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Three Seward Softball Players Make Conference's First Team

Despite a disappointing end to the 2012 season, at least six Seward County Lady Saint softball players will have something to celebrate this week as Bianca Adame, Rachel Shockley, Taylor McDougall, Stephanie Mark, Carissa Hackett, and Jill Dickson were all named to the Jayhawk West All-Conference and the NJCAA Region VI All-Region team Thursday. The six Seward players marked the most players of any school in the conference named to the teams.

Bianca Adame led the way for the Lady Saints as a 1st Team selection after a record breaking season that saw her hit .447 while shattering school records with 101 hits, 10 triples, and 41 stolen bases this year. Freshman Rachel Shockley was named the top utility player in the league this season and was a 1st Team pick after leading the team with a .491 batting average in conference play as well as driving in a team high 14 runs. Joining the two on the 1st Team was Taylor McDougall who was chosen to the All-Conference squad for the second straight year. McDougall finished the season hitting .370 with 22 doubles, 8 home runs, and a team high 54 RBI's. Seward's 2nd Team selections were led by freshman 1st Baseman Stephanie Mark who had an incredible rookie season despite being slowed by injury. She led the Lady Saints with a .463 batting average and set a school record with 26 doubles as well as clubbing a team leading 10 home runs this season. Carissa Hackett was a 2nd Team pick in the outfield, hitting .333 with 21 RBI's while finishing second on the team with 10 stolen bases. Jill Dickson continued a tradition of pitchers on the All-Conference squad as she was named 2nd Team after posting a 19-9 mark this season with a 2.67 ERA in 173 1/3 innings of work.

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