 2001, also a span of 16 games. **FIRST OVER**

**UNO:** Sunday's win over the Privateers marks the first time in school history that the Blue Raiders have defeated New Orleans. The team's record against UNO now stands at 1-6. **TIED FOR FIRST:** The Blue

Raiders, by virtue of their win over New Orleans and a Western Kentucky loss to South Alabama, are tied for first place in the East Division of the Sun Belt Conference. The lofty position at the top of the division marks the first time that the Blue Raiders could make that claim since joining the Sun Belt a year ago. **THE SNOW MAN RETURNETH:** Tommy Gunn finally shoveled his way out of Buffalo to return to the Blue Raiders on Sunday. Gunn, who battled the 80-plus inches of snow in upstate New York, was not able to get a flight south until Saturday night. He returned to action in fine fashion, posting a team-high 15 points and grabbing five boards. **NOSSE DOUBLE-DOUBLE:** Lee Nosse posted his second double-double of the season with 13 points and 10 rebounds against the Privateers. Nosse has now scored double figures in six straight games. **ANDERSON SETS CAREER HIGH:** Charles Anderson has responded favorably to becoming a starter. The Chattanooga native scored 12 points against New Orleans to set a new career high. Anderson bested his previous high of 11 points set just two days ago against South Alabama. However, Anderson saw one streak come to an end in the contest. He made 12 straight field goals before misfiring in the first half of the game. **ANDERSON TAKES CHARGE(S):** Charles Anderson endeared himself even further to the coaching staff on Sunday against New Orleans. The 6-9 forward took four charges in the game, three of which came against UNO's leading scorer Hector Romero. Anderson's good defense didn't stop there. He also recorded three steals in the game. **WILKES AT THE LINE:** Dee Wilkes iced the game for MT with excellent free throws down the stretch. Wilkes hit 8-of-10 from the charity stripe in the game with all 10 attempts coming in the crunch time of the last four minutes of the game. In fact, Wilkes sank six straight in the game's final

31 seconds. **PARHAM FOR FOUR?:** Eric Parham completed a rare play in college basketball on Sunday. He nailed a 3-pointer from the corner and was fouled on the play, giving him the opportunity for one free throw. Parham made the charity shot to complete the process. The Nashville native ended the game with six points.

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