



Bob House

As the first athletic director at Hillsborough High School, Bob House was the founder of the athletic program. Bob is a 1960 graduate of West Chester University, where he earned a BS in Health and Physical Education. While attending college, Bob was a member of the gymnastics team for three years. After graduation, he was awarded a graduate assistantship at Penn State. There he earned his ME.

After graduating from Penn State, Bob taught at Wildwood High School (NJ). While there he was a member of the football staff when the team won the Group I State Championship. In 1962, Bob was hired by Hillsborough to teach seventh and eighth grade health and physical education. In 1965 Bob started an intramural program in flag football, basketball, and softball. This was the precursor for the first interscholastic athletic

program for the district. In 1968, under Bob's direction, the first inter-scholastic athletic program was started at the newly established Hillsborough High School. In this initial year only freshman programs were offered. During the 1969-1970 year, a junior varsity program was added when the high school was completed. The following year, the first three-level interscholastic athletic program at Hillsborough High School was begun. The Hillsborough athletic program grew to include 11 varsity sports fielding 26 teams. Bob resigned his athletic director's position in 1979 but remained as a physical education teacher until his retirement in 1995.

During his tenure as Athletic Director, Bob served as vice president and then president of the Mountain Valley Conference. He took on the responsibility of the State and Somerset County tournament for three years for cross country and two years for field hockey. He is a veteran of the Korean War, serving in the army from 1953 to 1955.

Bob is living in Gettysburg (PA). Since retiring, he has developed an interest in the Civil War. This had prompted him to pursue a job as a battlefield guide. Upon passing his written test, he was licensed as a guide. During the summer months, Bob works part time at the Gettysburg Tour Center. During the winter months, he works for the Gettysburg College transportation system.

Bob has been married for 49 years to Pat. They have three children: Lori Yost, Patricia Perfetti, and Robert, Jr. They are the proud grandparents of six: Amanda, Courtney, Phillip, Meghan, David, and Timothy.

Bob's commitment to his athletic program's students and athletes as well as for the guidance he provided in laying the foundation for Hillsborough High School's athletic program has secured his selection into the Hillsborough High School Athletic Hall of Fame.