



MORAVIAN COLLEGE SPORTS NEWS

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MORAVIAN COLLEGE GREYHOUNDS SUSQUEHANNA UNIVERSITY CRUSADERS 0-0 (0-0 Centennial Conference) 0-0 (0-0 Liberty League)

1:00 p.m.; Saturday, September 5, 2009

Nicholas A. Lopardo Stadium/Amos Alonzo Stagg Field (c. 3,500); Selinsgrove, PA

About Moravian



Location Bethlehem, Pa.
Founded 1742
Enrollment 1,557
Nickname Greyhounds
Colors Navy Blue and Grey
Conference Centennial
Stadium Rocco Calvo Field (2,000)
Surface Sportexe
Athletic Director Paul R. Moyer
Athletics Phone (610) 861-1534
2008 Record 8-3, 6-2 T-2nd CC
Offensive Set Multiple
Defensive Set Multiple
Letterwinners Returning/Lost 55/44
Starters Returning 13 (6 O, 7 D, 0 KS)
Head Coach Scot Dapp
Alma Mater, Year West Chester, 1973
Overall record 135-91-1, 22nd year
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About Susquehanna



Location Selinsgrove, Pa.
Founded 1858
Enrollment 2,100
Nickname Crusaders
Colors Orange and Maroon
Conference Liberty League
Stadium Nicholas A. Lopardo (3,500)
Field Amos Alonzo Stagg
Surface ProGrass
2008 Record 4-6, 3-4 5th Liberty
Offensive Set Pro
Defensive Set Multiple
Letterwinners Returning/Lost 27/18
Starters Returning 16 (5 O, 9 D, 2 KS)
Head Coach Steve Briggs
Alma Mater, Year Springfield, 1984
Overall record 102-90, 20th year
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THE GAME: Moravian opens its 2009 season with a non-conference game at Susquehanna University. Kickoff is slated for 1:00 p.m. at Nicholas A. Lopardo Stadium and Amos Alonzo Stagg Field in Selinsgrove, Pennsylvania. Beginning in 2010, the two schools will be back in the same conference as Susquehanna joins the Centennial Conference as an associate member.

THE COACHES: **Scot Dapp (West Chester '73)** enters his 23rd season at Moravian, with a career record of 135-91-1 (.597), the winningest football coach in Moravian history. He entered the season in the top 50 in winning percentage among NCAA Division III active coaches. **Dapp**, who served as the president of the American Football Coaches Association in 2005, has earned Coach-of-the-Year honors from the MAC three times including Co-Coach of the Year in 1997 and has led the 'Hounds to two appearances in the NCAA playoffs, the ECAC Southeast Bowl game in 2002, the ECAC Southwest Bowl game in 2004, 2005 and 2008, winning the title in 2005.

Susquehanna coach **Steve Briggs (Springfield '84)** is in his 20th season at the school with an overall mark of 102-90 (.531). Briggs is the winningest coach in Susquehanna history.

THE SERIES: Saturday's meeting will be the 36th in the series with Moravian holding a 20-14-1 advantage. The Greyhounds began their 2008 season with a 27-14 in Bethlehem and started the 2007 campaign in Selinsgrove with a 34-27 win. Moravian also won in 2006, 24-17 in the season opener while the Greyhounds earned a 22-10 win in Bethlehem in 2005 and a 32-13 victory over Susquehanna in Bethlehem in 2004. The Crusaders last win was in 2003 with a 26-14 victory in Selinsgrove. Moravian captured a 23-6 victory also in Selinsgrove back in 2002 and that victory was the 100th win in coach **Scot Dapp's** career.

SEASON OPENING GAMES: The Greyhounds will be looking for their eight season opening victory in the last ten years. The Greyhounds defeated Delaware Valley College, 19-10, in Doylestown to open the 2000 season, FDU-Florham, 21-14, in 2002 and 16-8, and 2003, Juniata College, 34-0, in 2004, Susquehanna University, 24-17, 34-27 in 2007 and 27-14 last season. Moravian lost to Delaware Valley, 31-22, in Bethlehem to open Rocco Calvo Field at the start of the 2005 season.

BALANCED & EXPERIENCED 'HOUNDS: Of the 91 players on the Moravian roster, 30 are freshmen, 20 are sophomores and 25 are juniors. There are 16 seniors on this season's squad, and the Greyhounds return 55 letterwinners including five from the 2007 season and 13 starters.

GREYHOUNDS IN THE CENTENNIAL CONFERENCE: Moravian joined the Centennial Conference as an associate member in the sport of football in 2007. The Greyhounds were selected fourth in the Centennial Conference preseason coaches and sports information directors poll.

WINNING WAYS: Moravian had 11 consecutive winning seasons—all under Coach **Scot Dapp**, from 1987 to 1997 and has had 17 winning seasons in **Dapp's** 22 years. The 11-straight winning seasons is the longest in school history. **Dapp** ranks third among Greyhound coaches in winning percentage.

ON THE AIRWAVES: For the 13th straight year, the Greyhounds' games will be on the radio. Moravian's games will be aired on WSAW 1470 AM The Fox for the sixth straight year. **Phil May** calls the play-by-play call with color commentary from **Craig Barnes** and technical assistance from **John Elliott**.

2009 Moravian College Schedule (0-0)

Sept. 5 at Susquehanna 1:00 p.m.
Sept. 12 vs. **McDaniel*** 1:00 p.m.
Sept. 19 vs. **Lebanon Valley** 1:00 p.m.
Sept. 26 at Johns Hopkins* 2:00 p.m.
Oct. 3 vs. **Dickinson*** 1:00 p.m.
Oct. 10 vs. **Gettysburg*** 1:00 p.m.
Oct. 17 at Franklin & Marshall* 1:00 p.m.
Oct. 24 vs. **Juniata*** 1:00 p.m.
Oct. 31 at Ursinus* 1:00 p.m.
Nov. 7 BYE
Nov. 14 at Muhlenberg* 1:00 p.m.
*Centennial Conference game

2009 Susquehanna University (0-0)

Sept. 5 vs. **Moravian** 1:00 p.m.
Sept. 12 at Juniata 1:00 p.m.
Sept. 19 vs. **Lycoming** 1:00 p.m.
Sept. 26 vs. **Hobart*** 2:00 p.m.
Oct. 3 at Merchant Marine* 2:30 p.m.
Oct. 10 at Rochester* 1:00 p.m.
Oct. 17 vs. **RPI*** 1:00 p.m.
Oct. 24 BYE
Oct. 31 at St. Lawrence* 1:00 p.m.
Nov. 7 vs. **WPI*** 1:00 p.m.
Nov. 14 at Union* 12:00 p.m.
*Liberty League game

Moravian vs. Susquehanna Series

Year	Winner	Score	Site
10/1/32	S	12-7	-
10/7/33	M	6-0	H
10/6/34	M	17-6	-
10/26/35	T	0-0	H
10/3/36	M	26-16	-
10/30/37	M	7-6	H
10/29/38	M	13-7	-
10/28/39	M	9-0	H
11/9/40	S	6-0	-
10/15/83	S	16-7	A
10/13/84	M	26-14	H
10/19/85	M	34-3	A
10/18/86	S	17-0	H
9/19/87	S	21-0	A
9/17/88	M	21-14	H
9/16/89	S	35-10	A
9/15/90	S	32-7	H
9/21/91	S	10-0	A
9/19/92	S	20-12	H
10/16/93	M	17-6	A
10/15/94	M	36-32	H
10/14/95	M	19-3	H
10/19/96	S	33-0	A
10/18/97	S	31-24	H
10/17/98	S	17-16	A
10/30/99	S	27-24	H
10/28/00	M	52-33	A
11/3/01	S	41-14	H
11/9/02	M	23-6	A
09/20/03	S	26-14	A
09/18/04	M	32-13	H
9/10/05	M	22-10	H
9/9/06	M	24-17	A
8/30/07	M	34-27	A
9/6/08	M	27-14	H

MILESTONE WATCH: The Greyhounds have one player closing in on milestones for his career. Senior running back **Ryan Rempe (Dickson City, PA/Mid-Valley HS)** needs just 221 yards to become the 20th player in school history to rush for 1,000 career yards. **Rempe**, who came to Moravian as a quarterback, has 779 career yards on just 212 carries with seven touchdowns in 27 games. **Rempe**, who tied the school record with 51 attempts versus Juniata College last season, had 727 of those yards on 178 carries last season with 165 carries in the last four games of the year.

OVERTIME 'HOUNDS: Moravian has played a total of nine overtime games since the NCAA instituted the rule for the 1996 season and is 7-2 all-time in the extra-session. Five of those nine overtime games have been against Juniata College with the Greyhounds going 4-1 in those games. Moravian's contest in Huntingdon last fall marked the first time in the Greyhounds' have needed more than one overtime session in a game. The 2008 season also marked the second year that Moravian has played two overtimes games in one season, the other year was 1999.

THE LAST TIME THEY MET: In Bethlehem last fall, kicker **Brian Reckenbeil** opened the 2008 season with a school record 47-yard field goal, and he scored a total of nine points in the first half while helping Moravian jump out to a 27-0 halftime lead in a 27-14 victory over Susquehanna University in non-conference action. **Reckenbeil** capped the Greyhounds' first drive of the season with his school record kick at the 9:24 mark of the first quarter. The kick, which bettered his personal best 42 yards, finished off a 10-play, 43-yard drive for Moravian. Susquehanna would drive down the field in its opening drive of the game as far as the Moravian eight-yard line before the Crusaders had to settle for a field goal attempt by sophomore Bobby Eppleman. However, Eppleman's 27-yard field goal attempt was blocked by Moravian linebacker **Kevin McGorry**. Moravian moved right back down the field in a drive that included four long plays. Quarterback **Marc Braxmeier** had a 20-yard run on the second play of the drive and then hit running back **Tyler McCambridge** (with a 14-yard pass play. Fullback **Morgan deRouen** scampered for 13 yards on the next play to set up a 22-yard touchdown run by McCambridge, who had 64 yards on 19 carries to go with his touchdown. **Reckenbeil** added the extra-point to give the Greyhounds a 10-0 lead with 43 seconds remaining in the first quarter. Susquehanna ran just two plays on its next drive with Moravian defensive lineman **Doug Bocchino** forcing Crusader junior running back Dave Paveletz to fumble the ball on the second play. Greyhound linebacker **Philip Bortz (Allentown, PA/Parkland HS)** recovered the ball to set the Moravian offense up at the Susquehanna 36-yard line. Six plays later, **Reckenbeil** connected on a 35-yard field goal with 13:10 to go in the second quarter to give Moravian a 13-0 lead. Susquehanna wouldn't fair much better in its next drive. On the second play, quarterback Derek Pope was being blitz by Moravian linebacker **Jayson Williams (Collingswood, NJ/Collingswood HS)** and fumbled the ball. Greyhound lineman **Michael McClarin (Bethlehem, PA/Liberty HS)** scooped up the loss ball and returned it 23 yards to the Crusader 11-yard line. Moravian needed just two plays to extend its lead with **Braxmeier** connecting on a nine-yard touchdown pass to **Morgan deRouen**, who had two catches for 16 yards and a score to go with 37 yards on eight carries. **Reckenbeil's** PAT gave the Greyhounds a 20-0

advantage with 12:03 remaining in the first half. The Crusaders would punt on their next two possessions, which were sandwiched around a Moravian turnover. The Greyhounds had moved into the red zone again, in part because of a 13-yard pass from **Braxmeier** to wide receiver **Alex Hersch (Macungie, PA/Emmaus HS)** and a 33-yard run by tailback **Tyler deRouen**. However, Susquehanna linebacker Mitch Phillips forced **Morgan deRouen** to fumble the ball at the seven-yard line. Defensive lineman Chris Ushinski recovered for the Crusaders. After a 61-yard punt by Eppleman, the Greyhounds took over at their own 11-yard line with 2:24 to play in the first half. **Tyler deRouen**, who finished the game with 131 yards on 24 carries, would run for 14 yards on the first play of the drive, and he added runs of ten, nine and seven yards to help Moravian move down to the Susquehanna 40-yard line with just 28 seconds on the clock. **Braxmeier** then hit **Alex Hersch** with a 15-yard pass, and after a spike of the ball to stop the clock, **Braxmeier** hit **Alex Hersch**, who had a team high four catches for 58 yards, again for 24 yards to the one-yard line. **Braxmeier**, who completed 12 of 19 passes for 135 yards and a score, finished off the drive with a one-yard touchdown dive after a Susquehanna timeout. **Braxmeier** had 22 yards on eight carries. **Reckenbeil's** school-record tying extra-point, his 41st in a row, gave Moravian a 27-0 lead with just eight seconds until halftime. When the second half started under a steady downpour, neither team could muster any offense. Susquehanna punted twice and Moravian once before the Greyhounds had a bad center exchange on their second drive of the half. Susquehanna defensive lineman Andy LeClere jumped on the loose ball and gave the Crusaders possession at the Moravian 29-yard line. Pope, who was 13 for 30 for 146 yards and two interceptions, would connect on a 24-yard pass to wide receiver Matt Koziol on the first play of the drive. Two plays later, Paveletz drove in the end zone on a one-yard plunge for Susquehanna's first points of the game. Eppleman made the extra-point to cut Moravian's lead to 27-7 with 9:29 to go in the third quarter. Things didn't get much better for the Greyhounds on their next drive when attempting a punt after going three-and-out, the snap rolled back to punter **Michael Voskian**, who fell on the ball and turned it over to Susquehanna on the Moravian 35-yard line. However, the Crusaders picked up just one yard on four plays giving the ball right back to Moravian. The Greyhounds would move the ball into Susquehanna territory on a 22-yard run by **McCambridge**, but Moravian would turn the ball over on downs at the Crusader 34-yard line. Susquehanna would give Paveletz the ball six straight times, and with the help of a personal foul penalty on the Greyhounds, and a 27-yard run by Paveletz on the fifth play, the Crusaders scored on another one-yard run by Paveletz, who finished the game with 117 yards on 25 carries. Eppleman connected on the extra-point to pull Susquehanna within 27-14 with 2:53 to go in the third quarter. Neither team would be able to do much on offense the rest of the game and the rain continued to intensify. Moravian would turn the ball over on downs in its next two drives and settle for punts by **Voskian** in its final two drives. Susquehanna turned the ball over on its final three drives. Moravian defensive lineman **Jacob Millen (Whitehall, PA/Whitehall HS)** forced Paveletz to fumble after a seven-yard completion. Pope was then intercepted by defensive back **Carl Robinson** and defensive back **Daniel Burley (Easton, PA/Easton HS)**. **Burley's** interception came in the end zone on a fourth down play with just 1:58 remaining in the contest. Greyhound tight end **Brian Dencker (Boonton, NJ/Boonton HS)** had two catches for 12 yards. Wide receiver Justin Young led Susquehanna with three receptions for 50 yards while wideout J.J. Moran caught three passes for 40 yards. The Moravian defense forced six turnovers, four fumbles and a pair of interceptions. Linebacker **Andrew Morrissey** led the way with 11 tackles while **McGorry** added ten tackles, a fumble recovery and a blocked kick. Defensive back **Eric Brinkerhoff** contributed eight tackles, a half tackle for loss and a forced fumble while **Bocchino** had seven tackles with a sack and two forced fumbles. **Robinson** made six tackles to go with a sack, his interception and two other pass break-ups while defensive lineman **Don Maxwell** had six tackles and a pass break-up. **Williams** had two tackles, a sack and a forced fumble before leaving the game with an injury in the first half. Linebacker Pete Johnsen led the Susquehanna defense with a game high 14 tackles to go with a sack and three and a half tackles for loss while defensive back Josh Simpson made 13 tackles. Phillips had 12 tackles with a forced fumble while defensive back Erich Majors and linebacker Trevor Terpening each made ten tackles.

SCOUTING SUSQUEHANNA: The Crusaders enter the game looking to rebound from a 4-6 record in 2008. The Susquehanna football team enters its third and final year of membership in the Liberty League in 2009. The Crusaders need to replace two key starters from last year's team in order to be successful this year. Fullback Charlie Henry and quarterback Derek Pope have graduated, leaving two large voids. Sophomore **Rich Palazzi**, this year's starting quarterback, started two games as a true freshman mid-season last year but was replaced with eventual all-Liberty Leaguer **Pope**. (**Pope** started the 2008 games prior to **Palazzi's** starts as well.) Junior **Jim Cavanaugh** will start at fullback on Saturday. He is making the transition from linebacker. Also, junior punter **Bobby Eppelman** has been getting NFL looks after averaging 42.7 yards per punt last season.

THE QUARTERBACKS: Moravian entered preseason camp looking for a quarterback. Sophomore transfer **Steve Panasuk (Yorktown, VA/New Egypt HS)** has emerged as the starting quarterback with sophomore transfer **Andy Polony (Whitehall, PA/Whitehall HS)** listed as the back-up. Also in the mix for the Greyhounds is senior **Patrick Weiss (Gilbertsville, PA/St. Pius X)**, who completed five out of nine passes for 43 yards with one touchdown and one interception against Ursinus College last season.

IN THE BACKFIELD: Senior running back **Ryan Rempe (Dickson City, PA/Mid-Valley HS)** ran for 727 yards and seven touchdowns on 178 carries with 165 of those carries in the last four games of the 2008 season. **Rempe** had a 63-yard carry last fall against Muhlenberg College and had three straight 100-yard games. Senior running back **Anthony Falco (Succasunna, NJ/Roxbury HS)** is the only other returning running back after gaining 13 yards on four carries last season.

THE WIDE RECEIVERS: The Greyhounds have five players returning that caught a pass last year led by junior wide receiver **Shawn Sylvainus (Nazareth, PA/Nazareth HS)**, who had 17 receptions for 259 yards after missing the first five games of the year with an injury. Senior tight end **Brian Dencker (Boonton, NJ/Boonton HS)** also had 17 receptions for 182 yards and two touchdowns and caught two two-point conversion passes a year ago. Junior wide receiver **Alex Hersch (Macungie, PA/Emmaus HS)** had 13 receptions for 182 yards and a touchdown while sophomore tight end **Mike Zanoni (Bethlehem, PA/Freedom HS)** added one reception for two yards. **Rempe** contributed three catches for 13 yards.

OFFENSIVE LINE: Senior **Andrew Grando (Whiting, NJ/Manchester Township HS)** and junior **Daniel Cancelliere (Succasunna, NJ/Roxbury HS)** are back on the offensive line with **Grando** as the only returning All-Conference player for the Greyhounds. Sophomore **Nicholas Marzuoli (Easton, PA/Easton HS)** and junior **Matthew Washer (Ogdensburg, NJ/Pope John XXIII HS)** saw plenty of playing time last season while senior **Kyle Passarelli (Princeton, NJ/Montgomery HS)** gives Moravian five experienced players on the line that will average 6-3, 275. Freshman **Frank Costantini (Middletown, NJ/Middletown HS)** will start at center for the Greyhounds.

DEFENSIVE FRONT: Moravian returns four defensive linemen led by junior **Allen Petros (Bethlehem, PA/Liberty HS)**, who had 37 tackles with 12 and a half for loss, five and a half sacks, one forced fumble and a fumble recovery in his first year for the Greyhounds. Junior defensive end **Michael McClarin (Bethlehem, PA/Liberty HS)** had 29 tackles, two tackles for loss, a half a sack, a pass break-up and three fumble recoveries with a return of 23 yards versus Susquehanna University. Sophomore defensive lineman **Seth Payne (Collingswood, NJ/Collingswood HS)** had 13 tackles, two tackles for loss and two pass break-ups while junior defensive lineman **Jacob Millen (Whitehall, PA/Whitehall HS)** added five tackles, a forced fumble and a pass break-up.

THE LINEBACKER CORPS: Moravian is also deep at the linebacker spots with seven experienced players back. Junior linebacker **Anthony Carney (Bethlehem, PA/Bethlehem Catholic HS)** had 60 tackles, which is tied for the most of a returning player in 2009, four tackles for loss, an interception with a 16-yard return versus Muhlenberg, a sack, a fumble recovery and two pass break-ups. Senior linebacker **Derek Protasiewicz (Whippany, NJ/Whippany Park HS)** contributed 29 tackles with two sacks, two tackles for loss and two forced fumbles. Junior linebacker **Michael Crann (Columbia, NJ/North Warren HS)** had nine tackles to go with a forced fumble while senior linebacker **Jayson Williams (Collingswood, NJ/Collingswood HS)**, who missed six games with an injury, had four tackles, a sack, a tackle for loss, a fumble recovery and a forced fumble. Sophomore linebacker **Philip Bortz (Allentown, PA/Parkland HS)** had two tackles and a fumble recovery before an injury sidelined him after the season opener while senior linebacker **Michael Bishop (Nazareth, PA/Bethlehem Catholic HS)** contributed eight tackles and a fumble recovery.

THE DEFENSIVE BACKFIELD: Junior cornerback **Daniel Burley (Easton, PA/Easton HS)** leads the returning defensive backs after contributing 60 tackles last year, tied for the most of a returning player this fall, with two tackles for loss, four interceptions, 13 total passes defended, a forced fumble and a fumble recovery. Senior defensive back **Brad Bodine (Mt. Bethel, PA/Bangor HS)** had 44 tackles, three tackles for loss, a sack, two interceptions including a 33-yard return against Franklin & Marshall College and five passes defended while senior defensive back **Kyle Krupa (Ashley, PA/Hanover HS)** added 11 tackles last fall for the Greyhounds. Sophomore defensive back **David Wacker (Parkton, MD/Hereford HS)** contributed nine tackles, a fumble recovery and a blocked field goal in the first overtime at Juniata College last season while sophomore defensive back **Thomas Dailey (Easton, PA/Notre Dame HS)** had eight tackles.

KICKING GAME: Sophomore kicker **Ian Heck (Easton, PA/Easton HS)** had six kickoffs last season with an average of 57.7 yards per kick to push opponents near their own 12-yard line. **Heck** did not attempt an extra-point on field goal last fall. Junior **Eric Dzinengelski (Coatesville, PA/Chestnut Hill Academy)** has been the back-up punter for two seasons but has yet to punt in a game.

SPECIAL TEAMS: **Hersch** returned nine kickoffs for 144 yards, 16 yards per return, and 18 punts for 113 yards, an average of 6.3 yards a return last season. **Rempe** had six kickoff returns for 208 yards including an 82-yard return for a touchdown at Gettysburg College and four tackles on special teams while sophomore running back **Philip Redline (Jim Thorpe, PA/Jim Thorpe HS)** returned one kickoff for six yards. **Falco** had eight tackles on special teams and a kickoff return for nine yards while **Zanoni** had two tackles on special team. Sophomore linebacker **Douglas DiMattia (Cedar Grove, NJ/Cedar Grove HS)** had three tackles on special teams and is serving as the team's long snapper on punts.

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