

#### July 2011 Events

#### **Volleyball Camps**

- July 12 & 16
   Middle School Age
- July 22-23
   High School Age
- July 30
   HS Team Camp

### What's coming up? Soccer Camp

August 1-4
 Ages 4-18

#### **Chamber After-Hours**

• August 18

#### **Wounded Warrior Golf**

• August 20

#### **Meet the Cougars**

• August 27

#### Soccer Field Dedication

• August 27

#### From the Athletic Director

It is with great pleasure that I take this opportunity to send out the first monthly newsletter for the Cougar Athletic Department under my leadership. My first month on the job has been a wild ride. There are a tremendous amount of exciting things going on with the athletic department out here on the hill this summer. From the final steps of completion for phase #1 of the track & soccer complex, to the renovation of the men's basketball locker room, and the facelift of baseball dugouts there will be a lot of cosmetic change to our facilities. While I feel like we have awesome facilities for our student-athletes, I believe we need to continually look to improve what we have to stay on the competitive edge nationally. Our weight room and fitness facilities will be receiving a facelift as well, with the addition of new fitness equipment and a full time director of those facilities. I plan to update every facility we have as soon as financially possible. If your athletic department is not improving, you are falling behind! Cougar Pride will be ringing loud in every hallway, gym and field we have!

Changes in staff for our department have been minimal this summer. However, I think we have hit a home run with the new hires we have made. Todd Moore (long time Admissions Director) took over duties June 1st as the Sports Information Director & Assistant Athletic Director here at BCC. For those of you that have gotten to know Todd over the past seven years, know what a valuable resource he will be to our department. In May, Patrick Hall was introduced as the new Head Volleyball Coach for the Cougars (check out his bio on page 3). Coach Hall comes to us with a very impressive resume and five years of experience in the Jayhawk Conference as a very successful head coach. Shawn Uhlenhake was introduced last week as

our new Head Women's Soccer Coach (check out his bio on page 3). Lastly, we are in the process of taking applications for a new assistant women's basketball coach. Long time women's basketball assistant Ben Lister recently accepted the Head Women's Basketball position at Baker University.

The coaches continue to be busy throughout the summer recruiting to complete their rosters and finalize their schedules. Look for season ticket information in the mail, on the web, and in area newspapers in the coming weeks. Included in season ticket renewals will be 2011-2012 pocket schedules for both volleyball and basketball. In the future we will work towards having a comprehensive schedule for all Cougar Athletic teams. Another positive stride being made in our department is the creation of the "official" Cougar Athletic Media Guide. Todd will be constructing a state of the art program guide for all Cougar fans to enjoy. We anticipate the release of this guide to be sometime around October 1.

Each month, I plan to include a section of KJCCC/NJCAA compliance tips in my newsletter. This will allow all Cougar Fans to become more knowledgeable of KJCCC & NJCAA rules that apply not only to our internal department, but also to others outside the college. This month, please see the NJCAA rules & regulations associated with being a Cougar Athlete "host parent" in the compliance tip section on page 2.

Until next time, be proud! The Cougar Nation is "Takin it Back"!

Respectfully Yours,

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#### **Compliance Corner - "Tip of the Month"**

#### Article VIII: Grants-in-Aid, Recruitment and Booster Clubs Section 1: Grants-in-Aid

Permitting NJCAA Institutions to institute an "adopt a player program" under the following conditions:

- 1. Approval of the college administration
- 2. Utilizing the occasional family meal
- 3. The program is administered by the institution
- 4. No monetary transactions may transpire from the "parent" to the adoptive student-athlete (i.e. loans, co-signing, long distance telephone calls, tickets)
- 5. No trips involving excessive mileage and/or expense
- 6. No free tickets paid for by "parent"
- 7. Athletic personnel may be involved in the coordination of the adoptive program, but may not be an adoptive parent.

\*\*\*Each college, regardless of division may utilize the adoptive parent program stipulated in Article VIII, Section 1 of the NJCAA bylaws. Pay careful attention to the "occasional and excessive" stipulations within Section 1, 2, 5, and 6

Source: NJCAA Handbook

#### Case Scenario - "Host Families"

#### **SITUATION:**

Student-Athlete R is a non-citizen student-athlete who signs an NJCAA Letter of Intent with Community College A for the 2010-2011 academic year. There is a host family that is interested in having Student-Athlete R live with them during the year. Can Student-Athlete R live with a host family while also having signed an athletic scholarship at Community College A?

#### **ANSWER:**

Yes, only if all of the following conditions apply:

- 1. Host families are offered to all non-U.S. citizen students at Community College A
- 2. The host family program at the college is run by the college and not by the athletic department
- 3. No one in the athletic department arranges the host family for the student-athletes.
- 4. If Division I scholarships is given to the student-athlete, housing may not be a part of the athletic scholarship.

Source: NJCAA Casebook



#### Student-Athlete Annual Academic Report

Barton Student-Athletes achieved above average marks in the classroom during the 2010-11 season.

- 190 student-athletes participated in Barton Athletics
- 2.89 Cumulative GPA among student-athletes
- Approximately 9,000 credit hours taken by student-athletes
- 89 of the student-athletes achieved a 3.0 GPA or above
- 15 student-athletes earned NJCAA Academic Excellence status with a 3.60 GPA or higher.
- The Women's Tennis Team earned bragging rights within Barton Athletics Department by achieving a 3.61 GPA.
- Devan Boeger and Morgan Cooper had top individual honors by having a 4.0 GPA.

Devan Boeger









Morgan Cooper

#### **Cougar Spotlight: Trevor Rolfs - Athletic Director**

Trevor Rolfs is the new full-time athletic director at Barton Community College. Rolfs takes over for men's basketball coach Craig Fletchall who had the part-time position for two years.

Rolfs, a graduate of Quivira Heights High School, is from the area and played basketball at Barton during the 91-92 and 92-93 seasons. He was the men's basketball coach at Pratt Community College the past 7 seasons, leading the Beavers to the NJCAA National Tournament his first season.

"Barton is Barton," Rolfs said of his decision to take the job. "I played here, I grew up watching the Cougars and it is the best AD job in the state of Kansas at the junior college level. To be able to come back and lead this athletic department as well as raise my kids close to my family is the best of everything."

Rolfs said it is his goal to make Barton the best community college in the country.

"That's my challenge," Rolfs said. "Barton is good. Like I said, Barton is Barton. But now is the time to take it to the next level. I'm excited for things to come. We are going to do it the right way and we are going to be successful. There are some challenges to overcome but that is part of the excitement. We are going to get out in the communities in the area and into the schools. We want to get people excited about what we are doing at Barton."



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## Cougar Spotlight: Todd Moore - Assistant Athletic Director & Sports Information Director

Todd is no stranger to Barton nor Cougar Athletics. However as of June 1st his role within the college dramatically changed as he moved from the academic to the athletic side of the College.

Having worked in collegiate admissions for the past 14 years, Moore has served as Barton's Director of Admission and Promotions for the past 7 years. In that time span he has also been actively involved in the Cougar Booster Club and was awarded the Booster of the Year Award for the 2006-07 season.

"From a young age I've always wanted to work in collegiate athletics," Moore said. "Leaving admissions and student recruitment will be tough, but I look forward to the new challenge and being a part of the new opportunities and excitement Trevor is bringing."

#### Cougar Spotlight: Patrick Hall - Volleyball

Patrick Hall takes over the Barton Volleyball team as the Cougars new head coach for the 2011 season. Hall comes to Barton from Pratt Community College where he was the head coach for the past five seasons.

During his tenure at Pratt, Hall coached Pratt's 1st ever All American, twice his teams were runner-up in the Region VI championships, and three of his five years he earned the Jayhawk West Coach of the Year award. His 5-year mark at Pratt was 84-92 but in conference play he guided the Beavers to a 33-21 record - 28-10 the past 3 seasons. The five previous seasons before Hall's arrival, Pratt won a total of 9 Jayhawk West games, going 9-31. Last season Pratt won the Jayhawk West volleyball regular season title for the 1st time in school history, guiding Pratt to a 12-2 mark in the West.



#### Cougar Spotlight: Shawn Uhlenhake - Women's Soccer



Shawn Uhlenhake takes over the Barton women's soccer program as the Cougars' new head coach for the 2011 season. Uhlenhake was recently hired to replace Bryan Sailer, who accepted the Emporia State University's Head Women's Soccer coach job last month.

Uhlenhake comes to Barton from the Kansas City area where he has coached competitive soccer for the past nine years. This past year he coached at the Blue Valley Soccer Club with the previous eight years at the Kansas Rush Soccer Club. In those years he has coached many players who went on to capture state championships, as well as, play for the Sporting Juniors which is a professional youth academy. Prior to landing in Kansas City, Uhlenhake was an assistant coach for the women's soccer team at Western Nebraska Community College for one year.

As a player, Uhlenhake has played in and won multiple state and regional championships. At the collegiate level he has participated in four national championship tournaments which included the 1998 NJCAA Championship while at State Fair Community College.

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