

SHEPHERD (3-4, 1-4) vs. WV WESLEYAN (1-6, 1-3) RAM STADIUM • SHEPHERDSTOWN, WV SATURDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2008 • 1 P.M.

SHEPHERDSTOWN, W.Va. -- Sophomore running back **Jimmy Sutch** (Hagerstown, MD/St. James) rushed 16 times for 122 yards and three touchdowns to lead Shepherd University to 55-7 win over Concord in football action at last Saturday.

Shepherd took a 7-0 lead when senior quarterback **Tyler Lazear** (Bethesda, MD/Walt Whitman) connected with junior wide **Nasser Muhammad** (Silver Spring, MD/Sidwell Friends) on a 43-yard scoring strike with 13:48 left in the first quarter. Freshman kicker **Eric Dobratz** (Woodbridge, VA/Potomac) added the extra point.

Minutes later freshman running back **Michael Johnson** (Indian Head, MD/Lackey) scored on a four-yard plunge to up the Ram lead to 14-0.

Concord's Thomas Frazier hit Chris Carter on a 15-yard score with 4:42 left in the first quarter to cut the lead to 14-7.

Sophomore return specialist **Deante Steele** (Woodbridge, VA/Potomac) fielded the ensuing kickoff at the Shepherd nine-yard line and raced 91 yards for a score.

Dobratz opened the scoring in the second quarter when he nailed a 26-yard field goal with 14:56 left.

The Rams took a 38-7 lead into the break as Sutch added touchdown runs of two and 15 yards in the final minutes of the half.

Dobratz hit a 26-yard field goal to give the Rams a 41-7 lead with 9:32 left in the third quarter.

Sutch scored his third touchdown of the day on a four-yard run with 1:16 left in the third quarter to up the Ram lead to 48-7.

Freshman running back **Thomas Addison** (Germantown, MD/Quince Orchard) scored on a 30-yard run with 10:08 remaining in the fourth quarter to complete the scoring.

Shepherd amassed 470 yards of total offense while limiting Concord to 141.

Lazear completed 13-of-23 passes for 172 yards and a score. Junior quarterback **Brett Zirkle** (Stuarts Draft, VA/Stuarts Draft) was 2-for-2 for 40 yards, while sophomore quarterback **Kevin Clancy** (Westminster, MD/Westminster) completed 2-for-2 passes for 14 yards. Thomas Frazier went 6-of-18 for 45 yards for Concord.

Senior wide receiver **Craig Tremel** (Lilly, PA/Penn Cambria) had three catches for 55 yards and sophomore **Patrick McClain** (Falls Church, VA/Marshall) added three catches for 23 yards.

Senior linebacker **Louis Corum** (Manassas, VA/Westfield) led the Ram defense with a eight tackles, including four solos.

Steele had a great all-around day as he recorded five tackles and picked off a pair of Mountain Lion passes. He also had one punt return for 39 yards. His standout effort earned him **WVIAC Special Teams Player of the Week** honors for the second straight week.

A REIGN OF EXCELLENCE

Head Coach **Monte Cater** is now in his 22nd 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 11 WVIAC titles in 21 seasons. In that time the Rams have made two trips to the NAIA Playoffs (1991, 1992) and five trips to the NCAA II Playoffs (1998-99 and 2005-07). 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) 153-75-1 (.670)
2. Deacon Duvall (FSC) 125-42-3 (.744)
3. Joe Bartell (WL) 118-55-11 (.671)
4. Bill Struble (WVW) 113-147-0 (.435)
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)

2008 SHEPHERD SCHEDULE/RESULTS

August	
30 @ Shippensburg	W 20-16
September	
6 Bowie State	W 14-0
13 Glenville *	L 14-21
20 Fairmont *	L 42-46
27 @ Seton Hill *	L 14-24
October	
4 @ Charleston *	L 12-21
11 Concord *	W 55-7
18 WV Wesleyan * ^	1 p.m.
25 @ West Liberty *	1 p.m.
November	
1 @ WV State *	1 p.m.

* WVIAC Games
 ^ Homecoming
 Home Games in Bold

2008 WV WESLEYAN SCHEDULE/RESULTS

August	
30 Southern Conn.	L 21-26
September	
6 @ Virginia Union	L 14-35
13 Charleston *	L 17-24
20 Concord *	W 31-26
27 @ West Liberty *	L 0-46
October	
4 Seton Hill *	L 32-35
11 UNC-Pembroke	L 14-36
18 @ Shepherd *	1 p.m.
25 @ Fairmont *	1 p.m.
November	
1 Glenville *	1 p.m.
8 @ WV State *	1 p.m.

* WVIAC Games Home games in bold

WVIAC COACHING TITLES

1. Monte Cater (SU) 11
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 this season:

Third Down Conversions by SU/Foes: 38/101 (38 %)/30/94 (32 %)

Shepherd Avg. Time of Possession/Foes: 31:27/28:33

Penalties-Yards by SU/Foes: 39-353/61-553

First Downs by Rush-Pass by SU/Foes: 42-71/52-42

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 232-11 (.954) all-time record when reaching the magical 24-point mark. Included in that record is a 105-8 (.929) record since 1990 and a 111-10 (.917) mark under Cater.

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The Rams sport a 343-75-26 (.802) all-time record when holding the opposition to 14 points or less. Currently, Shepherd has won 69 of its last 70 games when holding the opposition to 14 or less and owns a 91-3-1 (.963) record since 1990 when turning the trick. Shepherd is 102-7-1 (.932) under Cater in such games.

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Shepherd is 119-95-26 (.550) all-time in games decided by seven points or less. Shepherd has a 37-23-1 (.615) record since 1990 and a 41-32-1 (.561) mark under Cater in games decided by seven or less.

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Another key to victory is the Rams' running game. Shepherd is 141-23-2 (.850) since 1980 in games that it rushes for 150 or more yards. Since 1990, the record is 90-11-1 (.887) and under Cater it is 100-17-1 (.851).

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 120-16-1 (.879) when holding teams to less than 100 yards. Since 1990, Shepherd is 85-11 (.885) in such games and 93-14 (.869) under Cater.

ON THE RUN

Sophomore running back **Jimmy Sutch** rushed 16 times for 122 yards against Concord. Sutch is averaging 78.1 yards/game this season.

SUTCH'S CAREER STATISTICS

Year	G/GS	Ru-Yds.	Avg.	TDs	Long
2007	9/0	56-315	5.6	5	32
2008	7/7	118-547	4.6	7	78
Totals	16/7	174-862	4.9	12	78

SUTCH'S CAREER HIGHS

Rushing yards	201 vs. Shippensburg (8-30-08)
Carries	26 vs. Shippensburg (8-30-08)
Rushing TDs	3 vs. Indiana (Pa.) (11-24-07)
	3 vs. Concord (10-11-08)

SUTCH'S 100-YARD RUSHING GAMES

Name	Opponent	Att.-Yds.	Date
Jimmy Sutch	Shippensburg	26-201	8-30-08
Jimmy Sutch	Indiana (Pa.)	17-119	11-24-07
Jimmy Sutch	Concord	16-122	10-11-08

RADIO AND WEB RADIO COVERAGE:

The Ram Sports Radio Network will once again bring the action of the 2008 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

Concord	7	0	0	0-	7
Shepherd	21	17	10	7-	55

SU - Muhammad 43 yd pass from Lazear (Dobratz kick)

SU - Johnson 4 yd run (Dobratz kick)

CU - Carter 15 yd pass from Frazier (Caudill kick)

SU - Steele 91 yd kickoff return (Dobratz kick)

SU - Dobratz 26 yd field goal

SU - Sutch 2 yd run (Dobratz kick)

SU - Sutch 15 yd run (Dobratz kick)

SU - Dobratz 26 yd field goal

SU - Sutch 4 yd run (Dobratz kick)

SU - Addison 30 yd run (Dobratz kick)

CU	SU
9	First Downs 27
28-53	Rushes-Yards 49-271
88	Passing Yards 226
9-25-88-1-3	Passes 17-27-226-1-0
53-141	Plays-Total Off. 76-497
177	Return Yards 240
6/38.0	Punts/Av. 2/24.3
1-1	Fumbles-Lost 0-0
2-28	Penalties-Yards 9-78
24:26	Time of Possession 35:34

Rushing: CU Kennedy 15-54-0, Carter 1-9-0, Mayo 1-5-0, S. Hearons 2-3-0, Reese 3-3-0, Lynch 1-0-0, Nunez1-(-5)-0, TEAM 1-(-7)-0, Frazier 3-(-9)-0. **SU** Sutch 16-122-3, Johnson 17-80-1, Addison 9-46-1, Lazear 4-17-0, Tucker 2-7-0, TEAM 1-(-1)-0.

Passing: CU Frazier 6-18-45-1-2, S. Hearons 3-7-43-0-1. **SU** Lazear 13-23-172-1-0, Zirkle 2-2-40-0-0, Clancy 2-2-14-0-0.

Receiving: CU Baker 2-33-0, Kennedy 2-4-0, Carter 1-15-1, Tanner 1-11-0, Royal 1-10-0, Brown 1-8-0, Mayo 1-7-0. **SU** Tremel 3-55-0, 3-23-0, Muhammad 2-55-1, Hardie 2-18-0, Hasan 2-14-0, Feaster 1-32-0, Mazyck 1-10-0, Williams 1-9-0, Humphries 1-6-0, Sutch 1-4-0.



MILESTONES AND MEMORIES

MOVING UP THE CHARTS

Senior wide receiver **Craig Tremel** is among the team's top receivers this season. Tremel has 20 receptions for a team-high 336 yards and a score this season.

TREMEL'S CAREER STATISTICS

Year	G/GS	Rec-Yds.	Avg.	TDs	Long
2005	12/1	31-240	11.0	5	34
2006	12/2	30-219	7.3	2	30
2007	12/3	7-60	8.6	0	14
2008	7/6	20-336	16.8	1	52
Totals	43/13	88-855	9/7	8	52

CATCHING ON

Junior wide receiver **Nasser Muhammad** paces the team with a team-high 25 receptions for 293 yards. His three touchdown grabs also pace the team.

MUHAMMAD'S CAREER STATISTICS

Year	G/GS	Rec-Yds.	Avg.	TDs	Long
2007	12/1	18-225	12.5	2	44
2008	7/7	25-293	11.7	3	43
Totals	19/8	43-518	12.0	5	44

OFFENSIVE CATEGORY LEADERS

Category	Name	Amount
Rushing Yds.	Jimmy Sutch	547
Rushing TDs	Jimmy Sutch	7
Yards per Rush	Jimmy Sutch	4.6
Total TDs	Jimmy Sutch	8
Passing Yds.	Tyler Lazear	1,348
Passing TDs	Tyler Lazear	8
Pass Attempts	Tyler Lazear	192
Pass Completions	Tyler Lazear	117
Receiving Yds.	Craig Tremel	336
Receptions	Nasser Muhammad	25
Receiving TDs	Nasser Muhammad	3
Yards per Catch	Raymond Mends	17.4

LEADING THE DEFENSE

The Ram defense is led by senior linebacker **Jacquez Taylor** and sophomore cornerback **Deante Steele**. Taylor paces the team with 67 tackles (41 solo) with 14 tackles-for-loss, while Steele adds 38 stops (28 solo) and a team-best seven pass breakups.

DEFENSIVE CATEGORY LEADERS

Category	Name	Amount
Total tackles	Jacquez Taylor	67
Solo tackles	Jacquez Taylor	41
Assisted tackles	Jacquez Taylor	26
Tackles-for-loss	Jacquez Taylor	14-29
Sacks	Mike Spiegelberg	5-26
Pass breakups	Deante Steele	7
Interceptions	Layton Hersh	4

MAKING A PASS

Senior quarterback **Tyler Lazear** completed 13-of-23 passes for 172 yards against Concord. Below are Lazear's career statistics and where he ranks on a several Shepherd all-time lists.

CAREER ATTEMPTS

Rk.	Name	Yrs.	Last Year	Att.
6.	Mike Coyle	4	1984	610
7.	Tyler Lazear	3+	Active	545
8.	Skip Stasky	4	1990	432

CAREER COMPLETIONS

Rk.	Name	Yrs.	Last Year	Comp.
5.	Jay Mason	4	1994	336
6.	Tyler Lazear	3+	Active	321
7.	Jim Signora	4	1991	308
8.	Matt Davis	3	1999	179

CAREER PASSING YARDS

Rk.	Name	Yrs.	Last Year	Yards
6.	Dan Chlebowski	4	2006	4,527
7.	Tyler Lazear	3+	Active	3,771
8.	Skip Stasky	4	1990	3,695
9.	Matt Davis	3	1999	2,472

LAZEAR'S CAREER STATISTICS

Year	G/GS	Com.	Att.	Yds.	TDs	INTs
2005	6/2	21	40	314	2	1
2006	8/1	50	87	522	6	3
2007	12/12	133	226	1,587	15	8
2008	7/7	117	192	1,348	8	4
Totals	33/22	321	545	3,771	31	16

LAZEAR'S CAREER HIGHS

Passing yards	315, vs. Fairmont (9-20-08)
TD passes	4, vs. Fairmont (9-20-08)
Completions	25, vs. Fairmont (9-20-08)
Attempts	37, vs. Fairmont (9-20-08)
	37, vs. Seton Hill (9-27-08)

ON THIS DATE

The Rams have played 11 games in their history in October 18, with a 7-4-0 record on this date, including a 2-1-0 mark at home. Shepherd's all-time results on this date:

Year	Opponent	W/L	Score
1924	@ Randolph-Macon	W	13-0
1941	@ Fairmont	L	0-20
1946	@ Salem	W	7-0
1947	Salem	L	7-12
1958	WV Tech	W	20-14
1969	@ West Liberty	L	6-38
1975	@ West Liberty	W	24-14
1980	@ WV Wesleyan	W	17-7
1986	@ WV Tech	W	16-14
1997	WV Tech	W	48-3
2003	@ Glenville	L	19-22

MORE NOTES

SHEPHERD-WV WESLEYAN ALL-TIME SERIES RESULTS

Date	Winner	Score
11-10-62	Tie	13-13
11-9-63	WV Wesleyan	26-0
9-1-71	Shepherd	14-0
9-9-72	Shepherd	56-8
9-8-73	Shepherd	20-7
9-14-74	Shepherd	28-0
9-13-75	Shepherd	21-14
9-11-76	Shepherd	16-6
9-10-77	Shepherd	16-6
10-14-78	Shepherd	16-13
10-13-79	Shepherd	20-17
10-13-80	Shepherd	17-7
10-17-81	Shepherd	21-3
10-16-82	Shepherd	21-3
10-15-83	Shepherd	54-0
10-13-84	Shepherd	42-7
10-19-91	Shepherd	21-7
10-17-92	Shepherd	19-13
10-9-93	Shepherd	20-14
10-8-94	Shepherd	30-11
9-20-95	WV Wesleyan	33-7
10-5-96	WV Wesleyan	24-21
10-4-97	Shepherd	37-19
10-3-93	Shepherd	47-31
11-13-99	Shepherd	55-13
11-11-00	Shepherd	51-0
11-3-01	WV Wesleyan	23-15
11-9-02	WV Wesleyan	24-14
11-1-03	WV Wesleyan	34-14
10-23-04	Shepherd	41-25
10-22-05	Shepherd	51-0
10-28-06	Shepherd	41-0
10-20-07	Shepherd	36-28

Shepherd leads the all-time series 26-6-1

SERIES NOTES

Below are a few notes on the series between the Rams and Bobcats. The first meeting between the two teams in 1962 ended up in a 13-13 tie. West Virginia Wesleyan earned its first win in the series in 1963 with a 26-0 victory. Shepherd returned the favor with a 14-0 triumph in 1971 for its first win in the series.

Longest WV Wesleyan win streak: 5 games (2001-03)

Longest Shepherd win streak: 18 games (1971-84, 1991-94)

Last 10 meetings: Shepherd leads, 7-3

SHEPHERD-WV WESLEYAN SERIES INFORMATION

Series Record:	Shepherd leads, 26-6-1
Last meeting (result):	2007, Shepherd 36 WV Wesleyan 28
Last meeting at SU:	2006, Shepherd 41 WV Wesleyan 0
Current SU streak:	Won four
Most SU points vs. WVW:	56 (1972)
Most WVW points vs. SU:	34 (2003)
All-time SU shutouts vs. WVW:	Six
All-time WVW shutouts vs. SU:	One
Coach Cater vs. WVW:	12-5
Coach Cater vs. WVW at SU:	6-2
Cater's team scoring offense vs. WVW:	520
Cater's team scoring defense vs. WVW:	289

MAN OF STEELE

Deante Steele returned a kick for a touchdown for the second straight week. He followed up his 95-yard punt return for a touchdown against Charleston with a 91-yard kickoff for a score against Concord.

STEELE'S KICK RETURN TOUCHDOWNS

Deante Steele (91-yard kickoff return vs. Concord)	10-11-08
Deante Steele (95-yard punt return vs. Charleston)	10-4-08
Deante Steele (68-yard punt return vs. Charleston)	10-6-07

STEELE'S CAREER PUNT RETURN STATISTICS

Year	G/GS	Ret.-Yds.	Avg.	TDs	Long
2007	10/9	17-232	13.6	1	68
2008	7/7	16-315	19.7	1	*95
Totals	17/16	33-547	16.5	2	*95

* ties school record

STEELE'S CAREER KICKOFF RETURN STATISTICS

Year	G/GS	Ret.-Yds.	Avg.	TDs	Long
2007	10/9	20-457	22.9	0	72
2008	7/7	12-337	28.1	1	91
Totals	17/16	32-794	24.8	1	91

SHEPHERD'S RECORD IN 2008 WHEN...

At home	2-2
On the road	1-2
Leading after 1st quarter	3-2
Trailing after 1st quarter	0-1
Tied after 1st quarter	0-1
Leading at the half	2-1
Trailing at the half	1-3
Tied at the half	0-0
Leading after 3rd quarter	2-1
Trailing after 3rd quarter	1-3
Tied after 3rd quarter	0-0
Game decided by seven pts. or less	1-2
Game decided by three pts. or less	0-0
Scoring 24 points or more	1-1
Allowing 14 points or less	2-0
Scoring first	3-2
Opponents score first	0-2
Positive TO ratio	2-1
Negative TO ratio	1-2
Turnovers even	0-1
300 yds. or more total offense	2-2
Less than 300 yds. total offense	1-2
Opp. < 300 yds. total offense	3-0
Opp. > 300 yds. total offense	0-4
Rushing for 150+ yards	2-0
Allowing <100 yds. rushing	3-0
In August	1-0
In September	1-3
In October	1-1

