

#### **COUGAR NATION NEWSLETTER**

#### Upcoming Home Event Schedule

#### April 11-12

• Women's Golf at StoneRidge GC

#### April 13-14

Baseball vs Dodge City

#### April 19

- Softball vs Seward
- Booster Club Golf
- Tournament

#### April 11-12

- Women's Golf at StoneRidge GC
- Ap<u>ril 22</u>
- Softball vs Indy CC

#### April <u>23</u>

- Softball vs Butler
- Baseball vs Brown Mackie College

#### April 26-28

• Baseball vs Hutch CC

NOTE: Due to weather conditions, schedules can change frequently. Refer to www.BartonSports.com for the latest

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**Trevor Rolfs** 

#### From the Athletic Director

Last month I was crying the blues about how cold the temperatures had been.... It's Kansas, if you don't like the weather, just wait a couple of hours because it is certain to change :) As I write this month's letter, the temperature outside is a beautiful 65 degrees. The spring sports are loving life about now because they can actually get some games played and are not having to reschedule contests. Things continue to be busy around here as we surpassed our spring break with most of our spring sports participants staying here on campus over the break training for competition and/or participating in games. For those other student athletes, this time of year brings a welcomed break from the court

\*\* MARK YOUR CALENDAR \*\* May 7 - 6:30pm Athletic Banquet

**MARCH 2013** 

Sponsored by the Cougar Booster Club plan to attend as we look back and recognize our studentathletes from the '12-13 season

as well as the classroom. Basketball players for instance, have been practicing/playing games for the better part of the last six months straight. I would say a well-deserved vacation is just the ticket.

Both the men's & women's basketball teams had a good season. The women's team fell on some hard times losing several conference games in a row by 10 points or less. With Coach Kruger & Coach Clark being in their first season together, many positive outcomes came out of this season in particular off the floor. Our women's basketball team consists of an outstanding group of young individuals that excel in the classroom & the community. I look for continued improvement on the floor in the coming seasons. Coach Fletchall and the men's team had another tremendous season. Posting an overall record of 28-6, the Cougar Men spent most of this season ranked in the top 25 nationally. Putting Barton on the map once again this season, the men's team proved to be a hot ticket every night and brought a vibrant atmosphere to the Kirkman! If you didn't get a chance to watch our men's team play, you certainly missed the height of excitement. Making it all the way to the Region VI Championship game, the Cougar men fell one game short of a trip to the NJCAA national tournament & also missed out on an at-large bid to compete in Hutchinson. I couldn't be more proud of our men's season in terms of wins & losses, but what made this year's team even more special to me was the character for which they displayed night in and night out. This team was truly a very special group of young men who conducted themselves with class all year long. Several individuals were honored in the post-season by being named to the KJCCC All-Conference All-Region teams (see pg. 4).

Progress continues with the Kirkman Student Activity Center renovation. While this facility has served our department well over the course of the last 17 years, it was definitely starting to show its age. A major facelift was needed to update the facility & give it a much needed facelift. Construction/repair of the outside wall began last week. A total makeover of the interior will begin in the coming weeks capped off by a total facelift of the athletic office complex. These are exciting times for our department as we continue to improve our facilities to maintain the earned status of being the BEST junior college in the nation. Thanks go out to several folks who have made this project possible. Watching the transformation over the coming months will be exciting.

On March 24, over 50 area high school senior basketball players invaded our campus to compete in the Central Kansas All-Star Basketball Classic. It was truly an amazing display of talents from so many of the participants. A fun day was enjoyed by all and some great basketball on display (see pg. 2).

Barton Athletic Teams continue to get involved in the communities we serve. More great examples of this involvement are pictured on page 3.

Don't forget.....On April 19, the Cougar Booster Club will be hosting a 4-person scramble golf tournament at Stone Ridge Country Club. This will act as a primary fundraiser for the booster club and will directly benefit Cougar Athletics. I hope you can come out, enjoy some golf/weather, and support the Barton Athletics (see details on pg. 2).

Until next month, I hope you get to enjoy some time off over spring break to enjoy your family. The Cougar Nation is Takin it Back'!

Respectfully Yours,



## Compliance Corner "Tip of the Month"

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

#### Section 2. RECRUITMENT

#### A. Off Campus Recruiting

- 1. All funds utilized for recruitment purposes must be authorized by a college official.
- 2. A member institution's athletics department staff member may visit a prospect at any location fro recruiting purposes. However, on any such visit, the staff member may not expend any funds other than the amount necessary for his/her own personal expenses.
- 3. An institution shall not permit any outside organization, agency, or group of individuals to utilize, administer or expend funds for recruiting prospects, including the transportation and entertainment of, and the giving of gifts or services to, prospects or their relatives or friends.



Source: 2012-13 NJCAA Handbook





# 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



Proceeds Benefit Cougar Student Athletes

Hole Sponsorship \$100.00

More info at: www.BartonSports.com



# 13 Central Kansas High School Basketball All-Star Classic

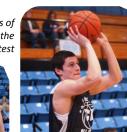
The 2nd annual Central Kansas High School All-Star Basketball Classic hosted by Barton Community College on Sunday, March 24 showcased fifty-three of some of Kansas' best players. In the girls' game the American team coached by Sterling HS's Jill Rowland defeated Great Bend HS's Carrie Minton's National team 85-75. The thrilling game of the day came in game one of the boys contests as Moundridge HS's Vance Unrau's South team needed a last second put back by Smoky Valley HS's Holden Hendrichs to defeat Hoisington HS's Kyle Haxton's North team 97-96. Capping off the day of festivities Glen O'Neil of Scott City HS led his West team to a 101-70 victory over St. John HS's Clint Kinnamon's East team.



Game Officials: Jim Vopat, Marty Steinert, Mike Esfeld, Rick Tutak, Scott Goodheart, and Shane Stimatze

Tyler Chambers of Derby HS captured the boys' 3-point contest





Most valuable players from the first boys' game (pictured I to r) Chase Hageman – Pratt HS and Kip Keeley – LaCrosse HS



Most valuable players from the girl's game. (pictured l to r) Alli Heimerman – Garden Plain HS, Jamie Waters – St. John HS, and Payton Hoeme – Pratt HS



Karlie Steinle of Wilson HS captured the girls' 3-point contest

Most valuable players from the second boys' game (pictured I to r) Cody Stetler - Hoisington HS and Trevor Turner - Hutchinson HS



Cody Stetler of Hoisington HS puts down a reverse dunk in winning the dunk contest



Members of the Barton Softball Team and Admissions Rep Maggie Robinson helped reward students at Jefferson Elementary with outstanding attendance awards.

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Members of the Barton Baseball Team helped the Barton Admissions Office to reward students at Lincoln Elementary with outstanding attendance awards.

> Members of the Barton Men's and Women's Golf Teams recently assisted the Great Bend Kiwanis Club with their annual Pancake Feed in Great Bend.

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#### Run through the region ends for Cougars in championship game

Some nights in sports a team performs in an unbeatable manner while the other team's efforts seem futile in comparison. The Region VI Men's Championship was one of those games as the No. 24 Barton men's basketball team ran across a hot No. 9 Hutchinson Community College team falling 74-57 at Park City's Hartman Arena. After getting a road quarterfinal win at Cowley College earlier in the week and a day removed after eliminating the Jayhawk West champions Seward County Community College, the Cougars got behind early and never recovered in concluding their season at 28-6.

## Men's Basketball #24 NJCAA, 3rd in Conference

28-6 overall, 12-4 conference

## KJCCC / Region VI Awards

1st Team both Conference & Region: Algie Key - Sophomore Andell Cumberbatch - Sophomore
2nd Team All-Region / H.M Conference: Turon Parker - Sophomore
\*All three named to 1st Team All-Tournament





Algie Key, who won the Jayhawk West Division freshman of the year and earned third team All-American status in 2012, averaged 17.6 points per game his sophomore season while also grabbing 6.2 rebounds and dishing out 4.4 assists per game. A Decatur, Georgia, native, Key assaulted the Barton record books in his two seasons, leaving the Cougar program atop the chart for career free throws attempted (536) and made (371), the top two spots in single season free throws attempted (280 in 2012, 256 in 2013), and owns the third and fourth spots in single season free throw made (189 in 2012, 182 in 2013). A unique balance of scoring and distributing to teammates, Key also finished his career fourth on the all-time list in scoring (1214

points) and assists (315). Playing in sixty-seven games as a Cougar, Key recorded one tripledouble, thirteen double-doubles, and had twenty-seven games of scoring twenty or more points including six games reaching the thirty-point mark.

## Women's Basketball

7th in Conference 13-17 overall 3-13 conference

## KJCCC Awards

Honorable Mention All-Conf: Erin Copeland- Sophomore





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