

BARTON Cougars



COUGAR NATION NEWSLETTER

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Upcoming Home Event Schedule

February 24

- Baseball vs W. Neb

February 25

- Tennis vs McPherson
- Baseball vs W. Neb
- M & W Basketball vs Colby CC Homecoming Cheer and Dance Team performances

February 26

- Baseball vs W. Neb

March 3

- M & W Basketball vs Cloud County CC Sophomore Night Cheer and Dance Team Performances

March 5

- Volleyball Clinics start

March 6

- Tennis vs Seward CCC

March 9-11

- Baseball vs Pratt

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From the Athletic Director

Greetings once again Cougar Nation! Can you believe the weather we have enjoyed throughout January and now most of February? Just wait, I will remind you we are in Kansas. :) This wonderfully mild weather pattern probably only means one thing, a nasty spring in store for us. :(

Speaking of spring, most all of our spring sports teams have begun competition in their respective seasons. The baseball team is off to a 6-1 start, while softball opens the very young season at 1-3. Men's & women's tennis are actually competing in their first tournament of the season as I write this letter. Both the men's & women's golf teams will get underway later in March.

The Region VI Indoor Track & Field Championships were held in Manhattan, KS this past weekend and with an array of injuries as well as some sickness to the Barton athletes, our men & women both finished as runner-ups for the Region Title. Obviously, we would like to have seen two region championship trophies brought home to display, but I am very proud of our coaches and student athletes who represented the college well throughout the indoor season. Many track & field athletes have qualified for the NJCAA Indoor Nationals to be held March 2-3 in Charleston, Ill. I am encouraged our track & field athletes will heal up physically this early spring and compete well for us during the outdoor season. Barton Community College will host a challenge track meet on April 6-7 which will boast KJCCC colleges (Barton/Cowley/Cloud) vs. ICCAC colleges (Iowa Central/Iowa Western) against one another. Each conference's teams will compete as one team & their scores totaled to determine the meet champion. It looks to be an unbelievable event with two of the nation's leading track & field conferences competing against one another. I hope you can plan to attend this great event as we continue to take advantage of our beautiful new track & field facility.

As a former basketball player/coach, I can tell you there is no better time of year than is approaching us now. March Madness will be here very soon and I for one am ready! Despite a 2-3 record in the past five games, the Cougar Men continue to be an elite team nationally as we find ourselves ranked in the top 20 for the tenth consecutive week. With the brutal Jayhawk Conference schedule of January & February, this is quite an accomplishment. Barring an end of the regular season meltdown, the Cougar Men should host a first round Region VI playoff game on Wednesday, March 7th with the quarterfinals to take place in Park City, KS at Hartman Arena March 10-13.

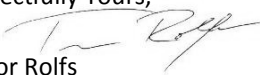
The Barton women have been very impressive on the road this season with a win at then #6 ranked Seward County CC and near misses at both conference title contenders Cloud & Hutchinson. The Lady Cougars need to finish strong these next two weeks for any chance of hosting a first round Region VI playoff game. Three conference games remain as we host Colby & Cloud respectively the next two Saturday's (February 25/March 3) while sandwiching in a trip to Pratt, KS to play the Beavers on February 29. Hopefully, the Lady Cougars get hot at the right time and make a push for a Region VI title.

The Cougar Athletes continue to get involved with lots of community service projects. A large Big Brothers/Big Sisters Event was held here on the campus of Barton CC where over 125 student athletes participated to make the event a HUGE success (see pictures on pg. 4).

Lastly, Aaron Avila has been hired to lead our women's soccer program. After a highly successful playing career, Aaron spent last season as an assistant coach at Tyler Junior College, which happens to be one of the premier junior college soccer programs in the country. We are very happy to add Aaron to our staff (see bio on pg. 3).

Well, that is plenty for now. I hope to see all of you out on the hill and across the state as our teams continue to play hard and represent us well. Until next time, be proud! The Cougar Nation is "Takin it Back"!

Respectfully Yours,


Trevor Rolfs



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Compliance Corner 2011-12 NJCAA Sports Procedures

When, What, and How Many in the sports world



Sport	Practice Start Date	Date of First Game Allowed	End of Season Date	# Of Contests	# Of Scrimmages	# of Letter of Intent Signees/ Scholarships	Signing Date	# Of Scholarships For Non U.S. Citizen Athletes (1/4 of Tot Scholarships)
Baseball (Fall)	Aug 10	4th Fri in August	Nov 15	76 Games/Scrimmages with a maximum of 56 Games/Scrimmages in the Spring		24	None	6 Total Fall and Spring
Baseball (Spring)	Jan 10	Last Fri in January	NJCAA Tourney				Jan 15	
Basketball Men/Women	Oct 1	Nov 1 <i>or if falls on Sat/Sun then move to preceding Friday</i>	NJCAA Tourney	30 Games	4 Dates	15 each Men/Women	April 8	3
Cross Country Men/Women	Aug 1	4th Thurs in August	NJCAA Meet	10 Dates	0	10 Combined (Cross Country & Half Marathon) <i>*See number of scholarships</i>	Dec 1	2 <i>*Not more than 2 Non U.S. citizens on athletic aid may compete in championship</i>
Golf (Fall) Men/Women	Aug 1	4th Thurs in August	Nov 15	30 Dates Fall and Spring Combined		8 each Men/Women	None	2 Total Fall and Spring
Golf (Spring) Men/Women	Jan 10	Last Fri in January	NJCAA Tourney				Jan 15	
Soccer (Fall) Men/Women	Aug 1	4th Thurs in August	NJCAA Tourney	22 Games/Scrimmages		18 each Men/Women	Dec 1	4 Total Fall and Spring
Soccer (Spring) Men/Women	Feb 1	Feb 1	April 30	0	2		None	
Softball (Fall) Women	Aug 10	4th Fri in August	Nov 15	40 Playing Dates with a maximum of 30 dates in the Spring		24	None	6 Total Fall and Spring
Softball (Spring) Women	Jan 10	Last Fri in January	NJCAA Tourney				Jan 15	
Tennis (Fall) Men/Women	Aug 1	4th Thurs in August	Nov 15	35 Dates combined Fall and Spring		9 each (M/W) <i>3 can be "full rides"</i>	None	2 Total Fall and Spring
Tennis (Spring) Men/Women	Jan 10	Last Fri in January	NJCAA Tourney			<i>6 limited to books, tuition, and fees</i>	Jan 15	
Track & Field (Indoor) Men/Women	Oct 1	Nov 1	NJCAA Meet	20 Dates combined		20 each (M/W) <i>*Not more than 7 Non U.S. citizens on athletic aid may compete in championship</i>	Dec 1	5 <i>*Not more than 7 Non U.S. citizens on athletic aid may compete in championship</i>
Track & Field (Outdoor) Men/Women	Oct 1	Last Fri in January	NJCAA Meet					
Volleyball (Fall) Women	Aug 1	4th Thurs in August	NJCAA Tourney	32 Dates with a maximum of 28 dates in the Fall		14	Nov 1	3 Total Fall and Spring
Volleyball (Spring) Women	Feb 1	Feb 1	April 30				None	

How KJCCC rules and regulations apply to Barton:

Under NJCAA Rules, schools around the country have the opportunity to offer awards to student-athletes in upwards to "full-rides", i.e., providing the full cost of a student-athlete's education (Tuition, fees, books, housing, and meals)

Under KJCCC Rules, Barton and other conference members are restricted in offering student-athlete awards to not exceed the cost of tuition and books. *Student-athletes achieving a 3.5 gpa may be eligible for other additional awards not to exceed \$1000 per academic year.



*** Cougar Coaching Changes ***



Moving on...

After one year leading the Lady Cougar Volleyball team, Head Coach Patrick Hall recently resigned his position with

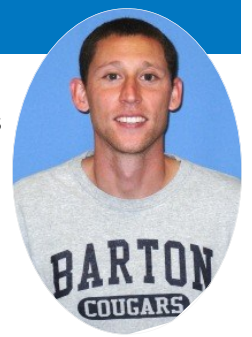
Barton and accepted the Head Volleyball Coach position at Hutchinson Community College.

Barton Athletics will replace the position as soon as possible.

Introducing...Women's Soccer Coach

Aaron Avila comes to Barton from Tyler, Texas, where he was an assistant coach for the Tyler Junior College men's soccer team helping to lead the Apaches to a third place national finish. Avila is not only an accomplished coach at the junior college and high school levels, he also has numerous national coaching credentials including specializing in goalkeeping.

More on Coach Avila can be found at www.BartonSports.com or in future newsletters.



Track and Field finishes second at Region VI Indoor Championships

The Barton men's and women's track and field teams both finished second in the 2012 Region VI Indoor Championship this past weekend at Ahern Field House in Manhattan. The Cougars will spend the next two weeks training and healing injuries in preparation for the 2012 NJCAA Indoor Championship March 2-3 in Lubbock, Texas.

The Cougar men came up three points short of Johnson County CC as the team champion was determined in the final event of the day, the 4X400 relay. Barton trailed by one and needed the win but Johnson beat out the Cougars by .53 to capture the championship.

The Cougars won six events on the day highlighted by sophomore Jharyl Bowry. Bowry captured first place in the high jump, second place in the long jump, and third place in the triple jump on the way to earning the Outstanding Male Field Event Athlete award. Bowry won the high jump at a national qualifying 2.00m despite he had not competed in high jump this year. In the long jump Bowry captured second at 7.33m then rounded out his field events by adding a third place in the triple jump with a jump of 14.29m.



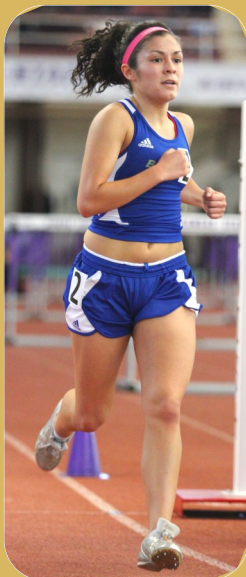
Tony Green closed out the field event first place finishes for the Cougars with a 14.89 winning jump in the triple jump.

On the track Barton scored wins in 60m, 400m, 800m, and 60m hurdles. Akeem Haynes captured the 60m with a time of 6.83. Aliaksandr Linnik, who almost made up the deficit from the anchor position of the 4X400 relay, won the 400m with a time of 49.31. Tayron Reyes and Demetrius Lindo rounded out the first place finishes on the track by winning the 800m in 1:57.76 and 60m hurdles in 8:18 respectively.

The Lady Cougars held an eight point lead on Coffeyville CC headed to the 4X400 but due to injury Barton's second seeded relay team was unable to compete. Coffeyville finished second in the event which closed the gap to earn a tie with Barton for second place.

Highlights - Women

The Lady Cougars won five events with Janee Mickens and Yakaterina Miroshnikova each winning two of the four. Mickens won the shot put and weight throw with heaves of 13.90m and 16.27m respectively. Miroshnikova won the mile run in 5:26.50 and the 1000m in 3:00.86, both nearly five seconds in front of her nearest competitor. Agata Klimovich captured Barton's other first place with 57.47 time in the 400m.



Ellinwood native Paulina Montoya was one of five Lady Cougars to score in two events as she placed fourth in the 5000m in a time of 19:35.11 and sixth in the 3000m clocking in at 11:41.04.



Ellinwood native Michelle Klepper finished just out of scoring in the 1 mile run as she finished 9th clocking in at 5:48.08 which was 1min 38seconds from 8th place. She also finished 16th in the 1000m in a time of 3:32.42.

Find out who qualified for the Indoor Nationals at:

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Barton Student-Athletes

Giving Back



Saving lives...

MANY student-athletes donated blood at the Feb 21 Barton Blood Drive for the American Red Cross.



Reaching young lives...

Barton student-athletes joined forces with other fellow students to supply over 125 Barton students to help with a Big Brothers/Sisters fun event held at the Kirkman Activity Center on Monday January 30. The event was organized by Kathy Boeger and Stephannie Goerl to provide a day of sports, crafts, and games as Barton reached out to over 70 young lives from Ellinwood, Great Bend, and Larned.

ACADEMIC HONORS



Sophomores Devan Boeger of Great Bend and Deedra Richard of Goddard, were selected to the Phi Theta Kappa All-Kansas Academic Team. Boeger, a member of the women's basketball team, and Richard, a member of the women's soccer team, were recently recognized at an award luncheon in Topeka, as well as, on the floor of the House of Representatives.

Pictured (l/r):

Stephannie Goerl, PTK Advisor, Deedra Richard, Devan Boeger, and Kathy Boeger, PTK Advisor

BARTON Volleyball

Volleyball Clinics

March 5 - April 12

Sessions held Monday and Thursdays 7th-12th Grades

Contact Volleyball for details

