

BLOOMSBURG

STATE

COLLEGE



**ACADEMIC ALL-AMERICAN STEVE BRIGHT
IN ACTION**

1977-78 *HUSKY*

BASKETBALL

COACHING STAFF

Charles Chronister Head Basketball Coach



After six years as head coach at Bloomsburg State College, **Charles Chronister** and his varsity players have compiled a 105-45 won-lost record. During this time his teams have won numerous in-season tournaments, established over 30 team and individual Bloomsburg State records, participated

in post-season tournaments and had the first Bloomsburg State team to win a NCAA Regional Tournament and go on to Evansville for the National Championship Tournament.

Prior to coming to Bloomsburg in 1973, he was an assistant coach and freshman coach under Bob Hulton for four years. He previously coached for three years at Hanover (Pa.) High School where his JV and varsity teams were 59-9 while winning county championships and participating in the PIAA District II play-offs. He also served as freshman coach at East Stroudsburg and guided the team to a 17-2 record.

Chronister has been successful in attracting good basketball talent to Bloomsburg. He has coached two All-Americans, John Willis (1972-74) and Jerry Radocha (1974-77).

Active in the National Coaches Association, he conducts his own BSC basketball school and has served as a guest lecturer at other schools and clinics in the East. In 1974 he presented a two-week clinic to players and coaches in Brazil.

A native of East Berlin, Pa., Chronister earned both his bachelor's and master's degrees in health and physical education at East Stroudsburg State College. He is married to the former Carol L. Strausbaugh of Hanover. They have two children Lee Ann, age 10, and Caryn Lynn 8, and reside at 1214 Pine St., Skyview Acres.

Burt Reese Assistant Varsity Coach



After coaching the Bloomsburg freshman teams to 83 victories against 27 defeats over a seven-year span, **Burt Reese** moved into a different role two years ago with the basketball program.

In addition to working directly with Coach Chronister and the varsity players, he continues to coordinate the basketball recruiting efforts which have been so

successful at the college. He is considered by Coach Chronister as "one of the outstanding assistant coaches in the state".

A native of Taylor, Pennsylvania, he received both his Bachelor of Science and Master of Education degrees at East Stroudsburg State College. At ESSC he assisted in the basketball and tennis programs as a graduate assistant.

After leaving ESSC, he joined the faculty of Old Forge (Pa.) High School where he was assistant basketball coach at Abington Heights High School, Clarks Summit (Pa.) for three and one half years.

Reese has also been an extremely successful tennis coach at BSC having produced some outstanding teams over the past eight years. He and his wife Marion and their two year old daughter Meredith reside in Scenic Knolls near Bloomsburg.

Michael Herbert Freshman Coach



During the past 12 years, Dr. Michael Herbert has served in numerous capacities on the basketball staff, and he is in his third season as the freshman coach. Along with this added responsibility, "Doc" continues to aid the varsity team as a practice and game assistant. His knowledge

and enthusiasm for the game has been a significant asset to the overall cage program.

A native of Lansford, Pennsylvania, Herbert received his degrees at the University of Maryland and Lehigh University. He is a professor of Biology and also coaches women's tennis. He previously served as head golf coach and a number of years ago as head tennis coach.

Gary Tyler, a former Husky standout (1972-75), is in his second year as an assistant JV coach.

PROMISING PERFORMERS

Miles Rejtouer, a 6'3" junior who was also a top JV last year (18 p.p.g.). The Reading forward is a good shooter and has good basketball sense. He'll also see plenty of play.

Jeff Roth, a 6'2" junior from Lansdale who is up from the JV's. He has quick moves and is capable of getting a hot hand and is tough on defense.

FRESHMEN

Bill Tillman, a 6'4" forward from Cranford, N.J., who is one of the best prospective recruits in recent years. Bill has good moves and leaping ability and is a capable scorer. A future Maroon and Gold star.

Jim Fertig, a 6'2" guard from Lansdale, is following in his brother Rick's footsteps (1960's). He is a good outside shooter, and his overall play should improve steadily as the season progresses.

Tim Beish, a 6'5" forward who is another local Central Columbia product. Tim needs seasoning and should be helpful in inside shooting and on the boards.

RETURNING LETTERMEN



Steve Bright, a 6'5" forward/center who was named to the Academic All-American team last season, returns in hopes of boosting his average of 9.7 p.p.g. and 6.9 rebounds per contest. Steve, a senior co-captain, was an area high school standout from Central

Columbia. He's a hard worker under the boards and is a consecutive shooter from the field and the foul line.

John Bucher, a 6'3" junior who performed chiefly with the JV's last season (16 p.p.g.). He was good scoring power and is a rugged rebounder who will see a lot of action. Hometown is Ephrata.



strong rebounder for a guard.

Harry Warren, a 6'3" key ball handler in last season's contests, is the team's other co-captain. He scored an average of 6.0 p.p.g. while setting up many scoring plays for the team. He led the team last year in assists with an 8.2 average. He is a



rebounds in his junior year.

Al Williams, 6'5", was the second leading scorer on the team last season with a total of 363 points and a 75% free throw average. An excellent outside shooter, Al is a senior from Brooklyn, N.Y., who averaged 15.1 points per game and pulled down 141

George Foering, a 5'10" sophomore from Lansdale who performed in 20 of the 29 games last season. A good feeder, he started on occasion and was third in assists with 64. Foering needs to improve on outside shooting.

Jeff Slocum, a 6'5" senior from Clarks Summit who was a good off-the-bench scorer and rebounder in crucial situations. He could help inside scoring and possibly earn a starter's berth.

VARSITY ROSTER

No.	Name	Cl.	Ht.	Wt.	High School	Hometown
34	Beish, Tim	Fr.	6-5	195	Central Columbia	Bloomsburg
30	*Bright, Steve	Sr.	6-5	215	Central Columbia	Bloomsburg
24	*Bucher, John	Jr.	6-4	180	Ephrata	Ephrata
20	Fertig, James	Fr.	6-2	185	Lansdale Catholic	Lansdale
10	*Foering, George	So.	5-10	165	Lansdale Catholic	Lansdale
40	Reitnouer, Miles	Jr.	6-3	190	Oley	Reading
22	Roth, Jeff	Jr.	6-2	160	McCaskey	Lancaster
42	*Slocum, Jeff	Sr.	6-5	190	Abington Heights	Clarks Summit
44	Tillman, Bill	Fr.	6-4	170	Cranford	Cranford, N.J.
14	**Warren, Harry	Sr.	6-3	180	Sun Valley	Aston
32	*Williams, Al	Sr.	6-5	170	Art & Design	Brooklyn, N.Y.

**Denotes Team Captain

*Denotes Lettermen

JUNIOR VARSITY ROSTER

[H-A]	No.	Name	Cl.	Ht.	Wt.	High School	Hometown
	42-43	Bowlby, Doug	Fr.	6-9	225	Franklin	Franklin, N.J.
	20-21	Cable, Mark	Fr.	6-2	165	Freedom	Bethlehem
	24-25	Kiersnowski, David	Fr.	6-3	180	Lourdes Regional	Shamokin
	10-11	Klinger, Brian	Fr.	5-9	155	Cedar Crest	Lebanon
	14-15	McNaughton, John	So.	6-4	170	Newport	Newport
	22-23	Ogden, David	Fr.	6-3	155	Central Columbia	Bloomsburg
	12-13	McCann, Don	Fr.	5-11	160	Abington Heights	Clarks Summit

Team Managers: Jim Hollister and Mark Raynes

OUTLOOK

The 1977-78 cage campaign of Bloomsburg State College will undoubtedly have a "new look" on offense that will differ noticeably from previous Husky teams of Coach Charles Chronister.

"Our plays and scoring will vary much more this year," Chronister states. "When we had All-American Jerry Radocha the last couple of years and All-American John Willis before that, we had the type of performer you can build an offense around. Now we have no particular standout, but a number of potentially good shooters, all of whom are capable of contributing double figures at any given time. We have made some apparent changes on both offense and defense. It should be an interesting year."

In addition to Radocha, Chronister lost two other fine performers through graduation from last year's 17-7 team—Rich Evans, a good rebounder who is ninth in career points for BSC with 755, and Rick Joseph, who contributed 588 points in his career with the Huskies. Radocha is the college's leader in career points with 1778 after surpassing Willis' three-year career mark of 1467 points.

The bright side of the picture is the return of four starters—Academic All-American Steve Bright (9.7 p.p.g.), forward/center Al Williams (15.1 p.p.g.), and guards Harry Warren, (6.0 p.p.g.) and George Foering (4.4 p.p.g.). Bright and Williams were both key rebounders, averaging about seven per game while Warren led the team in assists with 173, and Foering also contributed 64 assists. Williams became the tenth all-time career scorer with 709 points.

Two reserves from last year's squad fighting for a starting berth are 6-5 Jeff Slocum and 6-4 John Bucher. Slocum came off of the bench last year to give the Huskies added rebounding power, and also contributed vital points in some clutch situations. Bucher saw limited varsity action and as a JV averaged 16 p.p.g. He is being converted to a guard, and his overall strength makes him an outstanding leaper.

Two others under consideration from last year's JV team are Miles Reitnour (18 p.p.g.) and Jeff Roth (12 p.p.g.). In addition to his scoring ability, Reitnour is a good jumper, and Roth at guard shoots well and plays tough defense.

Several freshmen will be making the big jump from high school play to a varsity berth. They include 6-2 Jim Fertig, who was a leading scorer at Lansdale Catholic; 5-7 Brian Klinger, who is a good ball handler and was a member of the Cedar Crest High district championship team of two years ago; and 6-4 Bill Tillman, one of the better incoming freshman of recent years. Fertig, a brother of Rick who was a Husky standout in the 1960's, is a smart player and will be utilized at guard. Tillman is capable of starting at guard or

forward with his fine shooting and great leaping abilities.

Another freshman who is receiving strong consideration is 6-5 Tim Beish, a former standout at Central Columbia.

BSC faces another of its usually tough schedules, and the Huskies will be shooting for their seventh straight winning season under Chronister.

Leading All-Time Career Scorers

**Jerry Radocha	1778*	1973-1977
**John Willis	1467	1971-1974
Robert Herzig	1362*	1961-1965
Richard Lloyd	1339*	1958-1962
Howard Johnson	946	1969-1972
James Platukis	878	1968-1971
Robert Snyder	859	1967-1970
Paul Kuhn	851	1969-1972
Rick Evans	755*	1973-1977
Al Williams	709	1974-1977

All Other Figures Represent Three-Year Totals

*Indicates Four-Year Record

**All-American

COLLEGE FACTS

Location: Bloomsburg, Pa. 17815

Enrollment: FTU—2,040 men, 2,685 women

Colors: Maroon and Gold

Athletic Director: H. Cecil Turberville
(Phone: 389-3225)

Associate Athletic Director: Joanne McComb
(Phone: 389-3912)

Coach: Charles Chronister (Phone: 389-3225)

Member: NCAA, ECAC, PC

Home Court: Nelson Fieldhouse

Capacity: 4,000

Director of Public Information and Acting Sports Information Director: Bruce "Nick" Dietterick
(Phone: 389-3411, Office; 752-7578, Home)

Year Founded: 1939

Nickname: Huskies

President: Dr. James H. McCormick

TITLE IX

Bloomsburg State College does not discriminate on the basis of sex, race, color, creed, age, or handicap as required by Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 and by other legislation.

1977-78 SCHEDULE

Jan. 6-7	Keystone Invitational Klassic (Carnegie-Mellon, Clarion & Widener)	7:00&9	H
	11 Muhlenberg	8:00	H
	14 *Millersville	6:15&8	H
	18 *Kutztown	6:15&8	A
	21 *Mansfield	6:15&8	H
	23 Cheyney	8:00	A
	28 *Shippensburg	6:15&8	H
	30 *East Stroudsburg	6:00&8	A
Feb.	4 LeMoyne	8:15	A
	6 King's	8:00	A
	8 *Millersville	6:15&8	A
	11 *Kutztown	6:15&8	H
	15 *Mansfield	6:15&8	A
	18 *East Stroudsburg	6:15&8	H
	20 Wilkes	8:00	A
	22 *Scranton	6:15&8	H
	25 Conference Championships		

*Denotes JV Game

1976-77 RESULTS

BSC		Opp.
77	Lock Haven	68
77	Bucknell University	72
57	LeMoyne College	52
123	East Stroudsburg	93
81	Shippensburg	79
68	Cheyney	77
90	Lynchburg College	97
84	Roanoke College	81
93	Muhlenberg	63
68	Dickinson	66
85	West Chester	73
88	York College	76
85	Millersville	91
61	Kutztown	60
70	Mansfield	79
78	East Stroudsburg	58
63	Shippensburg	54
63	Cheyney	62
81	Wilkes College	69
77	King's College	83
93	Millersville	71
55	Kutztown	53
66	Mansfield	75
67	Scranton University	77

Overall Record: 17-7

Pa. Conf. Record: 8-4

Chronister's Six-Year Record

Year	Won	Lost
1971-72	18	7
1972-73	20	5
1973-74	22	6
1974-75	15	10
1975-76	13	10
1976-77	17	7