Patricia Reynolds Life '82, Homecoming Queen 1981, served as parade grand marshal.

Bumble B and Mr. B.

Livingston leads the nursery school’s Little Lambs.

The annual Alumni Association golf tournament offers fun and fellowship.

Alumni board members emeriti Charles VanMetre ’56, Sallye Price ’53 and ’54, and Bob Wantz ’55 ride in the parade.

The Multicultural Reception is a tradition at Homecoming.

The Homecoming Committee poses on the sidelines at halftime.

Ram fans gather at the SU Bookstore before the game.

Kyle Nordstrom and Emily Weese were crowned Homecoming King and Queen.
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Shepherd values service to others

As we usher in the New Year with all its promise and hope, I am reminded of Ralph Waldo Emerson’s observation: “It is one of the most beautiful compensations of life, that no man can sincerely try to help another without helping himself.” At no other time in the calendar year do we feel more intensely that same principle, as captured by Booker T. Washington, that when “we lift up others, we are lifted up ourselves.”

At Shepherd University we have always valued service to others and to our community. In fact, we have formalized the value of learning through service. Most academic programs require student internships and service learning activities that deepen a student’s understanding of the course and program theory. Faculty, students, and external constituencies of the University collaborate in creating activities directly connecting student learning with serving community needs. According to the University’s Department of Education, our goals for service learning are “to equally benefit the provider and the recipient of the service as well as to ensure equal focus on both the service being provided and the learning that is occurring.”

Through the Office of Student Community Services and Service Learning, we annually promote and orchestrate campuswide service initiatives such as Relay for Life, New Student Orientation Day of Service, a campus chapter of Habitat for Humanity, and an Alternative Spring Break. These institutional and departmental activities also advance the University’s mission and public purposes. A number have received public acclaim for their impact and all are valued by the students, the community, and the University.

We also recognize faculty who engage in professional and institutional service. Our salary and tenure policies support advancement for those professors who have provided discipline-related community service and public service in support of the University’s mission. Faculty model for our students the leadership qualities of civic and community engagement.

In this Magazine, we also recognize three alumni for their volunteer leadership to the University. They personify the value of learning through service that is one of the positive hallmarks of the Shepherd experience. From its inception, Shepherd has enhanced the cultural atmosphere of the community and linked the University to the life of the community and its improvement.

A number of donors have included community service as one of the scholarship criteria for selection and/or maintaining the award. Other private support has funded student understanding of a diverse democracy and education for responsible citizenship. Still other philanthropy has underwritten the costs of Shepherd’s investment in enhancing the cultural and aesthetic atmosphere of the community.

Judge Sandra Day O’Connor noted this truth: “We don’t accomplish anything in this world alone. And whatever happens is the result of the whole tapestry of one’s life and all the weavings of individual threads from one to another that creates meaning.” This year as we work together to “lift up” and help others, I am confident that we too will be “lifted up” and will receive “one of the most beautiful compensations of life.” With your support and investment, we will continue to weave the beautiful tapestry that is the Shepherd University experience—a vibrant and original work with striking patterns and designs, rich in learning, service, and community engagement. ♦ David L. Dunlop

Three new master’s degrees planned

The Board of Governors (BOG) approved the intent to plan three new master’s degrees at its October 2006 meeting. In the planning stages are the master of arts, liberal studies; the master of arts in public history; and the master of science in nursing.

The intent to plan documents have been sent to the chancellor of the Higher Education Policy Commission (HEPC) for approval. When they are developed, program proposals will be presented to the BOG, HEPC, and the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools for approval.

The master of arts, liberal studies is a flexible graduate program where adult learners design their own course of study. The master of arts in public history is designed for historians and educators as well as graduates in history, American studies, and historic preservation. Focusing on nursing education, the master of science in nursing is designed to prepare nurse-educators for faculty positions in nursing education programs and as patient educators in health care agencies.

Shepherd offers master’s degrees in curriculum and instruction, business administration, college student development and administration, teaching, and music education.

Teacher ed program approved for 5 years

The West Virginia State Board of Education approved Shepherd University’s teacher education program for five years during a meeting held in Charleston on September 14, 2006.

Institutions of higher education that offer West Virginia Board of Education-approved educator preparation programs are required to refile their programs with the board on a five-year cycle. The filing document includes an overview of the program’s framework, how 21st-century knowledge and skills are addressed, curriculum summaries of each program, course syllabi, and a list of changes in programs since the last refiling. ♦
Dunlop to retire this year

President David L. Dunlop announced in September 2006 that he will retire at the end of the academic year. Dr. Dunlop came to Shepherd in 1996, after having served for 22 years at the University of Pittsburgh’s Johnstown campus, most recently as vice president for academic affairs.

During his decade-long tenure at Shepherd, Dr. Dunlop has managed an enrollment increase of 34 percent while improving the academic credentials of incoming freshmen. He has overseen capital construction projects totaling nearly $100 million, much of which were funded by federal allocations designated by Senator Robert C. Byrd. Dr. Dunlop led the initiative to obtain university status, and the name of the institution was changed from Shepherd College to Shepherd University in 2004 by an act of the West Virginia Legislature.

Under President Dunlop’s leadership, Shepherd began offering graduate degree programs in teacher preparation, music, college student development and administration, and business. During the Dunlop administration, the music department and business department each obtained national accreditation, the teacher education program regained full accreditation, and the nationally recognized Robert C. Byrd Center for Legislative Studies was established at Shepherd. Shepherd University quickly responded to the Legislature’s decision to separate component community colleges from their host institutions, creating what is now the independent Blue Ridge Community and Technical College.

“My years at Shepherd have been very rewarding, and living in the Eastern Panhandle is wonderful,” said Dr. Dunlop. “The people whom I’ve met have enriched my life. However, with a bit of luck, we all reach a point where we have an opportunity to pursue activities and interests into the next phase of our lives. I am now at that point.”

Board of Governors Chair John Sherwood said, “Shepherd University has been fortunate to have Dr. Dunlop at the helm over the past decade. The University has experienced the most successful period in its history under Dave’s leadership. We will miss him very much, and we wish him well in his retirement.”

A national search is underway for President Dunlop’s replacement. It is anticipated that the new president will take office sometime this summer. Additional information about the presidential search is available at www.shepherd.edu/bogweb/search/.

Shepherd included in Barron’s ‘Best Buys’ college guide

Shepherd University has been named to the ninth edition of Barron’s Best Buys in College Education.

Colleges are selected to appear in the book based on tuition rates as well as results from questionnaires filled out by students and college deans. Shepherd was among 247 colleges selected for inclusion in the book.

The two main features of Barron’s Best Buys in College Education are the data capsules and profiles which give such information as campus setting, student/faculty ratio, freshman profile, faculty profile, tuition and fees, and room and board. Each profile lists information about the student body, academics, facilities, special programs, and campus life.

Beard named Music Teacher of the Year

Dr. Scott Beard, associate professor of music and coordinator of keyboard studies, has been named Music Teacher of the Year by the West Virginia Music Teachers Association (WVMTA). Nominees for this honor were chosen for their commitment to innovative teaching and creative musicianship.

Dr. Beard is a nationally certified teacher of music and has been a member of the WVMTA since 1998. He first joined the Music Teachers National Association (MTNA), the national affiliate of the WVMTA, as a founder of the Richmond, Virginia, student chapter in 1981. He is currently the first vice president of WVMTA and Collegiate Competitions chair for the Eastern Division MTNA.

As a published author, Dr. Beard has written articles and reviews for the American Music Teacher, a series of musical anthologies, and a textbook dealing with ensemble music published by Alfred International Publishing Company.

His students at both the high school and college level have won top prizes at the state, regional, and national level, including MTNA National Junior High Piano Competition, Ithaca Piano Competition, and Frederick Optimist Club. They have also been selected to participate in international competitions such as the Gina Bachauer, Oberlin, International Institute for Young Musicians, and Beethoven Society competitions.
Standing on her tiptoes atop a chair in the back of the auditorium at a Billy Graham concert, a five-year-old girl strains to see the source of the mesmerizing piano music she heard. When the concert was over, the girl and her mother stood waiting to meet the pianist who had so enchanted her. Talking to each other for the first time, the two shook hands and formed a lifelong bond, the little white girl and the black pianist.

Piano teacher Queenie Taylor Williams was the first Storer College graduate that Shepherd education professor Dr. Dawne Raines Burke ’95 met. Williams’s influence led Burke to become a classically trained pianist, and it was her legacy of involvement in social justice and positive change that led to Dr. Burke’s first book, An American Phoenix: A History of Storer College from Slavery to Desegregation, published in August 2006 by Geyer Printing House in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

The book chronicles the nine-decade history of Storer College, located in Harper’s Ferry. Storer opened its doors at the close of the Civil War, becoming the first institution of higher learning and the first normal school to which African-Americans could be admitted in West Virginia. While the college remains open as a National Park Service training facility, it ended its run as an educational institution in 1955 after the landmark Brown v Board of Education, Topeka, Kansas, decision.

“It’s a beautiful story,” said Dr. Burke. “It’s truly the American story. It’s about persons who under extreme difficulty became participatory citizens. They rose above societal obstacles in order to execute their fullest citizenship.”

For Burke, the Storer College story represents what Williams stood for. The founders of Storer came together to create the school because it was the right thing to do. They sacrificed themselves on every level—social, political, and economic—to do so. Their work guided this region of West Virginia toward positive social change and social justice. “It demonstrated how two different cultures came together for the common goal behind the Jeffersonian ideal of an American republic during one of the nation’s darkest hours,” said the author.

In 1999 the Martinsburg native began her exploration into the institution that represents the principles she believes in as part of her doctoral research at Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University. Five years and 500 pages later, her dissertation was complete. Burke then spent two years transforming the 500-page work into the 158-page book she had envisioned from the beginning. While the writing process was long and lonely and, at times, even painful, the Shepherd professor said she wouldn’t change anything. “As painful as the writing process was, I learned much more about the person in the dissertation than the process of dissertation.”

Aside from learning about herself, the process has given her an ability to understand and appreciate our most common characteristic—humanity—while also changing her in such a way that makes her a better instructor for her students. According to Dr. Burke, a historical researcher must maintain objectivity and look beyond the smooth surface of things. By doing this, she has learned how to best help her students. “If what I do can help one individual be successful and feel fulfilled as a human being, I would be immensely grateful.”

The students who are now benefiting from Dr. Burke’s knowledge are the ones sitting in the same seats she once sat in. Burke graduated from Shepherd in 1995 with a bachelor of arts degree from the Department of Education and returned in 2004 as an assistant professor of education. The former student said she is not treated differently by the faculty, but that they see her as that which is possible. “I merely represent a transitional link in the chain that we call teacher education here at Shepherd University,” said Dr. Burke.

The professor is planning a second book on Storer College. It, however, will be a more in-depth and critical exploration of the school’s history, ensuring that Queenie Taylor Williams’s legacy will live on.

Did you know...
Shepherd’s Storer Ballroom on the third floor of the Student Center was named in honor of Storer College in 1995.
Salzanos’ 07 wins seat on Shepherdstown Town Council

Frank Salzano ’07 spent part of his summer vacation from Shepherd campaigning for a seat on the Shepherdstown Town Council.

After meeting with various members of the council, committees, and commissions to grasp the issues, Salzano created a pamphlet detailing his perspective on the issues. With pamphlets in hand, the Shepherd student hit the streets, knocking on doors and listening to the concerns of the community. Salzano’s door-to-door approach paid off—on June 6, 2006, he was elected to the Shepherdstown Town Council.

The young councilman attributes his election to several factors. According to Salzano, the residents of Shepherdstown voted for him because he showed that he cared and would put time and energy into the job, while also listening to the community and expressing a desire to do something different.

It was this desire that influenced him to run for office. “I believe that corporate globalization has run away and is not sustainable. I don’t really think that our federal government is very accountable,” said Salzano. “I believe in creating a world based on the power of communities.” Community empowerment has to start on the local level, and, according to the 22-year-old, there is no better way to make local change than through local government.

It was Shepherdstown’s location and atmosphere that brought the Charleston resident to Shepherd University. “I wanted to be near the city, and it seemed like a good school in kind of a laid-back hippie town.” The honors student and fifth-year senior in the Regents bachelor of arts program at Shepherd said that while the University has prepared him for his role on the council, it has been his work in grassroots activism that has been the most helpful. “Through Shepherd University I’ve learned much about job skills. There have been some important classes like renewable energy, community organizing, and social theory. The most applicable skills I’ve tried to develop and that are now useful, such as critical socio-economic and environmental analysis and facilitation skills, have come from grassroots activism, radical anarchist culture, and other alternatives that escape the status quo.”

Just a few months into his two-year term as a council member, Salzano has learned to balance his roles as a student and a member of the council. “It’s really not too bad,” he said. “I just make a list of priorities, don’t party or watch TV, and do what I’ve got to do.” For the new councilman, doing what he’s got to do includes improving relations between the school he attends and the town in which he lives. Aside from sitting down with the administrations and keeping open lines of communication, the Shepherd student intends to promote joint projects that will harness a healthy community. Salzano also realizes that parking is a major obstacle for the two. More public parking and transportation are needed, he said, but money is needed to do those things and the capitalist economic system we live in creates scarce resources for public institutions.

Shepherd and Shepherdstown relations are not the only issues on Salzano’s agenda. He plans to work on socioeconomic diversity by preserving the working class neighborhood and promoting businesses that actually serve the people of Shepherdstown.

Salzano understands that these are not easy tasks, but feels that not mindlessly gentrifying Shepherdstown is a good start. He wants to get control of and give input on the direction of development around Shepherdstown that effects both the taxation system and property values, while also earmarking some money for innovative affordable housing initiatives.

“As getting the right kind of economy here would be a huge challenge,” said Salzano, “but I think that if we marketed the school and the town the right way it would attract the right kind of businesses to the area, the kind of business that works in true-cost accounting and long-term, sustainable fiscal models.”

As a proponent of community-supported agriculture (CSA), Salzano wants to improve green spaces for recreational use and prevent the bombardment of development from coming this way. And while there are various models of CSA, said Salzano, the idea that he’s trying to implement is more a community-supported garden, managed by a mix of active shareholders and volunteers.

“I’m an innocent kid who wants to make the world a better place,” said Salzano, who believes he will return to grassroots activism when his term is over. While he’s not sure yet how his time on the council will be remembered, he hopes that people will say that he “shook stuff up a little and tried [his] hardest to create responsible, progressive alternatives.”

Bethany Davidson
Conley studies the Madagascar hissing cockroach

If you ask Dr. Ruth Conley’s mother, she’ll tell you that her daughter was a scientist from the start. At nine months old, Conley began her first research project by knocking over an anthill and watching the tiny insects rebuild. Today the associate professor of biology is still studying insects, only now she’s researching the sensory systems of the Madagascar hissing cockroach.

For four years Dr. Conley has been exploring how these cockroaches use their hisses to communicate. According to the professor, the insects are similar to birds with courtship songs and territorial calls. Along with her student research assistants, Dr. Conley has been breeding the roaches, creating several small colonies of social individuals. The colonies are then recorded by a video camera with their hisses being recorded using computer data acquisitions to avoid unwanted hisses. The researchers are trying to determine what each sound and behavior is for so that they can then categorize the calls, cross-referencing them with social cues. Some of the insects also have been isolated in order to see what hisses are learned and what calls the cockroaches are born with.

Dr. Conley’s research thus far has shown that Madagascar hissing cockroaches have different frequencies that show their social structure. She also has discovered that the roaches incorporate some whistles into their calls, something that had not been found in the species before. Dr. Conley said that it’s not surprising that the cockroaches have these calls, but what is both surprising and amazing is the variety of calls.

At the West Virginia Academy of Science in April 2006, Dr. Conley and her research assistant Emma Bowers presented a poster showing their current findings. The poster, titled “Signal diversity of acoustic communication in Madagascar hissing cockroach, Gromphadorhina portentosa,” won the most outstanding poster award. A poster is a way to summarize current research and present it to colleagues in the scientific community. These posters are eventually written up in scientific journals. Two other posters were presented at this event as well. Dr. Conley presented “Photoreceptor density, visual acuity, and visual streak in parr of rainbow trout, Oncorhynchus mykiss” with Sharon Mason and “Behavioral modulation by octopamine in Gromphadorhina portentosa, the Madagascar hissing cockroach” with Alexandra Mertz-Myers.

New Spanish majors introduced

This fall semester, Shepherd introduced two new language majors—Spanish and Spanish education. Dr. Denis Berenschot, assistant professor of Spanish, along with Dr. Michael Austin and Dr. Rachel Ritterbusch, began the process of creating the new majors two-and-a-half-years ago.

The nine-step process included creating new courses and conforming to state and national standards. Both majors received state approval by the Higher Education Policy Commission, and the Spanish education major received its final approval from the West Virginia Department of Education.

The program has added 10 new courses that will allow students to complete the 30 credit hours necessary for a bachelor of arts degree major. An additional credit, however, is required of the Spanish education students. The Spanish courses are taught by Berenschot, Carlos Rubio, and Jamie Paci.

A component of the program is study abroad which Dr. Berenschot believes is a valuable experience for all students. Students can retake study abroad, substituting it for lower level Spanish classes and the course in Latin culture.

One benefit of the new majors has been the increased funding which has provided for a language lab in the Scarborough Library. The lab holds computers where students can complete the listening components that go with their texts as well as placement tests. The foreign language program also purchased a projector to view videos and online exercises during class.

Shepherd will reap the benefits of the program, too. “People before had to travel to WVU and Marshall to get degrees in Spanish. Now they can do it here,” said Dr. Berenschot. Fifteen students have already declared and many more have shown interest in joining the program. “Any second language is valuable,” said Dr. Berenschot. “Spanish is particularly valuable now given the population in the U.S.”

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Dr. Ruth Conley and research subject

Dr. Ruth Conley, who came to Shepherd in 2002, believes that her research on the roaches’ communication system could possibly have military applications by allowing people to differentiate between what sounds are actually being heard and what is noise. Her studies on hormonal influences and behavior can provide valuable information on the effects of drug abuse and its effects on social systems. By looking into how the nervous system codes and discriminates between the hormones, Dr. Conley’s work with the Madagascar hissing cockroach could become a model for autistic children.

While Dr. Conley, a sensory systems specialist, has researched other life forms, right now she’s sticking with the cockroaches. “We’re just getting started,” she said. “Which way we go next depends on the research.”

Bethany Davidson
Online Mentoring Network planned

The Career Development Center is developing an online Mentoring Network to provide students the opportunity to connect with professionals in their chosen field of study.

Mentors are a great resource for students investigating career options. Mentors can:

- Allow students to shadow them on the job to see if it is something they would like to do someday;
- Answer questions about their profession or industry during an informational interview;
- Conduct mock interviews;
- Critique students’ cover letters or résumés;
- Help students find resources within a geographic area or industry; and
- Help students learn the importance of networking with professionals.

Alumni and friends of Shepherd are volunteering to serve as mentors to current and former students of the school.

Alumni who are interested in being part of this valuable resource should contact the Career Development Center at 304/876-5122 or jobweb@shepherd.edu.

Price ’10 is world champion archer

Sitting in the Bistro waving to friends as they pass, talking to people every now and then, Kaitlyn Price ’10 appears to be a normal college freshman. Price, however, is anything but average. At 18, she is a world champion archer who is about to make her debut in the women’s professional class next year.

The freshman, who began shooting her compound bow competitively at the age of seven, is currently competing in the women’s open class in both the Archery Shooters Association (ASA) and the International Bowhunters Organization. These organizations are the main sanctioning bodies for the 3D archery competition in which the Hedgesville resident competes. She holds two Archery Shooters Association national championships, an International Bowhunters Organization world runner-up title, and an ASA world championship. And while her proudest moments as an archer were winning her two world titles at age 15 and again at 18, Price still has plenty of goals. “My goal is to be the rookie of the year next year and win the women’s pro class,” said Price.

As a pro, she will receive more recognition and more money, but the move has family and friends concerned about whether she’ll be able to handle it and worried that she’ll get worn out. Price, however, thinks that she is ready, and she’s not concerned with the money or the recognition. “I just want to have fun with what I’m doing,” she said.

Price was first introduced to the sport by her dad, who competes in the male professional class, but the Shepherd student said she likes archery “because you do not have to be the strongest or tallest. You just have to practice.” Price, who practices for an hour or two every day, chose to attend Shepherd to be close to home and her friends, but her ability to practice was also a factor as her practice course is in her backyard.

While archery is her major focus, Price, who has not yet declared a major, said that she plans to stay in school. Interested in environmental science, she said, “it’s always good to have a fall back.”

Park Service honors graphic design students

The National Park Service honored graphic design students in the Annual Report Studio class for their role in producing a 62-page annual report for the National Capital Region’s Center for Urban Ecology.

Pictured above, front row (l. to r.), are Stephanie Engle, visiting assistant professor of art, who taught the studio class; President David L. Dunlop; Dr. Jim Sherald, chief of national resources and science, National Capital Region; Dr. Giselle Mora, science education coordinator, National Capital Region; back row, Lindsey Warf; Sonya Evanisko, chair of Shepherd’s Department of Art; Dr. Diane Pavek, research coordinator, Urban Ecology Research Learning Alliance; Rob Brzostowski, Adam Leviton, Jackie Harford, Krystal Tydings, and Tiffany Moreland.
Debra Kay Robinson Lindsay, a former Fulbright Memorial Fund scholar to Japan, VDOE fellow to Russia, and 32-year Fairfax County, Virginia, Public Schools elementary general music teacher, has been teaching and operating a recording studio since graduation. He currently teaches in Loudoun County, Virginia. The latest release from the studio is by a group called A.D.D. titled Thursday Night Laundry Club. It is an instrumental jazz/fusion CD. Information on the studio and CD can be found at www.allenkave.com. Allen would like to hear from old friends.

Debra Kay Robinson Lindsay, '75

Gary M. Fletcher retired from the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development in August 2006 after serving more than 29 years. His most recent position was senior project manager. After battling a serious health issue, Gary decided to retire and enjoy the better half of life. He is well now but said the road to recovery was long and hard.

Gary M. Fletcher

Dr. W. Michael Martin was honored for his 28 years of service as choir director at Charles Town Baptist Church. The church choir and congregation presented Mike and wife Betty Jo with a certificate for a weeklong vacation.

C. Michael Bailey has been selected to participate in the U.S. Department of Commerce Executive Leadership Development Program. The intensive 18-month program is designed to prepare participants for high-level leadership positions within the Department of Commerce. Michael joins three other National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration employees and 26 other Department of Commerce employees from around the nation to be selected for this highly competitive program.

C. Michael Bailey

Col. Richard E. Bloss has been named as the new deputy commander of the Joint Readiness Training Center (JRTC) at Fort Polk, Louisiana. Richard, who assumed his duties in July 2006, was once an operations group observer/controller (1989-1991). He later served in an “opposite” capacity as commander of B Company, 1st Battalion (Airborne), 509th Infantry Regiment, the JRTC’s opposing force (1991-1993).

Col. Richard E. Bloss

Daryl Eckard joined Booz Allen Hamilton in its assurance and resilience practice focusing on homeland security and civilian agency information assurance.

Daryl previously worked for Electronic Data Systems (EDS) for 20 years. His last job there was leading the security and privacy consulting practice. Booz Allen Hamilton, a leading global consulting firm, has more than 18,000 employees serving clients on six continents integrating the full range of consulting capabilities for government and commercial clients with services in strategy, operations, organization and change, and information technology.

Daryl Eckard

Joseph C. McJilton, Jr. teaches social studies to 7th through 12th graders at Paw Paw High School in Morgan County. He is beginning his 24th year as a firefighter-EMT-B with the Great Cacapon Volunteer Fire Company where he serves as president and safety officer. He recently married Karlie D. Stiles.

Joseph C. McJilton, Jr.

Rebecca G. Palmer Morrison completed her Ph.D. in clinical psychology with an emphasis in depth psychology from Pacifica Graduate Institute in Carpinteria, California. She researched medical experiences in childhood from the adult perspective.

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Debra Kay Robinson Lindsay, '75

Debra Kay Robinson Lindsay received National Board Certification in Early and Middle Childhood Music in 2004. She is a best-selling author and composer. She designed and co-teaches Continuing the Journey Music for second-year and new to FCPS teachers and is a mentor to teachers undergoing the National Board Certified Teacher process. Her next book, Lessons in American Music, Book II, will be published in February at which time she will sign copies in Portland, Oregon; Hartford, Connecticut; and Washington, D.C.

Debra is the president-elect of Virginia Elementary Music Educators Association (VEMEA). She has been an online mentor for MENC and is currently on the editorial staff for Teaching Music. In December 2006 Debra hosted 13 Australian music educators who visited her music classes, visited the Australian Embassy, and toured the White House and Washington, D.C.

Debra's lesson plans and musical arrangements are featured on MENC's interactive CD called Liberty for All II and are available in book and music stores around the country.

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Gary M. Fletcher retired from the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development in August 2006 after serving more than 29 years. His most recent position was senior project manager. After battling a serious health issue, Gary decided to retire and enjoy the better half of life. He is well now but said the road to recovery was long and hard.

Gary M. Fletcher
'93
Todd Cutlip was selected to be the principal of Burke Street Elementary School in Martinsburg. This is his first principal’s position. Todd was the assistant principal at Eagle School.

'94
Karla VanBibber Porter has started Fruition Designs, www.fruition-designs.com. The company specializes in custom contemporary and handcrafted social event invitations, wedding invitations and announcements, save the date, birth announcements, menus, and personal stationery.

'95
Janice Bouchard Hall earned tenure last year with the Lake Forest school district in Delaware, where she teaches 5th grade math and science. Janice and husband David Hall '92 reside with their three children in Milford, Delaware.

Stephanie Sharpe O’Brien has recently accepted a position at Mountain State Lending Associates, Inc. as a loan officer. Mountain State Lending is located in Weirton and assists people with mortgage solutions in West Virginia, Ohio, and California. If you would like more information, contact Stephanie at stephanie@mountainstatelending.com or check out the Web site at www.mountainstatelending.com. Stephanie lives in Weirton with husband Scott O’Brien ’95 and daughter Mallorie.

'96
William “Bill” Butler has been appointed manager of the Century 21 real estate office in Charles Town. He has assisted with ongoing training in the Martinsburg office and is responsible for overseeing the day-to-day operations, assisting agents, customers, and clients, and listing/selling real estate in Jefferson County and the surrounding areas.

'98
Stephanie Nasteff made her way to New York City following graduation to pursue a career in professional acting. For the last four years, she has been heard daily on television between the shows, voicing national commercial campaigns for Pier 1 and Revlon.

In 2001 Stephanie cofounded Crooked Neck Productions with two fellow graduates of the William Esper Studios. During October 2006, Crooked Neck presented its largest production to date: the world premiere of Me, My Guitar, and Don Henley by the Emmy-nominated, head writer of Grey’s Anatomy Krista Vernoff and directed by Peter Paige (from Queer as Folk). The play featured six women in one incredibly dysfunctional family who are forced to deal with the death of the family patriarch together. Stephanie played Sarah.

'99
Troy Hale received the Edward R. Murrow Award for his work on an investigative story about TSA waste. The story aired on Fox television in Minneapolis, Minnesota. Troy also received second place Best of Photojournalism 2006 from the National Press Photographers Association for his editing work.

A short film by Troy and his wife Nicky titled Hold Please was accepted in the Charlotte Film Festival. It was produced through their company Tricky Hale Films.

'00
Courtney Carroll started a business in her hometown of Centreville, Virginia. Caboodle Cartridge sells remanufactured ink and toner cartridges for printers, copiers, and fax machines. Courtney decided to open a Caboodle Cartridge store after reading an article in the Wall Street Journal about the best new franchises.

'03
Robert C. Tabb has written his first children’s novel, Joe and the Ten Wishes, a juvenile fiction/action and adventure novel which chronicles the tale of two 10-year-old boys (Joe and Henry), the genie (Hector) that one of the boys stumbles across, and the night that the three of them share. The story content, characters, and style are geared to enticing reluctant juvenile readers to give reading and their imaginations a chance, but Joe and the Ten Wishes is an enjoyable read for people of all ages. It is available at the Shepherd University Bookstore.

'04
Michelle Marie Bennett Abe has entered her first year of studies at the West Virginia School of Osteopathic Medicine in Lewisburg. While at Shepherd, Michelle was a member of the Nursing Honor Society and her group won the 2003 Secretary’s Award for Innovations in Health Promotion and Prevention. She is a native of Shenandoah Junction.

Marretta Coo was appointed by the Leesburg, Virginia, Town Council in October 2006 to serve on the Leesburg Environmental Advisory Commission. He will make recommendations to the town on policies and environmental concerns and review town planning and policy documents as they relate to the environment.

'06
Michael Theis won second place in the West Virginia International Film Festival student competition June 25 in Charleston. House of Pain, a 15-minute documentary, was about students at a professional wrestling school in Hagerstown, Maryland.

Regional alumni receptions in Florida planned
Planning is underway for President David L. Dunlop and Robin Zanotti, vice president for advancement, to visit alumni in Florida in February and March. Regional luncheons and receptions across the state are being planned.

For more information, contact the Office of Alumni Relations at 304/876-5157 or 800/344-5231 or e-mail alumni@shepherd.edu.

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Weddings

Kelly A. Everly ’92 and Anthony J. D’Amore, Jr. were married December 10, 2004 at the Washington County, Maryland, Courthouse. The couple resides in Hagerstown, Maryland.

Lynn M. Herbe’95 and Stephen B. Clark were married July 23, 2005 in Madison, Ohio. The couple resides in the Boston area where Lynn is a wellness program manager for Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts and Steve is an athletic trainer for Northeastern University.

Andrew David Moats ’03 and Rebecca Ann Aleshire were married October 15, 2005 at Mount Vernon Church in Keedysville, Maryland. The couple resides in Hagerstown, Maryland.

Michelle Lee Sult ’04 and Edwin Alexander Maldonado were married June 2, 2006 at Catoctin Inn Resort and Spa in Buckeystown, Maryland. The couple resides in Boonsboro, Maryland.

Jessica Lynne Walls ’04 and Joseph Sergio Trigiani were married October 8, 2005 at St. Marks Lutheran Church in Annandale, Virginia. They traveled to Westmoreland, Jamaica, for their honeymoon. The couple resides in Lansdowne, Virginia, in Loudoun County. She works as a government contractor at CACI while Joseph continues his art career and is starting up a new business, Blackwolf Lacrosse, running lacrosse camps in the Northern Virginia area.

Angela B. Walker ’05 and Scott M. Deeds were married April 22, 2006 at First Church of the Nazarene in Martinsburg. The couple resides in Martinsburg.

Lora M. Wybieracki ’05 and Charles E. Asbury II ’03 were married June 9, 2006 at South Maluaka Beach, Maui, Hawaii. The couple resides in Gerrardstown.

Holly Fertig ’01 and Jonathan W. Day ’06 were married June 24, 2006 at the Charles Town Presbyterian Church. The couple resides in Martinsburg.

Linda Theresa Fasulo ’06 and Joshua Samuel Whitmore were married June 24, 2006 at St. James Catholic Church in Boonsboro, Maryland. The couple resides in Rohrersville, Maryland.

Laura Anne Klingenburg ’06 and Paul Arthur Peach were married June 2, 2006 in Sea Bright, New Jersey. After a honeymoon in Kauai, Hawaii, the couple resides in Hedgesville.

Amanda V. Mose ’05 and Steven D. Myers ’05 were married July 8, 2006 at St. Paul’s United Methodist Church in Smithsburg, Maryland. They reside in Hagerstown, Maryland.


Seeking 1957 graduates

The Alumni Office is seeking the addresses of the following members of the Class of 1957: Mary E. Taylor Doakes, Nancy M. Grove, Antoinette L. Heiskell, Sarah A. Hendricks, Temple S. Scafati Hughes, Helen Arbo gast Hunter, Samuel R. Parish, Evelyn Pownell, Leonard H. Ruble, and Bertha Carter Snapp. The Class of 1957 will be inducted as the newest members of the Emeritus Club on Thursday, May 17, in the University Dining Hall.

If you have a current address for any of these alumni, please contact the Office of Alumni Relations and Annual Fund at 304/876-5157 or alumni@shepherd.edu.
Engagements

Avril Marie Wright '94 is engaged to marry Sgt. Christopher Duane Cook.

Chad McGarrah '97 is engaged to marry Kimberly Sine.

Rodney William Sine '97 is engaged to marry Shelley Amanda Pearson '02.

John Wesley Davidson III '98 is engaged to marry Kalli Lynne Conklin in the spring.

Dustin DeHaven '00 is engaged to marry Heather Kane '03 in September.

Adam Robinson '00 is engaged to marry Teri Jackson.

Mindy Diane Haupt '01 is engaged to marry Aaron Lionel Baker.

Suzanne Panowitz '01 is engaged to marry Jeff Reiff in June.

Leanne Michele Slonaker '01 is engaged to marry Chad Michael Gochenour in January.

Melinda Cunningham '04 is engaged to marry Ryan Lawn '05.

Sara B. Moore '04 is engaged to marry Ezekiel E. O. Holt on May 27, 2007. Ezekiel works in the Shepherd University Academic Support Center.

Anna Elizabeth Reichard '04 is engaged to marry Michael David Haupt on March 24.

Kelli Luanne Wolfe '04 is engaged to marry Stephen Michael Schaefer '05.

Deirdre Fitzgerald '05 is engaged to marry Derek S. Beet '06 in the fall.

Courtney Harnish '05 is engaged to marry Christopher Salow '05.

Jeffrey Hartman '05 is engaged to marry Nicole Morgan '05 in June.

Rhannon S. Smith '05 is engaged to marry David L. Tavenner on May 19.

Heather Anne Kinner '06 is engaged to marry Stewart Cody Eckenrode.

Snyder joins Alumni Office staff

Melissa “Missy” Snyder joined the Office of Alumni Relations and Annual Fund in August 2006 as bookkeeper. Missy replaced Norma Taylor who retired after 16 years of service.

Missy is responsible for bookkeeping for the Alumni Association and the Association’s accounts held on behalf of Shepherd departments and organizations.

Missy is a student at Shepherd pursuing a degree in nursing. She hopes to become a pediatric nurse practitioner. Missy lives in Martinsburg with her husband Mark, who is a chief master sergeant with the Air National Guard, and their two children, Bradley and Kalynn.

Send Us Your News!

We love to hear from our alumni! Send us news of weddings, births, promotions—anything you’d like to share with your fellow alumni—to Alumni Relations Office, Shepherd University, P.O. Box 3210, Shepherdstown, WV 25443-3210, via e-mail to alumni@shepherd.edu, or online at www.shepherd.edu/alumnweb/.

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New Arrivals

DARYL ECKARD ’84 and wife Bobbie, a daughter, Nicole Caroline, born May 30, 2006. She joins big sister Natalie Rebecca, 4.

JUDY PIEGOSKI KEEGAN ’89 and husband Bob, twin daughters, Catherine Grace and Kerry Sue, born August 4, 2006. They join big sister Kiley Elizabeth, 2.

RHONDA ROYER DOUGLAS ’92 and husband Seb, a son, John Ryan, born February 7, 2006.

CANDY COPPAGE NESS ’92 and husband Greg, a son, Steven Gregory, born September 8, 2006. He joins big sister Ellie, 5, and big brother Donny, 3.

MICHELE TRIMBLE ’92 and TIM PORTER ’91, a son, Andrew Esley Patrick Porter, born March 18, 2006. He joins big sisters Morgan, 7, and Molly, 5.

ERIC D. ANDERSON ’93, a daughter, Sydney Paige, born May 4, 2006.

JENNIFER CULLINAN HILLYARD ’93 and EDWARD HILLYARD III ’93, a son, Mason Edward, born on September 8, 2006. He joins big sister Addison Grace, 3.

ADAM Q. HOLDEN-BACHE ’93 and wife Sarah, a son, Dylan Quinn, born March 16, 2006.

KARLA VANBIBBER PORTER ’94 and husband Sean, a son, Seamus Ryan, born on October 25, 2006. He joins big sister Abigail and big brother Quinton.


JESSICA YOUNG FORD ’96 and husband Bradley, a son, Chase Sheldon, born June 16, 2006.

KERRI MULLEDY RICHARDSON ’96 and husband Terry, a daughter, Aislynn Autumn, born January 4, 2006. She joins big brother Aidan, 4.

JULIE OLSON MARCHESI ’97 and husband Shane, a son, John Victor, born July 13, 2006. He joins big brother Tommy, 18 months.

MATT CORNWELL ’98 and B. WHITNEY ROBERTS CORNWELL ’95, a daughter, Penelope “Kate,” on July 25, 2006. She joins big brother Jackson, 5, and big sister Madalyn, 3.


VICTOR KNOTT III ’99 and wife Brent Elizabeth, a daughter, Hayden Elizabeth, born on February 13, 2006.

HEATHER LEA ANDERSON TEN EYCK ’00 and husband William, a daughter, Anja Jewel, born May 22, 2006. She joins big brother Will, 21 months.

JESSICA AHALT GRAHAM ’02 and husband Michael, a son, Michael Justin Robert.

BRANDON KNOTT ’02 and KELLI COLEMAN KNOTT ’01, a son, Riley Edward, born August 18, 2006 in Bel Air, Maryland.

GREG SAGER ’05 and MARTHA SWARTZ SAGER ’00, a daughter, Emilee Jane, born July 7, 2006 in Winchester, Virginia.

Deaths

WILLIAM C. WACHTER JR. ’30, of Hagerstown, Maryland, died August 2, 2006.

FERN E. TABLER ’36, of Charles Town, died October 26, 2006, at Canterbury of Shepherdstown.

SAUL VIENER ’42, of Atlanta, Georgia, formerly of Charles Town, died July 11, 2006.

PAUL V. YOST ’48, of Martinsburg, died July 24, 2006. He was named the Outstanding Alumnus of the Year in 1991.

EDGAR P. “BUDDY” SMOOT, JR. ’49, of Charles Town, died August 16, 2006, at his home.

JOSEPH P. CHRISTIAN, JR. ’95, of Charles Town, died October 19, 2006, at Jefferson Memorial Hospital.

BEVERLY A. JOCKHECK-HENDRICK ’97, of Martinsburg, died July 28, 2006, at her home.

KENNETH E. KIDWILER, of Harpers Ferry, died June 14, 2006, at his home. He was a member of the 1955 undefeated football team at Shepherd.
The Alumni Association Golf Tournament held on October 20 at Cress Creek marked the 15th year the Association has sponsored this fundraiser for nonrevenue sports at Shepherd. More than 40 sponsors and 128 golfers, 95 of whom were Shepherd alumni, participated to raise more than $12,000 for Shepherd’s nonrevenue sports: baseball, golf, soccer, softball, tennis, and volleyball.

The tournament winners were Charley Damron ’98, Chris DeLauter ’98, David Gray ’99, and Greg Newman ’99. Steve Wiles ’04 won the 50/50; Kirk Waldeck won the longest drive contest; and Karen Cooper won the closest to the pin.

The Alumni Association thanks all the players and sponsors in this tournament with a special thank you to Miller’s Chrysler Jeep in Martinsburg for donating the insurance for the hole-in-one and to the following sponsors: Pillar Sponsors–Jefferson Security Bank, of Shepherdstown, and Valley Proteins, Inc., of Winchester, Virginia, and Cornerstone Sponsors–BB&T, of Martinsburg; J.C.W. Company, Inc., of Fairfax, Virginia; Tom Maiden and Nationwide Insurance, of Shepherdstown; The Conrad Law Firm, LLC, of Martinsburg; and Yount, Hyde and Barbour, P.C., of Winchester, Virginia.


Classes of the ’50s celebrate during Homecoming at reunion brunch

Members of the classes of 1950 through 1959 gathered together during Homecoming weekend for a campus tour and reunion brunch celebrating their decade. Alumni from all 10 classes attended this new Homecoming event. Alumni and their guests took a tour of the campus guided by Yvonne Barnes ’07, followed by brunch in the Storer Ballroom. A Trivial Pursuit game challenged alumni to recall some interesting facts about Shepherd in the ’50s, and winners of the game received a Shepherd gift.

Alumni

Ram Gridiron celebrates Club Day

The Ram Gridiron Club, an athletic booster club that supports the football program, celebrated Club Day 2006 at the first home game on September 16. The Shepherd University Foundation cosponsored a pregame hospitality tent on the Midway for club members and Ram fans, and the club was recognized during the game.

The club annually honors outstanding individuals who contribute to or enhance the excellence of the football program at Shepherd University. This year’s award recipient was head football coach Monte Cater. Cater, now in his 20th season at Shepherd, has garnered many awards and considerable recognition for Shepherd football. He has developed an outstanding football program and ended the 2005 season 10-1. This year he continued to strengthen the program through solid coaching and another winning season.

The Ram Gridiron Club, started in 2004, has grown to a membership of more than 260 in 2006. Membership dues support the football program and more than $20,000 has been given in student-athlete scholarships.

All alumni and friends are invited to join. Tax-deductible dues are $35 for an individual and $65 for joint membership.

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


Come grow with us

Alumni Association membership drive

The Shepherd University Alumni Association would like to thank more than 1,700 Shepherd grads, spouses, and friends who have joined the Alumni Association this year. Your support goes a long way in helping the Association develop and maintain programs and events for Shepherd alumni, as well as continuing to help fund the publication of this magazine.

Members this year have received new benefits including a membership card, t-shirt, Wellness Center guest pass, and subscription to the Association’s new alumni newsletter ShepConnect. The newsletter is published four times per year and features articles about Shepherd, Shepherd alumni, alumni volunteer opportunities, alumni businesses, and additional calendars of events at Shepherd. Members are also invited to submit articles for the newsletter.

The Alumni Association invites all Shepherd alumni, spouses, and friends to become members. The membership year runs from July 1 through June 30 and is available anytime throughout the year.

New members will receive back issues of the newsletter and all other membership benefits. Dues are $30 per year for an individual and $50 per year for joint membership. Contact the Office of Alumni Relations at 304/876-5157 to join today.


Association is seeking outstanding alumnus/a award nominations

The Alumni Association is seeking applications for the Outstanding alumnus/a of the year award. This award is presented at Commencement each year.

The nominee must be a degree-holding alumnus/a from Shepherd who graduated no less than 15 years prior to nomination. A nominee must be recognized in his/her profession at the national and international level. Nominees must also be a member of good standing in the Alumni Association.

Nominees cannot be current Shepherd University employees. Members of the Board of Governors, Alumni Association board, or the Foundation board are eligible for nomination. Nominations are actively eligible for five years. Those candidates not selected within the five-year period may be renominated.

A nomination form is available at www.shepherd.edu/alumnweb. Deadline for nominations is February 15.

For more information, contact the Office of Alumni Relations at 304/876-5157.
Dinner on the Diamond raises $4,700 for baseball team

Building on the success of last year’s Dinner on the Diamond, Outback Steakhouse again donated and served dinner to more than 140 baseball fans and the baseball team. This year Pepsi joined Outback and donated soft drinks for dinner.

The event, a fundraiser for the Shepherd baseball program, was held at Fairfax Field, Shepherd’s baseball diamond, on September 7, 2006. This year’s dinner raised more than $4,700 through ticket sales and sales of baseball fan gear and jerseys.

Attendees enjoyed visiting with other baseball fans, parents, and friends while dining on an Outback steak dinner. During the program President David L. Dunlop presented head coach WAYNE RISER ’89 with an award recognizing him as the winningest coach in Shepherd history. Coach Riser expressed his gratitude for the recognition and his appreciation for having the opportunity to coach at Shepherd.

Riser introduced this year’s team—many of whom had parents in the audience. He thanked everyone for supporting Shepherd baseball through attending this fundraiser and contributing to the program through the Dr. Dean A. Pease Memorial Diamond Club.

Duane Casey, managing partner of Outback Steakhouse, was presented with jersey #19, Coach Riser’s jersey number when he played at Shepherd, which was signed by this year’s team.

For information about the Dr. Dean A. Pease Memorial Diamond Club, contact Julie Siler, director of alumni relations and annual fund, at jsiler@shepherd.edu or 304/876-5526.

Ram Rally held before play-off games

Shepherd was the site of Ram Rally I and II, celebrations held before the NCAA Division II national play-offs hosted by Shepherd on November 25 and December 2, 2006. More than 200 alumni, players’ parents, and Ram fans turned out for a brunch, some pre-game spirit from the Shepherd cheerleaders, and fellowship with other fans. Pictured above are Ram fans Darryl and Marcia Jackson, parents of #21 Rodney Jackson, a senior from Severn, Maryland.

The Annual Fund

Strengthening, Supporting, and Sustaining Shepherd

The Annual Fund for Shepherd University provides funds that enable us to meet the educational needs of our students.

With your gift to the Annual Fund, we are able to award more scholarships to qualified students, provide supplemental funds to our faculty to enrich the classroom experience and enhance the curriculum, and make needed improvements to our campus.

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Alumni

Alumni volunteers make a difference

Someone once said, “Volunteers are not paid because they are worthless, but because they are priceless.” Shepherd is very fortunate to have many alumni who give their time and talents to their alma mater through volunteering.

Shepherd alumni volunteers can be found serving on the governing boards of the University, Foundation, and Alumni Association and on special events committees and organizations including the Athletic Hall of Fame, the Scarborough Society, and the Friends of Music. Here is a snapshot of a few of those alumni volunteers who can be seen on campus regularly.

Paul W. “Soupy” Hilliard, Jr. ’58 is no stranger on campus. A resident of Winchester, Virginia, Soupy travels to Shepherd at least once a week. He is actively involved in the Alumni Association as an emeritus director and is chair of the Alumni Association Golf Tournament, a member of the Hall of Fame committee, and a charter member of the Ram Gridiron Club. He also chaired the 1955 Undefeated Football Team 50th Reunion.

According to Larry Strite '60, president of the Alumni Association, “Soupy is the go-to person when you want a successful project. He has been instrumental in alumni activities from raising money for nonrevenue athletics at Shepherd to representing the Alumni Association in ringing the bell for the Salvation Army at Christmas. He was the key fundraiser in establishing the 1955 Undefeated Football Endowment. He is an asset to Shepherd University.”

Soupy has been a lifelong supporter of both education and athletics. He retired from the Winchester, Virginia, public schools in 1990 after 30 years of service. He also served as a referee at both college and high school levels for more than 43 years. He and his wife Jo have three children and eight grandchildren.

Sara Taylor Lueck ’67 is one of Shepherd’s busiest alumni volunteers. Sara and her college sweetheart, Al Lueck ’67, can be seen in attendance at nearly every event at Shepherd and in the stands at home football games. Often Sara has worked on organizing the event as well. Sara serves on the Scarborough Society board of directors as secretary and is also the chair of the Scarborough Gala committee.

She and Al are members of the McMurran Society as well as founders and charter members of the Ram Gridiron Club. Together, they have established two endowed scholarships.

Monica Lingenfelter, executive vice president of the Shepherd University Foundation, said, “Sara Lueck is a force of nature! She is so full of positive energy that she actually sparkles. Sara’s work with the Scarborough Society as secretary and gala chair is outstanding. Even among the many alumni and friends who work so tirelessly for Shepherd, she shines. Everywhere Sara goes, she is a true ambassador for Shepherd University.”

When Sara’s not volunteering at Shepherd, she works as librarian at Jefferson High School in Shenandoah Junction. Sara and Al reside in Shepherdstown.

Andrew “Andy” Michael ’75 is an alumnus who gives much of his time to volunteerism—both on and off campus. Andy is a member and past chair of the Shepherd University Board of Governors, a member of the Foundation board of directors, and an honorary member and past chair of the Contemporary American Theater Festival board. Off campus Andy volunteers his time and talents to such organizations as Big Brothers and Big Sisters of the Eastern Panhandle and the Council for the American Theater, Theater Communications Group.

“Andy is devoted to his alma mater and to organizations like CATF,” said Robin Zanotti, vice president for advancement. “This translates into a contribution of his fine leadership skills, often at critical times in the governance of organizations.”

Andy is general manager, partner, and vice president of The Woods Resort in Hedgesville and treasurer of Potomac Valley Properties, Inc. Andy is a native of Hedgesville, where he currently resides.

More than one mailing address?

There’s no reason to miss the timely delivery of a mailing or the Shepherd University Magazine because you have more than one address. For alumni who have seasonal secondary addresses, we would like to put your seasonal address in our database and the dates you receive your mail at your second address.

Simply call us, send us a note, or e-mail your seasonal secondary address and the dates you will be there, and we’ll take care of the rest.

Call the Office of Alumni Relations at 304/876-5157 or 800/344-5231 or e-mail us at alumni@shepherd.edu.
The Hall of Fame Committee members volunteer their time and talents to selecting inductees from a large pool of nominations and organizing the induction banquet and ceremony. Pictured right, front row (l. to r.) are Kelli Summers ’92, Greg “Groucho” Marks ’96, Susan Coleman, Paul “Soup” Hillyard ’58, and Jennifer Spataro; second row, Scott Bradford Doleman ’95, Paul Brown ’73, Teresa Taylor ’90, Jody Carter ’75, Karl Wolf ’70, and Chip Ransom ’86.

The five newest members of the Hall of Fame were honored September 29 at the Clarion Hotel and Conference Center in Shepherdstown. Pictured above (l. to r.) are T. J. Dorsey, Vicki Dorsey Holstead ’79, Tyler Dorsey (all representing the late Pat Dorsey ’78), Betsy Blose, Al Swick ’50, Damian Beane, and Dr. Mike Jacobs. James Omps ’57 was awarded the Athletic Hall of Fame Medallion for his commitment and service to the Hall of Fame Committee.

Hall of Fame inductees honored in September 2006

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SU football goes 11-1; nearly advances to NCAA II semifinals

Coming off its first undefeated regular season since 1955 and first NCAA II playoff appearance since 1999 last season, the 2006 Shepherd football team was faced with the daunting task of what to do for an encore.

Oh, what an encore performance they provided! Shepherd afforded its fans arguably its finest season ever with a 10-0 regular season and a number one ranking in the Northeast Region. The Rams set a new single season record with six shutout wins. Shepherd gained its first home playoff win in convincing fashion with a 31-7 win over Merrimack and nearly advanced to the national semifinals before sixth-ranked Bloomsburg rallied for a 24-21 win over the fifth-ranked Rams at Ram Stadium in the quarterfinal round.

Below are several highlights and notable accomplishments of the 2006 team.

- Head coach Monte Cater, junior running back Dervon Wallace, and senior free safety Dan Peters swept the WVIAC football awards. Cater was named WVIAC Coach of the Year for a record eighth time, Wallace was named Offensive Player of the Year, and Peters took Defensive Player of the Year honors for the second consecutive year.

- The Shepherd defense was outstanding under defensive coordinator Bob Haley. The Rams currently lead NCAA II schools in scoring defense (7.3) and are tied for first in interceptions (23.0) with Tiffin. Shepherd is also ranked fourth nationally in pass efficiency defense (86.5), eighth in total defense (233.7), 12th in rushing defense (78.3) and pass sacks allowed (1.08), and 14th in turnover margin (1.1).

- Peters set a new Shepherd and WVIAC single season record with 14 interceptions. This mark also tied the NCAA II single season mark. Peters capped a brilliant career with a Shepherd and conference record 32 career interceptions. He is one of only four players in NCAA history (all levels) to record 30 interceptions or more. Peters is ranked first in NCAA II in interceptions with a 1.2 per game mark. He is a virtual lock to become the first player at any level of NCAA football to win consecutive individual interception crowns.

- Wallace (1,300 yards) became just the fourth player in program history to rush for over 1,000 yards in two seasons or more. His 270 career points tie him with Alex Herbert for second on the Shepherd's all-time scoring list, while his 43 career rushing touchdowns also place him in a tie with Herbert for second.

- Senior quarterback Dan Chlebowski set a new Ram single season mark with a 69.9 (144-206) completion percentage. His 60.6 (408-673) career completion percentage is also a new Shepherd record.

2006 Shepherd Football Results
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BB&T sponsors second annual Tip-off Banquet

Shepherd men’s basketball held its second annual Tip-off Banquet on November 16, 2006 in support of men’s basketball scholarships. The event was sponsored by BB&T.

Local high school coaches including Bob Starkey ’58 from Jefferson, Dave Rogers ’73 from Martinsburg, Kelly Church from Hedgesville, and Derek Basile from Musselman highlighted their upcoming seasons and spoke about memorable moments from their coaching careers.

Head coach Ken Tyler concluded the evening with an overview of Shepherd's season. “What a great way to kick off the basketball season,” said Tyler. “We are able to show our Eastern Panhandle pride with the local high schools, as well as raise awareness and funds for our program. Thanks to BB&T, the four high school coaches, and the Clarion Hotel and Conference Center for making the evening a big success.”

This year’s banquet included a silent auction featuring items including an autographed Ram basketball, season tickets, Shepherd College jerseys, and an overnight stay at the Clarion Hotel. More than $6,000 in scholarship support was raised from the banquet and auction proceeds.

Guest speakers at the Tip-off Banquet were local high school coaches Bob Starkey ’58, Jefferson High; Dave Rogers ’73, Martinsburg High; Kelly Church, Hedgesville High; Derek Basile, Musselman High; and Shepherd coach Ken Tyler.

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Riser to chair Division II national baseball committee

Head baseball coach Wayne Riser ‘87 has been selected as chair of the NCAA II Baseball Committee. Riser, who has served as chair of the North Atlantic Regional Committee for the past two years, will now head the national committee. The purpose of the committee is to develop policies and procedures governing the administration and conduct of the NCAA Division II Baseball Championship.

“Wayne has demonstrated his leadership abilities over the last two years on the committee,” said Troy Arthur, NCAA associate director of championships. “His successful coaching career along with his administrative skills make Wayne a tremendous choice to lead the Division II Baseball Committee.”

Rubenis named to CoSIDA Academic All-District men’s soccer team

Men’s soccer team senior defender Mikus Rubenis, Gulbene, Latvia, was selected to the 2006 CoSIDA Academic All-District College Division men’s soccer team for District II.

Rubenis, who served as team captain for the Rams this season, boasts a 3.77 grade point average as a business administration major. A first team selection, Rubenis moves on to be included on the Academic All-America ballot.

Rubenis led Shepherd to a 10-6-3 overall record with a 4-1-2 conference mark. He recorded a goal and an assist for the Rams this year.

Football

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• Senior kicker Ricky Schmitt set a new Shepherd single season mark by connecting on 43-of-43 extra points. He completes his career as the program’s all-time leader in kick scoring (250 points), extra points (151), and field goals (33).

• The Rams snapped a six-game losing skid in their series with Millersville with a 28-7 win over the Marauders in the season opener. The win was also Shepherd’s first at Millersville.

• Shepherd avenged a 28-21 loss to C.W. Post in the 2005 playoffs with a 24-0 win over the 17th-ranked Pioneers in the home opener.

• The Rams ran their regular season winning streak to 28 games with 23 straight conference victories. Chip Ransom

Sports Roundup

Men’s Soccer

Shepherd finished the season with a 10-6-3 overall mark with a 4-1-2 conference record. Eight players earned All-WVIAC honors led by first teamers Leighton Meredith, Clarendon, Jamaica; Guilherme Fonseca, Guaraja, Brazil; and Emmanuel Elomobor, Silver Spring, Maryland. The Rams posted their fifth straight winning season under head coach Joseph Okoh.

Women’s Soccer

The Rams completed the season with an 8-12-0 record with a 2-5-0 mark in WVIAC action. Four players garnered All-WVIAC honors with junior goalkeeper Amy Bell, New Market, Maryland, gaining first team honors. Shepherd has won eight games or more for the fourth consecutive season under head coach Jim Sweeney.

Women’s Tennis

Shepherd posted an 8-6 overall mark with a 5-4 conference record under head coach Chris Stambaugh ’95. The Rams placed fourth in the WVIAC Tournament. Sophomore Meredith Scaggs, Huntington, who competes at number one for the Rams, gained All-WVIAC honors for the second straight year.

Volleyball

The Rams finished strong to post a 15-16 overall mark with a 12-5 conference mark under second-year head coach Sarah Smith. Shepherd won 11 of its last 13 matches. Three team members received conference honors. Senior Susanna Hill, Clear Spring, Maryland, and sophomore Kori Ford, Fredericksburg, Virginia, were honorable mention All-WVIAC choices, while freshman Ashlee Allen, Severna Park, Maryland, was selected to the All-Freshman team.

Golf

Shepherd completed its fall season looking forward to the spring campaign under second-year head coach Craig Callens. Senior captain Bryan Snow, Columbia Maryland, led the Rams with a fourth place individual finish to lead the Rams to a third place team finish at the WVIAC Central Regional at Canaan Valley.
Another successful year of fundraising resulted in the Scarborough Society’s release of $40,000 of new funding to the Ruth Scarborough Library.

The additional funds have been designated to provide $25,000 in program grants to be used at the discretion of the library dean and $15,000 to establish a faculty excellence endowment. This brings the total amount of direct funding provided by the Society to the $100,000 mark and the total endowed funds to $50,000.

The fifth annual Scarborough Society Gala held in August 2006 hosted a record number of 245 attendees and raised more than $13,000.

Ray Alvarez ’62, president of the Society, expressed the organization’s gratitude for the continued support of the gala presenting sponsors, BB&T Wealth Management and Jefferson Security Bank.

The gala committee has already begun plans for the next gala, which will be held at the Bavarian Inn, Friday, August 17.

The American Portrait Museum houses the only complete collection of presidential portraits outside the White House.

Attending the Scarborough Society Gala in August 2006 were (l. to r.) Lynn Frye, Rod Frye, senior vice president for BB&T’s Eastern Panhandle Wealth Management Group, Mary Alvarez, Ray Alvarez, president of Scarborough Society, Cathy Morris, and Steve Morris, president and CEO of Jefferson Security Bank in Shepherdstown.

BB&T Wealth Management and Jefferson Security Bank are the presenting sponsors of the annual gala.
Development

Davis steps down as Foundation president; Alvarez assumes leadership role

“The Shepherd University Foundation is poised to turn the fundraising corner, ready for new and bigger challenges, prepared to implement the plans that will enable it to meet the ever growing demands of the University and its advocates. I am confident that Ray Alvarez will bring new ideas and be a superb representative for the University and the Foundation, and I look forward to continuing my work in any capacity he chooses.” James M. Davis, Outgoing Foundation President

Following eight years of exceptional leadership as the president of the Shepherd University Foundation, James M. Davis ’59 can be proud of how far the Foundation has come during his time at the helm.

Carrying the torch that was lit by Dr. James Moler ’30 more than 40 years ago, Jim put his mark on the Foundation’s success in such areas as raising capital funds for both the library and the stadium renovations, increasing the number of scholarships and program awards funded by private gifts which now total more than $1 million annually, and increasing the total assets of the organization to more than $20 million.

During Jim’s tenure, the work of the Foundation grew to the extent that an increase in staff and space was necessary. While Jim applied his entrepreneurial spirit to advance the Foundation, his wife Mary Jane Small Davis ’60 served graciously and unselfishly as first lady.

Jim will serve as vice president of the Foundation and continue to make invaluable contributions to the Foundation’s efforts to grow and prosper for the good of Shepherd and its students. Sharon Henderson

Ramon A. Alvarez ’62 has returned to his roots—and Shepherd University is happy to have him back.

As the new president of the Shepherd University Foundation and continuing president of the Scarborough Society, Ray is eager to put his ideas and energy to work. Recently, Ray reflected on his student days at Shepherd, and his love for Shepherd shines through in all he remembers.

Ray’s path through Shepherd wasn’t easy. After his freshman year in 1958, his mother’s terminal illness and the family’s mounting debt left no money for him to return to school. He moved back home to Charles Town and went to Professor Charles Printz ’40 to tell him that he needed to work to support the family and couldn’t afford the tuition of some $30 a semester. Charlie encouraged him to register for classes, which didn’t require any payment, and that in the meantime he would search for needed funds. Those funds came from the Alumni Association (the Foundation had not been established at that time) in the amount of $100. Ray eagerly returned to school and completed his degree in 1962, while working three jobs to provide for his family. He credits his sister, Helene, for her sacrifices to work and fulfill their goal of keeping the family of five together.

Thanks to Charlie Printz’s connections, Ray landed his first job out of school and then went on to become a successful senior executive with Honeywell, one of the world’s preeminent switch and sensor manufacturers. He and his high school sweetheart Mary married and moved to the midwest (first Minneapolis, then Chicago) where they lived for many years and raised their son and daughter. He retired in 1998, after 30 years with the company.

Throughout his years at Honeywell (continued to page 25)
Foundation President’s Message

It is an honor to have been chosen as part of the leadership team of this great organization.

Jim Davis has served our Foundation with distinction, and I am very pleased that he has agreed to stay on as vice president. This assures the continuity and strong tradition of our Foundation.

We can all be very proud of the Foundation’s fine tradition as an independent entity existing to serve Shepherd University. I am also proud of the Foundation’s balanced portfolio management, its excellent staff, its very capable board members, and the high level of integrity that marks everything we do.

As we look to our exciting future, there are some important cultural shifts that we need to address:

1) Increased efforts in fundraising aspects with full participation by all board members;
2) Increased level of partnering with the Alumni Association, the University’s Advancement Office, and another important partner of the University, the Contemporary American Theater Festival group; and,
3) Increased attention to our faculty—the heart of the University—to attract, recognize, and retain the best and the brightest.

I am looking forward to working with the Foundation’s board of directors, the Foundation’s staff, and the University officials on these and other challenges that may come our way.

Ray Alvarez

Alvarez to lead Foundation

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well, often rubbing shoulders with Ivy League grads, Ray recalls that he never felt he had received a second-class education. “I was blessed to be taught by the likes of James Hafer, Harry Klug, Ruth Scarborough, Charles Printz—outstanding teachers who inspired students to excellence. I felt I got a quality education at Shepherd, which prepared me for a successful career.”

Very much aware of the generosity of past generations, Ray feels a strong sense of obligation to pay back to the school that was generous to him. He recalled that his first donation matched the $100 that he received when he was in need. He and Mary started a scholarship in memory of his parents. He remembers his father, a Spanish immigrant who got his start in the United States as a coal miner in West Virginia, as a shy, optimistic, well-liked “character” in the community and his mother as an advocate for education for her children.

The Alavarezes have also established a scholarship in memory of Ray’s beloved sister, Helene Bazzrea.

In 2000 Ray and Mary returned to the Eastern Panhandle to build a home near Shepherdstown. One of the factors that influenced their decision was Ray’s interest in becoming reconnected with the University, particularly the Foundation, whose mission he strongly supports.

Ramon A. “Ray” Alvarez

Knoda, Michael named to Foundation board

Two new board members—William E. “Bill” Knoda and Andrew D. “Andy” Michael—were named to four-year terms by the Shepherd University Foundation at its annual meeting held in September.

William E. Knoda ’58

Returning from a one-year hiatus from board membership, Bill Knoda was welcomed back as a Foundation director. A local businessman and banker, Bill is the owner of Knoda and Sons and serves as the chairman of the board at Jefferson Security Bank. He continues to serve on the Foundation’s investment committee, where his financial expertise and long view are critical. Bill also serves as a McMurran Hall trustee. He and his wife Jo Ann have established two endowed scholarships with the Foundation.

Andrew D. Michael ’75

This is Andy Michael’s first term on the Foundation board and his willingness to serve has been greeted with much appreciation. He is a managing partner of The Woods Resort and a current member and past president of Shepherd University’s Board of Governors. Andy has also served as the president of the Contemporary American Theater Festival board of directors. A long-time supporter of the arts, he established a scholarship for theater students and has provided leadership to build a contemporary arts center on the Shepherd campus.

Sharon Henderson
“I’m not eager to blow my own horn,” said Michael Stout ’76, “but if by telling my story I can encourage other baby boomers to support future generations at Shepherd, I am happy to do my part.”

Mike’s story is not unlike that of many other students at Shepherd. While at Shepherd, he had also assumed the roles of husband and father, having married his Martinsburg High School sweetheart, Teresa Hare.

The second semester of his junior year, Mike found himself a “little short” of funds to cover his school expenses. He could have sat out for a semester and earned the needed money, but he was afraid that if he did, he might not come back.

“We could have gone to our parents and I know they would have helped us out financially,” recalled Mike, “but we wanted to do it on our own.”

The Pension Protection Act of 2006 allows gifts from IRAs to avoid federal income taxes if:

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• the gift is outright and in an amount of $100,000 or less per donor per year.

Shepherd alumni and friends may take advantage of this opportunity to make a significant gift. Using IRA funds will benefit you as a donor because the distribution is not reportable as income on your federal tax return.

Not having to report the income is the equivalent of receiving a deduction, especially for those who don’t usually itemize deductions. Because it is not included in your federal adjusted gross income, in many states the gift amount will not be reportable as state income. This roll-over gift does not count toward required minimum distribution amounts and does not impact or lessen the deductibility of other charitable gifts you make in 2006 and 2007.

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U.S. Congress approves IRA tax relief for tax-free rollover gifts

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Ribbon-cutting ceremony marks observatory’s official opening

A ribbon-cutting for the observatory was held October 30, 2006. Pictured above (l. to r.) are student observatory staffers Elijah Tice and Travis Smith; Dr. Burt Lidgerding, dean of the School of Natural Sciences and Mathematics; Mary Alvarez; Dr. Mark Stern, vice president for academic affairs; Dr. Jason Best, associate professor of astrophysics; President David L. Dunlop; Ray Alvarez, president of the Scarborough Society; John Sherwood, Board of Governors chair; John Sheridan, library dean; Dr. Ray Smock, director of the Byrd Center for Legislative Studies; and student observatory staffers Andrea Changuris, and Justin Ellis.