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Russel E. Houk Wrestling Coach



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President of the College......Dr. Harvey A. Andruss

## Athletic Staff (Basketball & Wrestling)

Athletic Director...Russell Houk, Lock Haven S. T. C. \*52 Head Basketball Coach.Harold S. Shelly, Ohio Northern \*31 Assistant Coach.....Norman L. Hilgar, Grove City College \*49

Student Managers.....Pat Christoff

Robert Morgan William Morgan

John Johnson
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Student Managers....Ralph Wetzel

Dean Morgan

Richard Frey

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## Athletic Information

Member......NCAA, PSTCAC Colors......Maroon and Gold

Home Court......Centennial Gymnasium

Press Table......Accommodations for 12 persons

## College Information

Denomination......Non-Denominational

Conducted by ............ Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

Year Founded..........1839 Enrollment..........1378

Address......Bloomsburg, Pennsylvania

#### Radio Facilities Are Available

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#### HEAD BASKETBALL COACH

The head coach of the Bloomsburg State Teachers College Huskies is Harold S. Shelly, former athletic director and basketball and track coach at Wilmington College, Wilmington, Ohio. Mr. Shelly, who came to Bloomsburg at the start of the 1949-50 college year, replaced Peter R. Wisher, who tutored Musky cage teams from 1946 to 1949.

Before accepting the Wilmington College position, Coach Shelly was head basketball coach at Withrow High School in Cincinnati, where his schoolboy clubs compiled brilliant records. In four years at the Cincinnati high School, his cage teams were runners—up for the city championship two years.

Mr. Shelly also coached at Milford (Ohio) High School where his basketball teams were considered outstanding. His Milford team reached the District title playoffs each of the six years he coached there, winning four county titles without losing a single game. In the other two years, Milford was runner-up for the county championship.

He is a graduate of Ohio Northern University where he won letters in football, basketball, and track. Shelly received his Master of Arts degree from the University of Michigan. His teaching experience includes twelve years of teaching in the public schools and fourteen years of college teaching and coaching.

In addition to coaching basketball, Shelly does a top-notch job as trainer for the football squad, and, when spring rolls around, he will again coach the Husky track squad.

During the past nine years at Bloomsburg, Shelly's squads have not had a losing season. Last year they won and lost 7, and barring unexpected injuries to key personnel, another good season appears to be in the making. In two of the past five seasons, Shelly-coached teams have had outstanding records, including the S. T. C. Conference Championship in 1953 with a 10-2 record. During his tengre at the "Friendly College", his teams have won 96 contests and dropped 56.

Hard-working and affable, the big Husky mentor sets a high goal for his charges—a well-conditioned squad, drilled to execute fixed play patterns, the fast break, and a man-for-man defense.

#### ASSISTANT COACH

## Norman L. Hilgar

Before joining the college faculty in September 1956, Norman Hilger spent six years coaching the Plum Township High School court squad. A native of Grove City and a graduate of the college there, Hilgar has become Shelly's right hand man, coaching the jayvees and helping develop the overall strategy during the season.

Around the campus, Hilgar, Assistant Professor of Business Education, has also become well-known for his ability with facts and figures in Accounting classes.

#### BASKETBALL OUTLOOK 1958-59

Four lettermen, who had been a vital part of Coach Shelly's varsity squad for four years, were lost to this year's team as a result of graduation last year. And when a coach loses outstanding men like guard Bobby Boyle, forward Jim Gustave and center-forwards John Schaefer and Jim Snyder, it takes a lot of hustle, bustle, and talent to fill the gap.

But the factor which may pave the way for a difficult and exciting campaign in the Teachers College Conference is the improvement and balance of many of the lh colleges. Millersville and Indiana have dominated the league for five years or more while West Chester, Bloomsburg, and Kutztown have been knocking at the door. This year, reports are making the rounds that other shallengers will be ready—Mansfield, Slippery Rock, and California.

The Huskies will have some talented members who have already demonstrated their proficiency in circuit competition. Bill Swisher, one of the league's top individual scorers, will be out to break a four year record at Bloomsburg and will have John Mascioli and Al Francis as his running mates at guard. Mascioli won the plaudits of fans and teammates alike, last year, as the result of his speedy and aggressive play, and Francis may take Boyle's place as the play-maker. Norm Shutovich, who won his spurs last year will be back to play center, along with two promising freshmen—Dick Lloyd and Roland Farmer who were high school standouts. Senior Ray Burger will probably get the nod for a starting berth at forward, and Shelly will have to pick another regular from a group which includes Al Yaverski, Carl Janetka, Lloyd, and Farmer.

The Huskies have what appears to be some depth in bench strength, but most of these men lack extensive varsity experience. Big Stan Covinton could be a vital factor if he hits his potential, while Phil Houser, Jim Peck, and Carl Sweet are also clamoring for recognition.

An interested observer might easily find himself quickly agreeing with Coach Shelly that a good "big man" would solve a lot of problems for the fast break offense, used by the Huskies, depends upon getting and keeping the ball.

#### THUMBNAIL SKETCHES - BASKETBALL

RAYMOND BURGER - Senior - Returned last season after a year's absence due to a knee injury, and did an able job filling in at the forward position; does a good job with rebounds, but will be fighting several promising freshmen for a starting berth. Won his first varsity "B" last year.

STANLEY COVINGTON - Senior letter-winner. Has good potential, but has not yet hit his peak. His height and sharp-shooting could be a big help to the squad. Participation in football, along with foot trouble, will probably prevent Stan from getting into top shape early in the season.

CARL JANETHA - Senior - looking forward to winning his first letter during the current season. Will probably see action at the forward post.

CARL SWEET - Senior - Will be driving hard for his first varsity letter after two years of jayvee competition. Has a good jump shot--needs to improve finesse and speed to do a good job as a varsity reservist.

BILL SWISHER - Senior - The only Bloomsburg High grad on the squad, Bill is well established as a college court star. While winning three letters as a guard, he has been among the top individual conference scorers for two years, and will probably break the four-year scoring record at the college. Bill currently holds the record for the most points scored in a single game at Centennial Gym. He also hopes to repeat as one of the top individual scorers among small colleges in the nation.

AL FRANCIS - Junior - Clever ball handler; smart back court man; good student of the game. Compensates for lack of height with speed, skill, and determination. A good "basketball quarterback".

JOHN MASCIOLI - Junior - Lettered in his freshman year; a fast, clever guard with an excellent jump shot. Could be just what the doctor ordered as Bill Swisher's running mate at guard. Needs to improve his man-to-man defensive work.

JAMES PECK - Junior - A varsity candidate at guard after two years of play with the jayvees. Shows flashes of steady play, and with more experience will be pushing veteran players for a starting berth.

AL YAVERSKI - Junior - Played jayvee ball last year after transferring from Richmond University. A rugged rebounder and a good short jump shot, he may see a lot of action at forward.

NORMAN SHUTOVICH - Sophomore - Alternates at center and forward; will do most of his work at center this season; an excellent jumper-has good hands for tipping. Became a veteran before his freshman year was half-completed. Excellent outlook for his next three years of college ball.

ROLAND FARMER - Freshman - rangy, 6'3" center or forward; is a good rebounder and has a good tap.—tough under the boards. Has finesse—with seasoning, he will see a lot of action in his initial appearance in college competition.

DICK LLOYD - Freshman - Shows great promise in his first bid for a varsity letter. Works at center or forward positions. Ckever ball handler--is showing the evidence of excellent high school training. Will be causing the veterans plenty of concern for their starting roles.

## PASKETBALL SQUAD 1958-59

Name	Age	Ht.	Wt.	Year	High School
Angotti, John	18	6-0	178	Freshman	St. Rose- Carbondale
Burger, Ray	21	6=2	170	Semopr	Tokyo (Japan)
Conrad, James	18	6-1	180	Sophomore	South Williamsport
Covington, Stan	21	6-2	510	Senior	Neshaminy
Farmer, Roland	18	6-3	176	Freshman	Haddon Heights, N. J.
Foley, Thomas	18	6-11	180	Freshman	St. Basil-Dushore
Fox, Carolus	19	6-3	190	Sophomore	Mechanicsburg
Francis, Albert	24	5-9	160	Junior	Pottsville
Gladsky, Tom	19	6-2	170	Freshman	J. W. Cooper
Houser, Philip	18	6=2	170	Sophomore	Mechanicsburg
Hugo, Stanley	18	5-11	150	Sophomore	Athens
Janetka, Carl	21	6-1	200	Senior	Upper Moreland
Lloyd, Dick	18	6=2	175	F'reshman	Upper Darby
Mascioli, John	19	5-10	150	Junior	Kingston
Peck, James	20	6=0	1 <b>7</b> 5	Junior	Boyertown
Perialas, Pete	19	5-11	180	Freshman	Mt. Pleasant, Del.
Shutovich, Norman	19	5-2	195	Sophomore	Hazleton
Stanitski, Carl	19	6⇒7	225	Sophomore	Shamokin
Stanitski, Conrad	19	6-4	215	Sophomore	Shamokin
Stokes, Edward	19	5-11	155	Sophomore	Luzerne
Strauser, William	18	6-1	<b>17</b> 5	Freshman	Westmoreland
Sweet, Carl	20	6-1	205	Senior	A thens
Swisher, William	23	6=0	154	Senior	loomsburg
Toohey, Frank	20	6-2	180	Freshman	West Phila. Cath.
Wetzel, Ronald	21	5=10	160	Sophomore	Sunbury
Yaverski, Alfred	20	6-2	185	Junior	Duryea
Farace, Joe	21	5=7	155	Fresh	Hazleton

MANAGERS
Pat Christoff
Robert Morgan
William Morgan
John Johnson

## BASKETBALL SCHEDULE 1958-59

		<u>Varsity</u>		<u>JA</u>	
Wed.	Dec. 3	Kutztown STC	Н	Kutztown STC	H
Mon.	Dec. 13	Cheyney STC	A	Cheyney STC	A
Wed.	Dec. 16	King's College	H		
Thurs.	Jan. 8	Kutztown STC	A	Kutztown STC	A
Sat.	Jan. 10	Cheyney STC	H	Cheyney STC	H
Thurs.	Jan. 15		A		
Thurs.	Jan. 17	Mansfield STC	A		
Wed.	Jan. 28	Millersville STC	H	Millersville STC	H
Thurs.	Feb. 5	King's College	A	King's College	A
Sat.	Feb. 7	Lycoming College	A	Lycoming College	A
Wed.	Feb. 11	Lock Haven STC	H	Lock Haven STC	H
Fri.	Feb. 13	Lycoming College	H	Lycoming College	H
Wed.	Feb. 18	Millersville STC	A		
Sat.	Feb. 21	Mansfield STC	H	Mansfield STC	H
Wed.	Feb. 25	Shippensburg STC	H	Milton	H
Fri.	Feb. 27	West Chester STC	A		
Sat.	Feb. 28			Bucknell	A
Wed.	Mar. 4	Lock Haven STC	A	Lock Haven STC	A

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Dec.	4	Bloomsburg STC	77	Kutztown STC	80
Dec.	6	Bloomsburg STC	83	Shippensburg STC	95
Dec.	12	Bloomsburg STC	83	King's College	92
Jan.	9	Bloomsburg STC	64	Cheyney STC	62
Jan.	15	Bloomsburg STC	77	Kutztown STC	63
Jan.	18	Bloomsburg STC	84	Mansfield STC	83
Jan.	29	Bloomsburg STC	71	Millersville STC	95
Feb.	5	Bloomsburg STC	81	Lock Haven STC	75
Feb.	8	Bloomsburg STC	90	Shippensburg STC	75
Feb.	12	Bloomsburg STC	81	Lock Haven STC	69
Feb.	14	Bloomsburg STC	82	King's College	72
Feb.	15	Bloomsburg STC	67	Lycoming College	79
Feb.	22	Bloomsburg STC	75	Mansfield STC	67
Feb.	26	Bloomsburg STC	<b>7</b> 9	Lycoming College	71
Feb.	28	Bloomsburg STC	81	West Chester STC	92
Mar.	1	Bloomsburg STC	98	Cheyney STC	92
Mar.	4	Bloomsburg STC	79	Millersville STC	96

Season's Record - Won 10 Lost 7 - Conference Record - Won 8 Lost 5

#### HEAD WRESTLING COACH

Russell E. Houk, a native of Ellwood City, and an outstanding coach of high school grapplers, joined the college faculty in September, 1957, as head wrestling coach, assistant football coach, and athletic director. Houk replaced Walter Blair who became Dean of Men and Head Football Coach.

A stellar performer on the Lincoln High School gridiron squad at Ellwood City, Houk served with both the Merchant Marine and the Army during World War II. After his discharge, he entered Duke University, later transferred to Lock Haven S. T. C. He had an outstanding record in both football and wrestling at Lock Haven, serving as captain during his senior year. He received his Bachelor of Science degree at Lock Haven in May, 1952.

In 1952, he joined the faculty of South Williamsport High School, and compiled an amazing record as head wrestling coach. But his greatest successes came during three years at Muncy High where his squads won thirty-seven meets and lost only six. Several of his schoolboy wrestlers won district honors and three of them captured first or second places in the state championship meets.

He was awarded his Master of Science degree in Education in 1957 at Bucknell University.

In his first year as head wrestling coach, Houk compiled a record of five wins and two losses—the latter at the hands of strong squads from Millersville and Lock Haven.

#### WRESTLING - 1958-59 OUTLOOK

In his first year of college coaching, Russell Houk led his charges to 5 victories and 2 defeats against good competition both in conference and non-conference meets. Although Houk is is not the type to be easily stampeded, he is unwilling to say more at the moment than "we should have a good team, but probably not an outstanding team because of the inexperience of quite a few members of the squad."

A close look at the squad reveals several reasons for optimism. Only 2 varsity grapphers-George O'Connell and Frank Prusch--were lost by graduation, and the number of "hopefuls" has been increased from 30 to 37. This includes all tem members who participated in the Teachers College Championship Meet which terminated the season. Among them are Jim Garman; two-time winner in the 123 pound bracket; Bob Rohm, who was runner-up at 157 pounds; Stan Elinsky, who placed third at 191; Dick Rimple, fourth place winner at 130 pounds.

With the addition of several good-looking freshman prospects, the Husky matmen should be hard to beat in the lightweight divisions, but strength needs to be developed among the newcomers in the heavier weight classes.

In order to improve last year's record, Houk will have to topple Lock Haven and Millersville, perenially two of the top powers in the conference. In addition, the Huskies have added two newcomers to the schedule—Cortland Teachers, New York, and Waynesburg College—and both are well-known in intercollegiate grappling circles for producing good teams. This could be the toughest schedule Bloomsburg has faced since the sport was revived in the 1954-55 season.

Along with Garman, Rimple, Rohm, Asby and Elinsky, several of the newcomers are bound to cause plenty of trouble to Bloomsburg opponents in the years ahead. Among them are Dale Sullivan, a transfer student who "sat out" last year; Maynard Aungst, freshman, high-school state champ who can wrestle at 115 or 123; Gary Allen, freshman, whose experience and performance in high school heavy-weight bouts should stand the Huskies in good stead.

A bright spot for the future is the good looking crop of jayvees who will have a chance to show their stuff in at least four jayvee meets.

#### THUMBNAIL SKETCHES - WRESTLING

JAMES GARMAN - Senior from Sunbury - won the Teachers College Wrestling Championship at 123 pounds for the past 2 years. He will be going for the 3rd crown - Won 7, lost none last season in dual meets.

ROBERT ASBY - Senior from South Williamsport - good leg wrestler - will wrestle either 157 or 167 and should do an outstanding job. Won 5- lost 2, last year.

ROBERT ROHM - Junior from Muncy - same in second in the S. T. C. Championship meet in the 157 pound class last year. A very dependable boy-makes few mistakes- good condition - has gained weight the past year and should be wrestling 167 or 177 this season. Won 7 lost none in 1957-58.

RICHARD RIMPLE - Junior from Forty Fort - placed fourth in the Teachers Tournament and third in the Four "I" Tournament. Knows more wrestling than anyone on the squad. Won 7 - lost none in dual season last year.

STAN ELINSKY - Junior from Kingstown - wrestled 191 last season - third place in Teachers Tournament - strong and fast, he should improve with experience.

HENRY ORBAND - Juhior from Jessup - Wrestled heavyweight last year - had no previous experience - outstanding football tackle - should improve as the season progresses.

BILL STEVENSON - Sophomore from Upper Darby - wrestled 137 for us last year. Will press other members in his weight class.

DALE SULLIVAN - Sophomore from Hughesville - very strong - uses legs - should do an outstanding tob.

PETE VALANIA - Senior from Nanticoke - very dependable - had leg injury last year - should be pressing for position at 123 or 130.

BOB WARREN - Sophomore from Mechanicsburg - outstanding guard on the football squad. Very strong, he should make a good heavy-weight.

GARY ALLEN - freshman from Muncy - strong and fast - came in second in State High School Tournament - should help our heavy-weight problem.

MAYNARD AUNGST - freshman from Lock Haven - two time state champion - won 58 out of 59 matches in high school. Should help our light-weights.

TOM GORANT - Freshman from Shamokin - runner-up in state last year at 120 pounds - another outstanding lightweight.

DON KER - senior from Denville - second year of wrestling - President of Senior Class - A student - well developed - a great competitor.

CHARLES RIFGEL - junior from Sunbury - did not wrestle last year. Good high school background - if his timing returns, he will help the squad.

## WRESTLING SQUAD 1958-59

Name	Age	Ht.	Wt.	Year	High School
Allen, Gary	18	5-8	190	Freshman	Muncy
Asby, Robert	24	6-1	175	Senior	South Williamsport
Aungst, Maynard	18	5-6	125	Freshman	Lock Haven
Baker, Clyde	18	5-7	150	Freshman	Lewistown
Burke, James	19	5-8	150	Freshman	Malverne, N. Y.
Creneti, Francis	18	5-7	150	Freshman	Wm. Tennent
Cunningham, Rollin	20	6-0	175	Sophomore	Lewistown
Davidheiser, Ronald	18	5-10	165	Freshman	Pottstown
Davis, Daniel	18	5-10	150	Freshman	Forty Fort
Davis, James	18	5-9	145	Freshman	Bristol
Elinski, Stan	20	6-0	185	Junior	Kingston
Fake, Walter	19	5-7	155	Sophomore	Mechanicsburg
Garman, James	19	5-6	145	Senior	Sunbury
Gorant, Tom	18	5-9	135	Freshman	Shamokin
Hutteman, Beau	19	5-9	160	Sophomore	Iselin, N. J.
Kerr, Don	21	5-10	165	Senior	Danville
Kocher, Jay	18	5-7	160	Freshman	Benton
Laubach, Larry	18	5-9	145	Freshman	Benton
Litavic, Andy	22	<b>5</b> 6	125	Sophomore	Freeland
Max, Melvin	18	6-0	205	Freshman	Allentown
Morris, Todd	18	5-10	180	Freshman	Forty Fort
Moser, Warren	18	5-10	160	Freshman	Gilbertsville
Moss, Wayne	18	5-10	160	Freshman	Shickshinny
Orband, Hank	21	6-2	205	<b>Junior</b>	Jessup
Riegel, Charles	22	6-0	185	Junior	Sunbury
Rimple, Richard	20	5-8	150	Junior	Forty Fort
Robb, William	18	5-9	135	Freshman	Lock Haven
Rohm, Bob	20	5-10	180	<b>Junior</b>	Muncy
Slatky, Edward	18	5-9	160	Freshman	Duryea
Stevenson, Bill	19	5-10	148	Sophomore	Upper Darby
Sullivan, Dale	20	5-6	140	Sophomore	Hughesville
Valania, Pete	21	5-6	135	Senior	Nanticoke
Warren, Bob	19	5-10	205	Sophomore	Mechanicsburg
Williams, James	20	5-10	155	Sophomore	Shamokin
Withers, Paul	19	6-2	205	Sophomore	Collingswood, N. J.
Wright, Don	23	6-1	200	Junior	Kingston
Wright, Jerry	18	6-0	140	Freshman	Forty Fort



## Varsity

Sat.	Dec.	6	Cortland State	A
Mon. & Tues.	Dec.	29-30	Wilkes College Tourn,	A
Sat.	Jan.	10	Shippensburg S.T.C.	A
Wed.	Jan.	14	Lycoming College	H
Sat.	Jan.	17	Millersville S.T.C.	H
Thur.	Jan.	29	Lock Haven S.T.C.	H
Wed.	Feb.	4	East Stroudsburg S.T.	C. A
Sat.	Feb.	7	Indiana S.T.C.	A
Thur.	Feb.	12	Lincoln University	H
Fri.	Feb.	20	West Chester S.T.C.	H
Sat.	Feb.	28	Waynesburg College	A
Fri. & Sat.	Mar.	6-7	S.T.C. Tournament	H
Fri, & Sat.	Mar.	13-14	Four "I" Tournament	A
ThurFriSa	t.Mar.	26-27-2	8 Nat'l. Collegiate To	ournament A

## WRESTLING RECORD 1957-58

Jan.	8	Bloomsburg S.T.C.	27	H	Shippensburg S.T.C.	13
Jan.	18	Bloomsburg S.T.C.	11	A	Millersville S.T.C.	15
Jan.	29	Bloomsburg S.T.C.	11	H	Lock Haven S.T.C.	16
Feb.	5	Bloomsburg S.T.C.	24	H	East Stroudsburg S.T.C.	7
Feb.	8	Bloomsburg S.T.C.	16	A	Indiana S.T.C.	11
Feb.	12	Bloomsburg S.T.C.	31.	A	Lincoln University	3
Feb.	19	Bloomsburg S.T.C.	21	A	Lycoming College	11

Seasons Record - Won 5 Lost 2

## STC Wrestling Championship - 3rd place

123	James Garman	lst
130	Richard Rimple	4th
157	Robert Rohm	2nd
191	Stan Elinski	3rd