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SHEPHERD (6-1, 4-1) vs. WV WESLEYAN (3-4, 1-3)

CEBE ROSS FIELD • BUCKHANNON, WV

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2007 • 1 P.M.

SHEPHERDSTOWN, W. Va. -- Senior All-American candidate Dervon Wallace (Lusby, MD/Calvert) rushed 36 times for 153 yards and a touchdown to lead 18th-ranked Shepherd University to a 41-17 win over Concord University in WVIAC football action at Callaghan Stadium on Saturday.

Shepherd took a 7-0 lead with 7:03 left in the first quarter when senior running back Vincent Riggs (Poolesville, MD/Poolesville) scored on a six-yard run.

Concord cut the Ram lead to 7-3 when Zach Boyd kicked a 36-yard field goal with 14:14 left in the second quarter.

Shepherd took a 14-3 with 8:19 left in the second period when junior quarterback Tyler Lazear (Bethesda, MD/Walt Whitman) teamed with senior wide receiver Mark Springirth (Germantown, MD/Watkins Mill) on a seven-yard touchdown pass. The score was set up by a 20-yard punt return by freshman Deante Steele (Woodbridge, VA/Potomac).

Concord answered back with 3:40 left in the second quarter when Colby Whitfield blocked a Zach Beach (Clarksburg, MD/Urbana) punt and Tim Bundy picked it up and scored on a 40-yard return to cut the lead to 14-10.

Shepherd upped its lead to 20-10 with 1:30 left in the half when Lazear fired a 25-yard scoring strike to junior tight end Ryan Lavin (Centreville, VA/Westfield) on a fourth-and-five play. The extra point attempt by junior kicker Bryan Beverage (Romney, WV/Hampshire) was no good.

The Mountain Lions cut the deficit to 20-17 with 7:15 left in the third quarter when Thomas Frazier tossed a 14-yard scoring pass to Dustin Greenwood.

Wallace scored on a two-yard run with 10:10 remaining in the fourth quarter to increase the Rams lead to 27-17.

Riggs, who rushed for 88 yards on 16 carries, added his second touchdown of the day on a two-yard plunge with 4:35 left in the fourth quarter to give the Rams a 34-17 advantage.

Freshman running back Jimmy Sutch (Hagerstown, MD/St. James) raced 21 yards for a touchdown with 2:48 left in the game to complete the scoring.

Lazear completed 9-of-14 passes for 71 yards and a pair of touchdowns. He was replaced by sophomore Brett Zirkle (Stuarts Draft, VA/Stuarts Draft), who completed 6-of-8 passes for 46 yards.

Frazier completed 20-of-38 passes for 183 yards for Concord.

Junior linebacker Louis Corum (Manassas, VA/Westfield) and junior cornerback Taros Harris (Cheasapeake Beach, MD/Calvert) led the Rams with seven tackles each. Harris also had an interception, a forced fumble, and a fumble recovery. Senior outside linebacker Joey Hooks (Montgomery Village, MD/Watkins Mill) added six stops.

A REIGN OF EXCELLENCE

Head Coach Monte Cater is now in his 21st season at the helm of the Shepherd football program. The Rams have had a great deal of success since Cater arrived in 1987 as they have won 10 WVIAC titles in 20 seasons. In that time the Rams have made two trips to the NAIA Playoffs and four trips to the NCAA II Playoffs with a pair of back-to-back appearances (1998-99 and 2005-06). Below is a list of where Cater ranks on the all-time victories and all-time titles lists in the WVIAC.

WVIAC COACHING VICTORIES

1. Monte Cater (SU) 146-70-1 (.675)
2. Deacon Duvall (FSC) 125-42-3 (.744)
3. Joe Bartell (WL) 118-55-11 (.671)
4. Bill Struble (WVW) 112-136-0 (.452)
5. Walter Barr (SU) 104-48-4 (.679)
6. Tony Colobro (BSC/CC) 100-45-7 (.681)
7. Cebe Ross (WVW/MH) 97-109-12 (.472)
8. Adolph Hamblin (WVS) 90-58-18 (.596)
9. Dana Lough (Pot. St.) 86-90-9 (.489)
10. Cam Henderson (D&E) 81-33-6 (.700)

2007 SHEPHERD SCHEDULE/RESULTS

August

25 Millersville W 36-7

September

1 Shippensburg W 19-14

15 @ Glenville * L 13-24

22 @ Fairmont * W 31-10

29 Seton Hill * W 44-6

October

6 Charleston * ^ W 49-13

13 @ Concord * W 41-17

20 @ WV Wesleyan * 1 p.m.

27 West Liberty * 1 p.m.

November

3 WV State * 1 p.m.

* WVIAC Games

^ Homecoming

Home Games in Bold

2007 WV WESLEYAN SCHEDULE/RESULTS

September

1 Kentucky Wesleyan W 30-23

8 @ Elon L 16-59

15 @ Charleston * L 6-33

22 @ Concord * W 29-21

29 West Liberty * L 13-37

October

6 @ Seton Hill * L 14-43

13 @ UNC Pembroke W 10-7

20 Shepherd * 1:00 p.m.

27 Fairmont * 1:00 p.m.

November

3 @ Glenville * 1:00 p.m.

10 WV State * 1:00 p.m.

* WVIAC Games

Home games in bold

WVIAC COACHING TITLES

1. Monte Cater (SU) 10
2. Deacon Duvall (FSC) 8
3. Joe Bartell (WL) 7
- 4T. Tony Colobro (BSC/CC) 5
- Eddie King (MH) 5
6. Rich Rodriguez (GSC) 4
- 7T. Walter Barr (SU) 3
- Cebe Ross (WVW/MH) 3
- Bill Struble (WVW) 3

NEWS AND NOTES

Misc. Stats

Here is a compilation of some interesting tidbits on the Rams through seven games:

Third Down Conversions by SU/Foes: 43-103 (42 %) / 21 / 92 (23 %)
Shepherd Avg. Time of Possession/Foes: 34:50 / 25:10
Penalties-Yards by SU/Foes: 40-358 / 50-531
First Downs by Rush-Pass by SU/Foes: 91-45 / 38-41

SHEPHERD'S MAGIC NUMBERS

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If the Rams score 24 or more points, there is a good chance they will come out on top. Shepherd owns a 227-9 (.962) all-time record when reaching the magical 24-point mark. Included in that record is a 100-6 (.943) record since 1990 and a 106-8 (.929) mark under Cater.

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The Rams sport a 340-75-26 (.800) all-time record when holding the opposition to 14 points or less. Currently, Shepherd has won 66 of its last 67 games when holding the opposition to 14 or less and owns an 88-3-1 (.962) record since 1990 when turning the trick. Shepherd is 99-7-1 (.929) under Cater in such games.

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Shepherd is 117-93-26 (.550) all-time in games decided by seven points or less. Shepherd has a 35-21-1 (.622) record since 1990 and a 39-30-1 (.564) mark under Cater in games decided by seven or less.

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Another key to victory is the Shepherd running game. Shepherd is 136-23-2 (.850) since 1980 in games that it rushes for 150 or more yards. Since 1990, the record is 84-11-1 (.880) and under Cater it is 94-17-1 (.843).

Anything Less than 100

Defensively, the Rams will try to contain the running game and force teams to pass. If they hold the opposition to under 100 yards rushing, the odds on a win go up dramatically. Since 1980, the Rams are 115-16-1 (.875) when holding teams to less than 100 yards. Since 1990, Shepherd is 80-11 (.879) in such games and 88-14 (.863) under Cater.

ON THIS DATE

The Rams have played 11 games in their history on October 20, with a 3-6-2 record on this date, including a 2-4-1 mark on the road. Shepherd's all-time results on this date:

Year	Opponent	W/L	Score
1923	@ Randolph-Macon	T	0-0
1928	@ Potomac State	L	0-28
1934	@ Potomac State	L	6-26
1951	@ Glenville	L	13-19
1956	@ D.C. Teachers	W	14-0
1962	Concord	L	12-13
1973	Bluefield State	W	17-0
1979	@ Concord	W	17-6
1984	Concord	L	17-24
1990	Fairmont	T	7-7
2001	@ Glenville	L	21-28

RADIO AND WEB RADIO COVERAGE:

The Ram Sports Radio Network will once again bring the action of the 2007 Shepherd University football team to the fans of the four-state region. WRNR-740 AM will broadcast all 10 regular-season games with Matt Miller and Vic Holmes covering all the action. The action can also be heard on the Web. Links are available at www.talkradiowrnr.com or www.shepherdrams.com.

SCORING SUMMARY & STATISTICS FROM CONCORD GAME

Shepherd	7	13	0	21-	41
Concord	0	10	7	0-	17

SU - Riggs 6 yd run (Beverage kick)

CU - Boyd 36 yd field goal

SU - Springirth 7 yd pass from Lazear (Beverage kick)

CU - Bundy 40 yd blocked punt return (Boyd kick)

SU - Lavin 25 yd pass from Lazear (Beverage kick failed)

CU - Greenwood 14 pass from Frazier (Boyd kick)

SU - Wallace 2 yd run (Beverage kick)

SU - Riggs 1 yd run (Beverage kick)

SU - Sutch 21 yd run (Beverage kick)

SU		CU
22	First Downs	11
62-259	Rushes-Yards	22-29
117	Passing Yards	183
15-22-117-1-1	Passes	20-41-183-1-1
84-376	Plays-Total Off.	63-212
124	Return Yards	171
5/26.8	Punts / Avg.	8/36.4
2-2	Fumbles-Lost	1-1
1-5	Penalties-Yards	8-140
40:16	Time of Possession	19:44

Rushing: SU Wallace 36-153-1, Riggs 16-88-2, Sutch 4-48-1, Zirkle 1-4-0, Lazear 3-2-0, TEAM 2-(-36)-0. **CU** Frazier 8-28-0, Greenwood 8-19-0, Tanner 1-4-0, Bryant 4-(1-0)-0, Shamblin 1-(-12)-0.

Passing: SU Lazear 9-14-71-2-1, Zirkle 6-8-46-0-0. **CU** Frazier 20-38-183-1-1, Greenwood 0-2-0-0-0, Tanner 0-1-0-0-0.

Receiving: SU Springirth 3-31-1, Lavin 3-31-1, Mends 2-24-0, Tremel 2-13-0, Wallace 2-10-0, Muhammad 2-(-4)-0, Humphries 1-12-0. **CU** Greenwood 7-84-1, O'Neal 4-41-0, Franklin 3-26-0, Bryant 2-9-0, Eneja 2-8-0, Tanner 1-9-0, Buskey 1-6-0.

AMONG THE RANKS

The Rams are ranked 17th in the AFCA NCAA Division II Football Poll for October 16. The Rams are also ranked 16th by D2Football.com and 23rd by Don Hansen's Football Gazette.

ON THE SURFACE

Shepherd is 2-1 on artificial turf this season. The Rams have a 4-0 record on grass this year.

MILESTONES AND MEMORIES

MIGHTY MITE

Diminutive senior running back **Dervon Wallace** rushed a career-high 36 times for 153 yards and a touchdown in Shepherd's win over Concord. Wallace rushed for over 100 yards for the 21st time in his career to tie Hall-of-Famer **Bill Adams** for second place on the Ram all-time list. Wallace is listed below on various charts.

WALLACE'S 100-YARD RUSHING GAMES

Name	Opponent	Att.-Yds.-TD	Date
Dervon Wallace	Shippensburg	20-105-2	9-3-05
Dervon Wallace	Glenville	18-157-3	9-17-05
Dervon Wallace	WVU Tech	22-176-2	10-1-05
Dervon Wallace	Charleston	26-179-3	10-8-05
Dervon Wallace	Concord	24-130-4	10-15-05
Dervon Wallace	WV Wesleyan	19-141-3	10-22-05
Dervon Wallace	West Liberty	29-159-1	10-29-05
Dervon Wallace	WV State	19-108-2	11-5-05
Dervon Wallace	Millersville	23-145-1	8-26-06
Dervon Wallace	C.W. Post	27-196-3	9-16-06
Dervon Wallace	Glenville	23-194-3	9-23-06
Dervon Wallace	Charleston	20-143-1	10-14-06
Dervon Wallace	Concord	18-107-3	10-21-06
Dervon Wallace	Merrimack	21-102-1	11-25-06
Dervon Wallace	Millersville	24-195-2	8-25-07
Dervon Wallace	Shippensburg	28-142-0	9-1-07
Dervon Wallace	Glenville	25-150-2	9-15-07
Dervon Wallace	Fairmont	32-131-3	9-22-07
Dervon Wallace	Seton Hill	28-148-1	9-29-07
Dervon Wallace	Charleston	25-138-1	10-6-07
Dervon Wallace	Concord	36-153-1	10-13-07

WALLACE'S CAREER STATISTICS

Year	G/GS	Ru-Yds.	Avg.	TDs	Long
2005	12/7	245-1,389	5.7	26	52
2006	12/12	236-1,300	5.5	17	54
2007	7/7	196-1,057	5.4	10	50
Totals	31/26	677-3,746	5.5	53	54

CAREER 100-YARD RUSHING GAMES

No.	Name	Yrs.	Games Over 100
1.	Damian Beane	4	37
2T.	Dervon Wallace	3	21
	Bill Adams	4	21

CAREER RUSHING YARDS

No.	Name	Yrs.	Last Yr.	Carries	Yards	Avg.
1.	Damian Beane	4	1999	1,150	6,768	5.8
2.	Bill Adams	4	1993	1,042	4,367	4.2
3.	Dervon Wallace	3	Active	641	3,746	5.5

CAREER RUSHING TOUCHDOWNS

No.	Name	Yrs.	Last Yr.	Yards	TDs
1.	Damian Beane	4	1999	6,768	*60
2.	Dervon Wallace	3	Active	3,746	53

CAREER RUSHING AVERAGE

No.	Name	Yrs.	Carries	Yards	Avg.
1.	Dalevon Smith	2	295	2,165	7.33
2.	Ken Russell	3	129	817	6.33
3.	Anthony Crenshaw	2	404	2,395	5.93
4.	Damian Beane	4	1,150	6,768	5.88
5.	Dervon Wallace	3	677	3,746	5.53

MAKING HIS MARK

Senior **Mark Springirth** had three receptions for 31 yards, including a 7-yard touchdown reception, in the win over Concord. Springirth moved into eighth place on the Shepherd all-time list for receptions with 93 and his 12 career touchdown receptions tie for eighth place. His 1,206 career receiving yards rank him 11th on the SU all-time list.

SHEPHERD CAREER RECEIVING YARDS LEADERS

No.	Name	Last Year	Yards
1.	Jason Dirting	2001	2,372
2.	Kelvin Stevens	1997	1,846
3.	Justin Duhaime	1991	1,762
4.	Jesse Correll	2004	1,760
5.	Chauncey Winbush	1993	1,580
6.	John Fotta	1985	1,535
7.	Tim Ready	1998	1,523
8.	Rob Bradford	1986	1,455
9.	Bob Denton	1969	1,434
10.	Tom Slack	1982	1,332
11.	Mark Springirth	Active	1,206

SPRINGIRTH'S CAREER 100-YARD RECEIVING GAMES

Name	Opponent	Att.-Yards	Date
Mark Springirth	Shippensburg	6-122	9-3-05
Mark Springirth	West Liberty	8-109	11-4-06
Mark Springirth	WV State	6-131	11-11-06
Mark Springirth	Charleston	3-103	10-6-07

SPRINGIRTH'S CAREER STATISTICS

Year	G/GS	Rec-Yds.	Avg.	TDs	Long
2004	4/0	1-20	20.0	0	20
2005	12/11	34-406	11.9	4	77T
2006	11/7	38-501	13.2	5	76T
2007	7/7	20-279	13.9	3	70T
Totals	34/25	93-1,206	12.9	12	77T

CAREER RECEPTIONS

No.	Name	Last Year	Rec.
7.	Jesse Correll	2004	98
8.	Mark Springirth	Active	93
9.	Chauncey Winbush	1993	91

CAREER TOUCHDOWN RECEPTIONS

No.	Name	Last Year	TDs
5T.	Jamal Gardner	2002	15
	Wayman Everly	1963	15
7.	Jesse Correll	2004	13
8.	Mark Springirth	Active	12
	Colby Cloude	1998	12

SCOUTING WESLEYAN

GENERAL INFORMATION

Location Buckhannon, WV 26201
 Founded 1890
 Enrollment 1,176
 Nickname Bobcats
 Colors Orange and Black
 Affiliation NCAA II
 Conference WVIAC
 President Dr. Pamela M. Balch
 Athletic Director George Klebez
 Stadium Cebe Ross Field (3,000)
 Playing Surface Grass
 Sports Info. Director Nate Beardsley
 Web Site www.wvwc.edu

THE BOBCATS

Basic Offense: I Formation
 Basic Defense: 50 Angle
 2006 Overall Record: 2-8
 2006 Conf. Rec.(Finish): 1-6/8th
 Letterwinners returning/lost: 47/10
 Starters returning/lost: 15/7
 Offensive starters returning/lost: 7/4
 Defensive starters returning/lost: 8/3
 Specialists returning/lost: n/a

West Virginia Wesleyan (3-4, 1-3) is coming off a 10-7 victory on the road at UNC Pembroke last Saturday.

Jim Bowersock (5-10, 257) scored on a two-yard run with 1:29 left in the fourth quarter to lift the Bobcats to the come-from-behind win.

Junior quarterback **Harry Lorusso** (5-11, 185) completed 12-of-23 passes for 148 yards and three touchdowns.

Senior wide receiver **Alex Puente** (6-4, 210) led the receiving corps with six catches for 63 yards. Junior tight end **William Schiefelbein** (6-4, 247) added two receptions for 29 yards.

The ground game was led by senior running back **Greg Duncan** (6-1, 195). Bryant rushed 18 times for 70 yards. Junior running back **Nigel Smith** (5-8, 175) added 50 yards on 10 carries

The Bobcat defense was led by the quartet of junior linebacker **Matt Prusinskas** (5-11, 250) junior rover **Tyler Kraus** (6-2, 210), junior defensive end **Jason Perez** (5-11, 202), and senior free safety **Domonique Staten** (5-8, 165). Each recorded five tackles to pace Wesleyan. Kraus added a fumble recovery and an interception, while Staten returned an interception 29 yards late in the game to seal the Wesleyan victory.

Sophomore punter/kicker **Derek Moore** (5-11, 180) punted six times for a 34.3 average with a pair of punts inside the 20-yard line. He was 1-of-2 in field goal attempts. Moore missed a 30-yarder before connecting on a 20-yarder.



STATISTICAL LEADERS

• PASSING •

No.	Name	Comp.	Att.	Yds.	TD	Int.
8	Harry Lorusso	60	135	877	5	7

• RUSHING •

No.	Name	Att.	Yds.	Avg.	TD
22	Greg Duncan	98	376	3.8	1
15	Brandon Burton	49	202	4.1	3

• RECEIVING •

No.	Name	Rec.	Yds.	Avg.	TD
88	Alex Puente	32	515	16.1	4
18	Nigel Smith	8	141	17.6	0

• SCORING •

No.	Name	TD	PAT	2PT	FG	Pts.
88	Alex Puente	4	0	0	0	24
15	Brandon Burton	3	0	0	0	18
42	Jim Bowersock	3	0	0	0	18

• TACKLES •

No.	Name	UT	AT	TT	Other
23	Tyler Kraus	29	25	54	2 TFLs, 3 INTs
3	Domonique Staten	28	23	51	2 INTs
52	Kyle Winters	23	19	42	16 TFLs

LAST MEETING

OCTOBER 28, 2006

SHEPHERDSTOWN, WV

RAM STADIUM (2,617)

SCORING SUMMARY & STATISTICS

WV Wesleyan	0	0	0	0-	0
Shepherd	10	14	3	14-	41

SU - Schmitt 23 yd field goal

SU - Jackson 29 yd pass from Chlebowski (Schmitt kick)

SU - Wood 14 yd pass from Chlebowski (Schmitt kick)

SU - Jackson 24 yd pass from Chlebowski (Schmitt kick)

SU - Schmitt 49 yd field goal

SU - Wallace 16 yd run (Schmitt kick)

SU - Wright 14 yd pass from Lazear (Schmitt kick)

WVW		SU
4	First Downs	21
29-17	Rushes-Yards	36-134
5	Passing Yards	301
1-15-5-0-3	Passes	22-30-301-4-1
44-22	Plays-Total Off.	66-435
231	Return Yards	81
8/32.2	Punts / Av.	3/37.7
0-0	Fumbles-Lost	2-0
4-30	Penalties-Yards	8-114
27:33	Time of Possession	32:27

Rushing: WVW Vance 9-20-0, Duncan 11-17-0, Bowersock 1-3-0, Varner 1-2-0, TEAM 1-(-2)-0, Ramos 6-(-23)-0. **SU** Wallace 17-19-1, Wright 11-35-0, Chlebowski 2-6-0, Riggs 2-3-0, Janey 1-0-0, Lazear 3-(-4)-0.

Passing: WVW Ramos 1-15-5-0-3. **SU** Chlebowski 15-17-223-3-1, Lazear 7-12-78-1-0.

Receiving: WVW Duncan 1-5-0. **SU** Jackson 6-10-2, Springirth 3-26-0, Wright 3-26-1, Wood 2-29-1, Sheehan 2-21-0, Wallace 2-20-0, Dominguez 2-12-0, Tremel 1-27-0, Lavin 1-20-0, W. Gouveia 1-11-0.