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2021 Greater Wichita Sports Banquet Celebrates Athletic Achievement

WICHITA, KANSAS - The Greater Wichita Area Sports Commission will host the 23rd Annual Greater Wichita Sports Banquet presented by the Kameron Wimbley Foundation on Thursday, July 1st at the Drury Plaza Broadview Hotel. Former Kansas City Chief return specialist and wide receiver, **Dante Hall**, will be our special guest for the evening. Nicknamed the "Human Joystick" and the "X Factor", Hall played in the NFL for nine seasons and was named the 10th greatest return specialist in NFL history by the NFL Network.

The Greater Wichita Sports Banquet is an annual event that celebrates sports excellence in south-central Kansas. Awards presented include: *Lynette Woodard High School Female Athlete of the Year*, *Barry Sanders High School Male Athlete of the Year*, *Junior College and College Female and Male Athletes of the Year*, *Professional Athlete of the Year* and the *Buster Posey National Collegiate Catcher of the Year Award*.

Nomination forms were sent to the Greater Wichita area athletic directors in April. A vote among members of the media determined the finalists. Student-athlete award finalists are:

- Lynette Woodard High School Female Athlete of the Year Finalists: Lanna Chase (Circle), Kylee Scheer (Cheney), Bailey Wilborn (Andover Central)
- Barry Sanders High School Male Athlete of the Year Finalists: Logan Bartlett (Cheney), Jack Johnson (Andover), Jake Shope (Goddard)
- Junior College Female Athlete of the Year Finalists: Lubna Suied (Cowley), Madi Young (Butler)
- Junior College Male Athlete of the Year Finalists: Josh Cameron (Butler), Dalen Ridgnal (Cowley)
- College Female Athlete of the Year Finalists: Aubry Donley (Friends), Paola Lopez (Bethany), Madison Perrigan (WSU)
- College Male Athlete of the Year Finalists: Murkel Dellien (WSU), Kameron Frame (Newman), Chase Long (Bethany)

The finalists for the Buster Posey National Collegiate Catcher of the Year will be announced on Monday, June 7th. Honorees for the Professional Athlete of the Year, Gene Stephenson Coach of the Year and the high school coaches of the year will be announced on Wednesday, June 9th.

Ticket information can be found at www.wichitasports.com.

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