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### **COUGAR NATION NEWSLETTER**

#### Upcoming Home Events

February 18 Hall of Fame Induction 2:00pm Kirkman Activity Ctr

M & W Basketball 5:30pm W, 7:30pm M vs Cloud County "Black Out" theme night \*HOF Inductees honored in between W&M's games

February 22 M & W Basketball 5:30pm W, 7:30pm M vs Pratt CC

February 23 Softball 2pm vs Sterling College JV

February 25-26 Baseball 1pm vs W. Nebraska CC

February 27 M & W Basketball 5:30pm W, 7:30pm M vs Neosho County CC "Sophomore Night"

March 1 Softball 2pm vs Pratt CC Baseball 3pm vs McPherson JV

March 2 M & W Basketball 5:30pm W, 7:30pm 1st Rd Region VI Playoffs

March 4 Softball 2pm vs Garden City CC

**2017 Hall of Fame Induction Class Demarcus Minor** Lamont Roland **Curtis Hammeke Dr. Perry Smith** Sat, Feb 18th 2:00pm

### From the Athletic Director

Another mild winter has our spring sports coaches in a relatively good mood lately. They've been able to get some very productive practices in outside while preparing for the upcoming season. I hope all of you are off to a great start in 2017! Besides a little ice, staying warm and enjoying some spring like weather has been nice for all of us so far this calendar year. The madness that ensues every year about this time with conference races heating up and the playoffs just around the corner, has all basketball fans excited. March Madness is on the horizon!

The Cougar men's & women's basketball teams have both enjoyed a very productive season to date. While neither has been in the national rankings this season as we are accustomed to, each have played well throughout the conference season and have positioned themselves to host a first round Region VI playoff game. With the new 26 game conference slate this year, it has been a rugged road for both teams, but has provided some great conference matchups for the fans to enjoy. The men (20-5 overall) are currently sitting second in the KJCCC race with just five conference remaining in the season. The Cougar women (14-11 overall) are sitting in 7th place as of the latest league standings (see details pg. 2). Speaking of the Region VI playoffs, first round action will begin on Thursday, March 2. Tournament action will conclude with the last three rounds taking place at Hartman Arena in Park City, KS March 5-8. With just six more home contests remaining, I hope you will find the time to come out and cheer on your Cougars as both teams push for the ultimate goal of participating in the NJCAA National Tournament.

Barton Athletics recently hosted the 5th Annual Hilltop Hoops High School Girls' Basketball Classic. Eight local high school teams participated, bringing thousands of people to campus over the course of the four-day event. Central Plains High School was crowned tournament champions for the fourth consecutive year (see photo pg. 2). It was an exciting week of high school basketball action. The tournament has blossomed into one the most anticipated events for high school basketball fans annually.

Under the leadership of coaches Dave Schenek & Tony Davis, the Indoor Track & Field teams have exploded onto the national scene, both ranking in the top three in the nation as of this week. Multiple individual performances have landed in the school's top ten list (see details pg. 3). Like basketball, the Region VI Track & Field Championships are just around the corner. It has been so rewarding for me to watch our track & field programs return to championship form the past two seasons. We are looking forward to hanging some more championship banners in the main gym.

Head Coach Mike Bammes and assistant coach Kade Sander have again kept Barton Wrestling as one of the best, finishing runner-up to #3 NEO this past weekend in the West/Central Districts. Qualifying 9-of-the-10 wrestlers, the Cougars will head to Council Bluffs, Iowa, February 24-25 for the NJCAA National Championships. (see details pg. 2)

I hope that all of the Cougar Faithful will plan to attend the annual Barton Sports Hall of Fame celebration on Saturday, February 18th. This being one of my favorite days each year, I hope that you will join me for the induction of four very special people into the Barton Sports HOF. Getting enshrined into the illustrious Barton Sports Hall of Fame in 2017 will be two of the best men's basketball players to ever don a Barton uniform in DeMarcus Minor & Lamont Roland. These two men were a part of the last Cougar men's basketball team that advanced to the NJCAA National Tournament. Curtis Hammeke, a Barton baseball alum & former Barton baseball assistant coach will be inducted for not only his contributions to Barton, but additionally for the mark he has made professionally on so many student athletes from the state of Kansas while serving as athletic director at Butler CC, and in his current position leading the athletic department at Fort Hays State University. Great Bend's Dr. Perry Smith solidifies this year's class of inductees by having served Barton County with his family medical practice for over 40 years. Dr. Smith has not only been instrumental in taking care of so many Cougar athletes over those years, but has been a staunch supporter of Cougar Athletics during that time as well. We are so fortunate to have so many great people who made such an enormous impact on our beloved college, but have also gone on to impact so many others throughout their professional careers. An afternoon induction ceremony will take place in the Kirkman building on Saturday, February 18, followed by recognition of each inductee between that evening's basketball games vs. Cloud County. All of the new inductees will be impressive additions to the Barton Sports Hall of Fame (see pictures/bios/celebration details on pg. 4).

That is it for this time... Let's "Pack the House" for the remaining home basketball games & show our new HOF inductees that Cougar Pride on February 18th. GO COUGARS!!!







### **REGION VI CHAMPS for 2nd year in a Row!**

This past weekend the Cougars finished 2nd in the NJCAA West/Central District Championships in Pratt, runner-up to the defending national champion and #3 ranked Northeastern Oklahoma A&M. In the process, the Cougars won two individual titles with two runner-up finishes as 9-of-the-10 wrestlers qualified for the national championships to be held Feb 24-25 in Council Bluffs, Iowa.

400Ps



The Lady Cougars will be riding a three game win streak into Wednesday's game at #2 Hutchinson. Barton is coming off a road overtime win at Independence and most recently, reached the century mark for the first time this season as seven players reached double figures in the 100-55 win.



The Cougars just opened up a two game lead over Dodge City for 2nd place in the Jayhawk with a dominating 87-67 victory. Going into Wednesday's game at #4 Hutchinson, the Cougars are 16-5 in conference and 20-5 overall.

### In Barton's win Saturday over Dodge City, 5'6" sophomore Katrina Roenfeldt broke the 1984 school record of Sheila Hubert by grabbing 18 defensive rebounds. Additionally, Roenfeldt snagged two on the offensive glass to slip into a fourth place tie for single game rebounds with 20 total. Roenfeldt is also the conference leader in defensive rebounds while also climbing her way up the school's **3-point shooting charts.** Come see this special player and track her climb in the record books by following Barton Sports on Facebook and/or Twitter and www.BartonSports.com

**Rewriting school history** 



~ REMAINING BASKETBALL SCHEDULE ~		
Feb 18	5:30/7:30pm	Cloud County CC
		(Hall of Fame Night)
Feb 22	5:30/7:30pm	Pratt CC
Feb 25	5:00/7:00pm	At Coffeyville CC
Feb 27	5:30/7:30pm	Neosho County CC
		(Sophomore Night)
Mar 2	ТВА	Region VI Div I First Round
Mar 5-8	ТВА	Region VI Div I Playoffs
Mar 20-25	ТВА	NJCAA Div I National Championship



Hilltop Hoops Classic Champions - Central Plains High School

## Winter/Spring Sports Updates

### **Barton Women Indoor** 60m (Q-7.85): Sabrina Mason (7.53) (10) Keosha Saunders (7.56) (11) 200m (Q-25.55): Sabrina Mason (24.30) (4) Chenelle Ricketts (24.86) (14) Latoya Stewart (24.86) (14) Rian Robinson (24.91) (18) Asjah Wallace (25.08) (23) Mahendra McWhite (25.09) (25) 400m (Q-59.12): Layoya Stewart (55.57) (2) Chenelle Ricketts (55.68) (3) Rian Robinson (56.49) (12) 600m (Q-1:40.13): Latoya Stewart (\*1:34.04) (4) Emilykate Hopson-Boyd (1:40.13) (22) 1000m (Q-3:13.14): Mirena Goncalves (3:09.13) (13) Mile (Q-5:25.61): Mirena Goncalves (5:18.54) (12) 3000m (Q-11:02.24): Mirena Goncalves (10:15.89) (3) (9) Wilyeska Suarez (10:53.79) (18) 5000m (Q-19:20.24): Mirena Goncalves (17:35.32) (2) (3) Wilyeska Suarez (19:00.03) (8) 60m Hurdles (Q-9.17): Mahendra McWhiter (8.59) (2) Ayesha Champagnie (8.68) (4) Asjah Wallace (8.99) (14) Ed'Quisha Alvin (9.14) (21) 4X400m Relay (Q-4:04.57): Lageroy, Robinson, Glover, & Mason (3:42.72) (1) (7) High Jump (Q-1.61m): Ed'Quisha Alvin (1.73m, 5-08.00) (4)

Ayesha Champagnie (1.62m, 5-03.75) (14) Long Jump (Q-5.40m): Ayesha Champagnie (5.59m, 18-0.25) (8) Triple Jump (Q-11.00m): Amanda Carty (11.52m, 37-09.50) (12) Fiona Barnes (11.46m, 37-07.25) (14) Shot Put (Q-12.30m): Ayesha Champagnie (13.93m, 45-08.50) (8) Indoor Pentathlon (Q-Top 16 Individuals):

Ayesha Champagnie (3691) (1) (7)



The baseball team responded with a season opening loss by taking the next three games over the weekend in Poteau, OK, over Carl Albert State College. The Cougars shook off a 9-0 first game loss earning Friday's split with a 6-2 win before sweeping Saturday's action with a 4-2 and a five inning 13-3 victory. Barton will return to Oklahoma next weekend for a three-game set at Rose State College in Midwest City. The Cougars will have their home opener February 25-26 hosting W. Nebraska CC in a pair of doubleheaders.

### Indoor Qualifiers, National Rank, & School Record placing as of 02-13-17



Barton Men Indoor 60m (Q - 6.88) Chedlin Sageese (6.68) (2) (7) McKinley West (6.72) (4) (9) Samson Colbrooke (6.80) (12) Terence Ware (6.82) (16) Christian Lyon (6.84) (17)

200m (Q - 22.00) McKinley West (21.38) (6) Samson Colbrooke (21.54) (9) Chedlin Sageese (21.63) (12) Christian Lyon (21.79) (17)

**400m (Q - 49.50)** Kemarni Mighty (48.47) (17) DeAndre Jobe (49.13) (22)

600m (Q - 1:22.50) Javon Patterson (1:20.82) (9) DeAndre Jobe (\*1:20.91) (12) \*Converted from 600y run Michale Reyes (1:21.46) (21) Marquis Hill (1:21.76) (25)

800m (Q - 1:58.08) Javon Patterson (1:56.49) (14)

5000m (Q - 15:36.94) Jose Yanes (15:50.88) (24) (9)

60m Hurdles (Q - 8.43) Jermaine Jones (7.89) (1) (8) Kevin Turner (8.21) (11) Louis Rivers (8.27) (13)







The Barton Track & Field teams are having a great indoor season with 15 of the women's and 12 of the men's Top-10 marks in the nation. Included in that list is **eleven** achievements ranking in the Top-10 in school history!

The Cougars compete this weekend in Pittsburg going for another Region VI Championship before returning to Pittsburg March 3-4 in its quest for a Top-3 team national and all-American finishes.

### 4X400m Relay (Q - 3:21.84)

3:13.11 (4) (Mighty, Colbrooke, West, Jobe) **High Jump (Q - 2.00m)** Willie Rogers (2.00m, 6-06.75) (13) **Long Jump (Q - 7.00m)** Denroc Dixon (7.35m, 24-01.50) (7) **Shot Put (Q - 14.68m)** Sanjae Lawrence (16.98m, 55-08.50) (2) (8)

Sanjae Lawrence (16.98m, 55-08.50) (2) (8) Stevon Crooks (16.74m, 54-11.25) (4) (8) Ricky Nelson (15.45m, 50-08.25) (14)

Weight Throw (Q - 14.77m) Ricky Nelson (17.80m, 58-04.75) (3) (10) Enrique Martinez (15.99m, 52-05.50) (11)



Taking on three nationally ranked teams this past weekend in Plano, TX, the No. 19 ranked women's tennis team returned from the Collin Super Bash with a victory over No. 16 ranked New Mexico Military Institute to conclude season opener. The Lady Cougars had two matches on Friday, taking on host and No. 11 ranked Collin College first winning the No. 1 doubles and singles matches but fell to the host 7-2. Top ranked Tyler Junior College loomed for the afternoon matches with the Apaches taking all nine matches in dominating fashion. Barton wrapped up the trip on Saturday sweeping all the doubles matches and winning five of the six singles matches in knocking off the Broncos 8-1. The Lady Cougars will take a couple of weeks away from competition before heading to Lindsborg on Saturday, February 25, for an 11:00 a.m. first serve against Bethany College.

After a 6-0 start to the season, the young Barton softball team headed to Midland, TX, for the weekend winning two of their five games of the Midland Classic. The Cougars began Friday with a 5-2 loss to No. 17 ranked Howard College before dropping a 12-1 five inning game to host Midland College, ending the day with a 9-1 five frame dispatching of Luna Community College getting two grand slams from sophomore Payton Summers to power the victory. Barton carried the momentum into Saturday morning earning a 5-2 win over Clarendon College before ending the trip with a six inning 13-3 loss to Odessa. The 8-3 Cougars will have one doubleheader this week, traveling to Bethany College on Wednesday for another matchup with the junior varsity squad Barton swept last Tuesday at Cougar Field.



# **'17 Barton Sports Hall of Fame**



Serving the Great Bend area since 1980, Dr. Perry Smith also began serving the students and studentathletes of Barton in the early 80's. Quickly volunteering to take on the role of "team physician" when the position came open, Dr. Smith has been aiding in the health and wellbeing of student-athletes laying and developing the framework in developing one of the top community college sports medicine departments in the NJCAA. Curtis Hammeke has not only been successful throughout his playing and coaching career, but also in continuing of his achievements as an athletic administrator.

A Great Bend, native, Hammeke pitched for his hometown Cougars from 1980-1982 helping the team capture its first Jayhawk Conference title. Hammeke returned to help coach the Cougars in 1987, as well as serve as sports information director, helping to lead the Cougars to two conference titles and a 116-67 record during that span.



## Saturday - Feb 18 - 2:00pm



DeMarcus Minor's one year impact was profound in Barton history helping the '98-99 Cougars to a runnerup NJCAA national finish with a 35-3 record. The 6'6" transfer guard from Marquette University averaged a school 5th best single season 5.3 assists. third all-time with 191 made free throws, sank a program 5th best 11-of-11 from the charity stripe twice during the season in finishing his year with the third best single

season free throw percentage and tied atop the best career at 83.8% from the stripe.

Minor recorded 3 double-double performances in points and assists, dishing out a program 6th best single game performance of 14 assists in just his second game donning the Cougar uniform. Minor also posted four additional double-doubles in scoring and rebounding with two of those games coming in the national tournament turning it up in Barton's national title hunt averaging 18.5 points and 8 rebounds in those four games including a 30 point and 10 rebound effort in the title game.

Induction Ceremony 2:00pm Kirkman Activity Center Free and open to the public

Inductees will also be recognized during a brief ceremony between the women's and men's basketball games against Cloud County CC at approximately 7:15pm Lamont Rowland left Barton as the national player of the year and single season leading scorer in Barton history helping the '98-99 Cougars to a 35-3 record and runner-up NJCAA national finish.

Known for his ability to get the open jump shot and quick defensive hands, the 6'4" transfer from Ball State University led Barton in scoring 23-of-the -38 games averaging a

Cougar single season 4th best 24.2 points per game. His efforts not only earned 1st Team All-Conference honors but became Barton's lone NJCAA Player of the Year recipient and the program's second 1st Team All-American.

Scoring 42 points twice in the regular season in consecutive games, Rowland's 921 points were tops in school history until Ebi Ere broke the mark two years later. Draining a program second most threepointers (98), Rowland also recorded a second best steals in a season (3.1) and still tops the record book in most field goals made (330) including a third best performance of fifteen in one game.

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