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Seward Men take control of Jayhawk West with win At Barton, Lady Saints Stumble

Men's Results The Seward County Lady Saints problems on the road continued Saturday night in Great Bend against the Barton Cougars in a crucial Jayhawk West Conference game between the team one game in front of them in the conference standings. Seward held the lead nearly all of the first half and the first 12 minutes of the second half but poorly times turnovers would do them in as the game came to a close and a couple of big shots late by the Cougars would prove the difference as Barton came out on top 59-53 to send the Lady Saints to .500 in conference action. Seward could never get their offense going in the loss as they finished the game with 24 turnovers while shooting just 31% overall in the game. Hannah Rotolo would be the only Lady Saint to reach double figures as she finished with 10 points in her return to Barton where she played her freshman season. Hanna Bognar would rack up 9 blocks in the game for Seward to climb to #4 in the NJCAA rankings in that category. The Lady Saints fall to 15-9 overall on the year and 5-5 in Jayhawk West Conference play. The 5-5 mark places them 5th in the conference and a full 2 games out of reaching the coveted 4th spot needed to host a Region VI Playoff Game. Their next test will come on the road Monday when they travel to Colby before wrapping up their three game road trip at Pratt on Wednesday. Full Story to Come Monday...

Following their home victory over #8 Hutchinson on Wednesday, folks around the Seward County Men's Basketball program gumbled lightly about Saturday night's road matchup with Barton to be a trap game in which the Saints might be in store for a let down. They made it evident early that that was simply not going to be the case as they jumped in front of the Cougars early before blowing them out late 71-50 in the Barton Gymnasium to pick up their 9th straight win and remain atop the conference standings. Daveon Boardingham had a huge game off of the Seward bench, racking up 15 points and 15 rebounds while Marky Nolen joined him in the double double club on the night, his 7th straight, with 11 points and 11 rebounds. A pedestrian night for Jeremy Jones saw him score a game high 17 points as well as a game high 6 assists while Markee Mazyck took advantage of his starting opportunity with 12 points for the Saints. Seward held Barton to just 29% shooting overall on the night while shooting 42% themselves. The win was number 100 for Saints Head Coach Bryan Zollinger who becomes the fastest Men's Basketball Coach in school history to reach the number, doing so in just 127 games. Seward improves to 21-3 overall on the season and 9-1 in Jayhawk West play . The Saints win coupled with great news on the scoreboard Saturday night, with Hutchinson losing to Dodge City and Cloud County losing to Colby, Seward now has a full 3 game lead on the rest of the pack in the conference meaning that their magic number to clinch at least a share of the conference title is just 3 with 6 games to go.

Sat. Feb. 5

Highland def Neosho County 91-68*
Kansas City KS def Allen County 73-62*
Fort Scott def Labette 54-42*
#9 Coffeyville def Cowley 80-69*
Garden City def Butler 71-70* OT
Dodge City def #8 Hutchinson 80-79*
Independence def D2#14 Johnson County 67-62*
#16 Seward County def Barton County 71-50*
Colby def Cloud County 77-71*

Women's Results

Sat. Feb. 5

Neosho County def Highland 67-64* OT
Hesston def Bethany College JV 67-50
Kansas City KS def Allen County 66-34*
Brown Mackie def Lamar Colorado 82-66
Fort Scott def Labette 64-57*
Coffeyville def #25 Cowley 60-56*
Butler def Garden City 58-54*
#14 Hutchinson def Dodge City 82-31*
D2#2 Johnson County at #6 Independence* 6:00
Barton County def Seward County 59-53*
Cloud County def Colby 64-48*

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