## COUGAR NATION NEWSLETTER

## **Upcoming Home Events**

September 28 Women's Golf 1pm at Stone Ridge

Volleyball 6:30pm vs Seward County

September 29 Women's Golf 9am at Stone Ridge

September 30 Women's Soccer 4pm vs Butler CC

October 3 M & W Soccer 2pm Women, 4 pm Men vs Neosho

Volleyball 2pm vs Cloud County CC

October 5 Volleyball 6:30pm vs Highland CC

October 7
Baseball
4pm vs Cloud County CC

Volleyball 6:30pm vs Dodge City CC

October 14 Volleyball 6:30pm vs Butler CC

October 17
M & W Soccer
2pm Women, 4pm Men
vs Allen County CC

October 19 Men's Golf 9am at Stone Ridge

October 20 M & W Soccer 2m Women, 4pm Men vs MCC-Maple Woods

October 21 Volleyball 6:30pm vs Pratt CC

October 24
M & W Soccer
2pm Women, 4 pm Men
vs Coffeyville CC

October 28
Wrestling
6pm Intrasquad
Scrimmage

For more information: www.BartonSports.com

## From the Athletic Director

Since I wrote you last, things have not slowed down a bit in the athletic department here at Barton. And truthfully, that is just the way we like it. I want to start this month's newsletter by thanking all of my coaching staff for once again assembling a great showing for the Annual Labor Day parade in nearby Hoisington (see pg. 4). Nearly every team from Barton Athletics was represented and enjoyed the occasion. Getting out in the community continues to be an annual goal of the department.

Speaking about getting out in the communities to serve, kudos go out to Barton Golf Coach Doug Kaiser and his efforts in organizing the Annual Wounded Warrior Golf Tournament this year at Fort Riley (see pg. 2). With participation from both his men's & women's squads at the event, Coach Kaiser put forth a great event enjoyed by over twenty teams on September 12<sup>th</sup>. This annual event is a great way for the college to "give back" to those that serve our country and the freedoms they insure for us. If you have never participated in the event, I encourage you to put a team together next fall and participate in this worthwhile cause. Thanks again Coach Kaiser!!

All of our coaches continue to work very hard towards insuring academic success of our student-athletes. I continue getting to know all of our student-athletes on a first name basis. That is a process for sure... Athletics at the college level is certainly about production and setting a precedence for winning. However, outside of that, there is much more to the college experience. Building relationships, setting academic goals, developing teamwork, and getting involved in the community are all ways to develop a well-rounded student-athlete. We strive for those ends weekly! I have challenged each and every one of our coaches to make a difference in the communities we serve. In the October newsletter, look for photos & stories detailing some continuous community service projects.

Don't look now, but basketball season is right around the corner. It always arrives faster than we anticipate. Our office will be sending out information regarding **Booster Club Membership & Season Tickets** next week (see pg. 2). Please look for this packet in the mail and don't delay in getting your seats reserved. All information will be included in one document (brochure). The form located inside this year's brochure can be used for renewal of season tickets as well as for the any "new" Cougar fans out there.

It has been a goal of ours to increase the number of season ticket holders & booster club memberships each year. With your help, we have done that! Encourage your friends to "Join the Team"! We want to pack the house!! Did you know that if you plan to attend the majority of our men's & women's basketball games that it is actually cheaper to purchase a reserved seat than pay general admission prices...? The Cougar Den membership has become a very popular choice with season ticket holders as well. We have combined these package options into one simple form for your convenience. Get your seats reserved today by filling out the brochure or by calling Brooke in the athletic office at (620)792-9377. Don't miss any of the 2015-2016 basketball action! Again, look for this information to come in the mail sometime next week.

Many of our fall sports teams are off to a great start (see pg. 3). For updates regarding any of our sports teams, check out **BartonSports.com**. This website is maintained by one of the best SID's in the business. **Todd Moore** enters his fifth year as Sports Information Director here at Barton and runs one of the BEST community college sports websites in the country. We are all grateful he is on our team!

See you soon at one of our home events! Until next time, keep pushing forward!! GO COUGARS!

Respectfully Yours,

Trevor Rolfs

