

# BARTON Cougars



COUGAR NATION NEWSLETTER

FEBRUARY 2013

## Upcoming Home Event Schedule

### March 2

- Softball vs Sterling

### March 9-10

- Baseball vs Seward

### March 13

- Softball vs Colby

### March 16

- Softball vs Garden

### March 19

- Baseball vs IA Western

### March 23-24

- Baseball vs Cloud

### March 24

- Central Kansas High School Basketball Classic

### March 26

- Baseball vs Bethany

### April 19

- Booster Club Golf Tournament

**NOTE: Due to weather conditions, schedules can change frequently. Refer to [www.BartonSports.com](http://www.BartonSports.com) for the latest**

## CONTACT INFORMATION

Trevor Rolfs - Athletic Dir.  
Phone: (620) 792-9378  
E-mail:  
rolfst@bartonccc.edu

Stefanie Herter - Secretary  
Phone: (620) 792-9377  
E-mail:  
herTERS@bartonccc.edu

Todd Moore - Asst AD/SID  
Phone (620) 792-9310  
E-mail:  
mooret@bartonccc.edu

## Address:

Barton Athletic Dept  
245 NE 30 Road  
Great Bend, KS 67530

[www.BartonSports.com](http://www.BartonSports.com)

## From the Athletic Director

Brrrrrrrr! It has been awfully wintery out there. I hope you all have enjoyed some desired moisture while at the same time using caution while traveling. I apologize for the tardiness of this month's newsletter. With several snow days and a very busy basketball schedule, we finally had a bit of time to get the February newsletter out. Speaking of a busy basketball schedule, this is certainly one of mine, and I am sure most sports fans in general, favorite times of year with March Madness on the horizon.

Let the madness begin! The Cougar men's basketball team has had an incredible season to date. They currently stand at 26-5 and are ranked #24 nationally in the latest NJCAA poll. Head Coach Craig Fletchall and his crew should be commended for another GREAT season! The Region VI playoffs began last Saturday with the Barton men beating Allen CC 93-61 in first round play. The Lady Cougars traveled to Independence CC and had their season come to an end 69-59. This year's Region VI men's tournament looks to be incredibly competitive again with four of the sixteen teams being ranked in the top 25 nationally. The first two rounds of the tournament are hosted by the higher seed this year with the semi-finals & finals taking place at Hartman Arena in Park City, KS on March 8 & 9. The Cougar men will travel to Cowley College on Tuesday for the quarterfinals with hopes of making it to Hartman Arena. I hope to see you folks out backing the team during their playoff push. For complete bracket information, go to [www.kjccc.org](http://www.kjccc.org)

If you weren't able to make it out for our annual Hall of Fame celebration on February 2nd, you certainly missed a great event. Enshrined into the illustrious Barton Sports Hall of Fame this year were baseball great Steve Johnson, former basketball player & legendary coach Kurt Budke (posthumously) and longtime supporter/founding father of the Cougar Booster Club Larry Schugart. A fun filled day of celebration was enjoyed by all. All three men are impressive additions to the HOF!

Our first Hilltop Hoops Classic (high school girls basketball tournament) is in the books. Four local high school teams participated bringing over 2000 people to the campus during three days of action. We look forward to expanding the event next year to an eight team bracketed tournament. (see pictures on pg. 2)

Barton Indoor Track & Field competed at indoor nationals this past weekend in Lubbock, TX. Kandace Thomas brought home the gold in the 55m and etched her name in the Barton records book running the third fastest time in school history! David Winters, one of the fastest sprinters in the nation and favored to win two golds, suffered an injury in the 55m prelims and missed his opportunity to win both events. Outdoor Track & Field will get underway in mid-March as Barton Track & Field looks to add another national title to the rafters.

All other spring sports are beginning regular season play as we speak. Baseball, Softball, Golf & Tennis have all been working hard since the beginning of the spring semester in preparation for their respective seasons. With the bad weather, the Kirkman has been a very busy place of late. Props to the Barton Women's golf team who is currently ranked #11 nationally! Coach Doug Kaiser has his women's squad primed for another Region VI title. Additionally, Barton Cheer will be working feverishly as they prepare for NCA Nationals in April.

Lastly, I encourage you to mark the following dates down on your calendar. Sunday, March 24 marks the second annual Central Kansas All-Star Basketball Classic. This event features the best of the surrounding area's high school senior basketball players. The women tip off at 4pm & the men at 6pm. On Friday, April 19, the Cougar Booster Club will be hosting a 4-Person Scramble Golf Tournament at Stone Ridge Country Club. This event will act as a fundraiser for the support of Barton CC Athletics. (see details on pg. 2)

It's playoff time! I hope to see you out supporting the Cougars! Until next time, be proud, the Cougar Nation is 'Takin it Back!

Respectfully Yours,

Trevor Rolfs



[www.BartonSports.com](http://www.BartonSports.com)

## Compliance Corner "Tip of the Month"



### Article VIII: Grants-In-Aid, Recruitment, and Booster Clubs

#### Section 3. BOOSTER CLUBS

- A. The financial records of booster clubs and similar organizations which assist athletic programs must be open and available to college officials.
- B. All transactions of a booster type organization or individual which assists a college athletic program in any way (e.g., equipment purchases, recruitment expenses, grant-in-aid, etc.) **must be approved through the regular financial approval procedures and process of the college (e.g., purchasing, gift acceptance, financial aid) as authorized by the president.**
- C. All booster club funds used for grant-in-aid must be administered in compliance with Article VIII, Section 1.C.

#### ARTICLE VIII, Section 3 CASE 2: Recruiting Expenses Using Booster Club Money

##### SITUATION:

The Booster Club of Community College A raises money for the support of the athletic program. Can the Booster Club money be directly to a coach to defray recruiting expenses?

##### ANSWER:

No. Any money expended for recruiting must be authorized by a college official so that all expenditures can be accounted for by the college.

Source: 2012-13 NJCAA Handbook



Hosted by Barton Community College



Hilltop Hoops Classic Champions - Sterling High School



# Cougar Open 2013

## Barton Booster Club First Ever Golf Tournament April 19, 2013

1pm Shotgun Start

StoneRidge Country Club

Great Bend, KS

4 Person Team

\$100.00 per person

Includes Golf Cart & Fees

Hole Prizes

Raffle Items From BCC

More info at: [www.BartonSports.com](http://www.BartonSports.com) Proceeds Benefit Cougar Student Athletes

**Hole Sponsorship \$100.00**

#### Athletic Administrative Staff:

Trevor Rolfs - Athletic Director  
(620) 792-9378  
E-mail: [rolfst@bartonccc.edu](mailto:rolfst@bartonccc.edu)

Stefanie Herter - Athletic Secretary  
(620) 792-9377  
E-mail: [herters@bartonccc.edu](mailto:herters@bartonccc.edu)

Todd Moore - Asst A.D. & Sports Info Dir.  
(620) 792-9310  
E-mail: [mooret@bartonccc.edu](mailto:mooret@bartonccc.edu)



#### Contact Information:

Athletic Department  
Barton Community College  
245 NE 30 Road  
Great Bend, KS 67530

Phone: (620) 792-9377

E-mail: [athletics@bartonccc.edu](mailto:athletics@bartonccc.edu)

The Athletic Department Newsletter is published monthly and distributed to those interested in Cougar Athletics, as well as, posted online at [www.BartonSports.com](http://www.BartonSports.com). If you wish to be removed from this list, please contact the Barton Athletic Department.

#### Notice of Non-discrimination

To provide equal employment, advancement and learning opportunities to all individuals, employment and student admission decisions at Barton will be based on merit, qualifications, and abilities. Barton County Community College does not discriminate on the basis of any characteristic protected by law in all aspects of employment and admission in its education programs or activities. Any person having inquiries concerning Barton County Community College's non-discrimination compliance policy, including the application of Equal Opportunity Employment, Titles IV, VI, VII, IX, Section 504 and the implementing regulations, is directed to contact the College's Compliance Officer, Barton County Community College, Room A-123, Great Bend, Kansas 67530, (620) 792-2701. Any person may also contact the Director, Office of Civil Rights, U.S. Department of Education, Washington, DC 20201.

# The Hoops Report

## No. 24 Cougars roll into region quarterfinals with impressive win



The No. 24 Barton men's basketball team rolled into the quarterfinal round of the Region VI Tournament with an easy 93-61 win over Allen Community College in first round action Saturday afternoon at the Barton Gym. The third seeded Cougars out of the Jayhawk West jumped out to a 15-5 lead just five minutes into the contest and were never challenged by the Jayhawk East's sixth seeded Red Devils. With the win Barton improves to 26-5 while ending Allen's season at 6-25. The Cougars will travel to Arkansas City for a quarterfinal matchup against the Jayhawk East's second seeded Cowley College. The 21-10 Tigers defeated the West's seventh seed Pratt Community College 67-49 Saturday evening.

Game time for the quarterfinal matchup at the William S. Scott Auditorium 7:00 p.m. with broadcast information found at [www.BartonSports.com](http://www.BartonSports.com)



For the second straight game, Barton had two players record double-double performances as all Cougars who played scored. Freshman Raheem Johnson scored twenty points and grabbed fourteen rebounds to post his third double-double of the season. Sophomore Andell Cumberbatch recorded his tenth double-double in the last seventeen games and the eleventh of his career by scoring eighteen points and grabbing thirteen rebounds to go along with three steals. Sophomore Algie Key scored 14 points while leading game honors with seven assists and four steals. Sophomore Turon Parker rounded out the double-digit scoring with twelve points and dishing out four assists.

## Season comes to an end for Lady Cougars in Region VI playoffs

The Barton women's basketball team had its 2012-13 season come to an Saturday in Independence falling 69-59 to Independence Community College in the first round of the Region VI playoffs. With the loss the Jayhawk West's seventh seed Lady Cougars concludes the season at 13-17 while the Jayhawk East's second seed Pirates improve to 16-14 and advance to the quarterfinals.

Sophomore Blair Bloomfield led Barton in scoring and rebounding with fourteen points and eight rebounds as she concluded her Lady Cougar career scoring in double figures for the tenth time in her last twelve games. Freshman Ashton Bruner scored thirteen points to go along with six rebounds while sophomore Erin Copeland finished her Barton career with twelve points to reach double figures for the fifteenth time in the last eighteen games.



## REGION VI PLAYOFFS

### Sat. Mar. 2 - Men's Games at Higher Seeds

Seward County (23-7) def (12-18) Colby 88-70  
Independence (16-14) def (14-16) Dodge City 83-68  
**#24 Barton (25-5) def (6-24) Allen 93-61**  
Cowley (20-10) def (15-15) Pratt 67-49  
#5 Hutchinson (27-3) def (16-14) NW KS Tech 90-82  
Cloud County (14-16) def (16-14) Labette 54-50  
Butler (23-7) def (12-18) Neosho County 90-67  
#2 Coffeyville (29-1) def (11-19) Garden City 92-70

### Tue. Mar. 5 at Higher Remaining Seeds

7:00 Independence (17-14) at (24-7) Seward County  
**7:00 #24 Barton (26-5) at (21-10) Cowley**  
7:30 Cloud County (15-16) at (28-3) #5 Hutchinson  
7:00 Butler (24-7) at (30-1) #2 Coffeyville

### Fri. Mar. 8 - Region VI Men's Semifinals

at Hartman Arena - Park City, KS  
5:30 & 7:30

### Sat. Mar. 9 - Region VI Men's Championship

at Hartman Arena - Park City, KS  
7:00 - Pairing & Times TBA

## Track and Field wrap up indoor season at NJCAA Indoor Championships

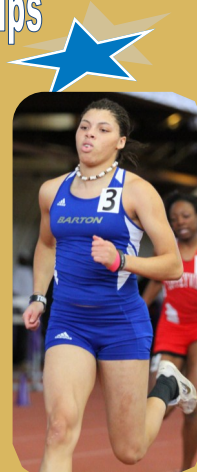
The Barton men's and women's track and field teams wrapped up their indoor season this past weekend at the 2013 NJCAA Indoor Championship held at Texas Tech University in Lubbock, TX. The Barton men, who have won ten indoor championships and finished second three times in the past sixteen years, battled injuries to score only three points in finishing twenty-ninth. The Lady Cougars, who have won seventeen national championships and ten second place finishes in its storied history, captured one gold medal in finishing eighteenth with eleven points. The Cougars will spend the next couple of weeks preparing for the outdoor portion of its schedule which starts March 22 at the prestigious Florida State University Relays in Tallahassee, FL

### Highlights - Men

**Keirston Lightbourne** finished seventh in the long jump with a leap of 6.91m to earn two of the Cougars three points. **Tony Green** finished eighth in the triple jump with a leap of 14.30m.

### Highlights - Women

**Kandace Thomas** captured first place in the 55m sprinting to a third-best Barton history time of 6.8. **Michelle Klepper** also earned All-American status by finishing eighth in the 5000m with a time of 21:00.96.



For more about Barton's national finish visit [www.BartonSports.com](http://www.BartonSports.com)

## National Champion!

# '13 Barton Sports Hall of Fame



Larry Schugart giving his acceptance speech



Steve Johnson posing with his family following his induction. (Pictured l to r: son Cooper, wife Gina, Steve Johnson, and son Caleb).



'13 Barton Hall of Fame Inductees being recognized between the women's and men's basketball games Saturday, February 2, 2013 at the Barton Gym (Pictured l to r: Larry Schugart, Shelley Budke, and Steve Johnson).

Jerry Mullen and Shelley Budke pose for photos following the induction ceremony inducting Kurt Budke to the 2013 Barton Sports Hall of Fame. Mullen, a 2000 Barton Sports Hall of Fame member, is Budke's former Barton men's basketball coach and close friend to the Budke family to this day.

Complete bios and list of Hall of Fame members can be found at:  
[www.BartonSports.com](http://www.BartonSports.com)

### Have Alumni News?

Contact Todd (620) 792-9310 or [mooret@bartonccc.edu](mailto:mooret@bartonccc.edu)

### Former Cougar News

Former women basketball player Alisha Fanshier earned 1st Team All-Conference and former assistant coach Ben Lister earned Conference Coach of the Year. Both are at Baker University.

### Former Cougar News

Former women basketball player Courtney "Cokey" Sturdivant earned Conference Player of the Year and 2nd Team All-American. She plays for West Virginia Institute of Technology

## ACADEMIC HONORS

### Two Student-Athletes earn honors!

Four students from Barton Community College in the Phi Theta Kappa (PTK) Honor Society were recognized Thursday for being selected as members of the PTK All-Kansas Academic Team at an award luncheon at the Ramada Inn in Topeka.

Sophomores Michelle Klepper and Michelle Miller of Ellinwood from the Great Bend campus, and Mandela Lofton and Marion Schweitzer-Noble of Manhattan from the Ft. Riley campus, all attended the award ceremony and luncheon, which included a keynote address from Kansas Attorney General Derek Schmidt.

Klepper is a member of the Barton Track & Field and Cross Country Teams while Miller is also a member of the Barton Women's Tennis Team.



From left: Marion Schweitzer-Noble, Mandela Lofton, Barton Community College President Dr. Carl Heilman, Michelle Klepper and Michelle Miller