SU tennis splits with Gettysburg

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The Shepherd University tennis teams split action against Gettysburg College at Shepherd today. The Shepherd women gained a 5-4 win, while the Shepherd men dropped a 5-2 decision.

Brittany Bolster, Katelynn Mumaw, and Christina Hammond each posted singles wins for the women. Hammond and Bolster won at number one doubles and Mumaw and Alice D’Alauro gained a victory at number two doubles.

Steve Lesko gained a 6-4, 6-3 win at number five singles, while Kent Thomas and Al Starlings posted a win at number three doubles for the men.

The Shepherd women improve to 7-4, while the Shepherd men fall to 1-2.
Concord shocks Shepherd, 28-14

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ATHENS, W.Va.

Zack Grossi connected on 22 of 36 passes for 306 yards and two touchdowns to lead Concord to a 28-14 upset win over Shepherd University in West Virginia Conference action Saturday.

Concord (3-2, 3-0) snapped a six-game losing streak in the series with the victory.

Shepherd (4-1, 2-1) took a 7-0 lead when comeback linebacker Chris Patton tipped a pass that was tipped by touchdown with 10:43 left in the first quarter. Eric Dobratz added the extra point.

Grossi hit Ryan Stewart with a 61-yard scoring strike with 8:58 left in the quarter. Jon Heavner blocked the extra point attempt to keep the Rams ahead by a point.

Bobby Cooper connected with Justin Ford on a 27-yard scoring strike on a fourth-and-13 play with 6:14 left in the quarter to give Shepherd a 14-6 advantage.

The Mountain Lions tied the game on a 9-yard pass from Grossi to Garrett Hammett with 6 seconds left in the quarter. Brian Kennedy found Chris Rodriguez on the two-point conversion to tie the game.

Concord took a 21-14 lead into halftime on a 3-yard run by Kennedy with 9:08 left in the second quarter. John Scribfield added the extra point.

Rodriguez, who rushed for a game-high 87 yards on 12 carries, rambled 53 yards for a touchdown with 14:17 left in the game to seal the win for the Mountain Lions.

Cooper completed 20 of 38 passes for 148 yards for the Rams. Kenny Williams led the Shepherd ground game with 40 yards on 17 carries.

Randall Hawkins had 10 receptions for 128 yards for Concord.

Shepherd was held to 204 yards of total offense, while Concord amassed 461 total offensive yards.
SU volleyball downs Bluefield State

POSTED: October 3, 2011

BLUEFIELD, W.Va. - Shepherd University recorded a 3-0 win over Bluefield State College in WVIAC volleyball action at Bluefield State on Friday night. The Rams gained a 25-8, 25-19, 25-6 victory.

Freshman middle hitter Kayla Motheral (Sterling, Va./Potomac Falls) had 12 kills and a .625 attack percentage to lead the Rams. Junior outside hitter Kasey Mercier (Baltimore, Md./Mount de Sales Academy) added eight kills and six digs.

Freshman setter Taylor Belella (Smithsburg, Md./Smithsburg) had a nice all-around effort with 25 assists, five aces, and seven digs.

Kiara Watkins had four kills and 10 digs to lead Bluefield State.

Shepherd improves to 8-6, 2-2 in WVIAC action, while Bluefield State falls to 0-11, 0-4. The Rams return to action on Saturday when they travel to Concord for a 10 a.m. match.
ATHENS, W.Va. - Shepherd University recorded a 3-0 win over Concord University in WVIAC volleyball action at Concord on Saturday. The Rams gained a 25-23, 25-23, 25-19 victory.

Junior Lauren Gardner (Clarkson, Mich./Clarkson) recorded a match-high 15 kills with a .536 attack percentage to pace the Rams. Sophomore middle hitter Meg Kenny (Lynchburg, Va./E.C. Glass) added eight kills with a .636 attack percentage.

Senior setter Lauren Jeschelnik (Huntingtown, Md./Huntingtown) had 17 assists and two aces, while junior setter Sara Michael (Winchester, Va./James Wood/HCC) added 16 assists and a pair of aces. Freshman defensive specialist Trish Leigh (Hagerstown, Md./Williamsport) posted a match-high 10 digs.

Shepherd improves to 9-6, 3-2 in WVIAC action, while Concord falls to 8-10, 2-2. The Rams return to action on Wednesday when they host Fairmont State for a 7 p.m. match.
Men's soccer edges out West Chester

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WEST CHESTER, Pa. - Sophomore forward Kevin Doyle (Leesburg, Va./Loudoun County) scored in the 61st minute to lead Shepherd University to a 1-0 win over West Chester in men's soccer action at West Chester on Saturday afternoon.

West Chester had an 8-5 advantage in shots and an 8-2 edge in corner kicks.

Senior goalkeeper Edgar Lopez Zuniga (Rockville, Md./Richard Montgomery) had three saves in a shutout effort for the Rams, while Garrett Bleler had one save for the Golden Rams.

Shepherd improves to 4-5-1, while West Chester falls to 2-5-2. The Rams return to action on Wednesday when they host Wheeling Jesuit for a 3 p.m. contest.
Rams fall to Concord

POSTED: October 6, 2011

ATHENS W.Va. - Zack Grossi hit on 22-of-36 passes for 306 yards and two touchdowns to lead Concord to a 28-14 win over Shepherd University in WVIAC football action at Concord on Saturday. Concord snapped a six-game losing skid in the series with the win.

Shepherd took a 7-0 lead when senior cornerback (Silver Spring, Md./Wheaton) picked off a pass that was tipped by senior outside linebacker (Mt. Airy, Md./Urbana) and raced 65 yards for a touchdown with 10:43 left in the first quarter. Senior kicker (Woodbridge, Va./Potomac) added the extra point.

Zack Grossi teamed with Ryan Stewart on a 61-yard scoring strike with 8:58 left in the first quarter. Senior defensive end (Cumberland, Md./Fort Hill) blocked the extra point attempt.

Junior quarterback (Davidsonville, Md./South River) connected with sophomore wide receiver (Lusby, Md./Patuxent) on a 27-yard scoring strike on a fourth-and-13 play with 6:14 left in the first quarter to give the Rams a 14-6 advantage.

The Mountain Lions tied the game on a nine-yard pass from Grossi to pass to Garrett Hammett with six seconds left in the first quarter. Brian Kennedy connected with Chris Rodriguez on the two-point play.

Concord took a 21-14 lead into halftime on a three-yard run by Kennedy with 9:08 left in the second quarter. John Scritchfield added the extra point.

Rodriguez, who rushed for a game-high 87 yards on 12 carries, rambled 53 yards for a touchdown with 14:17 left in the game to seal the win.

Cooper completed 20-of-38 passes for 148 yards for the Rams.

Sophomore running back (Elgin, Ill./Eastern Illinois) led the Shepherd ground game with 40 yards on 17 carries. Randall Hawkins had 10 receptions for 128 yards for the Mountain Lions.

Shepherd was limited to only 204 yards of total offense while Concord amassed 461 total offensive yards.

Shepherd falls to 4-1, 2-1 in WVIAC play, while Concord improves to 3-2, 3-0. The Rams return to action next Saturday when they travel to West Virginia Wesleyan for a noon contest.
Scholarship established in Cater's honor

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Monte Cater (submitted)

The Shepherd University Foundation has announced the creation of the Monte Cater Silver Anniversary Endowed Football Scholarship in honor of Coach Monte Cater's 25th anniversary as head coach of the Shepherd University football program. Funds will be used to provide financial assistance to student athletes involved in the football program.

The new scholarship, established by Shepherd alumni Al and Sara Lueck of Shepherdstown, pays homage to Coach Cater and the football program he has built, considered to be one of the best in NCAA Division II football. In his quarter-century career at Shepherd, Cater has successfully coached the Shepherd Rams to 12 WVIAC titles and an NCAA DII Final Four appearance in 2010. Cater has earned WVIAC Coach of the Year honors nine times.

The Luecks believe that Coach Cater's calm yet firm demeanor and his coaching and leadership skills have had a positive impact on his players, to the benefit of the team and the university.

“What better way to honor this man and his legacy than with a gift to the fund created in his name?” the couple said in a press release.

The Luecks are noted for their support of the Shepherd football program, having established three other scholarships in support of football as well as being diehard fans who attend all Shepherd home games and many away games as well. Their goal in creating this fund is to continue to raise money for Shepherd athletics in addition to honoring Coach Cater's silver anniversary.

For more information about how to contribute to this scholarship or to honor or memorialize someone by establishing a named fund through the Shepherd University Foundation, please contact Monica Lingenfelter, Shepherd University Foundation, P.O. Box 5000, Shepherdstown, WV 25443-5000, 304-876-5397, mlingenfelter@shepherd.edu or visit www.shepherd.edu/fndtnweb.