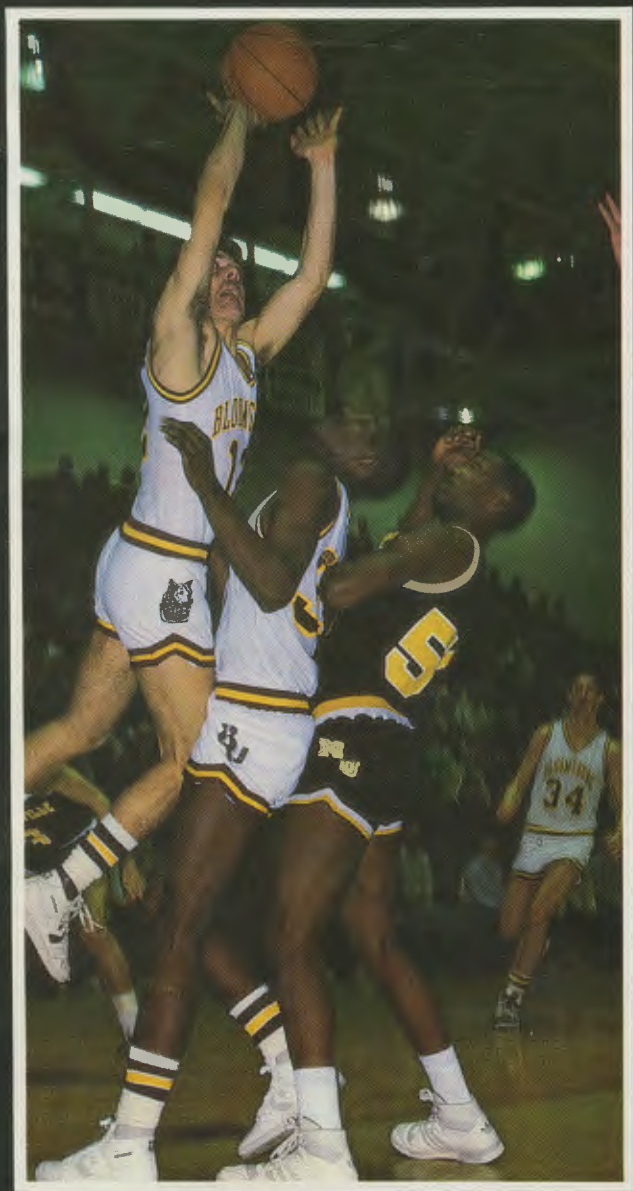


Bloomsburg University Basketball



**“A Winning Tradition”
1987-88**

— BLOOMSBURG UNIVERSITY —

Bloomsburg University is a multi-purpose institution of higher education serving the citizens of Pennsylvania as one of the 14 Commonwealth-owned universities. With a commitment to provide a quality, affordable education for all qualified students, Bloomsburg combines the tradition of an institution founded in 1839 with modern learning, living, and recreational programs and facilities. Commonwealth funding provides 55 percent of Bloomsburg's annual operating budget.

Undergraduate students may enroll in degree programs in 64 areas of study in the arts and sciences, business, teacher education, nursing, and health sciences. A program in engineering is offered in conjunction with the Pennsylvania State University, and preparation for post-baccalaureate study at professional schools is offered. Unique educational opportunities are available through advanced placement, study abroad, professional practicum, internships, independent study, and the Department of Developmental Instruction programs.

At the graduate level, the master's degree is offered in 25 areas of study, and there are 10 supervisory certification programs in the field of teacher education.

Extended program offerings provide continuing, life-long learning opportunities for people of all ages and educational interest through non-degree courses, non-credit mini-courses offered at off-campus locations, and by public service television and credit for work experience.

Enrollment for the fall semester 1987 totalled 6,936 students. There were 5,452 full-time and 900 part-time undergraduates and 122 full-time and 462 part-time graduate students. Instruction is provided by a 367-member faculty.

The university's 173-acre campus overlooks the Town of Bloomsburg and the scenic Susquehanna Valley. Carver Hall, built in 1867, provides a contrast with the modern facilities that include seven residence halls, a library, a 2,000-seat auditorium, student union, dining hall, gymnasium, administration building, five classroom buildings, athletic fields, and recreational areas on the lower campus.

An athletic complex and recreational area occupy the school's 100-acre upper campus. In addition, the James H. McCormick Center for Human Services is the newest building on the lower campus and was used for the first time in the fall of 1985.

Located less than two miles from an Interstate 80 interchange and 22 miles from Interstate 81, Bloomsburg is within one hour's driving time from Wilkes-Barre/Scranton, Hazleton, and Williamsport, 1½ hours from Harrisburg, 2½ hours from Philadelphia, and three hours from New York City. The community is 45 miles from the Avoca International Airport and is serviced by major bus lines.

Bloomsburg has an enviable placement record. Of the 1,104 who graduated in the 1984-85 academic year, 81.4% have meaningful employment or were in graduate school one year later.

Active files of over 25,000 living alumni are kept by the university. Graduates of BU have distinguished themselves in areas including law, medicine (one is a Nobel Laureate), science, architecture, education, industry, and research.

Bloomsburg University is fully accredited by the Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools, the National Council for the Accreditation of Teacher Education, and the Pennsylvania Board of Education.

Bloomsburg University is committed to Affirmative Action and Equal Opportunity. Minorities, women, and other protected class members are urged to pursue educational and employment opportunities at Bloomsburg University.

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Quick Facts and Contacts at Bloomsburg

Location: Bloomsburg, PA 17815
Enrollment: 6,936
General Information: 717-389-4000
President: Dr. Harry Ausprich
Athletic Director: Roger Sanders
Associate Athletic Director: Mary Gardner
Athletic Department: 717-389-4354
Colors: Maroon and Gold
Nickname: Huskies
Home Court: Nelson Fieldhouse (3000)
Pressbox: 717-389-4353
Trainer: Art Hopkins (phone: 717-389-4401)
Conference: Pennsylvania (Eastern Division)
1986-87 Record: 17-11
1986-87 Division Record: 11-3 (2nd)

President

Harry Ausprich



Dr. Harry Ausprich began his tenure July 15, 1985, as the 16th president of Bloomsburg University. His appointment follows that of former President James H. McCormick, who is currently serving as the Chancellor for the State System of Higher Education, and Dr. Larry W. Jones, who served as President for two years on an acting and interim basis.

Prior to coming to Bloomsburg, Ausprich served at Kent State University as dean of the College of Fine and Professional Arts from 1978 to 1985. While there, he was instrumental in implementing a program in fashion design and merchandising that has gained a national reputation. In addition, he served as dean of the Blossom Festival School Program in cooperation with the Cleveland Orchestra. In previous years, he served as dean of the Faculty of Arts and later as Dean of the Faculty of Arts and Humanities, both at SUNY Buffalo. While at Buffalo, he developed a proposal for a program in dance and for a series of interdisciplinary seminars in the arts. In the early 1970s he worked at the University of Northern Iowa as dean of the College of Humanities and Fine Arts. Classroom teaching experiences and departmental chairperson responsibilities comprised his major assignments at Indiana State University and Memphis State University.

His academic background includes a bachelor of science degree from New York University, College at Buffalo, a master of science degree from the University of Wisconsin in theater and broadcasting, and a doctorate from Michigan State University in communications and theater.

Athletic Director

Roger Sanders



Roger Sanders assumed his duties as Bloomsburg's director of athletics in June 1982. In addition, Sanders has served as head coach of the Huskies' highly successful Division I wrestling program for the past 15 years compiling an enviable 175-72-3 record. During his tenure, BU has captured five Pennsylvania Conference championships and an Eastern Wrestling League title. He has coached 37 PC champions and numerous all-Americans including six national championships.

Under his direction, many new projects have developed in the Athletic Department including the construction of nine new athletic practice fields and an addition to the Redman Stadium pressbox. He has also spent numerous hours working on a program to build a general athletic scholarship fund through the Husky Club-Alumni Association to aid Bloomsburg in its efforts to maintain a highly competitive program in the Pennsylvania Conference and NCAA Divisions I and II.

A native of Fairless Hills, PA, Sanders graduated from West Chester where he won three Middle Atlantic University Division championships and a NCAA College Division crown. During his four years of collegiate wrestling, he never lost a dual match.

Before coming to Bloomsburg, he served as head coach at New York University where he had a five-year record of 50-18-1.

Associate Athletic Director

Mary Gardner



Mary Gardner is in her second year as Associate Athletic Director for Bloomsburg. Before assuming her athletic administration duties she was head coach of the women's swimming and diving team for twelve seasons. Her teams posted an overall record of 88-28 in dual meet action and finished as the Pennsylvania Conference runner-up six years in a row from 1981 to 1986. She coached 44 performers to multiple All-American honors as the Huskies' coach. Her new duties include primary responsibilities for overseeing the Bloomsburg women's athletic program as well as scheduling of events and fundraising to aid the general athletic scholarship fund.

Gardner joined the Bloomsburg athletic department in 1974 and initiated the women's swimming and diving program that winter. In just her fifth season as coach she led the team to its lone undefeated campaign as the Huskies posted a record of 10-0. She has also served as Bloomsburg's head field hockey coach and recorded a 20-12-9 mark.

She also serves as the university's Director of Equal Opportunity in Sports (DEOS).

The Hatboro, PA native earned her bachelor's and master's degrees at East Stroudsburg where she was a four-year letterwinner in field hockey and swimming. She was a three-time national champion in the breaststroke.

Head Coach

Charles Chronister

Head coach Charles Chronister is entering his 17th season in charge of the Huskies' basketball program. The veteran mentor has directed his teams to an enviable record of 282-149 and 16 consecutive winning campaigns. He is the winningest coach in Bloomsburg history and has led his units into 10 post season tournaments, including four NCAA championship tourneys.



His teams have enjoyed several outstanding seasons and have won 15 or more contests in a season on 12 occasions. Five of those years produced records including more than 20 victories and his 1973-74 and 1982-83 teams reached the national quarterfinals. Other national tournament teams were in 1980-81 and 1981-82. Chronister-coached teams have established almost every Bloomsburg single game, season and career record.

Chronister also coached the Huskies to their first ever title in the tough Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference (PSAC) during the 1980-81 season. The Huskies have also won three PSAC Eastern Division crowns during his tenure as coach. The Huskies posted their first 20-win season in 1972-73 posting a mark of 20-5. During Bloomsburg's stretch of three straight NCAA post season tournament appearances between 1980-83 the Huskies recorded a 70-24 log, including a school-record 24 wins in 1981-82.

Last season the team, which did not have a senior on the roster, got off to a slow start winning just six of its first 14 games but came on strong in the months of January and February to win 11 of its final 14 games to finish at 17-11. Included among those 17 victories was an 11-3 mark in the PSAC Eastern Division which secured second place and a spot in the conference's championship tournament. The Huskies lost to eventual champion Millersville in the semifinals.

During his first 16 seasons Chronister's teams have been trademarked as well-coached, well-disciplined squads at both ends of the floor. In the 16 seasons his clubs have only allowed the opposition more than 100 points in a game on one occasion and conversely have only been limited to less than 50 points in a contest 11 times, winning six of those games.

He has coached three All-Americans since taking over the Bloomsburg program in 1971-72. Center John Willis, the school's second all-time leading rebounder and fourth best scorer; forward Jerry Radocha, the all-time leading scorer; and Jon Bardsley, the school's career assist leader and eighth-leading scorer all earned the top honor while performing for the Huskies and helping the team into the national tournament. Chronister has coached the school's top five all-time scorers and nine of the school's top 11 on the scoring list.

The Huskies' coach is a 1963 graduate of East Stroudsburg with a bachelor's degree in health and physical education and earned his master's degree from the school as well. He served as an assistant coach at Gettysburg College under Bob Hulton for four seasons prior to accepting the job at Bloomsburg. He was also the head coach at Hanover (PA) High School in south central Pennsylvania where his teams compiled a record of 59-8 while winning numerous county championships and participating in the PIAA District III playoffs.



Assistant Coach Burt Reese

Burt Reese enters his 20th season as an assistant coach for the Huskies. For seven of those years, Reese coached the freshman basketball teams, compiling an 83-27 mark. For the past ten seasons, he has worked directly with the varsity program. His most important duty with the Huskies for the past several years has been coordinating the staff's recruiting efforts. In addition, Reese serves as the head coach of Bloomsburg's nationally ranked men's tennis team. He received his bachelor's and master's degrees from East Stroudsburg University.



Assistant Coach Dr. Michael Herbert

"Doc" Herbert enters his twenty-third season with Bloomsburg's basketball program. He has served in numerous capacities over the past 22 years, including a three-year stint in charge of the freshman team. He also serves as coach of the BU women's tennis squad and has led his team to three Pennsylvania Conference championships. His Huskies set a new conference record for points in a PC championship tournament with 27 points in 1985. Herbert received his bachelor's degree at the University of Maryland and his master's and doctorate degrees from Lehigh University.



Assistant Coach Ray Ricketts

Ray Ricketts begins his third season as an assistant coach at Bloomsburg. Ricketts came to BU from a highly successful program at Springfield College where he was an assistant for five seasons. Prior to that he was an assistant at the University of Massachusetts for four years. Ricketts is a 1974 graduate of Albright College where he still ranks as the school's seventh all-time leading scorer with 1558 career points. Ricketts was a four-year starter and served as captain for two seasons. He also earned his master's degree at Springfield.



Art Hopkins
Head Trainer



Rolene Wagner
Assistant Trainer



Ron Morgan
Equipment Manager



Dr. Jim Perry
Team Physician



Dr. Kathy Kopach
Team Physician

1987-88 Pre-Season Outlook

The Huskies would like to pick up this season right where they left off a year ago after winning 11 of their final 14 games in 1986-87 to post an overall record of 17-11. The young unit made steady progression as the season developed, and with five regulars returning this year, along with an experienced bench and a good recruiting class, Bloomsburg will seek its 22nd consecutive winning season, with a confidence that could carry the Huskies into post-season action for the sixth time in the last eight seasons.

Among the final 11 wins last season, nine came against Pennsylvania Conference Eastern Division opposition giving coach Charlie Chronister's squad second place with an 11-3 division mark and a spot in the conference's playoffs where they dropped a tough semifinal decision at Millersville, an eventual national tournament participant.

"Last season, we started with a lot of pieces of a good team," said Chronister, who is entering his 17th season with a record of 282-149. "I was very pleased with the way we came together and finished as a team. The maturity we gained for our young people can only be a help to us, and we feel real good right now about the entire picture and our chance to continue the success we have had."

This year's team may boast the most balance in several seasons with solid performers to fill every role. Starting point guard Joe Stepanski, off guard John Williams, and forward Alex Nelcha all averaged in double figures, while forward Dave Carpenter and center Matt Wilson provided scoring when needed and ranked right behind Nelcha in the rebounding department. In addition, Steve Melchoir and Dallas Wilson saw time in almost every game a year ago, and Greg Thomas returns after rehabilitation work on an injured knee during the 1986-87 campaign.

Nelcha is the top returning scorer and rebounder after averaging 13.3 p.p.g. and 9.1 rebounds. He was selected as last year's team Most Valuable Player and is developing into one of the conference's leading inside players. His increasing strength is helping him develop into an outstanding rebounder and shot blocker.

Stepanski and Williams gave the Huskies a solid duo at the guard positions, averaging 11.6 and 10.4 p.p.g., respectively. Stepanski ran the club from his point guard slot and handed out 84 assists last season. He is one of the team's top defensive performers and is the one key player the Huskies need on the floor at crucial times. He shoots the ball well and is a solid three-point threat. Williams' explosive offensive ability made an immediate impact on the club a year ago. His constant improvement paralleled the team's progress throughout the season. He also is looked to on defense to be the Huskies "stopper."

Along with Williams, Carpenter also made a big impression in his first season of collegiate basketball. A tough front line player, he averaged 6.2 p.p.g. and 6.6 rebounds while providing the Huskies with the needed strength to improve their rebounding by an average of more than seven per contest. With the year of experience, he figures to be a key to the squad's inside success.

Matt Wilson is the biggest player to perform at Bloomsburg in several seasons and gives the Huskies the size they possibly need to make another run at the national playoffs. He contributed 7.2 p.p.g. and 5.6 rebounds and might be the most improved player since last season.

Melchoir and Dallas Wilson saw action as role players last season and are in the process of making the transition from inside to the wing position. Melchoir averaged 3.4 p.p.g. and 2.6 rebounds while Wilson added 2.8 p.p.g. and 1.7 rebounds. Both players should see considerable playing time throughout the season.

Thomas' status will depend on his health and how well he overcomes missing almost the entire season a year ago. He participated in only four games before being sidelined and averaged 4.0 p.p.g. In 1985, he averaged 4.2 p.p.g. and 1.7 rebounds in the role as the sixth man and played in all 26 games that season.

Another player who saw very limited action in his freshman season appears to have made vast improvement in the off-season and could earn playing time on the front line. Sophomore Kyle Miller has the potential to score and rebound and should improve upon his 1.2 p.p.g. and 1.2 rebounding averages with more playing time.

"We return good overall size and possess great quickness and explosiveness at the wings," said Chronister. "In addition, I feel very good about our point guard position. We have a proven leader in whom I have a lot of confidence."

Two key areas were the priority in Chronister's recruiting efforts, and the Huskies appear to have picked up talented performers at both the wing and point spots. Newcomers Bob Coppolino, the outstanding player in the Northern Division of Philadelphia's Catholic League, and Kevin Reynolds, one of the top guards in the Lehigh Valley, should provide more than adequate depth at the point behind Stepanski. The addition of the duo also affords the Huskies the opportunity to put either in the lineup while moving Stepanski to a wing position.

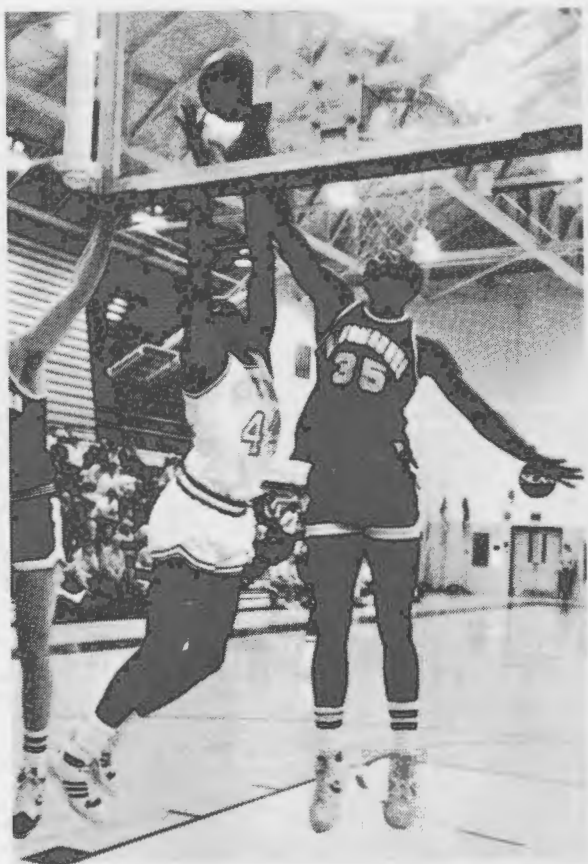
Craig Phillips, an All-Metro Washington, D.C. second team selection, and Kelvin Morris, an all-city high school Division I choice in New York City, give the Huskies two additional quality performers at the wing.

"Very simply, we got what we wanted in our recruiting efforts," said Chronister. "Our intentions were to pick up talented people who can help us at the wings and add some depth at the point. The new people are the type of players who should fit our program quite well."

The Huskies open the regular campaign against perennial Division II power Mt. St. Mary's in the Gettysburg tournament following an exhibition with a touring team sponsored by Marathon Oil Company in early November. Action in the PC Eastern Division begins after the start of the second semester.

1987-88 Pre-Season Roster

Name	Class	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Hometown (High School)
Dave Carpenter	So.	F	6-7	225	Oreland (Upper Dublin)
Bob Coppelino	Fr.	G	5-11	160	Philadelphia (Cardinal Dougherty)
Jim Higgins	Jr.	G	6-2	175	Phoenixville (Phoenixville)
Steve Melchoir	Jr.	F	6-6	190	Lansdale (North Penn)
Kyle Miller	So.	F	6-6	215	East Stroudsburg (Sparta N.J.)
Kelvin Morris	Fr.	G	6-0	150	Bronx, N.Y. (Rice)
Alex Nelcha	Jr.	F/C	6-7	205	Caracas, Venezuela (Luis Ezelosin Liceo)
Craig Phillips	Fr.	G	6-2	180	Washington, D.C. (Eastern)
Kevin Reynolds	Fr.	G	5-11	160	Bethlehem (Bethlehem Catholic)
Joe Stepanski	Sr.	G	6-0	160	Shickshinny (Northwest)
Greg Thomas	Sr.	G	6-3	175	Carlisle (Carlisle)
John Williams	So.	G	6-2	178	Detroit, Mich. (Detroit North)
Dallas Wilson	So.	F	6-4	185	Wyandanch, N.Y. (Wyandanch)
Matt Wilson	Sr.	C	6-10	240	Setauket, N.Y. (Ward Melville)



Dave Carpenter

6'5" 214 lbs. Sophomore
Oreland, Pa. Upper Dublin H.S.

Enjoyed a very good freshman season for the Huskies and should top that due to added size and strength. His improved consistency makes him one of the club's top three big men, and he figures to be one of the keys to the success of the inside game. A solid ball-handler who works extremely well within the offense and is a good rebounder. A year ago he performed well, especially defensively, but must continue to improve his quickness and shooting range. Averaged 6.2 p.p.g. and 6.6 rebounds while missing just one of the team's 28 games last year, that due to injury. A good free throw shooter who made 62 of 83 (74%) and had the fewest turnovers among the regulars last season.

**Bob Coppolino**

5'11" 160 lbs. Freshman
Philadelphia, Pa. Cardinal Dougherty H.S.

A good athlete who competed in several sports in high school and was the outstanding player in the Northern Division of Philadelphia's Catholic League last season. Has a "point guard personality" and helps fill the Huskies' most pressing recruiting need. Possesses very good skills in break situations and has a knack for delivering the ball to the right person in the right place. Showed good leadership abilities in high school and allows the coaching staff the option of moving veteran Joe Stepanski to the off guard slot on occasion. His court awareness is a definite strength, and if he can make the adjustment in the early going, he could see a lot of action this season.

**Jim Higgins**

6'2" 175 lbs. Junior
Phoenixville, Pa. Phoenixville H.S.

Is a pleasant surprise who should provide some experienced depth at the wing position. He is a transfer from a solid program at Keystone (Pa.) Junior College and was a two-year starter at the school. Has a very good understanding of the game and is a good passer. Doesn't appear to have any outstanding qualities but possesses a good overall game and should provide stability when he is on the court. He is not eligible until the second semester which should give him ample time to adjust to the new system.

**Steve Melchoir**

6'6" 190 lbs. Junior
Lansdale, Pa. North Penn H.S.

Has performed as a role player over the past two seasons and will probably be asked to change positions this season moving from the inside to a wing position. His transition to the new surroundings will determine his playing time early in the campaign, but his experience should assist the move. Excellent shooting touch for a big man from the 15'-18' range. He will definitely provide good experience and depth of the bench no matter where he plays. Needs to improve his mobility and gain a feel for facing the basket more than in the past. Averaged 3.4 p.p.g. and 2.6 rebounds as he played in 20 games in 1986-87, which were similar to his numbers of 3.0 p.p.g. and 1.8 rebounds in his first year.

**Kyle Miller**

6'6" 215 lbs. Sophomore
East Stroudsburg, Pa. Sparta (N.J.) H.S.

Made great improvement during the off season and could press for playing time on the inside. He uses his body very well to establish position and has the capability to score in the basket area. If there is a "blue-collar" worker on the squad, he has to be it. A solid player who understands his limitations and doesn't try to do things that aren't expected of him on the floor. He needs to work on his foot speed and limited shooting range but has made strides in those areas as well. Averaged 1.2 p.p.g. and 1.2 rebounds while seeing limited action in 11 games a year ago.



Kelvin Morris
6'0" 150 lbs. Freshman
Bronx, N.Y. Rice H.S.

Was a pleasant surprise in the recruiting efforts. A good high school player from a tough, competitive area. Should provide good depth at the wing position, another area where the coaching staff looked for additional help. A very explosive offensive player who also has good three-point shooting range. He also takes the ball to the basket very well and is the type of player for the position, although his size could be a limiting factor. Was an all-city high school Division I selection last season.



Alex Nelcha
6'6" 205 lbs. Junior
Caracas, Venezuela, Luis Ezpelosin Liceo H.S.

Last season's team Most Valuable Player for the Huskies. Has come back with improved strength and should be one of the Pennsylvania Conference's top big men. Has really developed into an excellent rebounder and shot blocker with the experience he has gained in the past two seasons. A good athlete and tough competitor who will be looked to as the Huskies' inside scorer. When he is "on", the Huskies will be very tough to handle at both ends of the floor. He needs to continue to improve his strength but has all the other necessary tools to be one of the best Bloomsburg has had at the position. Averaged 7.4 p.p.g. and 5.1 rebounds as a freshman and improve those tremendously a year ago with averages of 13.3 p.p.g. and 9.1 rebounds.



Craig Phillips
6'2 180 lbs. Freshman
Washington, D.C. Eastern H.S.

He was a second team All-Metro selection in Washington last season and should be one of those rare players to enter the program and make an immediate impact as a freshman. His background of playing against outstanding competition in high school should make his transition period an easy one. He is a good athlete who likes to go to the basket and create the three-point play opportunity. Has great court awareness and is a solid passer. His defensive skills will allow the Huskies to extend their defense when he is on the floor. Needs some improvement on his perimeter shooting but is almost perfectly molded for the wing position he'll play.



Kevin Reynolds
5'11" 160 lbs. Freshman
Bethlehem, Pa. Bethlehem Catholic

Was possibly the best point guard to come out of the Lehigh Valley last year and will be a real bonus for the Huskies at the position. Sees the entire court very well and is a solid ballhandler and passer. A smart player with good leadership skills who has the necessary tools to be a good college point guard. He must work on his physical strength but will be in a real battle for the backup point guard role on this year's unit. He was an All-East Penn Conference choice as well as a Lehigh Valley all-star selection.



Joe Stepanski
6'0" 160 lbs. Senior
Shickshinny, Pa. Northwest H.S.

Probably the one player the Huskies cannot play without this season. He is a proven leader who has the complete confidence of the coaching staff as well as his teammates. One of the team's top defensive players who has the versatility to go to the wing position in certain situations. He is a serious scoring threat, especially from three-point range. A player with very few weaknesses and is extremely tough both mentally and physically. Averaged 11.6 p.p.g. and 2.8 rebounds. Led the team in assists with 84 and free throw percent (80) on a 89 of 111 performance at the line. He was 47 of 107 from beyond the three-point line and started all 28 games last season.



Greg Thomas
6'2" 175 lbs. Senior
Carlisle, Pa. Carlisle H.S.

Suffered a severe knee injury last season which sidelined him after only four games. He is a major question mark for this season depending on his response to the extensive rehabilitation efforts he is undergoing. He has a tremendous amount of court savvy and will play at the wing position. He is a good on-the-court leader and has three-point jump shooting range. His mobility and foot speed are his biggest deterrents. Averaged 4.0 p.p.g. last year before being forced from the lineup. The previous season, he played in all 26 games, averaging 4.2 p.p.g. and 1.7 rebounds.



John Williams
6'2" 178 lbs. Sophomore
Detroit, Mich. Detroit Northern H.S.

A very explosive offensive player who improved tremendously as last season progressed. Runs the court well and has the capability to put points on the board quickly. He has tremendous offensive instincts but could be the squad's top defensive player as well. Takes a lot of pride in defending the opponent's top outside threat. He is one of the Huskies' best athletes and excels at the end of the break. His continued improvement will be instrumental in the team's success this season. Must improve his shot selection but averaged a solid 10.4 p.p.g. and 4.0 rebounds. Earned a starting role as a first-year player and rapidly became a player others looked up to for making something positive happen at a crucial time.



Dallas Wilson
6'3" 185 lbs. Sophomore
Wyandanch, N.Y. Wyandanch H.S.

Made good progress last year as he made the transition from playing inside in high school to a wing position at Bloomsburg. Needs to continue to become more comfortable facing the basket and playing from the perimeter. Runs the floor well and likes to get out on the break. Has a good shooting technique and must rebound from the new position. He must continue to improve his ball-handling skills and defense away from the basket. He saw action in all but two games last season, averaging 2.8 p.p.g. and 1.7 rebounds.



Matt Wilson
6'10" 240 lbs. Senior
Setauket, N.Y. Ward Melville H.S.

May be the key to just how far the team carries out its playoff aspirations this season. One of the most improved players since last season and has the size a winning team needs at the starting center position. Has surprisingly quick moves for a big man in the low post area and a good shooting touch as he moves away from the basket. Huskies must get him the ball more in scoring positions, because he is capable of having big games. Seems to have more intensity had competitiveness and must maintain it as the season progresses. Still needs to keep improving his quickness. Averaged 7.2 p.p.g. and 5.6 rebounds. Shot better than 50 percent from the floor a year ago.



QUICK FACTS
on
1987-88 Opponents

Cheyney University
Cheyney, PA 191319

"Wolves"

Jan. 25, Away; Feb. 13, Home

Head Coach: Charlie Songster (6th)
Office Phone: (215) 399-2267
Home Phone: (215) 593-7073
1986-87 Overall Record: 19-8
1986-87 PC East Record: 8-6

Conference: Pennsylvania (East)
SID: George Heaslip
Office Phone: (215) 399-2025
Home Phone: (215) 593-6764
A.D.: Andy Hinson

Concordia College
Bronxville, NY 10708

"Clippers"

Feb. 26, Away

Head Coach: Howie Frajberg (1st)
Office Phone: (914) 337-9300 Ext. 222
Home Phone: (718) 428-0286
1986-87 Overall Record: 16-14
A.D.: Kathy Hardigan

Conference: Independant
SID: Kevin Cook
Office Phone: (914) 337-9300
Home Phone: N/A

LJU-C.W. Post Campus
Greenvale, NY 11548

"Pioneers"

Jan. 13, Home

Head Coach: Tom Galeazzi (7th)
Office Phone: (516) 299-2289
Home Phone: (516) 421-1891
1986-87 Overall Record: 25-5
1986-87 Conference Record: 8-0

Conference: Big Apple
SID: Bill Huffman
Office Phone: (516) 299-2333
Home Phone: (516) 629-1093
A.D.: Vin Salamone

East Stroudsburg University
East Stroudsburg, PA 18301

"Warriors"

Feb. 3, Home; Feb. 24, Away

Head Coach: Sal Mentesana (1st)
Office Phone: (717) 424-3317
Home Phone: N/A
1986-87 Overall Record: 3-23
1986-87 Conference Record: 2-12

Conference: Pennsylvania (East)
SID: Pete Nevins
Office Phone: (717) 424-3312
Home Phone: (717) 421-4246
A.D.: Dr. Louis M. Marciani

Elizabethtown College
Elizabethtown, PA 17022

"Blue Jays"

Husky Invitational; Jan. 9-10

Head Coach: Don P. Smith
Office Phone: (717) 367-1151 (Ext. 141)
Home Phone: (717) 566-9639
1986-87 Overall Record: 16-11
1986-87 Conference Record: 10-6

Conference: Middle Atlantic
SID: Art George
Office Phone: (717) 367-1151
Home Phone: (717) 367-4579
A.D.: D. Kenneth Ober

George Washington University
Washington, D.C. 20052

"Colonials"

Dec. 2, Away

Head Coach: John Kuester (3rd)
Office Phone: (202) 676-6656
Home Phone: N/A
1986-87 Overall Record: 10-19
1986-87 Conference Record: 6-12

Conference: Atlantic 10
SID: Doug Gould
Office Phone: (202) 994-6654
Home Phone: (301) 493-4574
A.D.: Steve Bilsky

Gettysburg College
Gettysburg, PA 17325

"Bullets"

Gettysburg Tournament; Nov. 20-21

Head Coach: Donald Anderson (3rd) **Conference:** Middle Atlantic
Office Phone: (717) 337-6406 **SID:** Robert B. Kenworthy
Home Phone: (717) 334-2828 **Office Phone:** (717) 337-6804
1986-87 Overall Record: 13-13 **Home Phone:** (717) 334-2881
1986-87 Conference Record: 8-4 **A.D.:** Robert T. Hulton

King's College
Wilkes-Barre, PA 19530

"Monarchs"

Dec. 12, Home

Head Coach: Ken Atkins (5th) **Conference:** Middle Atlantic
Office Phone: (717) 825-5900 **SID:** John Engel
Home Phone: (717) 829-0598 **Office Phone:** (717) 826-5900
1986-87 Overall Record: 20-5 **Home Phone:** (717) 822-3564
1986-87 Conference Record: 13-3 **A.D.:** John Dorish

Kutztown University
Kutztown, PA 19530

"Golden Bears"

Jan. 23, Home; Feb. 10, Away

Head Coach: Rick Binder (4th) **Conference:** Pennsylvania (East)
Office Phone: (215) 683-4064 **SID:** Pete Katsafanas
Home Phone: (215) 373-7037 **Office Phone:** (215) 683-4113
1986-87 Overall Record: 16-11 **Home Phone:** (215) 683-3846
1986-87 PC East Record: 9-5 **A.D.:** Irv Hess

Lincoln University
Lincoln University, PA 19352

"Lions"

Gettysburg Tournament; Nov. 20-21

Head Coach: Robert Byars (2nd) **Conference:** Eastern States Athletic
Office Phone: Robert Byars (2nd) **SID:** Sam Pressley
Home Phone: (215) 623-5289 **Office Phone:** (215) 932-8300
1986-87 Overall Record: 14-12 **A.D.:** Cyrus D. Jones

Lock Haven University
Lock Haven, PA 17745

"Bald Eagles"

Dec. 9, Away

Head Coach: Kurt Kanaskie (3rd) **Conference:** Pennsylvania (West)
Office Phone: (717) 893-2097 **SID:** Buck O'Reilly
Home Phone: (717) 748-6473 **Office Phone:** (717) 893-2350
1986-87 Overall Record: 22-9 **Home Phone:** (717) 748-2676
1986-87 PC West Record: 8-2 **A.D.:** Dr. Charles A. "Tod" Eberle

Mansfield University
Mansfield, PA 16933

"Mounties"

Jan. 30, Away; Feb. 20, Home

Head Coach: Roger Maisner (2nd) **Conference:** Pennsylvania (East)
Office Phone: (717) 662-4636 **SID:** Jamie Butsko
Home Phone: (717) 662-7268 **Office Phone:** (717) 662-4585
1986-87 Overall Record: 12-13 **Home Phone:** N/A
1986-87 PC East Record: 7-7 **A.D.:** Roger Maisner

Millersville University
Millersville, PA 17551

"Marauders"

Jan. 20, Away; Feb. 8, Home

Head Coach: John Kochan (5th)
Office Phone: (717) 872-3509
Home Phone: (717) 872-7191
1986-87 Overall Record: 27-4
1986-87 PC East Record: 13-1

Conference: Pennsylvania (East)
SID: Greg Wright
Office Phone: (717) 872-3100
Home Phone: (717) 872-1081
A.D.: Gene A. Carpenter

Mount Saint Mary's College
Emmitsburg, MD 21727

"Mountaineers"

Gettysburg Tournament; Nov. 20-21

Head Coach: Jim Phelan (34th)
Office Phone: (301) 447-6122 Ext. 474
Home Phone: (301) 447-2198
1986-87 Overall Record: 26-5
1986-87 Conference Record: 7-1

Conference: Mason Dixon
SID: Tim Leber
Office Phone: (301) 447-5364
Home Phone: (717) 848-1704
A.D.: Jim Phelan

New York Institute of Technology
Old Westbury, NY 11568

"Bears"

Dec. 6, Home

Head Coach: Robert DeBonis (4th)
Office Phone: (516) 686-7626
Home Phone: N/A
1986-87 Overall Record: 5-21

Conference: Big Apple
Athletics: (516) 686-7626
A.D.: Dr. William T. Lai
Conference Record: 1-7

Philadelphia Textile
Philadelphia, PA 19144

"Rams"

Feb. 1, Away

Head Coach: Herb Magee (21st)
Office Phone: (215) 951-2724
Home Phone: (215) 265-2829
1986-87 Overall Record: 16-14
1986-87 Conference Record: 4-6

Conference: Mideast
SID: Mike Kleiner
Office Phone: (215) 951-2852
Home Phone: (215) 848-0459
A.D.: Harry Pure

Queen's College
Flushing, NY 11367

"Knights"

Jan. 16, Home

Head Coach: Don Lizak (5th)
Office Phone: (718) 520-7775
Home Phone: N/A
1986-87 Overall Record: 18-11
1986-87 Conference Record: 5-3

Conference: Big Apple
SID: Steve Balsan
Office Phone: (718) 520-7775
Home Phone: (718) 478-2582
A.D.: Dr. Richard Wettan

Shippensburg University
Shippensburg, PA 17257

"Red Raiders"

Jan. 18, Away

Head Coach: Roger Goodling (11th)
Office Phone: (717) 532-1449
Home Phone: (717) 243-1542
Home Phone: ((717) 243-1542
1986-87 Overall Record: 8-18
1986-87 PC West Record: 3-11

Conference: Pennsylvania (West)
SID: John Alosi
Office Phone: (717) 532
Office Phone: (717) 532-1201
Home Phone: (717) 532-4435
A.D.: Dr. James Pribula

Susquehanna University
Selinsgrove, PA 17870

"Crusaders"

Nov. 30, Away

Head Coach, Daniel Perna (1st) Conference: Middle Atlantic
Office Phone: (717) 374-0101 (Est. 272) SID: TBA
Home Phone: (717) 694-3479 Office Phone: (717) 372-4432
1986-87 Overall Record: 10-15 Home Phone: N/A
1986-87 Conference Record: 8-8 A.D.: Connie Delbaugh

Upsala College
East Orange, NJ 07026

"Vikings"

Husky Invitational; Jan. 9-10

Head Coach: Russ Thompson (4th) Conference: Independent
Office Phone: (201) 266-7161 SID: Frank Centore
Home Phone: N/A Office Phone: (201) 266-7164
1986-87 Overall Record: 18-7 Home Phone: (201) 334-3450
A.D.: Ed Lyons

West Chester University
West Chester, PA 19383

"Golden Rams"

Jan. 27, Home; Feb. 17, Away

Head Coach: Earl Voss (15th) Conference: Pennsylvania (East)
Office Phone: (215) 436-2136 SID: Jeff Brewer
Home Phone: (215) 692-9286 Office Phone: (215) 436-3316
1986-87 Overall Record: 7-20 Home Phone: (215) 431-3517
1986-87 PC East Record: 3-11 A.D.: Richard B. Yoder

York College
York, PA 17405

"Spartans"

Nov. 23, Home; Husky Invitational, Jan. 9-10

Head Coach: Jeff Gamber (11th) Conference: Independent
Office Phone: (717) 846-7788 SID: Contact Gamber
Home Phone: (717) 244-9620 A.D.: Jeff Gamber
1986-87 Overall Record: 14-12

Records Against 1987-88 Opponents

Cheyney	36-39	.480
Concordia (N.Y.)	First Meeting	
C.W. Post	0-2	.000
East Stroudsburg	59-44	.573
Elizabethtown	3-2	.600
George Washington	First Meeting	
Gettysburg	3-1	.750
King's (Pa.)	19-15	.559
Kutztown	75-26	.743
Lincoln	First Meeting	
Lock Haven	73-26	.737
Mansfield	69-47	.595
Millersville	52-60	.464
Mt. St. Mary's	1-6	.143
New York Tech.	1-1	.500
Philadelphia Textile	4-14	.222
Queen's	3-1	.750
Shippensburg	81-47	.633
Susquehanna	17-11	.607
Upsala	First Meeting	
West Chester	43-26	.623
York (Pa.)	13-0	1.000
Total	552-368	.600

1986-87 Season Review

The preseason prospectus said the Huskies could be dangerous once they became accustomed to each other and, according to coach Charlie Chrncister, "get all the talent we have going in the same direction." It was a slow start, but the more mature the young club became, the more dangerous it got as evidenced by the Huskies' late-season win over Millersville, the club eventually ranked number one in the final regular-season Division II poll.

Bloomsburg won 10 of its final 12 games in the regular season to overcome a 6-8 start and went on to post a 17-11 mark, the school's 21st-consecutive winning campaign. Included in that record was an 11-3 record against Pennsylvania Conference Eastern Division competition, giving the Huskies a second-place finish in the division and a spot in the conference tournament where they dropped a semifinal decision to Millersville, to eventual titlist.

The campaign opened at the Longwood tournament, and the Huskies split a pair of games, losing the opening night to Queen's, 74-67, but rebounding for third place with a 79-70 overtime win over Newport News in the consolation game. Wins in their first two PC East contests over Shippensburg (69-62) and Kutztown (69-66) got the Huskies off to a good start in divisional play, but back-to-back losses to Millersville (79-67) and Mansfield (64-62) evened the PC East mark and began a stretch in which the club would lose five of its next six outings to fall two games below the .500 level.

A team-high point total of 107 helped the club rout visiting East Stroudsburg (107-63) to raise the Huskies to 3-2 in the division, but a pair of losses at the Scranton holiday tournament to Cabrini (79-74) and Binghamton (92-77) had to be the low point of the young season. A veteran King's club overcame an early deficit to hand Bloomsburg its third loss in a row prior to the Huskies' own tournament.

After a split of four games; which included wins over Bloomfield (78-57) and New York Tech (67-53) and losses to California (73-70) and national tournament participant Lock Haven (94-85), plus a runnerup showing in the invitational to start the second semester, Bloomsburg finally appeared to turn the corner in mid-January with a five-game winning streak. Teams break out of slumps in different ways, and for the Huskies, it was at the offensive end of the floor where they averaged 89.8 p.p.g. while defeating Queen's (85-78) on the road to avenge the season-opening loss, West Chester (89-77), Cheyney (95-72), York (101-85), and Shippensburg (79-58).

A loss to a hot-shooting Philadelphia Textile club (95-84) ended the streak, and the Huskies dropped their second contest in a row when Kutztown made a foul shot after time had expired to down the Huskies 75-74.

Another five-game winning skein helped the Huskies end the regular season in style. The big upset of highly ranked Millersville (60-55) started the streak, which included three wins on the road at Mansfield (86-80), East Stroudsburg (98-75), and Cheyney (74-72). The latter two away victories sandwiched a win over West Chester (94-75) in the Nelson Fieldhouse.

The solid play in the second half of the season earned the Huskies a spot in the Pennsylvania Conference tournament for the first time in three seasons. Continuing the type of performance that had gotten them to post-season action, the Huskies rolled over Kutztown (70-62) in the championship's first round. It was the third meeting of the season between the teams and set up a semifinal confrontation with Millersville.

The Marauders took advantage of the chance to get revenge for the loss they suffered at Bloomsburg just two weeks prior to the playoffs and handed the Huskies an 87-73 setback, which ended the season for a young team that grew a lot during the season.

Without a senior on the roster, the Huskies had several goals at the beginning of the season. Foremost was to improve as the season progressed, and although the squad struggled early in the campaign, once the pieces began to fit, Bloomsburg basketball returned to its familiar place among the elite in the conference.



1986-87 SEASON RESULTS

DATE	OPPONENT	SCORE	HIGH SCORER	HIGH REBOUNDER
11-21/22	at Longwood Tourn. Queen's	67-74	Carpenter-16 Connelly-16	Carpenter-13
	Newport News	79-70 (ot)	Stepanski-14	M. Wilson-9
12-1	at Shippensburg	69-62	Connelly-18	Nelcha-14
12-3	KUTZTOWN	69-66	Connelly-20 Stepanski-20	M. Wilson-10
12-6	at Millersville	67-79	Connelly-22	M. Wilson-9
12-10	MANSFIELD	62-64	Nelcha-12 M. Wilson-12	Nelcha-7
12-13	EAST STROUDSBURG	107-63	Williams-17	Nelcha-11
12-19/20	at Scranton Tourn. Cabrini	74-79	Nelcha-20	Nelcha-9
	Binghamton	77-92	Connelly-18	Nelcha-7
1-7	at King's	65-77	Nelcha-19 Stepanski-19	Nelcha-15
1-9/10	HUSKY INVITATIONAL Bloomfield	78-57	Nelcha-22	Carpenter-10
	California (Pa.)	70-73	Connelly-20 M. Wilson-20	Nelcha-9
1-12	at New York Tech.	67-53	Connelly-16	M. Wilson-15
1-14	LOCK HAVEN	85-94	Williams-16	Nelcha-10
1-17	at Queen's	85-78	Connelly-21	Carpenter-17
1-21	at West Chester	89-77	Connelly-20	M. Wilson-11
1-24	CHEYNEY	95-72	Stepanski-21	M. Wilson-9
1-26	at York (Pa.)	101-85	Connelly-29	Carpenter-9 Nelcha-9
1-31	SHIPPENSBURG	79-58	Williams-17	Williams-10
2-2	PHIL. TEXTILE	84-95	Connelly-21 Nelcha-21	Carpenter-10
2-4	at Kutztown	74-75	Simpkins-23	Carpenter-7
2-7	MILLERSVILLE	60-55	Williams-19	Carpenter-16
2-11	at Mansfield	86-80	Connelly-26	Carpenter-7
2-14	At East Stroudsburg	98-75	Connelly-25	Nelcha-15
2-18	WEST CHESTER	94-75	Stepanski-15 Connelly-15	Nelcha-8
2-21	at Cheyney	74-72	Connelly-20	Nelcha-12
2-23	*KUTZTOWN	70-62	Connelly-26	Nelcha-16
2-25	*at Millersville	73-87	Nelcha-19	Nelcha-9

* Pennsylvania Conference Playoff Contest

1986 — 1987 Season Statistics

Player	# Games	Field Goals			3-Pl. FG			Free Throws			Points		Rebounds		Pers.	TO	Assists
		Att.	Sc'd	Pct.	Att.	Sc'd	Pct.	Att.	Sc'd	Pct.	#	Avg.	#	Avg.	Fouls		
Dave Carpenter	27	118	53	44.9	0	0	0.0	83	62	74.7	168	6.2	186	6.6	80/3	35	8
Bill Connelly	28	148	146	41.9	84	37	44.0	171	130	76.0	459	16.3	103	3.7	73/1	80	49
Jim Lavelle	7	13	5	38.0	1	0	0.0	6	2	33.3	12	1.7	4	0.6	7	8	11
Steve Melchoir	20	56	22	39.3	4	2	50.0	29	17	58.6	67	3.4	51	2.6	19	8	7
Kyle Miller	11	14	5	35.7	0	0	0.0	5	3	60.0	13	1.2	13	1.2	5	2	0
Alex Nelcha	28	268	147	54.9	0	0	0.0	132	78	59.1	372	13.3	254	9.1	61	52	11
Steve Ross	8	10	5	50.0	0	0	0.0	5	1	20.0	11	1.4	7	0.9	5	5	2
Mike Simpkins	27	156	66	42.3	50	22	44.0	67	42	62.6	196	7.3	57	2.1	56	44	44
Joe Stepanski	28	206	95	46.1	107	47	43.9	111	89	80.2	326	11.6	77	2.8	86/2	91	84
Greg Thomas	4	15	6	40.0	1	0	0.0	4	4	100.0	16	4.0	1	0.3	3	6	6
John Williams	28	273	113	41.4	65	22	33.8	65	43	66.2	291	10.4	113	4.0	41	76	32
Dallas Wilson	26	75	31	41.3	0	0	0.0	24	11	45.8	73	2.8	43	1.7	25	40	8
Matt Wilson	27	149	75	50.3	0	0	0.0	70	44	62.9	194	7.2	150	5.6	78/4	38	16
Bloomsburg Totals	28	1703	771	45.3	112	130	41.7	772	526	68.1	2198	78.5	1059	37.8	539	486	278
Opponent Totals	28	1813	773	42.6	268	106	39.6	612	396	64.7	2048	73.1	985	35.2	664	470	281

1986-87 Season High Marks

TEAM:

Points:	107	vs. East Stroudsburg	Dec. 13
Rebounds:	63	vs. Cheyney	Jan. 24
Assists:	16	vs. Mansfield	Feb. 11
Blocked Shots:	9	vs. Millersville	Feb. 7
Steals:	16	vs. East Stroudsburg	Dec. 13
Field Goals:	44	vs. East Stroudsburg	Dec. 13
Field Goals Attempted:	81	vs. East Stroudsburg	Dec. 13
3-Pt. Field Goals:	11	vs. Philadelphia Textile	Feb. 2
3-Pt. Field Goals Attempted:	25	vs. Philadelphia Textile	Feb. 2
Free Throws:	34	vs. Queen's	Jan. 17
Free Throws Attempted:	42	vs. Cheyney	Jan. 24
Highest Field Goal %:	55.7	vs. West Chester (34-61)	Feb. 18
Highest 3-Pt. Field Goal %:	80.0	vs. Kutztown (4-5)	Dec. 3
Highest Free Throw %:	87.2	vs. Queen's (34-39)	Jan. 17

INDIVIDUAL:

Points:	29	Bill Connelly vs. York (Pa.)	Jan. 26
Rebounds:	17	Dave Carpenter vs. Queen's	Jan. 17
Assists:	7	Joe Stepanski vs. Binghamton	Dec. 20
Blocked Shots:	5	Dave Carpenter vs. Millersville	Feb. 7
Steals:	5	John Williams vs. Mansfield	Feb. 11
Field Goals:	10	Bill Connelly vs. York (Pa.)	Jan. 26
Field Goals Attempted:	20	Bill Connelly vs. West Chester	Jan. 21
3-Pt. Field Goals:	4	Mike Simpkins vs. Phil. Textile	Feb. 2
		Joe Stepanski vs. West Chester	Feb. 18
3-Pt. Field Goals Attempted:	8	Joe Stepanski vs. Phil. Textile	Feb. 2
Free Throws:	12	Bill Connelly vs. Queen's	Jan. 17
Free Throws Attempted:	15	Bill Connelly vs. Queen's	Jan. 17
Highest Field Goal %:			
(min. 5 atts.)	88.9	Alex Nelcha vs. Cheyney (8-9)	Jan. 24
Highest 3-Pt. Field Goal %:			
(Min. 5 atts.)	66.7	Mike Simpkins vs. Phil. Textile (4-6)	Feb. 2
Highest Free Throw %:			
(Min. 10 atts.)	91.7	Joe Stepanski vs. Kutztown (11-12)	Dec. 3



Nelson Fieldhouse

The Nelson Fieldhouse, located on Bloomsburg University's upper campus, serves as home for most of the university's indoor athletic events. The facility has all the necessary ingredients as it holds a 3000-seat arena for all home wrestling and basketball events, an indoor track, two tennis courts, an olympic size swimming pool, and two handball/racquetball courts. The building has classrooms and office for use by the health/physical education and athletic staffs. Nelson also houses the wrestling practice room, which is a fully padded area located on the second floor. A totally-equipped Nautilus room adds to the strength and conditioning area of the program, and Nelson also offers a training room staffed by two full-time physical therapists and no less than six student assistants. Also located in the facility is an equipment manager who handles the needs of most of Bloomsburg's 18 varsity athletic teams.

Basketball's Birth At Bloomsburg

The game of basketball was invented by James Naismith in December of 1891 in Springfield, Massachusetts. Just over two years later, the game of basketball was played for the first time at Bloomsburg in what was then the "new" gymnasium. This gymnasium was located directly behind Carver Hall, near the site of the present-day Kehr Union Building. The excerpt that follows was taken out of *The Columbian*, a Bloomsburg newspaper, from Friday March 2, 1894. It describes, to the best of the University's knowledge, the first organized basketball game ever played on the campus:

"The new gymnasium at the Normal School was opened with appropriate ceremonies last week Thursday. After the close of the exercises incident to the presentation of the large flag by the P.O.S. of A., the audience went from the auditorium to the gymnasium, and filled every available space. The running track was crowded, and the sides of the first floor was thickly lined with spectators. . . The most exciting part of the program was the game of basketball between members of the Philogian and Calliepien Societies. A bushel basket was hung at either end of the hall about ten feet from the floor. Every time that either side gets the ball in the basket at the opposite end of the hall it counts three. The game is nearly as exciting as football, though not quite as rough and dangerous. The Philos were the first to land the ball in the Callies' basket and a great shout went up from the spectators. But the Callies put the ball in the Philo basket twice, and this with fouls made the score 9 to 5 at the end of the third inning, in favor of the former and then the Callies and their friends went wild and everybody shouted."

This exhibition was just the beginning of a tradition of success in the sport of basketball at Bloomsburg which has lasted right from the first game ever played on campus to the present-day Huskies of 1986-87.

The picture below shows the 1894-95 Bloomsburg Normal School basketball team. This was the school's first varsity basketball team.



Bloomsburg Basketball - A Winning Tradition

Since the inception of competitive basketball at Bloomsburg near the turn of the century, the men's basketball team has been a dominant force compiling a record of 865-541 for a winning percentage of .615. From the very first coach, A.K. Aldinger, to the present coach, Charles Chronister, Bloomsburg basketball teams have performed at a level of excellence which is reflective of champions.

Competitive basketball at Bloomsburg began in the late 1890's under the direction of coach Aldinger. However, because a fire destroyed all records of the games played in those initial years, the first year for which records are available is 1901, when Bloomsburg was 4-3 under Aldinger. Since that time Aldinger and 17 other coaches have helped build the "winning tradition" in basketball at Bloomsburg.

From 1901 to 1932, ten different men took their turn at the helm of the Huskies with five of those men coaching for only one year. During the 1919-20 and 1920-21 seasons, T.W. Pownal (13-6, .684) and R.H. Diedrich (12-2, .857) turned in the best single-season marks. However, in terms of those coaches who coached for longer than one year, George M. Mead from 1921-25 (42-17, .712) and Thornley W. Booth from 1926-32 (59-25, .702) were the most successful coaches in the early years of Bloomsburg basketball.

Following Booth's first year in 1926-27, the school changed its name from the Bloomsburg Normal School to the Bloomsburg State Teacher's College. It would be known by this name until 1960 when the school became Bloomsburg State College.

In 1932, upon the departure of Booth, George Buckheit took over the reigns of the Huskies and guided them to a 95-71 mark (.572) over 12 years. He coached from 1932-43, before taking a year off in 1943-44 during which Jack Llewellyn guided the Huskies to an 11-4 mark. Buckheit then returned to coach Bloomsburg during the period of 1944-46. Pete Wisher took over for Buckheit in 1946, and during his three-year stint at Bloomsburg, he guided the Huskies to a 25-27 record (.480).

The year of 1949 marked the first year Bloomsburg competed in the Pennsylvania Conference and also marked the arrival of new head coach Harold Shelly who coached from 1949-60. Shelly guided Bloomsburg to an 11-year mark of 112-74 and a PC record of 81-53. Bill Foster then led the Huskies to three consecutive second place conference finishes from 1960-63, and a 45-11 overall mark. Foster's .807 winning percentage leads all Bloomsburg coaches who have coached for more than one year. Foster is currently the head coach at Northwestern University.

From 1966-71 Earl Voss guided the Huskies to a 63-42 record (.600), before handing the reigns over to present-day coach Charles Chronister. Chronister, who has coached for the past 15 seasons at BU, has accumulated an overall record of 282-149 (.654) and is the most accomplished coach in Bloomsburg's long basketball history. He has guided the Huskies to four NCAA Division II tournament appearances, won 20 or more games five times, and has coached the top four scorers in Bloomsburg history. In addition, he has coached three All-Americans at BU - John Willis (1972-74), Jerry Radocha (1973-77), and most recently, Jon Bardsley (1978-82).



Coaches' Records at Bloomsburg (1901-1986)

Years	Coach	Wins	Losses	Pct.
1901-05(4)	Aldinger, A.K.	17	12	.613
1905-06 (1)	Westphal, Alfred	2	3	.400
1906-10 (4)	Bryant, B.F.	21	27	.438
1910-11 (1)	Barrier, Prof.	6	7	.461
1911-19 (8)	Weimer, John W.	40	39	.506
1919-20 (1)	Pownall, T.W.	13	6	.684
1920-21 (1)	Diedrich, R.H.	12	2	.857
1921-25 (4)	Mead, George M.	42	17	.712
1925-26 (1)	Jackson, A.K.	7	6	.538
1926-32 (6)	Booth, Thornley W.	59	25	.702
1932-42 & 1944-46 (12)	Buckheit, George	95	71	.572
1943-44 (1)	Lwellyn, Jack	11	4	.733
1946-49 (3)	Wisher, Pete	25	27	.480
1949-60 (11)	Shelly, Harold	112	74	.602
1960-63 (3)	Foster, William	45	11	.807
1966-71 (5)	Voss, Earl	63	42	.600
1971-87 (16)	Chronister, Charles	282	149	.654



Bloomsburg Basketball - Over The Years

Year	Coach	Wins	Losses	Pct.
*1901-02	A.K. Aldinger	4	3	.571
1902-03	Aldinger	6	4	.600
*1903-04	Aldinger	6	1	.857
*1904-05	Aldinger	3	4	.429
*1905-06	Alfred F. Westphal	2	3	.400
1906-07	B.F. Bryant	6	8	.429
1907-08	Bryant	2	9	.182
1908-09	Bryant	6	5	.545
1909-10	Bryant	7	5	.583
1910-11	Prof. Barrier	6	7	.462
1911-12	John Weimer	No records available		
1912-13	Weimer	No records available		
1913-14	Weimer	6	10	.375
1914-15	Weimer	9	3	.750
1915-16	Weimer	8	8	.500
1916-17	Weimer	5	11	.313
1917-18	Weimer	8	4	.667
1918-19	Weimer	4	3	.571
1919-20	T.W. Downall	13	6	.684
1920-21	R.H. Diedrich	12	2	.857
1921-22	George M. Mead	5	6	.455
1922-23	Mead	8	5	.615
1923-24	Mead	18	1	.947
1924-25	Mead	11	5	.688

Year	Coach	Wins	Losses	Pct.	Conference Record
1925-26	A.K. Jackson	7	6	.538	
1926-27	T.W. Booth	6	6	.500	
1927-28	T.W. Booth	13	6	.684	
1928-29	T.W. Booth	11	2	.846	
1929-30	T.W. Booth	9	4	.692	
1930-31	T.W. Booth	17	1	.944	
1931-32	T.W. Booth	3	6	.333	
1932-33	Buckheit, George C.	6	8	.428	
1933-34	Buckheit	8	4	.666	
1934-35	Buckheit	6	9	.400	
1935-36	Buckheit	9	5	.642	
1936-37	Buckheit	9	7	.562	
1937-38	Buckheit	6	9	.400	
1938-39	Buckheit	8	3	.727	
1939-40	Buckheit	10	4	.714	
1940-41	Buckheit	10	4	.714	
1941-42	Buckheit	8	4	.666	
1942-43	No Sports Scheduled During This Year				
1943-44	Llwellyn, Jack	11	3	.785	
1944-45	Buckheit, George C.	10	3	.761	
1945-46	Buckheit	4	9	.307	
1946-47	Wisher, Pete	7	10	.411	
1947-48	Wisher	10	9	.526	
1948-49	Wisher	8	8	.500	
1949-50	Shelly, Harold S.	12	7	.630	7-4
1950-51	Shelly	9	7	.562	6-7
1951-52	Shelly	12	4	.750	8-4
1952-53	Shelly	11	6	.647	10-2
1953-54	Shelly	9	7	.562	7-4
1954-55	Shelly	13	4	.764	8-3
1955-56	Shelly	11	6	.647	8-3
1956-57	Shelly	9	8	.529	7-6
1957-58	Shelly	10	7	.588	8-5
1958-59	Shelly	9	8	.529	6-7
1959-60	Shelly	7	10	.411	6-9
1960-61	Foster, William	12	4	.750	9-3
1961-62	Foster	16	3	.842	12-2
1962-63	Foster	17	4	.809	11-3
1963-64	Norton, Robert	13	6	.684	9-5
1964-65	Norton	7	13	.350	4-10
1965-66	Norton	8	11	.421	6-8
1966-67	Voss, Earl	12	8	.600	9-5
1967-68	Voss	13	7	.650	8-6
1968-69	Voss	13	9	.590	7-7
1969-70	Voss	15	9	.625	9-5
1970-71	Voss	11	9	.550	5-9
1971-72	Chronister, Charles	18	7	.720	11-3
1972-73	Chronister	20	5	.800	10-4
1973-74	Chronister	22	6	.786	11-3
1974-75	Chronister	15	10	.600	8-6
1975-76	Chronister	13	10	.565	6-6
1976-77	Chronister	17	7	.708	8-4
1977-78	Chronister	14	10	.583	6-6
1978-79	Chronister	13	12	.520	6-6
1979-80	Chronister	14	13	.519	7-5
1980-81	Chronister	23	7	.766	9-3
1981-82	Chronister	24	7	.774	10-2
1982-83	Chronister	23	10	.697	11-3
1983-84	Chronister	19	11	.633	11-3
1984-85	Chronister	15	12	.555	7-7
1985-86	Chronister	15	11	.577	7-7
1986-87	Chronister	17	11	.607	11-3

Bloomsburg's Top Twenty

1. Jerry Radocha	1778*	1973-77
2. Glenn Noack	1504*	1982-86
3. Barry Francisco	1479*	1980-84
4. John Willis	1467	1971-74
5. Mike Wenrich	1397	1979-82
6. Robert Herzig	1362*	1961-65
7. Richard Lloyd	1339*	1958-62
8. Jon Bardsley	1252*	1978-82
9. Al Williams	1173*	1975-78
10. Terry Conrad	1081*	1979-83
11. Steve Bright	1026*	1975-78
12. William Swisher	1014*	1955-59
13. James Gustave	955*	1954-58
14. Howard Johnson	946	1969-72
15. Shane Planutis	930*	1982-86
16. Len Kozick	926*	1953-57
17. James Platukis	878	1968-71
18. Robert Snyder	859	1967-70
19. Paul Kuhn	851	1969-72
20. Bill Tillman	789*	1977-81

*Indicates Four-Year Total

Individual and Team Records

Team Records

Points	1 Game	144-vs. Shippensburg State 2/6/57 (Centennial Gym Record)
Points	1 Year	2307-1982-83 69.9 per game
Rebounds	1 Game	76-vs Rochester I.T., 11/30/62
Rebounds	1 Year	1253-1973-74 (44.8 per game)
Field Goal Attempts	1 Year	1853-1982-83
Field Goals	1 Year	902-1982-83
Field Goals	1 Game	56-vs. Baptist Bible 2/9/73
Field Goal Percentage	1 Year	49.8%- 1971-72
Field Goal Percentage	1 Game	70% vs. Cheyney (21-30) 12/10/66
Least Field Goals by Opponent	1 Game	14 vs. Lock Haven, 1/23/74
Free Throws Attempted	1 Year	772-1986-87
Free Throws Attempted	1 Year	526, 1986-87
Free Throws	1 Game	44 vs. Quinipiac, 12/29/75
Free Throw Percentage	1 Year	77%- 1984-85
Free Throw Percentage	1 Game	100% vs. West Chester, 2/4/67 vs. Cheyney, 2/1/84, (18-18) vs. Shippensburg, 1/31/85
Least Free Throws by Opponent	1 Game	2-vs. Denison, 12/29/73
Assists	1 Game	35-vs. York, 2/26/74
Assists	1 Year	595-1973-74
Conference Points	1 Year	1268, 1986-87 (79.3 per game)
Average Winning Margin	1 Year	15.5 points per game, 1961-62
Consecutive Victories	1972-73	14-Coach Charles Chronister
Victories in One Season	1981-82	24-Coach Charles Chronister
Conference Champions	1980-81	Coach Charles Chronister
Conference Eastern	1973-74	Coach Charles Chronister (11-3)
Divisional Champions	1980-81	Coach Charles Chronister (9-3)
	1983-84	Coach Charles Chronister (11-3)
N.C.A.A. Mid-East Regional	1973-74	Coach Charles Chronister
N.C.A.A. East Regional Champions	1982-83	Coach Charles Chronister
Best Conference Record	1961-62	Coach William Foster (12-2)
Best Overall Record	1961-62	Coach William Foster (16-3, .842)

Individual Records

Single Game Records

Points	48	John Willis, 2/26/74
Field Goals	20	Jerry Radocha, 1/7/77
Field Goals Attempted	39	Jerry Radocha, 1/7/77
Free Throws Attempted	21	Rick Fertig, 2/17/68
Free Throw Percentage	14-14	Jeff Slocum, 2/25/78
Rebounds	33	Mike Morrow, 1966-67
Assists	18	Art Luptowski, 2/12/72

Season Records

Points	598	Jerry Radocha, 1976-77
Per Game Average	24.9%	Jerry Radocha, 1976-77
Field Goals Attempted	456	Jerry Radocha, 1976-77
Field Goals	233	Jerry Radocha, 1976-77
Field Goal Percentage	56.7%	Bob Herzig, 1961-62
Free Throws Attempted	171	Bill Connelly, 1986-87
Free Throws Made	132	Jerry Radocha, 1976-77
Consecutive Free Throws Made	33	Glenn Noack, 1983-84
Consecutive Games Started	121*	Barry Francisco, 1980-84
Games Played	124*	Barry Francisco, 1980-84
Assists	589*	Jon Bardsley, 1978-82
Free Throw Percentage (25 or more attempts)	89.0	Greg Thomas (49-55), 1984-85
	88.3	Glenn Noack (98-111), 1984-85
	88.1	Rick Fertig (59-67), 1966-67
	87.7	George Foering (29-33), 1966-67
	86.7	Al Williams (39-45), 1974-75
	86.2	Jeff Slocum (56-65), 1977-78
	85.4	Dave Ogden (70-82), 1979-80
	85.2	Glenn Noack (104-122), 1985-86
Rebounds	389	John Willis, 1973-74
Rebound Average	18.4	Bob Herzig, 1963-64
Assists	180	Jon Bardsley, 1980-81
Conference Average	25.3	Richard Lloyd, 1961-62
Conference Points	404	Richard Lloyd, 1961-62
Points by Freshman	443	Mike Wenrich, 1979-80

Career Records

Points Scored	1178*	Jerry Radocha, 1976-77
Average Points per Game	19.4	Richard Lloyd, 1958-59
Conference Career Points	1144*	Richard Lloyd, 1958-62
Conference Average	19.4*	Richard Lloyd, 1958-62
Field Goals Attempted	1408*	Jerry Radocha, 1973-77
Field Goals Scored	692*	Jerry Radocha, 1973-77
Field Goal Percentage	54.4	John Willis, 1971-74
Free Throws Attempted	497*	Jerry Radocha, 1973-77
Free Throws Made	384*	Jerry Radocha, 1973-77
Free Throw Percentage	84.6	Glenn Noack, 1982-86
Rebounds	1041*	Robert Herzig, 1961-65
Average Rebounds per Game	14.5*	Norm Shutovich, 1957-61



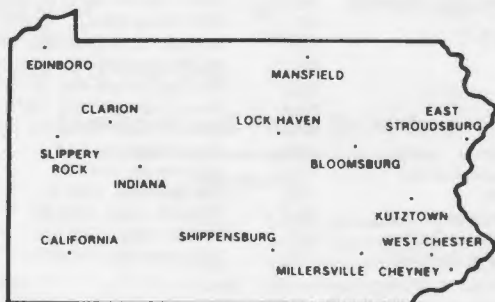
The Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference

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November

- 4 MARATHON OIL (exhibition) 7:30 p.m.
20-21 at Gettysburg Tournament 6 & 8:00 p.m.
(Gettysburg, Lincoln, Mt. Saint
Mary's)
23 YORK (Pa.) 7:30 p.m.
30 at Susquehanna 8:00 p.m.

December

- 2 at George Washington 7:30 p.m.
6 NEW YORK TECH 2:00 p.m.
9 at Lock Haven 8:00 p.m.
12 KING'S (Pa.) 7:30 p.m.

January

- 9-10 HUSKY INVITATIONAL 6 & 8:00 p.m.
(Elizabethtown, Upsala,
York Pa.)
13 C. W. POST 7:30 p.m.
16 QUEEN'S 8:00 p.m.
18 at Shippensburg 8:00 p.m.
20 at Millersville 8:00 p.m.
23 KUTZTOWN 8:00 p.m.
25 at Cheyney 7:30 p.m.
27 WEST CHESTER 8:00 p.m.
30 at Mansfield 8:00 p.m.

February

- 1 at Philadelphia Textile 8:00 p.m.
3 EAST STROUDSBURG 8:00 p.m.
8 MILLERSVILLE 8:00 p.m.
10 at Kutztown 8:00 p.m.
13 CHEYNEY 8:00 p.m.
17 at West Chester 8:00 p.m.
20 MANSFIELD 8:00 p.m.
24 at East Stroudsburg 8:00 p.m.
26 at Concordia (N.Y.) 7:30 p.m.