President Dunlop to retire after 11 years
Greetings from Florida!

Shepherd University Travels to Florida

In February President David L. Dunlop and Robin Zanotti, vice president for advancement, visited four cities on the Gulf Coast of Florida—Tampa, Sarasota, Fort Myers, and Marco Island. More than 20 alumni attended the receptions and enjoyed gathering with fellow Shepherd graduates in their area.

Attending the Marco Island dinner were (l. to r.) President Dunlop, Phyllis Penn, Bill Penn ’56, and hosts Jacqueline Yates and Charlie Yates ’56.

Attending the Tampa alumni reception were (l. to r.) Bill Tannenbaum, Lee Ohley-Tannenbaum ’75, Daniel Nail ’01, and President David L. Dunlop.

Dick and Evelyn Snively hosted a luncheon at the TPC Prestancia Club in Sarasota. Attendees included front row (l. to r.) Ed Marple ’92, Mary Denise Marple, Denny Small, Anne Small ’67, Dick Snively ’56, and Evelyn Snively, back row, Carol Daunt, Jack Daunt ’64, Rollin Powell ’65, Judy Powell, and Wayne Whitmore ’70.

A luncheon in Ft. Myers was attended by (l. to r.) Robin Zanotti, vice president for advancement, Rae Tennant Banks ’54, Tom Banks ’54, Wayne Whitmore ’70, and Doris Goeppner King ’87.

See the next issue of the Magazine for information about receptions held on the east coast of Florida in March.
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From the President
A fond farewell

It would be a cliché to say that it seems like only yesterday when I arrived at Shepherd University as its 14th president—but it would also be true. Clearly, these have been the fastest, most interesting, and enjoyable 11 years of my adult life, and I’m confident that my wife Cathy would agree.

From the very first day, we fell in love with Shepherd University and all of the wonderful people who support it. During my first summer here, I recall going to an Orioles baseball game with more than 500 Shepherd alumni gathering for lunch and the game. Throughout the day I listened with interest to one Shepherd story after another detailing great times and a superb education that were experienced while a student at Shepherd. The amazing thing to me was not that a group of alumni had splendid stories to tell, but rather, these stories were consistently flattering to the institution over many decades.

Because of the nature of the job, it is difficult for some administrators to keep in touch with students and their issues. Nevertheless, I believe that it is important for top-level administrators to know as much as possible about the student body, and I tried to do this by taking students to lunch every few weeks, by meeting regularly with the Student Government Association president, by attending many student events, and by teaching an occasional class. These interactions with our students were pleasant and informative, and they energized me to work even harder to do my part in continuing to make this an exceptional university.

The geography of Shepherd is another of its strengths that I quickly learned to appreciate, and it is an asset that does not go unnoticed by our students. Shepherd is ideally positioned just a few miles from Washington, D.C., and Baltimore to the east, and only a few miles from the wild and wonderful environment to the west. Thus, whatever your interest, it can be found nearby.

With only a few short months left on my presidential calendar, I must admit that my retirement represents a very bittersweet event for me. I do, however, look forward to next year when I will have the opportunity to meet with Shepherd alumni living in Florida, and I will most certainly take the opportunity to encourage them to reconnect to their alma mater.

And with the Board of Governor’s insightful decision to hire Dr. Suzanne Shipley as the next president of Shepherd University, I leave knowing that the leadership of the University will be in good hands.

To all of our Shepherd colleagues and friends, Cathy and I extend our warmest wishes and most sincere thanks. We thank you for all of the courtesies that you have extended to us, and we especially appreciate all that you have done to make the past 11 years so amazingly wonderful. We will miss you!
Dr. Suzanne Shipley named 15th president of Shepherd

Dr. Suzanne Shipley, vice president for academic affairs and dean of faculty at the College of Notre Dame of Maryland, was named the next president of Shepherd University during a press conference held February 19.

President-elect Shipley will succeed Dr. David L. Dunlop, who is retiring in June after serving as president for 11 years. The announcement was made following a vote by the West Virginia Higher Education Policy Commission to confirm the Board of Governors’ appointment.

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John Sherwood, BOG and search committee chair

John Sherwood, chair of the Board of Governors and the Presidential Search Committee, expressed his pleasure at the outcome of the six-month search. “Dr. Shipley was the overwhelming favorite of every single constituent group,” said Sherwood. “We are delighted that she has accepted our invitation to lead Shepherd into the future.”

“It is an honor to be chosen president of Shepherd University,” said Dr. Shipley. “I look forward to building on the many accomplishments of President Dunlop. Shepherd University fulfills a vital role as West Virginia’s highly competitive public liberal arts university.”

Dr. Shipley was chosen from among more than 120 applicants for the position. She was one of four finalists who visited Shepherd’s campus in February for interview sessions with faculty, staff, students, alumni, and community members.

Prior to assuming her position at the College of Notre Dame of Maryland, she served as dean of the College of Arts and Sciences at Northern Arizona University. Shipley was previously head of the Department of Germanic Languages and Literature at the University of Cincinnati, where she also was a full professor, and had served as director of the University Honors Program. She spent one year at Arizona State University as an American Council on Education Fellow.

President-elect Shipley holds a Ph.D. in German from the University of Texas and an M.A. and B.A. in German from Texas Tech University. She is married to Randy Wadsworth, a clinical pharmacist at Greater Baltimore Medical Center.

Chancellor Brian Noland, who was at Shepherd for the announcement, indicated his strong support of Shepherd’s selection of Shipley. “I am confident that Dr. Shipley will be well received by the Policy Commission members and other state officials,” said Noland. “We welcome her to West Virginia and look forward to working closely with her during this exciting time in Shepherd’s history.”

Retiring President David L. Dunlop said, “I am extremely pleased to have a person of Dr. Shipley’s caliber selected as the 15th president of Shepherd University. I am confident that the transition will be very smooth, and I have no doubt that she has the ability and support to lead the University forward.”

Sherwood thanked the members of the search committee and the campus community for their participation in the search process.
An interview with President David L. Dunlop

Dr. David L. Dunlop will be retiring June 30 as Shepherd’s 14th president. He and his wife Cathy will be moving to their home in Florida. Although he will be a thousand miles from Shepherd, he plans to remain a participant in the life of the University by assisting the advancement office in outreach activities to alumni in the south.

We’ve asked President Dunlop to share with us his accomplishments during his 11 years as president and his predictions for Shepherd in the future.

Q. What accomplishment are you most proud of during your tenure at Shepherd?

A. In a word, “progress.” The campus of 2007 is dramatically different from the campus of 1995. Some of the changes would have likely taken place no matter who the president had been; however, I believe that there are three areas in particular where my staff and I have made significant efforts to achieve the changes so evident today.

First, and possibly most significant in the long term, is our shift from Shepherd College to Shepherd University. This is important because it represents the next logical step in the evolution and maturation of Shepherd. All of our two-year programs were transferred to Blue Ridge Community and Technical College in Martinsburg, and in their place we initiated several graduate programs at the master’s level. Of course, four-year baccalaureate degree programs with a strong foundation in the liberal arts continue to be the core of our educational mission.

Curricular developments, both at the undergraduate and graduate levels, represent a second area where progress has been noteworthy. In the past 10 years we have initiated seven new degrees, six new majors/minors, and 19 new concentrations. Several of these new programs such as the environmental engineering concentration, networking and data communications concentration, and the technical communications minor reflect our responsiveness to the changing workplace. And, as part of our commitment to our academic excellence, we have also enhanced academic support programs which, in turn, have further improved our retention and graduation rates placing us among the top institutions in West Virginia.

Improvements to the physical plant of the campus characterize the third area of planned progress. It is within this area where growth may be the most visible and dramatic. Over the past decade we have invested more than $100 million in new construction on campus, with a majority of the projects being funded without the campus incurring additional debt.

The construction has included both academic and non-academic structures. On the academic side of the ledger you will find a science building, an addition to the Frank Center that provides state-of-the-art practice and rehearsal space for our music majors, an academic building that will house the Nursing Department, the renovation of historic Reynolds Hall, a tripling of the library space to include the Robert C. Byrd Center for Legislative Studies, and Phase I of the Center for Contemporary Arts that will become home to the art and theater programs of Shepherd University, as well as the home for the Contemporary American Theater Festival.

Other improvements include restoration of McMurran Hall, an addition to the administration building, total interior renovation of two residence halls, the construction of two apartment buildings with fully equipped kitchens, the expansion of Ram Stadium to include the Boone Field House, and later this year ground will be broken for a multi-purpose wellness center. We will also have six new tennis courts and two large intramural fields coming on line for next fall.

As part of our campus plan, we have addressed several ADA-related issues through the addition of elevators, curbing, doors, and fire alarm systems. These and other improvements to our infrastructure provide the students with an added value to their education and will allow the University to continue to be an attractive option for students throughout the region.

Q. What aspect of your presidency did you enjoy the most?

A. There are so many enjoyable aspects that it is difficult to single one out. But I think that the broad category of interactions with people would include some of my most enjoyable moments. For example, every few weeks I invite two students to go to lunch with me, and I do not recall ever having had anything but a delightful conversation. Our students are really great—and great in so many different ways. It is always a pleasure to hear our students describe their experiences and many successes—even at this early point in their lives.

Living in Shepherdstown is a special bonus. During the time that I’ve been at the University, my wife and I have had the opportunity to meet literally hundreds of interesting people in various
social settings. Interactions with these people are invariably an enjoyable and pleasant experience.

Being a catalyst for worthwhile projects has also been a very enjoyable part of my working day. It is difficult not to “puff up” when I see the faculty, staff, or students bring to closure a successful project or event that I encouraged, initiated, or supported.

Q. What was your least favorite task?

A. Frequent trips to Charleston have consistently been my least favorite task! I believe that during my second year at Shepherd, I averaged almost one trip per week for the entire year. Not only is it a long drive (more than 600 miles round trip), but it takes me away from campus more frequently than I would prefer. During the past couple of years, the frequency of trips to Charleston has declined somewhat due, in part, to greater utilization of video and audio teleconferencing and fewer meetings which demand my attendance.

Q. Did your 11 years at Shepherd’s helm turn out the way you’d imagined when you first accepted the job?

A. In a general sense, yes; however, there have been some surprises. For example, the separation, by the Legislature, of the community and technical college from Shepherd University was not foreseen in 1996—at least not by me.

I have been pleasantly surprised at our ability to further increase the quality of our student body while at the same time increasing the enrollment. During the time that I’ve been here, we have increased our enrollment by approximately 35 percent, and that takes into account the loss of almost 1,500 students that were in two-year or other programs at the community and technical college in Martinsburg. Accompanying our growth has been a boost in the quality of Shepherd’s student body, as measured by traditional national test scores. I am proud to report that we are now among the top schools in West Virginia, and we are competitive nationally.

Athletics is another enjoyable surprise. I knew at the time of my hire that student athletes at Shepherd had a long history of success in several different sports; however, who could have predicted that the Shepherd University football team would put together two back-to-back undefeated seasons and be nationally ranked and recognized!

And football is not the only athletic program at Shepherd University that has experienced success—many teams have demonstrated winning seasons, conference championships, and post season competition. In fact, for the first time in memory, Shepherd University has won the WVIAC Presidents’ Cup—not just last year, but the previous year, as well. This award recognizes the top campus within the athletic conference based on team finishes in the regular season of each sport for that academic year. Last year, in winning the cup, Shepherd University was the only public school placing in the top five within the conference.

Q. What happened during your tenure that you did not anticipate?

A. On a macro scale much of what happened was either planned or anticipated. Of course, the separation of the community and technical college was a notable exception to this statement.

On a micro scale many things were not anticipated by me in 1996. Having come from a campus that experienced more than 200 inches of snow the previous winter, I did not anticipate the disruption that 1 to 3 inches of snow could cause in the Eastern Panhandle. It was a surprise to me that so many people wanted to hear my perspective on topics that I was totally unqualified to discuss; it was a pleasant surprise to learn how active the Shepherd students were in planning events and participating in community service activities; and maybe most of all, I did not anticipate how wonderfully supportive and helpful so many different people would have been to me and to the institution during my tenure as president of Shepherd University.

Q. To what do you attribute your long and successful run at Shepherd?

A. I attribute my long and successful run at Shepherd to shared responsibility.

As you may be aware, the average tenure in the U.S. for a university president in today’s environment is around five years. Thus, the completion of 11 successful years at one campus represents an excellent track record. But my relatively long tenure at Shepherd University is not attributable to me alone, and must be shared by others.

First in the list I would recognize my family—especially my wife Cathy. Without extensive support and sacrifices from one’s family, a campus president would almost certainly be ineffective. My family has been very supportive and Cathy has done an excellent job of walking a narrow path and balancing her role as the first lady of Shepherd with her career as an educator in the Washington County (Maryland) Public Schools. Although Cathy is not an employee of Shepherd, she is sometimes viewed as one so she needs to act accordingly; this she does with grace and dignity. She is also very helpful to me personally and to the institution generally by serving as a congenial hostess at innumerable social events both at Popodicon and elsewhere. And behind the scenes she is often busy weeding the flower garden, washing windows, sending thank you notes, making phone calls, and doing all of those miscellaneous tasks that need to be done that, somehow, nobody else can find time to do.

The second group of people that need to share whatever success that I have enjoyed are the employees of the University—especially my executive staff. The fact is, no campus president of an institution the size of Shepherd can be personally up to speed on every little thing that is happening on campus. But if something goes wrong, it is often the president that takes the blame—even (continued to page 8)
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if he/she did not know that the event had taken place. Accordingly, a long-serving president must be fortunate enough to be on a campus populated with competent employees who do most things correctly, thus minimizing the number of times that the rest of the world is upset with the president. To every person on campus who has done his or her job well I owe part of my success, and I wish to express my personal thanks and heart-felt appreciation to them at this time.

The list continues with an outstanding Board of Governors, cooperative community members, an active Foundation, supportive legislators, loyal alumni, personal and institutional friends, and sometimes even a complete stranger. Finally, I would be less than accurate if I did not add Lady Luck to my list of attributes for success.

Q. What will you miss about Shepherd?

A. Probably everything! But some things will be missed more than others. I expect that I will miss the excitement and vitality that is integral to this campus and the regional community. There is so much happening, and I enjoy being part of it.

It is likely that I will miss being viewed as the lead cheerleader for Shepherd, and I will probably miss having the opportunity to brag about the campus, its students, and its employees.

I suppose that I will miss hearing the concerts, seeing the art exhibits, attending the plays, reading the Picket, and watching Ram athletes compete.

But most of all, I know that I will miss the people whom I’ve met over the years. I’ll miss their stories, ideas, friendship, suggestions and yes, over time, I’ll probably even miss their constructive criticism.

I’ve been told by some of those who are traveling life’s road just ahead of me that, once I’m retired, it will only take a few months to forget my life at Shepherd—but I really don’t believe that, and you would do well to not bet on that.

In any event, ask me this question again in a few years and I’ll be able to be more accurate with my answer.

Q. What are your predictions for Shepherd 10 years from now?

A. Continuing success. My best guess is that Shepherd will, to the extent possible, follow the Campus Master Plan and do all that is possible to keep this beautiful campus as the best venue for higher education in the region.

I think that there will be opportunities to begin the development of the Tabler Farm, thus opening up our “back 40.” Initially, some of that development may not be directly connected to the instructional mission of the institution, but rather, to its research and/or service missions.

Given the population growth in this region and our responsiveness to the educational needs of the regional community, I would predict that the student enrollment at the University would also continue to increase—even in the face of ever increasing competition.

Before too many more years pass, I would hope that the students at Shepherd University are enjoying the benefits of a new Student Center and that we will have built a parking garage large enough to serve local needs.

New degrees will become available especially at the graduate level, and enrollments in master level courses will continue to grow.

I expect that the percentage of our student body living on campus will increase as we build new residence halls, thus moving us closer to being primarily a residential campus. And even though I see the residential campus population increasing, the faculty and administration will likely need to revisit the role that distance education will play in a Shepherd University degree.

I fear that 10 years from now under-funding will continue to be an issue for all of the campuses in West Virginia; however, if permitted by the political process, Shepherd University will be able to mitigate this problem through campus-specific initiatives and pricing policies.

Q. In your opinion, what does Shepherd need in order to move forward?

A. Shepherd needs flexibility which can be provided by a few legislative tweaks, a budget comparable to the average budget of its national peers, and continuing cooperation among the many varied groups and individuals who support the University.

When I arrived at Shepherd almost 11 years ago, I said that Shepherd was lucky because all it needed to solve its problems was money. Some thought that I was making a joke, but I was serious. There are campuses that, for whatever reason, are inherently so badly positioned or have such a poisoned work environment that no reasonable sum of money could fix the problem. On the other hand, Shepherd University is fundamentally sound. It has outstanding people, a great geography, desirable work environment, favorable demographics locally, and a verifiable history of success.

Q. Do you have any words of wisdom for your successor?

A. It is probable that Shepherd and its culture are unlike what you may have experienced at other universities, so don’t attempt to transfer every idea from your last institution to Shepherd University. Instead, build your base at Shepherd and learn to recognize the vast array of talent within this campus community and utilize that talent to help you work through difficult decisions and to assist in the solving of problems.
The Contemporary American Theater Festival has an exciting lineup of plays for its 2007 Season. In its 17th year hosted by Shepherd University, CATF will produce fresh, powerful works that make audiences think, feel, and respond.

This year’s Festival runs July 6 to July 29. Ed Herendeen, founder and producing director, has chosen a collection of plays that will both delight and challenge the audience. Audiences this year will experience 1001 by Jason Grote; The Pursuit of Happiness by Richard Dresser; the world premier of Lonesome Hollow by Lee Blessing; and My Name is Rachel Corrie from the writings of Rachel Corrie, edited by Alan Rickman and Katharine Viner.

“Lee Blessing, Rachel Corrie, Richard Dresser, and Jason Grote are contemporary storytellers with original voices and independent spirits,” Herendeen said. “Their voices will broaden our minds by engaging, inspiring, and ultimately connecting us with their powerful stories. They will help us formulate questions that will open up and stimulate a dialogue throughout our community.”

The 2007 CATF season:

• 1001, by Jason Grote, is a sly, contemporary magic carpet ride. In medieval Persia, Scheherazade weaves a desperate tale to spellbind a bloodthirsty king, while in modern times a hopeful love story unfolds against the backdrops of Manhattan and Gaza. Irreverently funny and sensually theatrical, 1001 is an imaginative leap, a “repertory of marvels,” in the words of one of the well-known historical figures making cameos in this postmodern epic. 1001 melds ancient fables and instant messaging in this fast-moving, ambitious comic riff on storytelling and history.

• The Pursuit of Happiness, by Richard Dresser, is a new comedy by a festival favorite. Annie and Neil are middle-of-the-road citizens: nice house, dull but steady jobs, and Jodi, a whip-smart daughter ready for college. Only Jodi’s not going to school, a stubborn decision that throws into question everything that Annie and Neil have worked for, everything they believe the middle class is about. A comedy of ways and means and in-betweens, The Pursuit of Happiness is the second installment in Dresser’s Happiness trilogy—a look at the tantalizing possibilities and chronic unease within the American Dream.

• My Name is Rachel Corrie, from the writings of Rachel Corrie and edited by Alan Rickman and Katharine Viner, is drawn from the diaries of a young woman from Washington state tragically killed in Gaza. From her wide-eyed middle school musings to her eye-opening Middle East reports, Rachel reveals a powerfully direct voice. Poignant and timely, My Name Is Rachel Corrie captures the political curiosity and passionate commitment of a very recognizable American woman who seeks to find understanding in one of the most turbulent conflicts in the world.

• Lonesome Hollow, a world premier by Lee Blessing, is a sober look into a “soonish” future where sex offenders are quarantined in mysterious penal colonies. Blessing is the author of such penetratingly topical plays as A Walk in the Woods, Patient A, Whores, and Flag Day. Tuck, a highbrow artist once renowned for nude photography, builds a spiritual labyrinth in the colony he has been banished called Lonesome Hollow and finds himself in the same boat with a brutal pedophile. Both men—one sacred, one profane—struggle to understand the new rules of crime and punishment under a government given extreme powers of authority. A cautionary tale of vengeance and community standards, Lee Blessing’s drama charts a characteristically slippery moral slope.

Audiences can glimpse further into the creative process of playwriting and production through Post-Show Discussions, Staged Readings, and the stimulating Under the Tent Lecture Series. Every Saturday during the festival, audience members can participate in discussions on various topics that are derived from the current season’s productions. These themed lectures are led by renowned speakers from a wide array of backgrounds and fields.

The box office, 800/999-CATF, is open for sales of individual tickets and CATCards (discounted tickets to all four shows). Group ticket discounts from 10 to 25 percent off regular ticket prices are available by contacting the CATF group sales coordinator at 304/876-8321. For more information visit www.catf.org.

Shepherd University alumni can enjoy discounted tickets for the matinee showing of The Pursuit of Happiness on July 11 or 25, or the matinee of 1001 on July 18. Tickets are $24 each and this discount cannot be redeemed with any other offer. Call the box office to purchase your Shepherd University alumni tickets.

The Contemporary American Theater Festival prides itself on its dedication to producing and developing new American theater. Since 1991, CATF has produced 59 new plays, including 22 world premieres. Come and experience Shepherdstown through the Contemporary American Theater Festival. • Sandy Sponaugle
Study Abroad program offers new options to students

When Ann Henriksson opened the Study Abroad office in March 2006, Shepherd students were given the opportunity to travel the world while continuing their education. “I got the idea to open the office because several students had approached me in the library for information about study abroad,” she said. “At that time there was no one place to go on campus. I volunteered to coordinate study abroad to encourage Shepherd students to expand their horizons.”

Students have the option of participating in a Shepherd faculty-led program, which varies from 10 days to three weeks in the summer, or taking one through WVU or Marshall, which can vary from a semester, to a year, to six weeks in the summer. Henriksson advises students to start planning at least one year prior to their departure to get everything together.

“Everyone at Shepherd was very helpful, from department chairs to advisors,” said Justin Blanc, a senior history major from Shepherdstown. Blanc studied abroad in Prague in the Czech Republic from January to May 2006. “The trip wasn’t difficult to plan—you just have to stay on top of paperwork and double check everything,” he said.

Frances Gray, a senior English major from Berkeley Springs, echoed Blanc’s feeling. “[French professor] Dr. Rachel Ritterbusch helped me so much that I didn’t have to worry about any of those things,” she said. Gray studied abroad through a Shepherd-sponsored trip to Chicoutimi, Quebec, for three weeks in the summer of 2006. “In Quebec they helped us fill out the form and told us exactly what to do. It was never ‘take this and you figure it out,’” she said.

Students have the option of living in an apartment, a dorm, or with a family. Blanc lived in an apartment with two other roommates in a Czech neighborhood. Gray lived in the dorms but said she would like to stay with a family on her next trip for total immersion. “My roommates were really friendly, but in the dorms we ended up speaking a lot of English,” she said.

The cost for each program varies and includes travel and living costs, and most programs provide students with cell phones. A general scholarship is also available on the Study Abroad Web site. “I enjoyed just experiencing firsthand people who grew up in different cultures,” said Blanc. “I had class with people from 15 different countries; it was a chance to take on a different perspective than friends and classmates.”

Both students said their respective colleges were different from Shepherd. Blanc studied at Anglo-American College, taking 16 hours. “The school did a good job of tapping into the resources of the city. For example, one day we would go to Prague castle and have class, another day we would have class in the embassy,” he said. “Our classes were even smaller than at Shepherd and more personal. You were able to get to know your classmates well.”

Gray studied at l’École de Langue Française et de Culture Québécoise at the Université du Québec à Chicoutimi. “I can’t exactly compare it to Shepherd. It was really more like a camp than a school. I hardly had any homework, other than what I wanted to study for my own proficiency, and my class only had one test the whole time I was there,” she said.

Overall both students felt they were treated well in their countries. “There were times when people would let you know what they think about American foreign policy but they didn’t take it out on me,” said Blanc. “It was interesting to hear other students bash America in classes because that is what they believe. It was really eye-opening.”

Both students who studied abroad say they would recommend it to other students. “I would tell another student to do it as soon as possible, because they’re going to want to do it again,” said Gray. “I feel like my college experience is so much richer. I hate to think about what I would’ve missed if I hadn’t gone.”

“It’s a different kind of education. It helps you deal with people you wouldn’t normally come in contact with and you have to pick up new things,” said Blanc.

For more information about Shepherd’s Study Abroad program visit www.shepherd.edu/university/studyabroad/.

Stephanie Horst

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The Leonard family: A Shepherd legacy

“A man cannot leave a better legacy to the world than a well-educated family.” This quote, written by Thomas Scott, symbolizes the Leonard family and many other Shepherd families that have a tradition of graduates that have excelled at Shepherd University.

The Leonard tradition began with Neville “Bunny” Leonard, Sr. ’59. He knew in high school that he wanted to continue his athletic career in college. Bunny’s dreams came true and he played football and basketball at Shepherd. His freshman year, Bunny was a member of the 1955 undefeated football team and last year he was inducted into the Shepherd University Athletic Hall of Fame, a great honor for Shepherd athletes. “It means a lot to me that my family has chosen to come to Shepherd,” said Bunny. “It’s a decision that they decided for themselves, but it makes me feel good.”

The second generation of Leonard alumni was Bunny’s son, Neville Leonard, Jr. ’83. He came to Shepherd as a recreation and leisure studies major with a therapeutic recreation option and is now a training specialist in the education office under nursing at the Veterans Affairs Medical Center. Neville married his high school sweetheart, Kathy Hoffmaster Leonard, two weeks after he graduated on May 29, 1983 and they had two children, Emily and Matthew.

“Hearing the positive experiences my parents had at Shepherd, it was natural to head in the same direction. I think my children feel the same way,” said Neville.

Emily Leonard ’10 continues the Leonard tradition at Shepherd. “I always knew I would go to Shepherd,” she said with certainty. Emily, the third generation of Leonards, is currently majoring in biology with a minor in chemistry and plans to pursue a career in physical therapy. After Shepherd she plans to earn her doctorate in physical therapy at West Virginia University. “I know at least one of my children will go to Shepherd. It’s a family tradition,” said Emily.

The Leonard tradition extends even further. Neville Jr.’s mother Phyllis Knipe ’73 and her husband George William Knipe ’71 graduated from Shepherd. Bunny’s wife Joyce Leonard ’01, as well as his brother Lawrence “Bootsie” Leonard ’61, Bootsie’s wife Helen Egnor Leonard ’63, and their daughter Robin Leonard ’86 are all alumni of Shepherd.

The Leonard family is just one of many Shepherd legacy families. The pride of Shepherd extends from the traditional values it upholds. It is passed down from generation to generation and that is a strong part of Shepherd’s history. • Jennifer Spataro

Alumni Association volunteers ring the bell

The Alumni Association rang the bell for the Eastern Panhandle Salvation Army Christmas Kettle program at the Martinsburg Wal-Mart for the third year in a row in December 2006.

Many thanks to the bell ringers who volunteered their time: Soupy Hillyard ’58, Lynn Leatherman ’92 and son Chip Leatherman, Rhannon Smith ’05, Nancy Smeltzer ’88 and ’97, Larry Strite ’60, Josh Allen, Crystan Blanco, and Susan Coleman. The Alumni Association raised more than $400, which helped fund the purchase of food and toys for Eastern Panhandle residents. •
Class Notes

‘71
KEN LOWE, JR. was appointed by Governor Joe Manchin to serve as his designee and chair of the West Virginia Infrastructure and Jobs Development Council (IJDC).

‘73
PAUL BROWN became the interim principal for the remainder of the school year at Jefferson High School’s ninth-grade building. He retired last year from Daniel Morgan Middle School in Winchester, Virginia.

‘74
MANNY ARVON was named the American Cancer Society’s West Virginia Superintendent of the Year. The award is presented annually and recognizes the superintendent’s role in promoting the American Cancer Society and wellness within his school system. The award was made in Charleston and presented jointly by the national society’s regional director, the state superintendent of schools, and the state’s First Lady Gayle Manchin.

VICTORIA SMITH-THOMPSON’s daughter Elizabeth-Ann graduated from Towson, Maryland, Catholic High School in May 2006 and is now in her second semester at Old Dominion University in Norfolk, Virginia.

‘75
LILLIAN “LEE” E. OHLEY-TANNENBAUM was one of 20 members from the Clearwater Chorus to sing with Andy Williams for a holiday concert at Ruth Eckerd Hall, Richard Bumgartner Performing Arts Center, Clearwater, Florida. Lee has been substitute teaching in two counties since moving to Florida in 2004 and gives private piano lessons.

She is happily married to Bill Tannenbaum, from Baltimore, since October 2005. They are planning their first trip to Europe in April. Lee says hello to Debbie Robinson Lindsay and congratulations!

KATHLEEN WOGAN varner earned a master’s degree in secondary education curriculum and instruction from the University of West Florida in December 2006. Kathleen and her husband Mike have been teaching at J. M. Tate High School. Mike has been there for 32 years and Kathleen has been there for 20 years after a lengthy hiatus to raise their two sons, now both graduated from college.

‘76
DANA JOHN HOLMAQUIST is the boys and girls varsity swim coach for Douglas High School in Parkland, Florida. Both teams won the county championship, districts, and regions, while his boys won the state 3A championship. Dana was named boys 3A Coach of the Year.

ROSE GEGOR THOMAS was the 2006 national president of the National Association of Residential Property Managers (NARPM), a 2,000 plus member organization. This year she is serving as past president and will conclude seven years on the board. Rose and her husband ED THOMAS ’76 have two sons, Kyle, 27, who lives in New York City, and Chase, 17, a senior at St. James in Hagerstown, Maryland, who will be attending Rollins College in Winter Park, Florida this fall.

‘78
BETTY HOTT is looking for films from the 1954 or 1955 Shepherd football season. Please e-mail her at bettyhott27@yahoo.com if you have any information.

‘79
HARRY REED JENKINS III writes that he has great memories of Delta Sigma Pi. He adds that Mr. Printz has been a dear friend and that having Colonel Clark and Colonel Duffy as instructors was worth the tuition.

‘80
JOHN BUCHANAN recently obtained a chartered property and casualty underwriting (CPCU) designation, described as the most respected professional designation in property and casualty insurance. An account executive with CBIZ, John has been with the company for five years. He has earned designations of associate in underwriting and commercial lines coverage specialist. John resides in La Vale, Maryland.

‘81
FRANKE WILMER received an M.A. and a Ph.D. from the University of Maryland in College Park. In 1991 she accepted a tenure-track position with the Political Science Department at Montana State University. Franke became a full professor in 2001, and the same year took over as department head. She served four years on the Montana Committee for the Humanities, and in 2005 became chair of the Montana Human Rights Commission, a quasi-judicial review board whose members are appointed by the governor. In 2006 Franke ran for and won a seat in the Montana House of Representatives and is now serving as the representative of House District 64 in the 60th Montana Legislature for the 2007 session. Franke’s campaign homepage is www.frankewilmer.org.

‘83
WILLIAM J. HOOVER was appointed assistant director for field operations for the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives. He currently serves as special agent in charge of the Washington Field Division, a position he assumed in January 2006.

‘84
JOHN GERAGHTY was appointed president of the Institutional Investment Management Group of SunTrust. His responsibilities include the national business oversight of SunTrust’s institutional investment management and client management business. The institutional line of business at SunTrust ranks in the country’s top 20 as managers of client assets under advisement, administration and investment management. John also remains on several national boards and commu-
nity foundations in the Atlanta area. He will remain based in Atlanta with his wife Beth and sons Jack, 13, and Will, 10.

'86
Gina Marie Groh has been appointed by Governor Joe Manchin to serve as the new judge in the 23rd Judicial Circuit of Berkeley, Jefferson, and Morgan counties. A 15-year member of the Bar, Gina has served as an assistant prosecuting attorney in Berkeley and Jefferson counties for much of the past decade, serving as Jefferson’s assistant prosecutor since July 2002. She will be the third female circuit judge in the state.

'89
David W. Decker, CPA, started a new firm, Decker & Company PLLC, Certified Public Accounting, in October 2006. Located in Martinsburg, the firm specializes in auditing. David also will oversee the opening and operations of a Martinsburg office this spring.

'92
Karin Hammann Dunn is the assistant project manager at Shepherd University. She assists the project manager on renovations, capital projects, and other related projects. Karin brings 10 years of project management and facilities experience with her to Shepherd. Karin resides in Martinsburg with her husband Larry Dunn '97 and two children, Frannie, 13, and Adam, 11.

'96
William “Bill” Blake was recently sworn in as a West Virginia attorney and joined J. Douglas McCarthy & Associates, P.C., as an associate attorney. McCarthy and Associates, owned by Doug McCarthy '00, was established in 2005 in Winchester, Virginia, and specializes in real estate transactional law, wills and trusts, and business law. Bill is heading up the firm’s Martinsburg office.

'98
Catherine Gonzalez Herlocker has been appointed collegiate chapter director for Delta Zeta chapter at Shepherd.

Michelle Longmore is the CEO of Longmore & Rodriguez Associates, a financial recovery company offering the services of a collection agency. LRA’s corporate offices are located in Coral Springs, Florida, www.longmore-rodriguez.com.

David W. Smith has joined Fredericktown Mortgage, LLC, as a loan officer serving the Eastern Panhandle and the northern Shenandoah Valley. As the former accounting manager for the Martinsburg Journal, he brings eight years of financial experience to his current position. Fredericktown Mortgage was established in 2005 in Winchester, Virginia, as a locally owned institution specializing in mortgage financing. David also will oversee the opening and operations of a Martinsburg office this spring. The company is co-owned by John M. Cushiwa '98.

'00
Rob Bell is currently an assistant professor at Ball State University in sport psychology.

'02
Rebecca Myers has accepted a position as the director of the student union/student activities at Shenandoah University in Winchester, Virginia.

Jason Taylor taught elementary physical education for two years following graduation. He obtained an A.S. in emergency medical services and certification as a nationally registered paramedic in August 2006. Jason married Elisabeth Farley in 2005. He worked for two years in Berkeley County as an EMT and paramedic and was selected by Loudoun County, Virginia, Department of Fire and Rescue as a firefighter/EMT recruit in January.

'04
Miss West Virginia Tiffany Lawrence participated in the 2007 Miss America Pageant on January 29.

David Clopton started his first year at West Virginia University’s School of Medicine in August 2006. He is currently ranked in the top quartile of the first-year class and in the 95th percentile nationally among first-year medical students. At Shepherd, David was a member of the Nursing Honors Society, delivered the nursing commencement speech for the B.S.N. class, and graduated magna cum laude as a Joseph McMurran Scholar.

'05
Ryan Johnston was recently named as the Potomac Nationals assistant director of stadium operations. Ryan interned with the team as the stadium operations manager last year.

Michelle Mang joined Yount, Hyde & Barbour, P.C., in Winchester.
New Arrivals

ROBERT FREDERICK CURTIS ’84 and wife Sandra, a daughter, Sophia Ivana, born September 15, 2006. She joins big brother Nicholas, 3.

MARY LOU UTTERMÖHLEN ’84 and husband Bill Sanders, a son, Eli Ray Albertus Sanders, born October 9, 2006. He joins big sister Shiloh Grace, 4.

SUSAN MULI D’EMARSE ’85 and husband George, a daughter, Megan Marie, born March 24, 2006. She joins big sister Lauren, 2.


BRIAN K. HAMMOND ’96 and wife Karen, a son, Brennan Keith, born December 21, 2005. He joins older brother Brandt.

DENISE COLTELLI STUP ’96 and GREG STUP ’96, a daughter, Delaney Nicole, born December 7, 2006. She joins big brother Owen Joseph, 2.

ALICIA BURLETT ’97 and husband Robert, a daughter, Chloe Tekla, born September 8, 2006.

JENNIFER HOELTZEL BANASIK ’98 and ANDREW BANASIK ’94, a son, Joshua James, born October 10, 2006. He joins big sister Rebekah Hope, 3.

LINDSAY MEYERS WALTZ ’99 and husband Jim, twins, Cooper James and Lily Elizabeth, born November 14, 2006.

MARSHALL GLADHILL ’01 and wife Angie, a daughter, Madeline Angela, born December 4, 2006.

ASHLEY FULTZ ’06 and fiancé Ryan Horn, a son, Landon Ryley Horn, born August 3, 2006.

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’06

JUSTIN HOCKMAN joined Yount, Hyde & Barbour, P.C. in Winchester, Virginia, as a junior accountant.

2ND LT. MIKE SKARDA was commissioned on May 20, 2006 at the University of Maryland, College Park, Maryland. His first assignment was to Buenos Aires where he was immersed in the culture and language of Argentina. Mike is stationed at Goodfellow Air Force Base, San Angelo, Texas.

Engagements

CHRIS STARKE ’96 is engaged to marry Sandy Boyle in the summer.

KIMBERLY R. HOSE ’97 is engaged to marry Eric J. Linville in September.

KELLE B. RENNINGER ’98 is engaged to marry Dale W. Robinson, Jr. on June 9.

BRANDY ALVAREZ ’01 is engaged to marry Thomas Stevens in December.

MARY E. ELTON ’01 is engaged to marry Jeffrey B. Herbst in June.

KIMBERLY S. ORNDOFF ’01 is engaged to marry John S. Atwell in July.

ALYSON BARABAS ’02 is engaged to marry Larry Pignore.

BRIAN W. POWELL ’03 is engaged to marry Jenny Ayers.

DAVID CLOPTON ’04 is engaged to marry Sarah Marie Morgan in June.

ALYSON H. GAITHER ’04 is engaged to marry Douglas G. Miller in September.

JUSTIN M. GAY ’04 is engaged to marry Erin R. McCarney on June 21, 2008.

RYAN WESLEY ARMBRSTER ’05 is engaged to marry ADRIENNE LYNN HICKS ’06 on May 19.

CRAIG TERRY ’05 is engaged to marry CHELSEA HIXSON ’00.

KRISTIN CLAPPER ’05 is engaged to marry Greg Mullins on May 27 in Charleston, South Carolina.

STEPHANIE D. HENRY ’05 is engaged to marry Vincent Gregg.

SARAH NICOLE SPURGAS ’05 is engaged to marry BRIAN SCOTT COOPER ’05 in May.

KATIE JANE CANTLER ’06 is engaged to marry Kyle West Lingg on August 4.

ASHLEY FULTZ ’06 is engaged to marry Ryan Horn on May 26.

2ND LT. MIKE SKARDA ’06 is engaged to marry Jess Brubaker in October.

JOHN OLIVER WAGNER III ’06 is engaged to marry Raina Lea Romero.

JAMES D. WILSON ’06 is engaged to marry Megan B. Bowers on June 22.
Weddings

DOREN L. BROWN ’78 married Rodney J. Culler on May 28, 2005 in Ontario, Canada. Rodney operates a pest control business in Pennsylvania, Maryland, West Virginia, and Virginia known as Interstate Termite and Pest Control. Doren is a substitute teacher in the Chambersburg, Pennsylvania, area school district and Tuscarora school district in Mercersburg, Pennsylvania, where the couple resides.

ANN E. WILSON ’84 married Jack Diepersloot on December 30, 2006 at Smyrna Yacht Club on the Intracoastal Waterway in New Smyrna Beach, Florida, with children and grandchildren in attendance. They will maintain homes in New Smyrna Beach and Bell, Florida.

BOBBIE MAE TOMBLIN ’95 married Brian Christopher Doyle on May 20, 2006 at Gainey Vineyard in Santa Ynez, California. The couple resides in Redondo Beach, California.

HEATHER RENEE BRADFORD ’97 married Jason Michael Jones on June 24, 2006 in an outdoor ceremony at Canaan Valley Resort in Davis. The couple resides in Indianapolis, Indiana.

ERIN JENNIFER LEE THOMAS ’98 married Robert Alan Myers on November 10, 2006 at First Christian Church in Hagerstown, Maryland. The couple resides in Shepherdstown.

SARAH J. BECKER ’99 married CHRIS A. MARRERO ’01 on October 1, 2006 at Hartwood Mansion in Martinsburg. LAUREN TIGUE ’03, sister of the bride, was the maid of honor. JILL LOWLER HARNER ’99 was a bridesmaid and KYLE MILLER ’00 was a groomsman. Other alumnæ in attendance were CINDY MORGAN ’99 and MALISA FULKS ’99. The couple resides in Hagerstown, Maryland.

ZEKE CHANGURIS ’99 married Amanda Mallonee on September 23, 2006 at Saints Peter and Paul Greek Orthodox Church in Frederick, Maryland. The couple resides in Brownsville, Maryland.


KRISTEN L. BREAKIRON ’02 married Sean A. Chaffman on September 3, 2006 at the McDaniel College Cathedral in Westminster, Maryland. Her bridesmaids were CLAUDINE MARCUM ’02, KARLIN MAULL MOSHER ’02, JUDEE WILLIAMS ’01, and JILL LESTER ’01. Shepherd alumni in attendance were ERIC APPEL ’02, CONOR HOWDER ’02, MIKE HANDY ’02, KATIE ALLNUT HACKER ’02, JAMIE LEE MCSORLEY ’01, MATT MCSORLEY ’01, TY HART ’01, TARA TATE ’01, RACHEL STONER ’01, PETE FRISBIE ’01, NICOLE NOLAN FRISBIE ’01, SETH SIRBAUGH ’00, NICOLE GREENE ’00, ROB REXRODE ’99, and KAM Productions owner KEITH MOSHER ’01, who was the photographer for the ceremony. The couple resides in Mount Airy, Maryland.

JESSICA K. ARMEL ’03 married Gregory J. Sanchez on September 23, 2006 at St. John’s Lutheran Church in Martinsburg. The couple resides in Bunker Hill.

SUZANNE DENNIS ’03 married Jeffrey Lynn Jones on October 14, 2006 at Salem United Methodist Church in Keedysville, Maryland. The couple resides in Shepherdstown.

DANIEL TINSMAN ’03 married Jenelle Votel on May 6, 2006 at St. Leo’s Catholic Church in Inwood. The couple resides in Lexington, South Carolina.

KELLEY C. BURKE ’04 married Dustin C. Tabler on August 26, 2006 at the Grand Venice Hotel in Hagerstown, Maryland. The couple resides in Falling Waters.

BRADLEY S. FULTON ’04 married Jennifer K. Gaines on July 8, 2006 at Trinity Lutheran Church in Smithsburg, Maryland. The couple resides in Dale City, Virginia.

MELISSA SEE ’04 married ERIC KELLEY ’05 on October 14, 2006 in Stephens City, Virginia. Bridesmaids included MORGAN CONNER ’04, BRIGITTE BUCKLAND ’04 and STEPHANIE RIZER OATES ’04. Groomsmen included KELLY WHITMORE ’05 and NATHAN HURLEY ’05. The couple resides in Winchester, Virginia.

MATTHEW C. STICKEL ’04 married Linda Ashley on June 10, 2006 at Martinsburg Church of Christ. The couple resides in Martinsburg.

CHRISTOPHER J. MULLAN ’05 married RACHEL J. PESSOLANO ’06 on July 1, 2006 at Poor House Farm Park in Martinsburg. The couple resides in Martinsburg.

Homecoming is October 6!
Rams vs. University of Charleston
For Reunion information visit www.shepherd.edu/alumnweb/
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Many thanks to our alumni donors

On behalf of the students, faculty, and staff of Shepherd University, thank you to our alumni donors who have so generously supported the 2006-07 Annual Fund. Many donors sent in gifts in response to the December mailing, and in response to the annual phonathon held in February. So far this fiscal year, the Annual Fund as received more than $89,000 in gifts and pledges. We are grateful for every gift, and every gift makes a difference.

Each dollar raised for the Annual Fund benefits Shepherd students. Annual Fund revenue allows for more student scholarships, enhancement of the classroom experience through the purchase of new classroom equipment, and professional development for the faculty. And, the Annual Fund is a source of unrestricted revenue for programs of the University.

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If you have not had the opportunity to make your gift or fulfill your pledge to the Annual Fund, please consider doing so today. The 2006-07 Annual Fund closes June 30.

Make a difference. Support Shepherd University through the Annual Fund today.

Phonathon is part of the Annual Fund. Trained student callers contact alumni to ask for financial support. This year’s callers are front row (l. to r.) Heather Ours, Emily Leonard, Katy Hammond, Kaylynn Shoop, Emily Weese, Crystan Blanco, and Yvonne Barnes, and back row, Rob Peoples, Chris Walter, Eric Morris, and Josh Allen. Phonathon callers not pictured are Charlie Hagen, Kaitlin Muller, Chris Raines, and Leah Warnick.

Chris Raines, a senior mass communications major with a minor in sociology, makes calls during the annual phonathon. Chris is SGA vice president and the student representative to Shepherd’s Board of Governors.

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For more information, please contact Julie Siler, director of alumni relations and annual fund, 304/876-5526 or jsiler@shepherd.edu.
**Deaths**


**Juanita Shaw Whitacre ’44**, of Winchester, Virginia, died September 24, 2006.


**Mary JoAnn Harris ’73**, of Berkeley Springs, died January 12, 2007.


**Dorothy Elizabeth “Dottie” Gurath ’82**, of Hagerstown, Maryland, died January 7, 2007.

**Michael Allen Henderson ’87**, of Wimberley, Texas, died November 12, 2006.

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Alumni news must be received by June 1 for inclusion in the fall edition of the Shepherd University Magazine.  Spring 2007
Dunlop honored for service to athletics at Alumni Basketball Day

During the Basketball Alumni Day held February 3, President David L. Dunlop was presented with jersey #11 for his 11 years of service to Shepherd and to Shepherd athletics. Picture above (l. to r.) are senior forward Danley Shank, head men’s basketball coach Ken Tyler, President Dunlop, and senior guard/forward Yves Moliva.


**Below left:** Women’s basketball alumnae attending the event were front row (l. to r.) Ashley van Norden ’04 and Gaynell “Nippy” Reese ’04, back row, Stephanie Schwanitzt ’01, Carrie Kunkel ’05, Lindsay Stewart ’06, Cassie Murray, Casey Landrum ’06, and Jennifer Westervelt ’02.

**Below right:** Men’s basketball alumni attending were front row (l. to r.) Larry Bolyard ’57, Scott Bradford-Doleman ’95, and Tyler Boswell ’03, back row, Rich York ’94, Phillip Branch, Johnnie Mack ’94, Keith Hess ’54, and Larry Boomer ’76.
Athletics

McCook promoted to assistant head football coach

Head football coach Monte Cater recently announced that veteran assistant coach Ernie McCook has been promoted to the position of assistant head coach.

McCook has served as offensive line coach for the Rams for the past eight years and has been offensive coordinator for the past seven seasons. McCook becomes the first Ram assistant to be designated as assistant head coach since current West Virginia defensive coordinator Jeff Casteel left the Ram staff in 1999.

“Ernie has done an outstanding job in all phases of his many duties at Shepherd since joining my staff in 1999,” said head coach Monte Cater. “He is most deserving of this position and I know he will continue to serve Shepherd and the football program in his usual exemplary fashion.”

McCook earned a B.S. degree in physical education in 1992 from Wesley College where he was an offensive lineman and long snapper. McCook earned a master’s degree in sport science-sports management from the United States Sports Academy in Daphne, Alabama, in 1999. • Chip Ransom

Peters leads Shepherd football All-America honors list

Senior defensive back Dan Peters, Cresson, Pennsylvania, heads the list of All-America selections from the 2006 Shepherd football team.

Peters, a consensus pick, earned first team honors from Associated Press Little All-America, Daktronics, D2football.com, and Don Hansen’s Football Gazette. He was also named NCAA II Defensive Back of the Year by Don Hansen for the second straight season.

Senior punter Ricky Schmitt, Virginia Beach, Virginia, gained second team honors from D2football.com and was a third team choice by Don Hansen.

Senior linebacker Todd Edmondson, Finksburg, Maryland, was a third team choice by Don Hansen and an honorable mention selection by D2football.com.

Junior offensive lineman Ryan Pope, Elkridge, Maryland, was a second team choice by Don Hansen, a third team Associated Press Little All-America selection, and an honorable mention selection by D2football.com.

Junior running back Dervon Wallace, Lusby, Maryland, was a third team selection by Don Hansen. • Chip Ransom

Spring Sports Roundup

Baseball
As the Magazine goes to press, the Rams are 1-6 after seven games. Shepherd handed Indiana, Pennsylvania, a 5-0 setback for its first win of the season.

Golf
The Rams will open the season at the Oxbow Classic hosted by Glenville State on March 23-24.

Men’s Tennis
Shepherd is 2-2 on the year with wins over West Virginia State and Harford Community College.

Softball
The Rams posted a 2-2 mark at the Catawba College Softball Tournament. Shepherd earned wins over Barton (2-0) and Fayetteville State (2-1).

Keep up with the latest Ram sports news at www.shepherdrams.com.

Spring 2007

2007 FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

August

25  MILLERSVILLE  TBA

September

1  SHIPPENSBURG  1 p.m.
15  @ Glenville State *  1 p.m.
22  @ Fairmont State *  1 p.m.
29  SETON HILL *  1 p.m.
(Hall of Fame Weekend)

October

6  CHARLESTON *  1 p.m.
(Homecoming)
13  @ Concord *  1 p.m.
20  @ WV Wesleyan *  1 p.m.
27  WEST LIBERTY *  1 p.m.

November

3  WV STATE *  1 p.m.

Home games are in CAPS
* WVIAC games
Shepherd women finish season 18-11, 11-7

The women’s basketball team finished the year at 18-11 with an 11-7 mark in WVIAC action. The Rams tied a school record with a nine-game winning streak—highlighted by an exciting overtime win at home over conference power West Liberty. The 18 wins tie the 2003-04 team for the most victories in a season under head coach Jodie Runner.

Junior forward Laura Harkins, York, Pennsylvania, a second team All-WVIAC choice, led the Rams in scoring (12.2 ppg) and blocked shots (2.1 bpg). She was second on the team in assists (3.3 apg) and third on the team in rebounding (6.4 rpg).

Sophomore guard Krissy Grosselin, Dayton, Ohio, was second on the team in scoring with a 10.4 average. Grosselin led the Rams and the WVIAC in free throw percentage with a .910 (71-78) mark. She was also the team’s most accurate shooter from three-point range with a .483 (28-58) mark. Grosselin’s 28 three-pointers were second on the team. Her 34-point outing against Salem International tied for the third highest single game scoring effort (Stephanie Carr vs. Frostburg in 1988) in program history.

Sophomore guard Andrea Kauffman, Strasburg, Virginia, was third on the team in scoring (9.3 ppg) and second in rebounding (6.5 rpg). Kauffman led the team with a .525 (115-219) field goal percentage. She also averaged 1.6 assists and 0.7 steals. Kauffman became the first Ram since Cassie Murray in 2004 to earn WVIAC Player of the Week honors.

Senior center Danielle Costello, Middletown, Maryland, led the Rams in rebounding with a 6.6 average. She was second on the team in field goal percentage (.505). She was second on the team in blocked shots (16) and fourth in scoring (8.3 ppg). A two-time team captain, Costello was named to the California (Pennsylvania) University Holiday Inn Classic All-Tournament Team this year. She finishes her career with 363 rebounds to rank 23rd on the Ram all-time rebounding list.

Sophomore guard Amanda Street, Raleigh, North Carolina, averaged 1.1 points and 1.0 rebounds. Street was fourth on the team in free throw percentage with a .722 (13-18) mark. She added 16 assists and a steal.

Junior guard Tiffany Acker, Mount Solon, Virginia, averaged 5.1 points and 3.4 rebounds. She was second on the team in assists (3.6 apg) and blocked shots (0.4 bpg). Her 24 three-pointers were also third on the squad.

Junior guard Nylia Zamora, Miami, Florida, averaged 4.6 points and 3.4 rebounds. She shot 48.3 percent (57-118) from the floor. Zamora also added 35 assists, 26 steals, and two blocks.

Junior forward Michelle Van Dyke, Williamsburg, Virginia, averaged 2.3 points and 1.3 rebounds. Van Dyke was fifth on the team in three pointers with 11. She also added seven assists, six steals, and two blocks.

Sophomore guard Rebecca Frece, Springfield, Virginia, led the Rams in assists (3.6 apg) and steals (1.7 spg). She was fifth on the team in scoring (5.1 ppg) and fourth in rebounding (4.6 rpg). She was also fourth on the team in three-pointers with 16.

Freshman center Camille Wilmer, Leesburg, Virginia, averaged 6.6 points and 4.2 rebounds. She shot 50 percent (57-114) from the floor. Wilmer added 16 assists, 11 steals, and 10 blocked shots.

Junior guard Molly Land, Hope, Indiana, averaged 5.4 points and 2.4 rebounds. Land led the Rams with 29 three-pointers. Her .824 (14-17) mark from the foul line was second on the team. She added 36 assists, 24 steals, and nine blocked shots.

Junior guard Tiffany Acker, Mount Solon, Virginia, has been named to the 2007 ESPN the Magazine Academic All-District College Division II Women’s Basketball Team as selected by College Sports Information Directors of America (CoSIDA).

Acker boasts a 4.0 grade point average as a fitness and exercise science major.

The District II College Division consists of all non-NCAA Division I colleges and universities in Delaware, Maryland, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, West Virginia, and the District of Columbia.

To be nominated for the Academic All-America program, a student-athlete must have reached sophomore athletic and academic standing at his/her current institution with a 3.2 or higher cumulative grade point average and be a starter or significant reserve.
**Shepherd's men's basketball team finishes season 15-13, 11-7**

Shepherd's men's basketball team finished the season with a 15-13 overall mark, including an 11-7 mark in WVIAC play. Shepherd recorded its first winning season since the 2003-04 campaign. The Rams advanced to the quarterfinals of the WVIAC Tournament before falling to eighth-ranked West Liberty, 73-63, in a hard-fought contest. The 15-win season is the second best mark for the Rams under head coach Ken Tyler.

Senior forward Danley Shank, Pond Bank, Pennsylvania, a first team All-WVIAC choice, led the Rams in scoring (18.8 ppg), steals (1.7 spg), and blocked shots (0.9 bpg). He was a two-time WVIAC Player of the Week selection and his four career conference player of the week awards are the most in program history. Shank also led the Rams at the free throw line with a .905 (76-84) mark. He finished a brilliant career as one of only seven players in program history to score 1,500 points and grab 500 rebounds. Shank scored 1,560 points to rank 11th on the Shepherd all-time scoring list. His 510 career rebounds rank him 22nd on the Ram all-time list.

Senior guard-forward Yves Moliva, Cameroon, was tied for second on the team in scoring (15.8 ppg) and was third in rebounding (5.3 rpg). He was the Clarion Hotel Tipoff MVP honors and WVIAC Player of the Week accolades as he hit on 20-of-25 shots (80 percent) to lead the Rams to a 2-0 mark as tourney chumps. Moliva was third on the team in field goal percentage (.560), three-pointers (34), and blocked shots (16). He finished with 984 career points to rank 37th in scoring, while his 448 career rebounds place him 25th in rebounding.

Junior center Barry Cornish, Baltimore, Maryland, was tied for second on the team in scoring (15.8 ppg) and he led the team in rebounding (7.4 rpg). He also topped the Rams regulars in field goal percentage with a .577 (142-246) mark. His 14 blocked shots were fourth on the team. An honorable mention All-WVIAC choice, Cornish became the first Ram since Terry Connolly in 1988 to record a 20-20 when he scored 28 points and grabbed 23 rebounds in a season-opening win over Columbia Union.

**Shank named co-winner of Sparky Adams Award**

Danley Shank, Pond Bank, Pennsylvania, a senior forward on the men's basketball team was named co-winner of the Sparky Adams Award at the WVIAC Men's Basketball Tournament. He shared the award with Joe Benjamin of West Virginia State University. Shank is the first Shepherd player to earn this honor.

Each year the WVIAC men's basketball officials select a senior athlete to receive an award named in honor of the late Sparky Adams, a long-time official in the WVIAC.

The award is given to a young person who has shown excellent courage and leadership during his career at his member institution and has exemplified the qualities which are so important to intercollegiate athletics.

Shank finished his career with 1,560 points to rank 11th on the Shepherd all-time scoring list. His 510 career rebounds rank him 22nd on the Ram all-time list.

Redshirt freshman Derek Gallagher, Moon Township, Pennsylvania, was fourth on the team in scoring with a 7.3 average. He led the Rams from three-point range with 42 treys. He was second on the team in steals (1.2 spg) and free throw percentage (.771). Gallagher also averaged 4.2 rebounds and 1.7 assists.

Sophomore guard Fred Lymas, Silver Spring, Maryland, was fifth on the team in scoring with a 7.0 average. He topped the Rams in assists with a 3.6 average. He also averaged 2.4 rebounds and 0.8 steals.

Sophomore forward Davon Deans, Stephens City, Virginia, joined the team in December and became a crowd favorite with his thunderous dunks and dazzling assists. He averaged 6.3 points and 3.0 rebounds. Deans was second on the team in assists with a 2.3 average and fifth on the team in blocked shots with 11.

Senior forward Levi Osby, Richmond, Virginia, averaged 5.1 points and 2.9 rebounds for the Rams. He was second on the team in blocked shots with 18. One of the team’s more accurate shooters, Osby connected on 49.6 percent (60-121) of his shots from the floor.

Sophomore guard Matt Deaner, Hedgesville, averaged 4.2 points and 2.2 rebounds for the Rams. He was fourth on the team in three-pointers with 17.

Sophomore guard Duncan Williams, Hedgesville, averaged 3.0 points and 1.4 rebounds. He was third on the team in assists with a 2.2 average. His nine three-pointers were fifth on the team, while his .724 (21-29) mark at the charity stripe ranked fourth on the team.

Freshman center Pierrot Bendegue, Cameroon, averaged 2.8 points and 2.2 rebounds. His .629 field goal percentage (22-35) topped the team. He also added eight blocks and three steals.

Sophomore guard Mark Manspile, Hedgesville, averaged 2.1 points and 0.8 rebounds. An accurate shooter from long range, Manspile hit on 41.7 percent (5-11) of his shots from beyond the arc. He also added a block and six steals. • Chip Ransom
Development

Foundation announces new named funds

Seventeen new funds have been established in the Shepherd University Foundation since the last spring issue of the Magazine. These scholarships and program awards offer an opportunity to recognize the contributions and perpetuate the memories of special people who have connections to Shepherd. The funds provided through these awards will go a long way to support the education of future Shepherd students and generate a spirit of giving in all Shepherd alumni.

Ramon A. and Mary E. Alvarez Faculty Excellence Endowment Fund for Business Administration

Ardent believers in the importance of attracting, retaining, and recognizing excellent teachers at Shepherd, Ramon Alvarez ’62 and Mary Alvarez have endowed a special fund to ensure faculty excellence in the area of business administration. In his role as the president of the Shepherd University Foundation board of directors, Ray has provided leadership for the new initiative to endow faculty positions and excellence funds at Shepherd.

Michael S. Austin General Studies Program Fund

Dr. Michael Austin, graduate studies dean and associate professor of English, is the author of the textbook Reading the World: Ideas That Matter that has been adopted as part of Shepherd’s English curriculum. Dr. Austin will generously direct to this fund all royalties earned on the purchase of the textbook by Shepherd students. Dr. Austin’s academic success in authoring a textbook and his generosity in sharing the financial rewards are admirable.

Myra Ault Scholarship

Upon the retirement of Myra Ault, director of Shepherd’s nursery school for 26 years, relatives and friends contributed to the creation of a scholarship in her honor. Touched by Myra’s attention to the children, they wanted to provide a scholarship for students working in the Shepherd nursery school who aspire to follow Myra’s accomplished footsteps to be child educators.

Berkeley County Crime Solvers Scholarship Endowment

This fund was established in 2006 to create an endowment for students attending Blue Ridge Community and Technical College who are employees or volunteers of a Berkeley County fire department or law enforcement agency. The awards will support students who are inspired to pursue degrees in criminal justice or fire science. The Crime Solvers program, started in Berkeley County in the early 1980s, conducts McGruff programs in area elementary schools, assists in local parades, and provides the means for gathering information from citizens to help solve crimes.

Eastern Panhandle Federal Executive Association (EPFEA) Public Service Scholarship Endowment

Begun in May 2006 by EPFEA, this scholarship will be available to financially needy students who submit a one-page essay on the importance of public service. The EPFEA is chartered through the Office of Management and Budget and the U.S. Office of Personnel Management. A major objective of the association is to foster coordination of governmental activity and mutual understanding among the various federal agencies. The EPFEA has helped establish a strong relationship between local federal offices and Shepherd University through internships and cooperative programs.
Contemporary American Theater Festival (CATF) Endowment Fund

CATF endowed a fund with gifts from several donors to support the CATF program. Funds will be used to enhance the theater program as determined by the CATF board of directors. Stephen Skinner, CATF president, views the endowment as a means of generating operating support and encouraging additional gifts: “The establishment of an endowment demonstrates the maturity and growth of the CATF as an institution, while showing our commitment to Shepherd and the Foundation.”

Anna Henshaw Gardiner Scholarship for Nursing

Since 1997 the William Henshaw Chapter of the West Virginia State Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution has been funding nursing scholarships for Shepherd students. With the establishment of this award, the Henshaw Chapter gifts will now honor Anna Henshaw Gardiner through an annually funded scholarship bearing her name.

Stanley O. Ikenberry Presidential Discretionary Endowment

Dr. Stanley Ikenberry ’56, former president of the University of Illinois (1979-95), endowed this fund to provide discretionary resources for the president of Shepherd University. Stanley’s father was president of Shepherd for more than 20 years, and Stanley understands well the challenges of that position.

Ray and Madeline Johnston Endowed Chair in American History

The Johnstons, owners of The Woods Resort in Hedgesville, have a passion for seeing students learn from excellent teachers in the field of history. In support of attracting and retaining gifted faculty to train the history teachers of tomorrow, the Johnstons have endowed Shepherd’s first chair of history.

William E. and Jo Ann Jackson Knodle Scholarship Endowment

Longtime supporters of Shepherd, Bill ’58 and Jo Ann ’58 Knodle have enhanced their ongoing scholarship support by establishing a new general scholarship endowment for financially needy and deserving students. Bill’s interest in providing educational opportunities for students is evidenced by his commitment to the Foundation, having served on its board of directors for many years.

M. Elizabeth Oates Faculty Excellence Endowment Fund for Business

M. Elizabeth Oates, longtime friend and supporter of Shepherd University and recently retired executive with Merrill Lynch in Rockville, Maryland, has established a faculty excellence endowment for the business school. The Oates Endowment has been funded through a planned gift.

M. Louise Shimp Memorial Faculty Excellence Endowment Fund for Art

In 2006 the family of the late Louise Shimp ’55 agreed to use remainder funds from the M. Louise Shimp Charitable Annuity to create this endowment fund. The funds will be used to recruit and retain outstanding art faculty. Fondly remembered by many as “the art lady,” Louise Shimp served in the Berkeley County Schools for 31 years as an art teacher and administrator.

Scarborough Society Faculty Excellence Endowment Fund

The five-year-old organization to support the Scarborough Library adds to its list of charitable initiatives the establishment of this fund to provide faculty excellence funding for the dean of libraries.

Madeline “Beth” Walsh Memorial Award

A number of friends and colleagues of Anna Mary Walsh ’75, a former Shepherd administrator who now works at Blue Ridge CTC, made donations in memory of her daughter, who passed away last fall. Anna Mary and her husband Gary Walsh ’78 have requested that the donations be used to support a female soccer player at Shepherd through an existing athletic scholarship fund.

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Scarborough Society’s sixth annual Gala honors local luminary

Keezletown, Maryland, resident Nora Roberts is the author of countless books, and this year’s Scarborough Society Gala will pay tribute to three of them from the “In the Garden” trilogy: Blue Dahlia, Red Lily, and Black Rose.

For the first time, this year’s gala will be held on a Friday—August 17—and in a new location—the Bavarian Inn in Shepherdstown. Committee members for this event include Sara Lueck ’67, Mary Jane Davis ’60, Kathy Klein, Susanne Horner, Phyllis Smock, Jody Carter ’75, Monica Lingenfelter, Cathy Nevy, Sharon Henderson, and Rhiannon Smith ’05.

The recently completed outdoor patio at the Bavarian Inn will provide a lovely setting for the event, which will make use of the flower metaphors that abound in Roberts’s garden trilogy. These books focus on a quaint nursery and the haunted estate neighboring it. Romance will be in the air, enhanced by dancing under the stars, with music provided by the popular local band Souled Out.

The event’s major sponsors are BB&T Wealth Management and Jefferson Security Bank. The gala raises funds for the work of the Scarborough Society, a friends of the Scarborough Library annual membership organization. Last year the event raised $13,600 for the work of the Society, for a five-year total of $57,100.

Invitations to the dinner dance will be mailed in July to Scarborough members, past gala attendees, and others. The Society gladly welcomes new guests. Contact the Foundation at 304/876-5391 to be placed on the invitation list or for more information about the event.

About Nora Roberts

Nora Roberts is a superstar in the world of publishing. As the most prolific best-selling writer in the world, her unconventional romances have obviously struck a chord with many readers who can’t get enough of her trademark mix of fantasy, mystery, and romance. According to a Barnes and Noble biography, her start began in 1979 when she was trapped at home for a week by a blizzard “with two bored little kids and a dwindling supply of chocolate.” She wrote her first romance and was hooked. The rest, as they say, is history.

No stranger to Shepherd University, Nora Roberts was the commencement speaker in 2003 and received an honorary degree, the doctor of humane letters.

Her son Jason has been an active advisor for contemporary arts and theater initiatives at Shepherd. Son Dan owns a well-known Boonsboro restaurant, Tony’s New York Pizza. Husband Bruce Wilder is a fine art photographer who has had a number of his images published in the Antietam Review and operates the popular Turn the Page Bookstore in nearby Boonsboro. • Sharon Henderson

Foundation new named funds

1955 Football Team Endowment
This scholarship was established in 2006 by Shepherd alumni to honor the undefeated 1955 Ram football team and provide funds to support the football program. Specific needs may include scholarships, equipment, travel transportation expenses, insurance, or others as determined by the head football coach. Initial donors included several members of the 1955 team. Others who wish to honor the accomplishments of student athletes, past and present, are encouraged to donate to this fund.

Classes of 1965, 1975, 1985 Scholarships
Established by the Shepherd University Foundation to inspire and encourage class identity, these class funds honor the members of each of these classes on the occasion of their 20-, 30-, or 40-year anniversary of their graduation from Shepherd. Members of the classes are encouraged to contribute to these class funds.

Class of 2007 Honor Fund
Each year graduating seniors start an endowment to provide a lasting legacy of scholarship and program support for future generations of Shepherd students. Initial contributions to the fund are made by the seniors and their parents and friends in the form of personal tributes printed in the commencement program. •
Local couple endows the first Shepherd chair—in history

Ray and Madeline Johnston, ardent supporters of teaching and learning, have funded the first-ever endowed chair at Shepherd, and Dr. Anders Henriksson, chair of the Department of History, is delighted that his department has been selected for this honor. It couldn’t have come at a better time.

“The establishment of the endowed chair is absolutely wonderful news for our program,” said Dr. Henriksson. “The history program, like the University as a whole, is poised to make major forward progress. We have hired some excellent new faculty, our Civil War concentration has attracted national attention, the number of history majors has nearly doubled over the past five years, and we are in the planning stages for an M.A. in public history. The addition of the endowed chair in American history will enable us to strengthen our faculty resources in a crucial area of study. Its eventual occupant will be an accomplished scholar/teacher who will serve our student constituency and help us to build a national reputation for excellence.”

Endowment benefactors Ray and Madeline Johnston are the owners of The Woods Resort in Hedgesville. Ray holds bachelor’s and master’s degrees, with honors, from the University of Northern Iowa. He taught American history, economics, and government in the Minneapolis public schools before his election to the Minnesota legislature. The Johnstons’ deep belief in Jeffersonian principles led them to their decision to assure faculty excellence and help guide and inspire students of history at Shepherd.

Of their generous gift Ray said, “Both Madeline and I were born into large, poor, but proud families during the Great Depression. We received excellent public educations, and the GI Bill of Rights helped finance my college education. We want to show our gratitude for what the public has done for us.”

The Foundation has undertaken a commitment to encourage donors to direct their charitable gifts to fund endowed positions in other departments. Foundation President Ramon Alvarez ’62 noted, “This gift is unique as it endows Shepherd’s first chair and offers a promise of enduring impact on faculty excellence. These ground-breaking benefactors and those who will follow by endowing other academic positions will know that their gifts will help secure excellence well into the future.”

Sharon Henderson

Planned Giving Made Simple

Ray and Madeline Johnston, owners of The Woods Resort, have made use of a special IRS option to endow a chair in American history at Shepherd. Read their story (above) and in a newly launched newsletter produced twice each year by the Shepherd University Foundation to help donors simplify their planned giving decisions. The first issue of Simple Gifts focuses on the opportunity to take advantage of special tax-free IRA rollover provisions in the Pension Protection Act of 2006 and offers an informational brochure on donating securities. Future issues will cover planned giving options and issues.

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Send this form to Shepherd University Foundation, P.O. Box 3210, Shepherdstown, WV 25443.

For more information, call the Foundation at 304/876-5397 or e-mail mlingenf@shepherd.edu.
Dave and Cathy Dunlop have been a remarkable duo as supporters, contributors, and cheerleaders for the Shepherd University Foundation. They have also left a legacy that will continue long after they leave Shepherd University. Whenever the Foundation has asked to use historic Popodicon as the location for a Foundation event, such as the Donor-Scholar Tea, a Scarborough Gala orientation meeting, or a McMurran Society reception, the Dunlops have graciously honored the requests to open their home.

“They have been great hosts, mingling easily with guests and presenting a positive image for the University,” said Monica Lingenfelter, executive vice president of the Shepherd University Foundation. “I think they enjoy having guests as much as the guests enjoy the special treat of being invited into the president’s home.”

Soon after Dr. Dunlop became Shepherd’s president in 1996, the Foundation created an endowed scholarship in his honor. He and Cathy have regularly contributed to that fund, as well as to another scholarship Dr. Dunlop started in 2003 in honor of Cathy and her commitment to elementary education. They have watched both funds grow and have taken pride in the number of students benefiting from their scholarships.

As charter members of the Scarborough Society, they have supported the work of expanding and modernizing the Scarborough Library. They have hosted tables at the annual Scarborough galas, often being among the first on the dance floor at this popular event.

Dr. Dunlop considers the library, with all its components, the academic center of the University. “The Society has been wonderful in providing for technology and books that the library budget could not otherwise afford,” he said.

Clearly, the Dunlops understand and value the work and mission of the Foundation. Throughout his tenure as president, Dr. Dunlop has advocated a strong relationship between the University and the Foundation. This close affiliation has paid off for the students and University programs.

The Shepherd community and the Foundation thank Dave and Cathy for their special support and wish them well as they move on to retirement. • Sharon Henderson

You are invited to join the Joseph P. McMurran Society

The McMurran Society recognizes those alumni and friends who remember Shepherd University in their estate plans through bequests or planned gifts such as charitable annuities, charitable trusts, and life insurance benefits. To learn more about the many mutually advantageous planned gifts, please contact Monica Lingenfelter or Robin Zanotti.

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Coming in 2008: Master of Arts in Public History and Master of Arts in Liberal Studies (pending approval)
Nursing program to move to new home this fall

Construction continues on the new academic building on East Campus. Scheduled for completion in June, the building was funded through federal appropriations arranged by Senator Robert C. Byrd. The $10 million building will be dedicated June 12 and will be the home of Shepherd’s Department of Nursing Education.