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## Welcome to our November 2018 Blue and Gold Magazine.

Hello students, alumni and friends!

Now, fall semester REALLY is almost over... The trees in Bluefield have finally shed most of their leaves, so now it's time to begin raking and preparing for winter.

As you anticipate this Thanksgiving break, let's also reflect on everything we are thankful for, and remember those who need us most. Happy Thanksgiving and may yours be spent with lots of love and laughter with family and friends.

Enjoy this edition of the Blue and Gold! And hope to see you cheering on the Big Blues!

### ***Kim L Ross***

BSC Alumna Class of 2013

Editor-in-chief | Blue and Gold Magazine



### ***A moment of reflection***

East Hall—

The first women's dorm,  
(later renamed Lewis Hall),  
Housed 70 dormitory rooms  
and a 200-seat dining hall.

West Hall—

The first dormitory for men,  
followed in September 1900.  
Bathroom facilities for both  
are located outside.



## Say hello to the 2018-2019 BSC Basketball Teams!



### Meet the Coaches, and their philosophies.

**It was a pleasure interviewing both the men's and women's** basketball coaches. Since basketball season is already underway at Bluefield State College, I thought it would be a great idea to get to know the coaches, hear their philosophies, and see why they strongly believe in the basketball program at BSC.

**When I initially reached out to both coaches, I was surprised** to see how receptive, eager, and open they were to be questioned (seemingly interrogated) about this season. The thought of speaking to a coach was a bit intimidating... After all, at some point in life we've all witnessed a coach hollering and screaming as players seem to melt with frustration - and college basketball is no different.

**The weight of winning that these coaches carry is no small load**, but to my surprise, they seemed to be cool, calm and confident about their coaching style, and their players. I walked away from both interviews feeling optimistic as a fan, and extremely hopeful of a winning basketball season.



## Derrick Price

### Head Men's Basketball Coach

*Interview by: Kim L Ross*

**Q: Coach Price, how many years have you been coaching at BSC? And what is your experience prior to this position?**

A: It's going on 3 years here at BSC. I started in 2016. I started coaching basketball for the youth recreational league, then coached at Bluefield Middle School, and from there to the collegiate level at Bluefield College, and now here at B-State.

**Q: What is your philosophy of coaching in relation to education?**

A: To me, basketball is tied to education through formulas. Like in practice and games you have to study the formulas in order to win. I have to put it on the board just like a teacher in class. It's really about the study of the game - everybody learns differently - some are visual, while others are audible or hands on learners, but we still have to tie it in to make it the best for the players.

**Q: What mentors would you say you've attributed your coaching style to?**

A: Coach Richard Morgan at Bluefield College, I was with him 5 years. I'm also a John Calipari, Kentucky Wildcats kind of guy. We watch him a lot. That's tough...so many to name...

**Q: When you first began your career at Bluefield State, what was your #1 vision for this program?**

A: My #1 one vision/goal was to graduate every senior that was/is on my team. Historically there was a low percentage of seniors graduating. We have several that are graduating now. My vision is to help change that culture and to get a 100% graduation rate.

**Q: As far as recruitment, do you focus more on local or outside talent?**

A: I pretty much go outside to recruit, but always give the local talent the first look since I'm already here to watch them play. I really look for character players - guys we don't have to worry about academically.

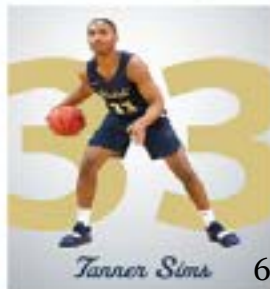
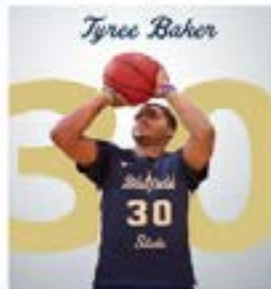
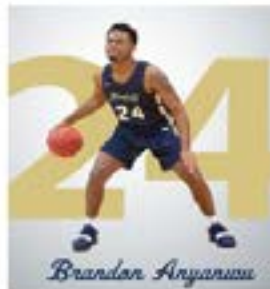
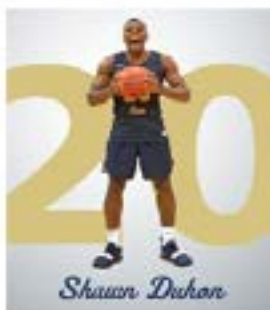
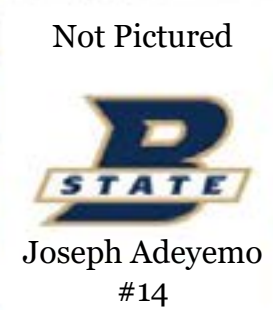
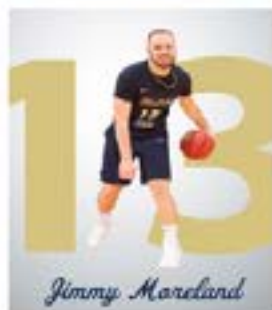
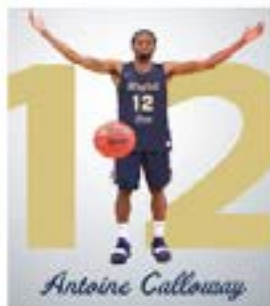
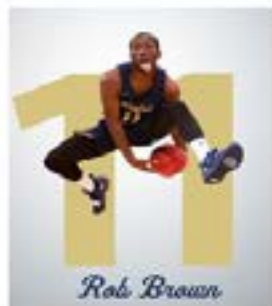
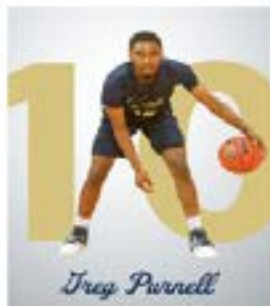
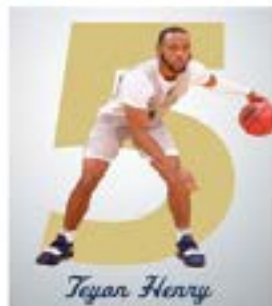
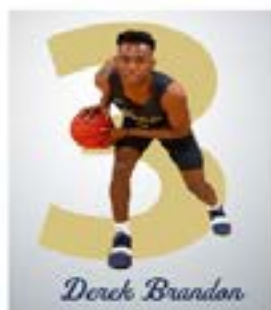
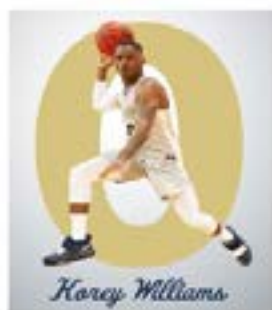
**Q: What is your vision for this 2018-2019 season?**

A: To win the USCAA tournament. Last year we were able to get in the tournament and this year I want to win it. In order to win, we need to do a better job of rebounding and playing the full 40-minute game.

**Q: What would you like to say to the fans and local community about game attendance?**

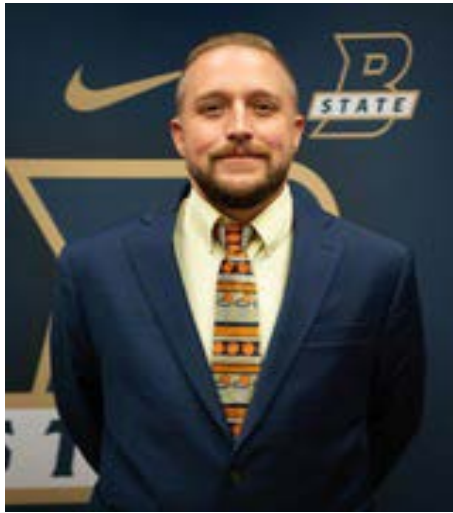
A: Come to a game and get here early. It will be a very exciting and fun game to watch. The community already does a good job of coming out and supporting us.

## Men's Basketball 2018-2019 Roster



This 2018-2019 Men's Basketball season is dedicated in loving memory to former player Timeyin Amatosero-Keke #25.  
Go-BSTATE !!





## Ryan Bailey

### Head Women's Basketball Coach

*Interview by: Kim L Ross*

**Q: Coach Bailey, how many years have you been coaching at BSC? And what is your experience prior to this position?**

A: I started here March of 2017. I've been coaching since 1999. I started as an assistant and got my first head coach position in 2003.

**Q: What is your philosophy of coaching in relation to education?**

A: It's all intertwined. To be a college athlete they already know they have to focus on their academics, this gives them more accountability as a student, plus if they're getting scholarships that's an added incentive to focus academically.

**Q: What mentors would you say you've attributed your coaching style to?**

A: A little old school, like John Wooden (former head coach of UCLA), I worry more about us than the other team. Also, Brad Stevens of the Boston Celtics. His demeanor is so good on game days - calm and collected. And my past coaches, they treated us with such respect and love.

**Q: When you first began your career at Bluefield State, what was your #1 vision for this program?**

A: To change the culture. To get it back to the days when people were excited about BSC (women's) basketball. To honor past athletes and invite them back.

**Q: As far as recruitment, do you focus more on local or outside talent?**

A: I recruit both outside and in. We want the best players in the state of WV and have succeeded at doing that. When recruiting outside, I lean on my AAU and junior college contacts to get the best fit for BSC.

**Q: What is your vision for this 2018-2019 season?**

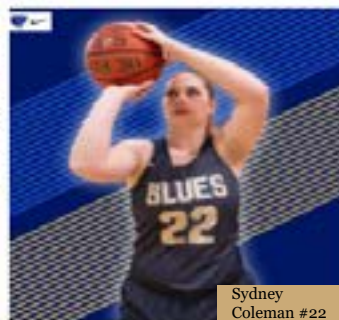
A: We call it a mission - something we're working towards. I let the players decide and they decided they want to make it to the USCAA national tournament this year. I use that to hold them accountable.

**Q: What would you like to say to the fans and local community about game attendance?**

A: This is a great group of young ladies. They're not just impressive on the court, but off as well. If you get the chance to know them - you would want to support them in any way.

## 2018-2019

# Women's Basketball Roster Go Lady Blues!



Not Pictured



Adeline Jachim  
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## The Center for Excellence in Manufacturing Engineering Has Officially Opened, and is VERY Impressive!



**The Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC) awarded a \$1.5M POWER** (Partnerships for Opportunity and Workforce and Economic Revitalization) grant to BSC to establish the Center for Excellence in Manufacturing Engineering (CEME). Pictured above cutting the ribbon are: Dr. Marsha Krotseng, Bluefield State College President (left), Scott Hamilton, ARC Executive Director (center), Jeff McFadden, Assistant Professor of Mechanical Engineering Technology, lead author, Executive Director of the project (right).

**The core component of CEME is degree and workforce training** programs in Manufacturing Engineering Technology (MFGT) and appeals to traditional college students preparing for their first career. CEME also directs special intention to help workers displaced from mining-related jobs to manufacturing. The idea—to utilize the skills (welding, equipment maintenance and installation, knowledge of hydraulics, operating computer controlled equipment, etc.) already possessed by displaced mine workers as transferrable to other areas of manufacturing and industry. MFGT builds on field-specific and state-of-the-art skills so the graduate is highly marketable to emerging industries. Graduates can re-brand themselves for future infusion into existing and new career opportunities.

**Because not all transitioning workers need or want a bachelor's degree**, CEME also offers certificate programs (seminars/workshops) giving non-degree seeking students mastery over a narrow subject area. Included are general topics like computer programming, quality, solid modeling, robotics, project management, and also works with local manufacturers to design special courses on specific technical topics. CEME will also serve as a Research and Development arm for local industry, with collaborative robotics as major research. Traditionally, industrial robots were isolated from human workers.

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# BSC - CEME Grand Opening

[www.bluefieldstate.edu](http://www.bluefieldstate.edu)



**AppalachianRegComm** @ARCgov · Nov 2

Scott Hamilton, ARC Executive Director, and @SenCapito participated in the Center for Excellence in Manufacturing and Engineering (CEME)'s exciting grand opening event at @BlfdStateColl yesterday!



**AppalachianRegComm** @ARCgov · Nov 2

CEME's grand opening was aided by a \$1.5M ARC POWER grant as part of strategic efforts to revitalize coal economies. To date, 37 of 149 POWER investments are catered towards WV. Learn more: [arc.gov/power](http://arc.gov/power)





## BSC Salutes Region's Military Veterans and First Responders

The Bluefield State College community saluted the service of this region's military veterans and first responders during a recognition day program in the Hebert Gallery/Harris-Jefferson Student Center.

Military historian Jim Worsham, a retired BSC faculty member, was the featured speaker. He shared comments from interviews with 10 military heroes, conducted by Worsham and recorded by BSC video operations specialist Jerry Conner over the past 20 years.

Members of the American Legion Riley-Vest Post #9 provided a demonstration of, and explanation for, the proper folding of the American flag, and Post #9 members concluded the program with a 15-gun salute and the playing of taps. Following the program, lunch for veterans, first responders, and families were served.



## WV Army National Guard opens Recruitment Center at BSC



The West Virginia Army National Guard has established a regional recruitment center at Bluefield State College. The center, located on the ground floor of the W. Paul Cole, Jr. School of Business/Mahood Hall, will serve as the recruitment headquarters for WVARNG SFC Theodore Scouras and SGT Joshua Blankenship.

Dr. Marsha Krotseng, BSC President, joined WVARNG SSG Scott Sisk (pictured left), SFC Scouras (pictured right), and SGT Joshua Blankenship for a walking tour of the recruitment center offices in rooms G8, G12, and G13 at Mahood Hall.

The recruitment center will be open weekdays, 9 am-4 pm. SFC Scouras suggests that interested individuals contact the office (304-360-1418) email: [theodore.j.scouras.mil@mail.mil](mailto:theodore.j.scouras.mil@mail.mil) to schedule appointments to ensure that he or SGT Blankenship will be available at the center.

## Bluefield Intermediate School students visit Bluefield State College

More than 100 third grade students from Bluefield Intermediate School visited Bluefield State College. The students and BIS faculty took part in interactive projects on campus, including flying a virtual drone, watching a chemical reaction take place, and touring the campus.

BSC admissions officials and Dr. Jo-Ann Robinson, VP for Student Affairs and Enrollment Management, arranged the visit. BIS students toured Mahood Hall, Hardway Library, Ned Shott Gymnasium, and several academic program areas. BSC faculty, students, and administrators assisted in hosting the students.



## Bluefield High School Students Visit BSC

Bluefield State College welcomed a visit from approximately 45 senior students from Bluefield High School. The student contingent met with BSC administrators, faculty, and students, then toured BSC classrooms and labs during their two hours on campus.





## United Nations Day Event Celebrates BSC's International Students' Heritages & Cultures

**Bluefield State College students and employees and members** of the local community joined the College's International Student Organization in experiencing the sights, culture, and tastes from around the world at the annual UN Day Celebration at the College. Twenty-two international students, representing 13 countries, are attending BSC. They hosted the event, and the college community sampled the wonderful food and tabletop displays the students prepared.



## ***BSC's Student Association of Radiographers Beautify Campus***

**The Student Association of Radiographers (SAR)** Beckley and Bluefield Campus students spent their afternoon on Friday October 5th planting mums, trimming shrubs, pulling weeds and picking up trash in the front of Dickason Hall. The organization chose to beautify their portion of campus as a service project for this semester. We hope everyone enjoys the new display.

Members of the SAR are: Holly Wiley- President, Peyton Jones- Vice- President, Cassandra Cabell- Secretary, Amber Brooks- Treasurer, Breanna Haney, Autumn Stump, Hillary Bare, Erin Rogers, William Anderson, Chris Harold, Ethan Keeney, Kailyn Lawson, April Hartwell, Brooke Wall, and Hannah Radford.





## BSC Social Science Graduates Receive Pi Gamma Mu International's Prestigious Scholarship Awards



**Bluefield State College Social Sciences graduates have received** the prestigious Pi Gamma Mu scholarship in each of the past two years. Zachary Green (BSC Class of '17 - pictured left) and Jelena Jevtic (BSC Class of '18 - pictured right) have been awarded the scholarships to continue their studies at the graduate school level.

**“This is a noteworthy achievement for Ms. Jevtic, Mr. Green, and** for the Social Sciences program at Bluefield State College,” noted Dr. Amanda Matoushek, Chair of the Social Sciences Department and Associate Professor of Psychology. “Only 10 such scholarships are awarded annually, with no more than three scholarships in any one graduate field. This is an incredibly competitive and prestigious scholarship to earn.”

**The mission statement of Pi Gamma Mu, International Honor Society** in Social Sciences, is to “encourage and promote excellence in the social sciences and uphold the ideals of scholarship and service.” There are approximately 150 Pi Gamma Mu chapters at institutions of higher education in the United States and overseas.

**Green is in his second year of attendance at Elon University School of Law** in Greensboro, NC, where he is a Business Law Fellow and staff member for Elon Law Review. As an undergraduate at BSC, Green served as Vice President for Pi Gamma Mu’s Bluefield State Chapter during his senior year. He organized open forums at BSC for Mercer County candidates running for the West Virginia State Senate.

**“I am incredibly honored to be recognized by Pi Gamma Mu,”** he observed. “This award is being used to help fund my legal education, which will use to represent and assist small businesses, non-profits, and individuals throughout the Appalachian region. I want to specifically thank Dr. Matoushek, Dr. Montague, and all of the faculty and staff at Bluefield State, without whom this accomplishment would not have been possible. I am grateful for the education and experiences I attained during my undergraduate studies, and will forever consider myself a part of the Bluefield State College community.”

**Jevtić is Assistant Program Coordinator for NewGen Peacebuilders** in Charlotte, NC. While at BSC, she was president of both the College’s Student Government Association and the International Student Organization. She graduated as valedictorian (BSC Class of 2018) and was a member of Bluefield State intercollegiate volleyball team. A native of Serbia, she also served as an intern for US Senator Joe Manchin and United Nations Office in Belgrade. She has been selected to attend the 2018 World Youth Forum in Egypt.

**“It is such an honor to be selected for this very prestigious scholarship,”** she said. “Even though I was not able to attend graduate school this year, I am humbled to have received the award and I suggest that all Pi Gamma Mu scholars who have ambitions to attend graduate school apply.”

## BSC Director of Athletics John Lewis Appointed to NCAA Division II Management Council

**Bluefield State College Director of Athletics John Lewis** has been appointed to the NCAA Division II Management Council. He will be attending the Management Council meeting at the 2019 NCAA Convention in Orlando, FL in January.



**The NCAA Division II management council reports directly** to the Presidents Council, making recommendations on administrative policy and regulations that govern the division. The council also reviews and acts on recommendations from the D-II committee structure and from D-II representatives to committees with Association-wide functions. The management council is comprised of 29 members

**Lewis, who serves as Director of Athletics for the ten intercollegiate** athletic programs at BSC, noted, “I am excited to represent Bluefield State College on the NCAA Division II Management Council and look forward to working with the members of the council.”



## CONGRATS TO MEN'S CROSS COUNTRY



In October, the men's and women's cross country teams competed against Bluefield College. The men's cross country team finished the 8K race in 1st place with a total team time of 2:34:39.0.

The Women's team finished the 5K race with a total team time of 2:04:19.0. Paula Saez, a freshman for Bluefield State, led the team coming in 3rd with a total time of 21:58.0.

Theo Schell, a freshman for Bluefield State (pictured left), led the team coming in 1st with a total time of 27:44.0. On November 9th, Theo also earned the title of First Team USCAA All-American.



## 2018-19 Men's Basketball Schedule

### NOVEMBER

Mon. 5	at Bluefield	7:30 PM
Fri. 9	Campbellsville	7:00 PM
Tue. 13	Concord	8:00 PM
Fri. 16	at Johnson C. Smith JCSU Claude Saunders Tip Off	7:30 PM
Sat. 17	at Livingstone	2:00 PM
Tue. 20	Mid-Atlantic Christian	7:00 PM
Sat. 24	Campbellsville	4:00 PM
Mon. 26	at Catawba	7:00 PM

### DECEMBER

Sat. 1	Winston-Salem State	4:00 PM
Sat. 8	at Apprentice School	4:00 PM
Thu. 13	at Glenville State	7:00 PM
Mon. 17	at Lynn	10:30 AM
Wed. 19	at Nova Southeastern	12:00 PM
Sun. 30	Elizabeth City State	5:00 PM

### JANUARY

Fri. 4	Johnson & Wales College	7:00 PM
Sat. 5	at Piedmont International	5:00 PM
Sun. 6	at Fairmont State	4:00 PM
Thu. 10	at Kent State	3:00 PM
Sun. 13	Piedmont International	TBA
	vs. Piedmont International @ Bluefield, WV	TBA
Mon. 14	Piedmont International	TBA
Wed. 16	at Virginia Union	7:00 PM
Sat. 19	at Shaw	7:00 PM
Sat. 26	at Salem International	4:00 PM
Mon. 28	at Concord	7:30 PM
Wed. 30	at Alderson Broaddus	TBA

### FEBRUARY

Fri. 1	Kent State	3:00 PM
Wed. 6	at Mount Olive      Kornegay Arena	7:00 PM
Sat. 9	Apprentice School	4:00 PM
Sat. 16	Salem International	4:00 PM



## 2018-19 Women's Basketball Schedule

### NOVEMBER

Mon. 5	at Bluefield		6:00 PM
Fri. 9	vs. Alfred State @ Lemont Furnace	USCAA Classic	
Sat. 10	vs. Campbellsville-Harrodsburg		1:00 PM
Tue. 13	Concord		6:00 PM
Fri. 16	vs. Kentucky Christian @ Rio Grande		
	Bevo Francis Tournament		4:00 PM
Sat. 17	at Rio Grande or Wright State Lake		
	Bevo Francis Tournament		6:00 PM
Tue. 20	at Marshall		1:00 PM
Sat. 24	Converse		2:00 PM
Fri. 30	vs. Virginia Union @ Winston-Salem State		
	Red & White Classic		2:00 PM

### DECEMBER

Sat. 1	at Winston-Salem State	Red & White Classic	4:00 PM
Sat. 8	at Apprentice		2:00 PM
Thu. 13	at Florida Southern		5:30 PM
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Fri. 14	at Johnson University Florida		6:00 PM
Wed. 19	UVa-Wise		6:00 PM
Sun. 30	Elizabeth City State		3:00 PM

### JANUARY

Wed. 2	at Tusculum		6:00 PM
Tue. 8	WVU - Tech		6:00 PM
Sat. 12	at Converse	Elementary Education Day	2:00 PM
Tue. 15	Carlow		6:00 PM
Mon. 21	at Carlow		6:00 PM
Wed. 23	Johnson & Wales (NC)		6:00 PM
Sat. 26	at Salem International		2:00 PM
Mon. 28	at Concord		5:30 PM
Wed. 30	Campbellsville-Harrodsburg		7:00 PM

### FEBRUARY

Sat. 2	Stratford	Alumni Day	2:00 PM
Wed. 6	Apprentice		5:30 PM
Sat. 9	Lees-McRae		2:00 PM
Wed. 13	at WVU - Tech		5:30 PM
Sat. 16	Salem International Senior Day		2:00 PM