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#12/12 GRAND VALLEY STATE (12-2) vs. #5/7 SHEPHERD (12-0)

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SHEPHERDSTOWN, W.Va. -- Shepherd University recorded a 28-16 win over Slippery Rock in Super Region One Regional football action at Ram Stadium on Saturday. Shepherd head coach Monte Cater captured his 250th career victory with the win.

Shepherd improves to 12-0, while Slippery Rock falls to 12-2.

Slippery Rock took a 7-0 lead when Shamar Greene scored on a two-yard run with 7:55 left in the first quarter.

Shepherd tied the game when junior quarterback **Jeff Ziemba (Newark, Del./St. Mark's)** teamed with junior wide receiver **Tony Squirewell (Cheltenham, Md./Bishop McNamara)** on a 16-yard scoring pass with 4:39 left in the second quarter.

The Rams drove 99 yards for the score after an interception by senior defensive back **Keon Robinson (Fairfax Station, Va.)** at the Shepherd one-yard line.

Shepherd took a 13-7 lead when Ziemba teamed with junior wide receiver **Billy Brown (Gaithersburg, Md./Gaithersburg)** on a 74-yard scoring pass as Brown broke a would-be tackle near midfield and raced to the end zone with 10:23 left in the third quarter.

Senior running back **Allen Cross (Elkridge, Md./Long Reach)** rambled 10 yards for a score with 10:06 left in the third quarter to give the Rams a 19-7 advantage.

The score was setup when Robinson forced and recovered a fumble at the Slippery Rock 10-yard line.

Cross added a 27-yard scoring run with 5:16 left in the third quarter to give the Rams a 25-7 lead.

Dante Nania fired a nine-yard scoring strike to Jaimire Dutrieuille to cut the lead to 25-14 with 4:32 left in the third quarter.

The Rock recorded a safety when Cody Conway tackles Ziemba in the end zone with 45 seconds left in the third quarter to cut the deficit to 25-16.

Shepherd took a 28-16 advantage when senior kicker **Ryan Earls (Stevensville, Md./Kent Island)** connected on a 27-yard field goal with 8:47 left in the game.

Robinson had a 72-yard punt return to set up the field goal.

Ziemba completed 15-of-26 passes for 255 yards for the Rams. Nania connected on 27-of-53 passes for 253 yards.

Brown led the Shepherd receivers with two catches for 89 yards, while Squirewell added seven receptions for 61 yards. Dutrieuille had 10 catches for 61 yards to pace The Rock.

Cross had 13 carries for a game-high 82 yards to pace the Rams. Shamar Greene had 19 carries for 69 yards for Slippery Rock.

Shepherd gained 352 yards of total offense while Slippery Rock had 320 total yards. Each team recorded seven sacks on the day with junior defensive lineman **Elijah Norris (Upper Marlboro, Md./Archbishop Carroll/UConn)** recording three on the day.

A REIGN OF EXCELLENCE

Head Coach Monte Cater is now in his 29th season at the helm of the Shepherd football program. The Rams have had a great deal of success since Cater arrived in 1987 as they have won 15 conference titles over that period. In that time the Rams have made two trips to the NAIA Playoffs and nine trips to the NCAA II Playoffs (1998-99, 2005-07, 2010, and 2012-13, 2015). Cater tops the lists in all-time victories in WVIAC and MEC history.

WINNINGEST ACTIVE NCAA FOOTBALL COACHES

1. Ken Sparks, Carson-Newman334
2. Frank Beamer, Virginia Tech 278
3. Dennis Douds, East Stroudsburg256
4. **Monte Cater, Shepherd**.....250
5. Andy Talley, Villanova248
6. Rob Ash, Montana St. 246
7. Jimmie Laycock, William & Mary238
8. Al Bagnoli, Columbia234
9. Rick Giancola, Montclair St.230

2015 SHEPHERD SCHEDULE/RESULTS

September

5	@ WV Wesleyan	W	.....	43-0
12	Charleston	W	.....	45-25
19	@ UVa-Wise	W	.....	41-10
26	Notre Dame	W	.....	43-14

October

10	@ Glenville State	W	.....	48-31
17	WV State	W	.....	46-17
24	@ Concord	W	.....	35-28
31	West Liberty	W	.....	44-10

November

5	@ Fairmont	W	.....	41-14
14	Urbana	W	.....	52-20
28	Indiana (Pa.)	W	.....	17-13

December

5	Slippery Rock	W	.....	28-16
12	Grand Valley .....		.....	12:00 p.m.

2015 GRAND VALLEY STATE SCHEDULE/RESULTS

September

3	Southwest Baptist	W	.....	36-28
12	@ #7 Ohio Dominican	W	.....	27-24
19	#5 Ferris State	L	.....	24-61
26	@ Lake Erie College.....	W	.....	65-23

October

3	Hillsdale	W	.....	46-14
10	@ Wayne State	W	.....	38-17
17	#9 Michigan Tech	W	.....	38-21
24	Findlay	W	.....	52-7
31	@ #5 Ashland.....	L	.....	31-45

November

7	@ Tiffin.....	W	.....	49-42
14	Saginaw Valley State	W	.....	24-17
21	@ #3 Ashland.....	W	.....	45-28
28	@ #2 Ferris State.....	W	.....	38-34

December

5	at #4 CSU-Pueblo.....	W	.....	31-7
12	@ Shepherd .....		.....	12:00 p.m.

Home games in bold



NEWS AND NOTES

MISC. STATS

Here is a compilation of some interesting tidbits on the Rams through 12 games this season:

3rd Down Conversions by SU/Foes: 83/168 (49%) / 51/185 (28%)
Shepherd Avg. Time of Possession/Foes: 31:46 / 27:57
Penalties-Yards by SU/Foes: 126-1254 / 91-746
First Downs by Rush-Pass by SU/Foes: 89-140 / 71-109

SHEPHERD'S MAGIC NUMBERS

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If the Rams score 24 or more points, there is a good chance they will come out on top. Shepherd owns a 296-17 (.945) all-time record when reaching the magical 24-point mark. Included in that record is a 168-14 (.923) record since 1990 and a 173-16 (.915) mark under Cater.

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The Rams sport a 380-75-26 (.817) all-time record when holding the opposition to 14 points or less. Currently, Shepherd has won 106 of its last 107 games when holding the opposition to 14 or less and owns a 128-3-1 (.973) record since 1990 when turning the trick. Shepherd is 139-7-1 (.948) under Cater in such games.

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Shepherd is 127-105-26 (.542) all-time in games decided by seven points or less. Shepherd has a 45-30-1 (.598) record since 1990 and a 49-39-1 (.556) mark under Cater in games decided by seven or less.

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Another key to victory is the Rams' running game. Shepherd is 191-28-2 (.868) since 1980 in games that it rushes for 150 or more yards. Since 1990, the record is 140-16-1 (.895) and under Cater it is 149-22-1 (.869).

ANYTHING LESS THAN 100

Defensively, the Rams will try to contain the running game and force teams to pass. If they hold the opposition to under 100 yards rushing, the odds on a win go up dramatically. Since 1980, the Rams are 167-24-1 (.872) when holding teams to less than 100 yards. Since 1990, Shepherd is 132-19 (.874) in such games and 140-22 (.864) under Cater.

RAMS IN DECEMBER

The Rams have played nine games in their history in the month of December with a 2-7-0 overall mark, including a 1-2-0 record at home.

Date	Opponent	W/L	Score
12-3-83	@ Carson-Newman	L	.....21-42
12-6-86	@ Carson-Newman	L	.....10-30
12-5-92	@ Gardner-Webb	L	.....7-22
12-2-06	#5 Bloomsburg	L	.....21-24
12-1-07	@ #6 California (Pa.)	L	.....38-58
12-4-10	@ #11 Mercyhurst	W	.....49-14
12-11-10	@ Delta State	L	.....17-29
12-7-13	#15 West Chester	L	.....7-28
12-5-15	#10 Slippery Rock	W	.....28-16

RADIO AND WEB RADIO COVERAGE:

The Ram Sports Radio Network will once again bring the action of the 2015 Shepherd University football team to the fans of the four-state region. WRNR-740 AM will broadcast all the games with Matt Miller and Vic Holmes covering all the action. The action can also be heard on the Web. Links are available at www.talkradiowrnr.com or www.shepherdrams.com.

SLIPPERY ROCK-SHEPHERD GAME SCORING SUMMARY & STATISTICS

Slippery Rock	7	0	9	0	16
Shepherd	0	7	18	3	28

SRU - Greene 2 yd run (Huska kick)
 SU - Squirewell 16 yd pass from Ziemba (Earls kick)
 SU - Brown 74 yd pass from Ziemba (Earls kick failed)
 SU - Cross 10 yd run (Earls kick failed)
 SU - Cross 27 yd run (Ziemba pass failed)
 SRU - Dutrieuille 9 yd pass from Nania (Huska kick)
 SRU - Conway safety
 SU - Earls 27 yd field goal

IUP		SU
14	First Downs	18
46-148	Rushes-Yards	38-89
126	Passing Yards	175
8-19-0	Passes	14-27-1
65-274	Plays-Total Off.	65-264
72	Return Yards	107
6/36.3	Punts/Avg	6/42.0
1-0	Fumbles-Lost	1-1
3-30	Penalties-Yards	6-50
30:45	Time of Possession	29:15

Rushing: SRU - Greene 19-69; Neely 2-11; Nania 12-minus 13. SU - Cross 13-82; Lolley 12-24; TEAM 1-minus 1; Ziemba 13-minus 8.
Passing: SRU - Nania 27-53-1-253. SU - Ziemba 15-26-1-255.
Receiving: SRU - Dutrieuille 10-61; Carter 6-38; McClain 3-59; Raye 3-28; Tucker 3-26; Johnson 1-32; Greene 1-9. SU - Squirewell 7-61; Boyd 3-46; Brown 2-89; Lolley 2-39; Hammer 1-20.

AMONG THE RANKS

Shepherd is ranked fifth in the latest AFCA Division II Poll for Nov. 16. The Rams are also ranked seventh in the D2Football.com Poll for Nov. 17.

SCOUTING GRAND VALLEY STATE

GENERAL INFORMATION

Location Allendale, Mich.
Founded 1960
Enrollment 24,477(Fall 2014)
Nickname Lakers
Colors Blue, Black and White
Conference .Great Lakes Intercollegiate (North)
Affiliation NCAA Division II
President..... Thomas J. Haas
Athletics Director..... Tim W. Selgo
Stadium Arend D. Lubber Stadium (10,620)
Sports Info. Director Tim Nott
Web Site..... www.gvsulakers.com

THE LAKERS COACHING STAFF

Head Coach Matt Mitchell
Alma Mater/Yr...... Cornell College/1997
Career Record 57-18/6th year
Record at Grand Valley State same
Assistant Coaches..... Jack Ginn
 Jim Louis
 Nick Postma
 Tim Morrison
 E. J. Whitlow
 Matt Vitzthum
 Matt Yoches
 Michael Panone
 Jake Buffinga

Grand Valley State (12-2) is coming off a 31-7 win over Colorado State-Pueblo on the road last Saturday. The Lakers advanced to the national semifinals for the ninth time since 2001.

Sophomore quarterback **Bart Williams (6-5, 215)** completed 12-of-17 passes for 182 yards and a touchdown for the Lakers.

Redshirt-freshman running back **Marty Carter (6-0, 200)** had 26 carries for 231 yards and a touchdown. Carter also passed for a touchdown. Sophomore quarterback **Ollie Ajami (6-2, 205)** added five carries for 53 yards.

The receiving corps was led by junior wide receiver **Matt Williams (6-2, 195)** with four receptions for 107 yards, including a 65-yard touchdown grab.

The defense was led by junior linebackers **Marquez Gollman (5-11, 190)** and **David Talley (6-2, 230)**.

Gollman had a team-high eight tackles (four solo) with a sack (-3 yards) and a pass breakup. Talley added five stops (three solo) with a sack (-10 yards). Senior defensive end **Matt Judon (6-4, 255)**, who won the **Gene Upshaw Award** winner as the top lineman in NCAA Division II, added four stops (two solos).



LAST GAME FOR THE LAKERS

DECEMBER 5, 2015

PUEBLO, COLO. • DE ROSE THUNDERBOWL (4.325)

SCORING SUMMARY & STATISTICS

Grand Valley State	21	10	0	0	31
CSU-Pueblo	7	0	0	0	7

GV - M. Williams 65 yd pass from B. Williams (Schipper kick)
 GV - Carter 19 yd run (Schipper kick)
 GV - Spencer 7 yd run (Schipper kick)
 CSUP - O'Malley 5 yd pass from Thompson (O'Donnell kick)
 GV - Keizer 22 yd pass from Carter (Schipper kick)
 GV - Schipper 26 yd field goal

GV	CSUP
22	First Downs
50-323	Rushes-Yards
204	Passing Yards
13-18-0	Passes
68-527	Plays-Total Off.
49	Return Yards
6/44.3	Punts/Avg
0-0	Fumbles-Lost
8-86	Penalties-Yards
35:27	Time of Possession
	37:42

Rushing: GV-Carter 26-231; Ajami 5-53; Spencer 5-37; Hutchins 8-25; Dorsey 1-0; Team 1-minus 2; B. Williams 4-minus 21. CSUP- McDondle 19-106; McDondle 2-8; Duncan 1-6; Team 1-minus 2; Thompson 6-minus 10.

Passing: GV - B. Williams 12-17-0-182; Carter 1-1-0-22. CSUP -Thompson 5-13-2-34; Walton 2-4-0-15.

Receiving: GV - M. Williams 4-107; Carter 2-19; Smith 1-26; Keizer 1-22; Potts 1-17; Wright 1-7; Dodson 1-7; Hutchins 1-4; Lumpkin 1-minus 5. CSUP - Duncan 2-22; Radebaugh 2-9; Forsgren 1-8; Boyd 1-5; O'Malley 1-5.

Statistical Leaders

• PASSING •

No.	Name	Comp.	Att.	Yds.	TD	Int.
6	Bart Williams	251	428	3872	42	17

• RUSHING •

No.	Name	Att.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	Lng.
27	Kirk Spencer	217	1185	5.5	13	68
34	Marty Carter	114	814	7.1	7	53

• RECEIVING •

No.	Name	Rec.	Yds.	Avg.	TD	Lng.
24	Matt Williams	64	1196	18.7	16	66
15	Jamie Potts	41	804	19.6	12	49

• SCORING •

No.	Name	TD	PAT	2PT	FG	Pts.
19	Joel Schipper	0	67-69	0	15-17	112
24	Matt Williams	17	0	0	0	104

• TACKLES •

No.	Name	UT	AT	TT	Other
7	David Talley	57	68	125	10.5 TFL
2	Marquez Gollman	52	57	109	6.5 TFL
25	Garrett Pougnet	47	50	97	8 TFL

CATCHING UP

Junior wide receiver **Billy Brown** had two catches for 89 yards, including a 74-yard touchdown grab, in the win over Slippery Rock. His 18 career touchdown receptions put him in third place on the Shepherd all-time list. Brown (2,355) needs just 18 receiving yards to move past **Jason Dirting (2,372, 1998-2001)** as the Shepherd all-time leader. His 135 career receptions place him second behind Dirting's 158. Brown's 1,265 receiving yards break the single season mark of 1,121 previously held by **Rob Bradford** in 1986. Below is where he ranks on various Shepherd lists.

BROWN'S CAREER STATISTICS

Year	G/GS	Rec-Yds	Avg.	TDs	Long
2012	11/3	25-323	12.9	5	33
2013		DNP			
2014	10/9	36-767	18.8	6	68
2015	12/12	74-1265	17.1	7	74
Totals	33/24	135-2355	17.4	18	74

SHEPHERD CAREER RECEIVING YARDS

Rk.	Name	Yrs.	Last Year	Yards
1.	Jason Dirting	4	2001	2,372
2.	Billy Brown	2+	Active	2,355
3.	Kelvin Stevens	4	1997	1,846
4.	Justin Duhaime	4	1990	1,762
5.	Jesse Correll	4	2004	1,760

SHEPHERD CAREER RECEPTIONS

Rk.	Name	Yrs.	Last Year	Rec.
1.	Jason Dirting	4	2001	158
2.	Billy Brown	2+	Active	135
3.	Robert Byrd	4	2013	122

SHEPHERD SINGLE SEASON RECEIVING YARDS

Rk.	Name	Year	Yards
1.	Billy Brown	2015	1,265
2.	Rob Bradford	1986	1,121
3.	John Fotta	1985	862
4.	Jason Dirting	2001	846

SHEPHERD SINGLE SEASON RECEPTIONS

Rk.	Name	Year	Receptions
1.	Billy Brown	2015	74
2.	Jason Dirting	2001	66
3.	John Fotta	1985	61

BROWN'S 100-YARD RECEIVING GAMES (10)

Opponent	Receptions-Yards (Date)
Indiana (Pa.)	11-159 (11-28-15)
Fairmont	7-121 (11-5-15)
West Liberty	8-145 (10-31-15)
Concord	10-185 (10-24-15)
UVa-Wise	8-157 (9-19-15)
Charleston	9-119 (9-12-15)
WV Wesleyan	7-121 (9-5-15)
Concord	9-170 (11-15-14)
WV State	6-133 (11-8-14)
Fairmont State	7-113 (11-10-12)

Bold games are 2015

Note: Jason Dirting holds the Shepherd career mark with 11 100-yard receiving games. Brown set the Shepherd single season mark with seven this year to break the old mark held by Dirting (6, 2001).

OFFENSIVE CATEGORY LEADERS

Category	Name	Amount
Rushing yards	Allen Cross	832
Rushing TDs	Jabre Lolley	14
Total TDs	Jabre Lolley	17
Passing Yards	Jeff Ziemba	3272
Passing TDs	Jeff Ziemba	29
Pass Attempts	Jeff Ziemba	354
Pass Completions	Jeff Ziemba	222
Receiving Yards	Billy Brown	1265
Receptions	Billy Brown	74
Receiving TDs	Billy Brown	7

DEFENSIVE CATEGORY LEADERS

Category	Name	Amount
Total tackles	Keon Robinson	75
Solo tackles	Keon Robinson	61
Tackles-for-loss	Shaneil Jenkins	20.5
Sacks	Shaneil Jenkins	11.5
Passes defended	Tre Sullivan	14
	CJ Davis	14
Interceptions	Tre Sullivan	3
	Adam Coles	3

FINAL MOUNTAIN EAST CONFERENCE STANDINGS

SCHOOL	MEC	OVERALL
Shepherd.....	10-0.....	12-0
Charleston.....	10-1.....	9-1
Glenville State.....	7-4.....	6-4
Fairmont State.....	6-4.....	6-4
Concord.....	5-5.....	5-5
Notre Dame.....	5-6.....	5-5
West Liberty.....	5-6.....	5-5
West Virginia State.....	5-6.....	5-5
West Virginia Wesleyan.....	2-8.....	2-8
Urbana.....	2-9.....	1-9
UVa-Wise.....	1-10.....	1-9

MEC PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

Senior kicker **Ryan Earls** and sophomore linebacker **James Gupton** earned weekly honors after their standout play in the win over Concord. Shepherd had seven players gain conference weekly honors this season.

2015 SHEPHERD MEC PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

CJ Davis (ST).....	9-12-15
Jaylen Johnson (Def.).....	9-26-15
Jabre Lolley (Co-Off.).....	10-10-15
Keon Robinson (ST).....	10-10-15
CJ Davis (Co-ST).....	10-17-15
James Gupton (Def.).....	10-24-15
Ryan Earls (ST).....	10-24-15



GRAND VALLEY STATE - SHEPHERD • BY THE NUMBERS

GVS		SU
38.9	Scoring Offense	40.2
26.3	Scoring Defense	16.5
282.1	Pass Offense	287.2
263.4	Pass Defense	196.8
21.2	Kickoff Return Avg.	22.5
32.6	Net Punting	37.3
179.5	Rushing Offense	133.7
128.6	Rushing Defense	93.2
461.6	Total Offense	420.8
392.1	Total Defense	289.9
13.5	Punt Return Avg.	16.1
134.6	Pass Efficiency	169.14
301	First Downs	244
308	Opponent First Downs	220
45-277	Sacks By	36-210
21-142	Sacks Against	27-153
51.6	Penalty Yard Avg./Game	104.5
42.1	Opponent Penalty Yards	62.2
6-10 (60%)	Fourth Down Conv.	6-9 (67%)
10-26 (38%)	Opp. Fourth Down Conv.	16-29 (55%)
53-61 (87%)	Red Zone Scores Off. Pct.	51-58 (88%)
40-48 (83%)	Red Zone Defense Pct.	17-24 (71%)
83-177 (47%)	Third Down Conv.	83-168 (49%)
89-205 (43%)	Opp. Third Down Conv.	51-185 (28%)
15-17 (88%)	Field Goal Pct.	18-23 (78%)
67-69 (97%)	PAT Kicking	51-58 (88%)
29:10	Time of Possession	31:46

RAMS IN OVERTIME

Shepherd has a 4-3 all-time mark in overtime games. The Rams won their first three overtime contests and have dropped the last two.

Shepherd 35 West Liberty 29.....	9-26-92
Shepherd 35 Glenville 34.....	11-9-96
Shepherd 33 East Stroudsburg 26 (2 OT).....	9-11-99
East Stroudsburg 35 Shepherd 28.....	9-23-00
Shepherd 30 Fairmont 24.....	10-6-01
WV Wesleyan 45 Shepherd 44.....	10-8-11
Concord 29 Shepherd 20.....	11-15-14

NATIONAL STATS LEADERS

Shepherd is ranked high in numerous team categories in the NCAA II statistical categories this season. Some of these are highlighted below.

Category	Rank
Team Passing Efficiency (169.16)	2nd
Third Down Conversion Pct. Defense (.276)	5th
Punt Returns (18.07)	6th
Team Passing Efficiency Defense (97.82)	6th
Scoring Defense (16.5)	7th
Rushing Defense (93.2)	9th
Third Down Conversion Percentage (.494)	9th
Total Defense (289.9)	11th
Net Punting (37.32)	11th
Scoring Offense (40.3)	14th
Red Zone Offense (.879)	T-16th
Turnover Margin (1.00)	T-19th

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Junior quarterback **Jeff Ziemba** completed 15-of-26 passes for 255 yards and two touchdowns in the win over Slippery Rock. His 6,653 passing yards rank him second on the Shepherd all-time list, his 488 completions rank him second, while his 54 career touchdown passes place him in third. His 3,272 passing yards this season are the most in program history as he passed **Kevin Clancy (2,979, 2010)**. Ziemba's 29 touchdown passes on the year set a Shepherd single season mark. Ziemba need 12 more completions to break the single season mark on 233 set by Clancy in 2010. He needs 47 more passing attempts to break Clancy's single season mark of 400 (2010).

ZIEMBA'S CAREER STATISTICS

Year	G/GS	Comp.-Att.	Yards	TD	INT	QB Rating
2013	11/6	104-167	1,133	7	6	125.9
2014	10/10	162-247	2,248	18	2	164.47
2015	12/12	222-354	3,272	29	4	165.13
Totals	33/28	488-768	6,653	54	12	----

ZIEMBA'S CAREER HIGHS

Passing yards.....	374, vs. Concord (10-24-15)
Completions.....	28, vs. Urbana (11-14-15)
Attempts.....	41, vs. UVa-Wise (9-19-15)
TD passes.....	5, vs. Urbana (11-14-15)

SHEPHERD'S RECORD IN 2015 WHEN...

At home.....	7-0
On the road.....	5-0
On artificial surface.....	12-0
On grass.....	0-0
Leading after 1st quarter.....	7-0
Trailing after 1st quarter.....	2-0
Tied after 1st quarter.....	3-0
Leading at the half.....	8-0
Trailing at the half.....	2-0
Tied at the half.....	2-0
Leading after 3rd quarter.....	10-0
Trailing after 3rd quarter.....	2-0
Tied after 3rd quarter.....	0-0
Game decided by seven pts. or less.....	2-0
Game decided by three pts. or less.....	0-0
Scoring 24 points or more.....	11-0
Allowing 14 points or less.....	6-0
Scoring first.....	8-0
Opponents score first.....	4-0
Positive TO ratio.....	8-0
Negative TO ratio.....	1-0
Turnovers even.....	3-0
300 yds. or more total offense.....	11-0
Less than 300 yds. total offense.....	1-0
Opp. < 300 yds. total offense.....	4-0
Opp. > 300 yds. total offense.....	8-0
Rushing for 150+ yards.....	5-0
Allowing <100 yds. rushing.....	7-0
An SU player rushes for 100 yards or more.....	4-0
An opponent player rushes for 100 yards or more.....	3-0
Against ranked opponents.....	1-0
In September.....	4-0
In October.....	4-0
In November.....	3-0
In December.....	1-0
In West Virginia.....	11-0
In Virginia.....	1-0

2015 MEC ALL-CONFERENCE SELECTIONS

Twenty members of the Shepherd football team gained 2015 MEC All-Conference honors. They are listed below.

All-Mountain East Conference First Team

Jeff Ziemba QB	Jr.....	Shepherd
Jon Hammer FB/H-Back	Sr.....	Shepherd
Billy Brown WR	Jr.....	Shepherd
Lavonte Hights OL	So.....	Shepherd
Shaneil Jenkins DE	Sr.....	Shepherd
Myles Humphrey DE	So.....	Shepherd
James Gupton LB	So.....	Shepherd
Tre Sullivan DB	Jr.....	Shepherd
Ryan Earls K	Sr.....	Shepherd
C.J. Davis KR/PR	Jr.....	Shepherd

All-Mountain East Conference Second Team

Jabre Lolley RB	Jr.....	Shepherd
Allen Cross RB	Sr.....	Shepherd
Jamie Deason TE	Jr.....	Shepherd
Zach Buffkin OL	Sr.....	Shepherd
Jacob Kingston OL	Jr.....	Shepherd
Isaiah Ross DL	Sr.....	Shepherd
Keon Robinson OLB	Sr.....	Shepherd
Adam Coles DB	Jr.....	Shepherd
Octavius Thomas LB	Jr.....	Shepherd

All-Mountain East Conference Honorable Mention

Jaylen Johnson LB	Jr.....	Shepherd
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Mountain East Conference Coach of the Year

Monte Cater	Shepherd
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All-Mountain East Conference Defensive Player of the Year

Shaneil Jenkins	Sr.....	Shepherd
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All-Mountain East Conference Offensive Player of the Year

Jeff Ziemba	Jr.....	Shepherd
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WELCOME BACK JACK

The Rams welcome back **Jack Ginn**, who was quarterbacks/wide receivers coach for the Rams from 2001-02, to Ram Stadium. Ginn is now in his seventh year as the associate head coach/wide receivers coach at Grand Valley State.

HARLON HILL CANDIDATE

Junior quarterback **Jeff Ziemba** joins the list of Shepherd greats to become a Harlon Hill award finalist. **Damian Beane** had the highest finish when he placed third in 1999.

HARLON HILL TROPHY BALLOTING

1998.....	Damian Beane (4th)
1999.....	Damian Beane (3rd)
2006.....	Dan Peters (Regional Finalist)
2007.....	Dervon Wallace (4th)

SERIES RECORD

This is the first meeting between the two schools.

SHEPHERD IN THE POSTSEASON

Shepherd has a 10-12 record in postseason play with a 9-8 mark in NCAA II Football championships. Shepherd has a 6-3 home postseason mark.

SHEPHERD POSTSEASON ALL-TIME RESULTS

Date (Opponent)	Winner	Score
12-3-83 (Carson-Newman)	Carson-Newman.....	42-21
12-6-86 (Carson-Newman)	Carson-Newman.....	30-10
11-23-91 (Central State)	Central State.....	22-7
11-21-92 (Carson-Newman)	Shepherd.....	6-3
11-21-92 (Gardner-Webb)	Gardner-Webb.....	22-7
11-21-98 (Indiana Pa.)	Shepherd.....	9-6
11-28-98 (Slippery Rock)	Slippery Rock.....	31-20
11-20-99 (Millersville)	Millersville.....	21-14
<i>11-19-05 (C.W. Post)</i>	<i>C.W. Post.....</i>	<i>28-21</i>
<i>11-25-06 (Merrimack)</i>	<i>Shepherd.....</i>	<i>31-7</i>
<i>12-2-06 (Bloomsburg)</i>	<i>Bloomsburg.....</i>	<i>24-21</i>
<i>11-24-07 (Indiana Pa.)</i>	<i>Shepherd.....</i>	<i>41-34</i>
12-1-07 (California Pa.)	California Pa.	58-38
<i>11-20-10 (Shaw)</i>	<i>Shepherd.....</i>	<i>40-6</i>
11-27-10 (Kutztown)	Shepherd.....	41-34
12-4-10 (Mercyhurst)	Shepherd.....	49-14
12-11-10 (Delta State)	Delta State.....	29-17
11-17-12 (Indiana Pa.)	Indiana Pa.	27-17
<i>11-30-13 (Winston-Salem St.)</i>	<i>Shepherd.....</i>	<i>7-0</i>
<i>12-7-13 (West Chester)</i>	<i>West Chester.....</i>	<i>28-7</i>
<i>11-28-15 (Indiana Pa.)</i>	<i>Shepherd.....</i>	<i>17-13</i>
12-5-15 (Slippery Rock)	Shepherd.....	28-16

NCAA II Postseason games in bold

Home game in italics

UNDEFEATED REGULAR SEASONS

Shepherd has had five undefeated regular seasons (see below). Glenville State spoiled Shepherd's bid for an undefeated season in 2010 with a 28-24 win and West Virginia Wesleyan did the same with a 26-0 win in the season finale in 1963.

1955.....	8-0-0
2005.....	11-0
2006.....	10-0
2013.....	10-0
2015.....	10-0

2015

SHEPHERD UNIVERSITY FOOTBALL TWO-DEEP

OFFENSE

LEFT TACKLE #68 – Jaime Colon (R-Fr., 6-2, 287)
#66 – Khalil Proctor (So., 6-5, 321)

LEFT GUARD #71 – Levi Lloyd (R-Fr., 6-2, 293)
#70 – Isaiah Tetteh (So., 6-1, 305)

CENTER #60 – Jake Kingston (Jr., 6-1, 290)
#68 – Jaime Colon (R-Fr., 6-2, 287)

RIGHT GUARD #51 – Zach Buffkin (Sr., 6-3, 291)
#62 – Ben Mitchell (Jr., 6-2, 290)

RIGHT TACKLE #74 – Lavonte Hights (So., 6-3, 288)
#73 – Connor O’Shea (So., 6-5, 291)

TIGHT END #82 – Jamie Deason (Jr., 6-4, 230)
#88 – Jeremy Bell (Jr., 6-3, 231)

WR X #81 – Billy Brown (Jr., 6-4, 236)
#24 – Wanya Allen (Fr., 6-3, 218)

WR Z #3 – Dalton Boyd (Sr., 5-10, 190)
#14 – Michael Wingard (Jr., 5-9, 165)

FB #40 – Jon Hammer (Sr., 6-0, 238)
#39 – Ahja Frazier-Lancaster (So., 5-9, 237)

TB #31 – Allen Cross (Sr., 5-7, 196)
#21 – Jabre Lolley (Jr., 6-0, 218)

QB #11 – Jeff Ziemba (Jr., 6-3, 210)
#8 – Connor Jessop (So., 6-4, 208)

DEFENSE

RUSH #9 – Shaneil Jenkins (Sr., 6-4, 275)
#7 – Elijah Norris (Sr., 6-5, 275)

TACKLE #56 – Isaiah Ross (Sr., 6-2, 274)
#99 – Shaquille Melvin (Jr., 5-10, 251)

NOSE #47 – Tatah Ndeh (So., 6-0, 263)
#96 – James King (So., 6-2, 289)

END #42 – Myles Humphrey (So., 6-3, 234)
#10 – Marshall Mundin (Jr., 6-6, 280)

SPUR #6 – Jaylen Johnson (Jr., 5-11, 208)
#30 – Tre Anderson (So., 5-9, 202)

SCRAPE #45 – Cameron Reynolds (Jr., 5-11, 222)
#32 – James Gupton (So., 5-10, 208)

MAC #55 – Octavius Thomas (Jr., 5-9, 218)
#44 – Connor Simpson (Jr., 6-1, 231)

WEAK SAFETY #25 – Keon Robinson (Sr., 6-0, 195)
#37 – Antonio Smith (So., 6-0, 191)

CORNERBACK #27 – CJ Davis (Jr., 5-9, 188)
#4 – Keith Davis (R-Fr., 6-2, 215)

FREE SAFETY #5 – Tre Sullivan (Jr., 6-0, 190)
#26 – DeJuan Neal (So., 6-0, 185)

CORNERBACK #16 – Adam Coles (Jr., 6-0, 183)
#26 – DeJuan Neal (So., 6-0, 185)

SPECIAL TEAMS

PUNT RETURN #27 – CJ Davis (Jr., 5-9, 188)
#25 – Keon Robinson (Sr., 6-0, 195)

KICK RETURN #27 – CJ Davis (Jr., 5-9, 188)
#25 – Keon Robinson (Sr., 6-0, 195)

PK #18 – Ryan Earls (Sr., 6-0, 166)
#34 – Mark Murphy (Sr., 5-10, 220)

KO #18 – Ryan Earls (Sr., 6-0, 166)
#34 – Mark Murphy (Sr., 5-10, 220)

P #59 – Ruan Venter (Fr., 6-1, 227)
#18 – Ryan Earls (Sr., 6-0, 166)

LS #53 – Nick Barmoy (So., 5-10, 205)
#61 – Tyler Stern (Fr., 5-10, 226)

H #19 – Caleb Dembeck (So., 6-2, 193)
#27 – CJ Davis (Jr., 5-9, 188)

2015 GRAND VALLEY STATE FOOTBALL TWO-DEEP

OFFENSE

QB 6 Bart Williams (6-5, 215, So., Grand Blanc, Mich.)
18 Ollie Ajami (6-2, 205, So., Dearborn, Mich.)

RB 34 Marty Carter (6-0, 200, RFr., East Chicago, Ind.)
21 Ben Hutchins (5-9, 200, Sr., Portage, Mich.)

WR 24 Matt Williams (6-2, 195, Jr., Geneva, Ill.)
84 Urston Smith (6-2, 215, So., Elkhart, Ind.)

WR 15 Jamie Potts (6-3, 220, Sr., Ravenna, Mich.)
8 Joe Robbins (6-3, 215, Jr., Petoskey, Mich.)

WR 13 Justice Wright (5-11, 190, Sr., Macomb, Mich.)
11 Nick Dodson (5-11, 175, Fr., Aurora, Ill.)

TE 44 Joey Warner (6-4, 245, Jr., Bloomfield Hills, Mich.)
41 Nick Keizer (6-5, 245, So., Portage, Mich.)

RT 63 Ben Walling (6-5, 288, RFr., Independence, Ky.)
66 Scott Koenigsnecht (6-6, 290, So., Lansing, Mich.)

RG 57 Brandon Revenberg (6-4, 285, Sr., Essex, Ont.)
75 Derek Sparkman (6-4, 280, Fr., East Peoria, Ill.)

C 51 Aaron Cox (6-5, 300, Jr., Macomb, Mich.)
61 Evan Schriener (6-2, 285, So., Northville, Mich.)

LG 78 Jim Walsh (6-5, 310, Sr., Howell, Mich.)
76 Cameron Hobbs (6-5, 305, So., Sanford, Mich.)

LT 71 Dan DeLuca (6-4, 280, So., Allen Park, Mich.)
72 Josh Dentler (6-6, 300, RFr., Portage, Mich.)

SPECIAL TEAMS

P 15 Jamie Potts (6-3, 220, Sr., Ravenna, Mich.)

PK 19 Joel Schipper (5-11, 185, Jr., Grand Rapids, Mich.)

KO 19 Joel Schipper (5-11, 185, Jr., Grand Rapids, Mich.)

PR 24 Matt Williams (6-2, 195, Jr., Geneva, Ill.)

DEFENSE

DE 9 Matt Judon (6-4, 255, Sr., West Bloomfield, Mich.)
98 Scott Tackett (6-4, 250, Jr., Holland, Mich.)

DT 5 De'Ondre Hogan (6-2, 265, Jr., Livonia, Mich.)
92 Keane Belcher (6-3, 255, So., Grand Rapids, Mich.)

NG 96 Mark Rosenquist (6-3, 300, Jr., Stockholm Sweden)
99 Sonny Haskins (6-2, 310, Jr., Gary, Ind.)

DE 4 Alton Voss (6-3, 240, Jr., New Port Richey, Fla.)
54 Dylan Carroll (6-4, 250, RFr., Portland, Mich.)

MLB 49 Collin Schlosser (6-1, 230, So., Ada, Mich.)
40 Joe Moran (6-2, 240, Jr., Loveland, Ohio)

WLB 7 David Talley (6-2, 230, Jr., Southfield, Mich.)
39 Jeff Madison (6-1, 245, So., Southfield, Mich.)

NLB 2 Marquez Gollman (5-11, 190, Jr., Ypsilanti, Mich.)
23 Brandon Delk (6-1, 210, Jr., Kalamazoo, Mich.)

CB 28 Tre Walton (5-11, 185, So., Southfield, Mich.)
36 Khalil Hill (5-11, 175, So., Detroit, Mich.)

CB 1 Devin McKissic (5-11, 175, RFr., Detroit, Mich.)
17 Jacob Studdard (6-0, 180, RFr., Southfield, Mich.)

SS 32 Donte Carey (6-2, 200, Jr., Grand Rapids, Mich.)
29 Kyle Short (6-3, 205, So., Rockford, Mich.)

FS 25 Garrett Pougnet (6-3, 210, So., Fenton, Mich.)
16 Brad Horling (6-2, 215, Sr., Zeeland, Mich.)

KR 27 Kirk Spencer (5-11, 200, Sr., E. Grand Rapids, Mich.)
3 Brandon Bean (6-3, 197, So., Lathrup Village, Mich.)

LS-K 47 James Fleming (6-0, 220, RFr., Jackson, Mich.)
74 Derek DeLuca (6-5, 270, Sr., Allen Park, Mich.)

H 24 Matt Williams (6-2, 195, Jr., Geneva, Ill.)

THE LAST TIME IN A GAME...

500 YARDS OF TOTAL OFFENSE (TEAM)

Shepherd512, vs. West Liberty (9-26-15)
Opponent.....587, by West Liberty (10-23-10)

300 YARDS RUSHING (TEAM)

Shepherd.....317, vs. West Virginia State (11-8-14)
Opponent.....311, by California (Pa.) (12-1-07)

200 RUSHING YARDS (INDIVIDUAL)

Shepherd..... 232 yards (23 attempts) by Tommy Addison vs. Concord (10-9-10)
Opponent..... 212 yards (25 attempts) by Jerry Seymour, Glenville (9-13-08)

300 PASSING YARDS (INDIVIDUAL)

Shepherd..... **361 yards (28-37-5 TDs) by Jeff Ziemba vs. Urbana (11-14-15)**
Opponent.....459 yards (25-44-5 TD) by Ray Russ, Notre Dame (10-18-14)

FIVE TDs (INDIVIDUAL)

ShepherdDervon Wallace (4, 4, 13, 79, and 10-yard runs) vs. WV State (11-3-07)
Opponent.....Perry Baker, Fairmont (64, 3, 6, 9, and 26-yard receptions) (9-9-95)

FOUR TDs (INDIVIDUAL)

Shepherd.....Nate Hoyte (14, 15, 15, and 4-yard runs) vs. Mercyhurst (12-4-10)
Opponent..... Luke Struble (WV Wesleyan) (3, 1, 2, and 1-yard runs) (11-1-03)

FOUR OR MORE TD PASSES (INDIVIDUAL)

Shepherd..... **Jeff Ziemba (5) vs. Urbana (11-14-15)**
Opponent Ray Russ (5), Notre Dame (10-18-14)

FOUR OR MORE INTERCEPTIONS (INDIVIDUAL)

Shepherd..... Dan Peters (4) vs. West Liberty, (10-29-05)
Opponent..... None recorded in Shepherd records

PUNT RETURNED FOR A TOUCHDOWN

Shepherd..... **Keon Robinson, 86-yard return vs. Glenville State (10-10-15)**
Opponent..... Ben Watts (Glenville) returns blocked punt 0 yards for a TD (11-2-13)

BLOCKED PUNT RETURNED FOR TOUCHDOWN

Shepherd **Tre Sullivan had a 15-yard return of a punt blocked by Angelo Jean-Louis for a TD against Fairmont State (11-5-15)**
Opponent..... Ben Watts (Glenville) returns blocked punt 0 yards for a TD (11-2-13)

KICKOFF RETURNED FOR A TOUCHDOWN

Shepherd **CJ Davis, 96 yards vs. Charleston (9-12-15)**
Opponent.....Tiko Henderson, Concord, 92-yard return (11-15-14)

INTERCEPTION RETURNED FOR A TOUCHDOWN

Shepherd James Gupton, 61 yards vs. Glenville State (11-1-14)
Opponent..... Brandon Pepper, 35 yards for West Chester (12-7-13)

FUMBLE RETURNED FOR A TOUCHDOWN

Shepherd..... **Tre Sullivan, 24-yard return vs. Urbana (11-14-15)**
Opponent..... **Ethan Cooper, Indiana (Pa.), return of fumble off a blocked field goal (11-28-15)**

SAFETY SCORED

Shepherd..... **TEAM safety (errant snap on a punt went out of the EZ) vs. WV State (10-17-15)**
Opponent..... Slippy Rock, Jeff Ziemba tackled in EZ by Cody Conway (12-5-15)

Bold indicates 2015 season

• 2015 GAME-BY-GAME STARTERS •

Offense

	WVW	UC	WISE	NDC	GSC	WVS	CU	WL	FSU	UU	IUP	SRU
WR	Brown	Brown	Brown	Brown	Brown	Brown	Brown	Brown	Brown	Brown	Brown	Brown
WR/TE	Boyd	Boyd	Boyd	Boyd	Boyd	Boyd	Boyd	Boyd	Boyd	Boyd	Boyd	Boyd
LT	Smith	Smith	Smith	Smith	Smith	Proctor	Smith	Smith	Proctor	Proctor	Proctor	Colon
LG	Buffkin	Buffkin	Lloyd	Lloyd	Lloyd	Lloyd	Lloyd	Lloyd	Lloyd	Lloyd	Colon	Lloyd
C	Kingston	Kingston	Kingston	Kingston	Kingston	Kingston	Kingston	Kingston	Kingston	Kingston	Kingston	Kingston
RG	Lloyd	Lloyd	Buffkin	Buffkin	Buffkin	Buffkin	Buffkin	Buffkin	Buffkin	Buffkin	Buffkin	Buffkin
RT	Hights	Hights	Hights	Hights	Hights	Hights	Hights	Hights	Hights	Hights	Hights	Hights
QB	Ziemba	Ziemba	Ziemba	Ziemba	Ziemba	Ziemba	Ziemba	Ziemba	Ziemba	Ziemba	Ziemba	Ziemba
FB*	Hammer	Hammer	Hammer	Deason	Deason	Hammer	Hammer	Hammer	Hammer	Hammer	Hammer	Hammer
RB*	Cross	Lolley	Cross	Cross	Cross	Cross	Cross	Cross	Cross	Cross	Cross	Cross
TE/WR	Sokoya	Sokoya	Deason	Sokoya	Sokoya	Deason	Deason	Deason	Deason	Deason	Deason	Deason
PK	Earls	Earls	Earls	Earls	Earls	Earls	Earls	Earls	Earls	Earls	Earls	Earls

* MAY ALSO BE WR/TE

Defense

DE	Jenkins	Jenkins	Norris	Norris	Jenkins	Jenkins	Jenkins	Jenkins	Jenkins	Jenkins	Jenkins	Jenkins
DE	Humphrey	Humphrey	Humphrey	Humphrey	Humphrey	Humphrey	Humphrey	Humphrey	Humphrey	Dixon*	Humphrey	Humphrey
NG	Ndeh	Ndeh	Ndeh	Norris	Norris	Norris	Norris	Norris	Ndeh	Plowman*	Ndeh	Ndeh
TACKLE	Ross	Ross	Ross	Ross	Ross	Ross	Ross	Ross	Ross	Ross	Ross	Ross
SPUR	Anderson	Anderson	Robinson	Robinson	Robinson	Robinson	Robinson	Robinson	Robinson	Anderson	Robinson	Robinson
ILB	Gupton	Gupton	Plowman	Gupton	Gupton	Gupton	Gupton	Gupton	Reynolds	Reynolds	Reynolds	Reynolds
ILB	Thomas	Thomas	Reynolds	Reynolds	Thomas	Thomas	Thomas	Thomas	Thomas	Thomas	Thomas	Thomas
CB	Coles	Coles	Coles	Coles	Davis	Davis	Davis	Davis	Davis	Davis	Davis	Davis
CB	Rhoden	Rhoden	Rhoden	Rhoden	Rhoden	Rhoden	Rhoden	Rhoden	Coles	Coles	Coles	Coles
FS	Sullivan	Sullivan	Sullivan	Sullivan	Sullivan	Sullivan	Sullivan	Sullivan	Sullivan	Sullivan	Sullivan	Sullivan
WS	Johnson	Johnson	Johnson	Johnson	Johnson	Johnson	Johnson	Johnson	Johnson	Smith	Johnson	Johnson
P	Venter	Venter	Venter	Venter	Venter	Venter	Venter	Venter	Venter	Venter	Venter	Venter

* started in a 3-3

Special Teams

H	Dembeck	Dembeck	Dembeck	Dembeck	Dembeck	Dembeck	Dembeck	Dembeck	Dembeck	Dembeck	Dembeck	Dembeck
PR	Davis	Davis	Davis	Davis	Davis	Davis	Davis	Davis	Davis	Davis	Davis	Davis
	Robinson	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	Robinson	-----	-----	-----	-----
KOR	Davis	Davis	Davis	Davis	Davis	Davis	Davis	Davis	Davis	Davis	Davis	Davis
	-----	Robinson	Robinson	Robinson	-----	-----	Robinson	-----	Robinson	Squirewell	Robinson	Robinson
KO	Earls	Earls	Earls	Earls	Earls	Earls	Earls	Earls	Earls	Earls	Earls	Earls
LS	Barmoy	Barmoy	Barmoy	Barmoy	Barmoy	Barmoy	Barmoy	Barmoy	Barmoy	Barmoy	Barmoy	Barmoy

Bold indicates first career start