Softball’s Toney tabbed First-Team All-Sun Belt

Second-consecutive year for a Blue Raider

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MURFREESBORO, Tenn. -- Middle Tennessee second baseman Kayla Toney was selected to the 2012 All-Sun Belt Softball First Team, as announced by the league office Tuesday evening.

Toney becomes the eighth Blue Raider to be named to the league’s first team since Middle Tennessee joined the Sun Belt prior to the 2001 season. She is also just the second Blue Raider in the past six seasons to earn such an honor, joining Corrie Abel who garnered a First-Team selection last season.

"We are extremely proud of Kayla for receiving this honor," said Middle Tennessee head coach Sue Nevar. "She had an outstanding season despite missing three weeks of action in the middle of the year. She is a tremendous hitter with great softball instincts. Hopefully she will take this accomplishment and build on it next season."

Even with missing 14 games due to injury, Toney led the Blue Raiders in numerous offensive categories in 2012. She finished the year leading the team with a .414 average at the plate, the highest year-ending average for a Middle Tennessee player since Cortney Mitchell hit .427 in 2004. The sophomore also paced the team in slugging (.657), on-base

percentage (.479) and doubles (12). Meanwhile she placed second on the squad with 26 runs scored and third on the team with nine stolen bases.

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