MORAVIAN COLLEGE GREYHOUNDS  3-0 (1-0 Centennial Conference)  

JOHNS HOPKINS UNIVERSITY BLUE JAYS  1-2 (0-1 Centennial Conference)  

1:00 p.m.; Saturday, September 22, 2007  
Homewood Field (c. 8,500); Baltimore, MD  

THE GAME: Moravian looks to win its fourth straight contest to begin the 2007 season in a Centennial Conference game at Johns Hopkins University, the first time the two schools have met on the football field since 1982. Kickoff is slated for 1:00 p.m. at Homewood Field in Baltimore, Maryland.  

THE COACHES: Scot Dapp (West Chester ’73) is in his 21st season at Moravian, with a career record of 124-84-1 (.596) and passed Rocco Calvo as the school’s winningest football coach on September 8th with a 43-14 win versus McDaniel College. 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, winning the title in 2005.  

Johns Hopkins coach Jim Margraff (Johns Hopkins ’82) has a record of 108-65-3 in his 18th year at the school. Coach Margraff was the Blue Jays starting quarterback in the school’s only three wins against Moravian.  

THE SERIES: Saturday’s meeting will be the ninth in the series with Moravian holding a 5-3 lead. The Greyhounds won the last meeting with a 17-7 victory in Bethlehem back in 1982. The Blue Jays last win was a 15-10 victory in Baltimore in 1981. The teams played eight straight seasons from 1975 to 1982.  

CENTENNIAL CONFERENCE HONORS: Senior tight end Kris Bisci (Easton, PA/Easton HS), junior linebacker Kevin McGorry (Whitehall, PA/Allentown Central Catholic HS) and junior kicker Brian Reckenberg (Branchburg, NJ/Somerville HS) of the Moravian College football team have been named to the Centennial Conference Weekly Honor Rolls for their performances in the Greyhounds’ 19-18 victory versus Lebanon Valley College. Bisci caught six passes for 74 yards and a touchdown in Moravian’s win over Lebanon Valley. Bisci’s two-yard scoring grab with 6:52 left in the game was the winning touchdown as Moravian came-from-behind to defeat the Flying Dutchmen. McGorry made a game high 13 tackles including a sack and a forced fumble to lead the Moravian defense. The Greyhound defense allowed just 67 yards on 29 plays in the first half of the game while forcing two turnovers and six punts. McGorry had nine of his tackles along with the sack and forced fumble in the first half.  

Reckenberg became Moravian’s all-time leader in field goals with a pair in the game. Reckenberg connected from 32 yards in the first quarter and then from 31 yards in the second quarter. The second field goal was the 21st of his career, surpassing the previous record of 20 set by Tim Cunniff from 1987 to 1990. Reckenberg came up wide left in his third field goal attempt of the game, a 36-yard attempt into the wind in the third quarter. Reckenberg is 21 of 30 on field goal attempts in his career in just 20 games as the starting kicker. Reckenberg also connected on the game-winning extra-point against the Flying Dutchmen to raise his career point total to 114, just 17 points shy of the school record.  

ON THE AIRWAVES: For the 11th straight year, the Greyhounds’ games will be on the radio. Moravian’s games will be aired on WSAN 1470 AM The Fox for the fourth straight year. Phil May calls the play-by-play call with color commentary from Craig Barnes and technical assistance and color commentary from John Elliott. For this week’s game, Craig Barnes will handle play-by-play duties with color commentary by John Elliott.
THE LAST TIME THEY MET: The two schools have not met since October 9, 1982 when the Greyhounds earned a 17-7 win in Bethlehem. The Blue Jays had an advantage in first downs in the game, 15-11, and completed eight of 15 passes for 76 yards. Moravian gained just 24 passing yards in the contest, completing three of 12 pass attempts; however, the Greyhounds ran for 215 yards and a touchdown on 47 attempts. Johns Hopkins had 199 rushing yards and a touchdown on 50 carries.

GREYHOUNDS IN THE CENTENNIAL CONFERENCE: Moravian has joined the Centennial Conference as an associate member in the sport of football beginning in 2007. The Greyhounds were selected fourth with two first-place votes in the Centennial Conference preseason coaches and sports information directors’ poll while Johns Hopkins was selected second with four first-place votes.

THE CENTENNIAL CONFERENCE STATISTICAL RANKINGS: The Greyhounds are third in the Centennial Conference in total defense, allowing 288.0 yards per game. The squad is fourth in passing defense at 169.0 yards per game, and the defense is fourth in rushing yards allowed at 119.0. The Greyhounds are third in points allowed at 19.7 per game, and the squad is second in the conference in points scored per game at 32.0. Offensively, Moravian ranks third in the Centennial Conference at 359.3 yards per game. The Greyhounds are ranked fourth in rushing offense at 184.7 yards per game and fifth in passing offense at 174.7 yards per game. Moravian is also tied for first in turnover margin with a +1.67 per game average as the Greyhounds have committed five turnovers while forcing ten turnovers this season. Moravian also leads the Centennial Conference in punt returns with an average of 14.3 yards per return, red zone offense percentage at 92.3 percent (12-for-13), pass efficiency at 176.6 and tied in point-after touchdown kicking percentage at 1.000 (ten-for-ten). Individually, junior quarterback Marc Braxmeier (Center Valley, PA/Allentown Central Catholic HS) leads the Centennial Conference in pass efficiency at 190.4, is fourth in passing yards per game at 174.7 and seventh in total offense at 165.3 yards per game. Junior running back Tyler McCambridge (Northampton, PA/Allentown Central Catholic HS) tops the Centennial Conference in all-purpose yardage at 179.7 yards per contest and is second in rushing offense at 108.3 yards per game, second in kickoff return average at 20.7 yards per return and tenth in total offense at 108.3 yards per game. Junior kicker Brian Reckenbeil is first in kickoff scoring at 7.3 points per game, first in field goals per game at 1.33, first in field goal percentage at 66.7 percent (four-for-six), tied for first in PAT percentage at 1.000 (ten-of-ten) and fifth in overall scoring at 7.3 points per game. Senior tight end Kris Bisci is ninth in the Centennial Conference in receiving yards per game at 49.7 while senior wide receiver Sean Hill (West Reading, PA/Wyomissing HS) is tied for fifth in kickoff scoring at 6.0 points per game. Junior punter Mike Todisco has 0.67 per game, and he is tied for 23rd in tackles with 7.0 per contest. Freshman defensive back Alex Callocchia is nine-for-17 with one touchdown, two interceptions and 83 yards. Freshman quarterback/punter Max Islinger has completed five of seven passes for 63 yards. The top targets have been freshman wide receiver Tyler McCambridge, who has 13 catches for 101 yards, junior wide receiver Bryan Power, who has added nine receptions for 73 yards, and sophomore wide receiver Alex Quermbelrue, who has seven catches for 55 yards and a touchdown. Senior running back Chris Baldwin has contributed 28 yards on four carries, and he has six receptions for 28 yards. Islinger is averaging 31.8 yards per punt with punt inside the 20-yard line, four fair catches and two touchbacks on 21 punts in three games. Freshman kicker Alex Lachman is four-for-four on extra points and two-for-two on field goals with a long of 42 yards, and Lachman is averaging 52.6 yards per kickoff. Sophomore defensive back Devin Hewlett is averaging 4.2 yards per punt return while freshman defensive back Mike Todisco has six kickoff returns for an average of 15.7 yards. Sophomore linebacker Colin Wixted leads the Blue Jay defense with 30 tackles, six and a half tackles for loss, and two and a half sacks and a pass break-up while senior linebacker Zach Rosswog has added 26 tackles, three and a half tackles for loss, half a sack and a pass break-up. Senior linebacker Adam Winter has 23 tackles this season with four and a half tackles for loss, two and a half sacks and a forced fumble while junior linebacker Tom O’Neill has added 19 tackles with one sack. Senior defensive lineman Patrick Kay and junior linebacker Austin Ehrhart each have one interception for Johns Hopkins this season.

SCOUTING JOHNS HOPKINS UNIVERSITY: The Blue Jays enter the game with an overall record of 1-2 and a 0-1 slate in Centennial Conference action after a 41-10 loss to Gettysburg College last Friday evening. Sophomore quarterback Michael Murray has completed 37 of 67 passes for 263 yards with five interceptions while sophomore quarterback Eric Callocchia is nine-for-17 with one touchdown, two interceptions and 83 yards. Freshman quarterback/punter Max Islinger has completed five of seven passes for 63 yards. The top targets have been freshman wide receiver Tucker Michels, who has 13 catches for 101 yards, junior wide receiver Bryan Power, who has added nine receptions for 73 yards, and sophomore wide receiver Alex Quermbelrue, who has seven catches for 55 yards and a touchdown. Senior running back Chris Baldwin has contributed 28 yards on four carries, and he has six receptions for 28 yards. Islinger is averaging 31.8 yards per punt with punt inside the 20-yard line, four fair catches and two touchbacks on 21 punts in three games. Freshman kicker Alex Lachman is four-for-four on extra points and two-for-two on field goals with a long of 42 yards, and Lachman is averaging 52.6 yards per kickoff. Sophomore defensive back Devin Hewlett is averaging 4.2 yards per punt return while freshman defensive back Mike Todisco has six kickoff returns for an average of 15.7 yards. Sophomore linebacker Colin Wixted leads the Blue Jay defense with 30 tackles, six and a half tackles for loss, and two and a half sacks and a pass break-up while senior linebacker Zach Rosswog has added 26 tackles, three and a half tackles for loss, half a sack and a pass break-up. Senior linebacker Adam Winter has 23 tackles this season with four and a half tackles for loss, two and a half sacks and a forced fumble while junior linebacker Tom O’Neill has added 19 tackles with one sack. Senior defensive lineman Patrick Kay and junior linebacker Austin Ehrhart each have one interception for Johns Hopkins this season.

BALANCED & EXPERIENCED ‘HOUNDS: Of the 97 players on the Moravian roster, 45 are freshmen, 16 are sophomores and 22 are juniors. There are 14 seniors on this season’s squad, and the Greyhounds return 50 letterwinners and 18 starters.

MILESTONE WATCH: The Greyhounds have three players closing in on milestones for their careers. Junior running back Tyler McCambridge became the 19th Greyhound to reach 1,000 career yards rushing on September 8th. McCambridge has 1,162 yards on 249 carries with eight touchdowns. Junior kicker Brian Reckenbeil became just the third kicker in Moravian history to reach 100 career points on September 8th.

THE QUARTERBACKS: Junior Marc Braxmeier has completed 34 of 51 passes for 524 yards with seven touchdowns and two interceptions two games. Braxmeier’s four touchdown passes in the 34-27 season opening win at Susquehanna University tied the school record for touchdown passes in a game, last done by Rob Petrosky during the 1996 season. Braxmeier also has a rushing touchdown this season but has been sacked nine times for a net rushing total of minus 28 yards in 17 carries. Sophomore quarterback Ryan Rempe (Dickson City, PA/Mid-Valley HS) has attempted two passes this season, both incompletions.

IN THE BACKFIELD: In the backfield, junior tailback Tyler McCambridge has gained 325 yards on 65 carries this season with one touchdown and a long run of 27 yards. Junior tailback Tyler deRouen (West Milford, NJ/West Milford HS) has added 132 yards and a score on 35 carries with a long run of 17 yards while junior fullback Morgan deRouen (West Milford, NJ/West Milford HS) has 95 yards on 14 attempts with a long of 22 yards. Freshman running back Ricky Allen (Pocono Summit, PA/Pocono Mountain West HS) has added 19 yards on three carries while junior fullback Michael Cancelliere (Succasunna, NJ/Roxbury HS) has five yards on two carries. Freshman running back Wesley Germain (Rumson, NJ/Rumson-Fair Haven HS) has four yards on two carries while sophomore running back Anthony Falco (Succasunna, NJ/Roxbury HS) has two yards on two rushing attempts.
THE WIDE RECEIVERS: The Greyhounds have had nine different players catch a pass this season led by senior tight end Kris Bisci, who has nine catches for 149 yards and a touchdown. Senior wide receiver Sean Hill has added eight receptions for 118 yards with a three touchdowns while junior fullback Morgan deRouen has four catches for 59 yards with one score. Junior wide receiver Tyler Williams (Coplay, PA/Whitehall HS) has 10 receptions for 223 yards while freshman wide receiver Shawn Sylvainus (Nazareth, PA/Nazareth HS) has three catches for 44 yards and one score. Junior running back Tyler McCambridge has three catches for 29 yards while sophomore tight end Brian Dencker has one reception for 23 yards. Junior tight end Nick Johnson (Keyport, NJ/Keyport HS) made his first career catch against Susquehanna University for 41 yards while freshman wide receiver Alex Hersch has one catch with a nine-yard touchdown reception.

OFFENSIVE LINE: Leading the way for the backfield is a solid offensive line led by returning starters seniors Dave Kircher (Manasquan, NJ/Manasquan HS), Eric Adams (Dover, NJ/Dover HS) and Jeff Kocsis (Bethlehem, PA/Bethlehem Catholic HS) and junior Timothy McBride (Egg Harbor Township, NJ/Egg Harbor Township HS). Sophomore Andrew Grando (Whiting, NJ/Manchester Township HS) has earned the starting position with the Greyhounds average 6-2, 275 on the front line. Kocsis was also a member of the All-Middle Atlantic Conference Second Team a year ago.

DEFENSIVE FRONT: Junior defensive end Don Maxwell (Berkeley Heights, NJ/Governor Livingston HS) leads the Moravian defensive front with 12 tackles including a tackle for loss and half a sack while senior defensive lineman Matt Adams (Dover, NJ/Dover HS) has seven stops with half a tackle for loss. Junior defensive lineman Douglas Bocchino has added six tackles, half a sack and an interception returned 45 yards for a touchdown versus Lebanon Valley College after missing the first game of the season. Freshman defensive lineman Sean Rimmer (Kintnersville, PA/Palisades HS) has made five tackles while junior defensive tackle Robert Kadel (Blairstown, NJ/North Warren HS) has two tackles. Freshman defensive end Matthew Leiggi (Princeton, NJ/West Windsor-Plainsboro HS) has added one tackle and junior defensive tackle Mike Nagle (Marlton, NJ/Bishop Eustace HS) blocked a punt and extra-point against Susquehanna University and recovered the block for the Greyhounds.

THE LINEBACKER CORPS: Junior linebacker Kevin McGorry currently lead the Greyhound defense with a team high 23 tackles with four and a half tackles for loss, a sack, a pass break-up and three forced fumbles while junior linebacker Andrew Morrissey has contributed 21 tackles including two for loss, a fumble recovery and two forced fumbles. Sophomore Derek Protasiewicz (Whippany, NJ/Whippany Park HS) has added 12 tackles with one for loss and a fumble recovery of five yards while senior linebacker Zach Santiago (Bethlehem, PA/Bethlehem Catholic HS) has 13 tackles, half a tackle for loss, a fumble recovery and a pass break-up. Senior linebacker Dan Edelman (Pottstown, PA/The Hill School) has added 12 tackles and junior linebacker Jayson Williams (Collingswood, NJ/Collingswood HS) has contributed eight tackles. Freshman linebacker Anthony Carney (Bethlehem, PA/Bethlehem Catholic HS) has made five tackles on special teams and a punt at Susquehanna University while sophomore linebacker Anthony Carney (Bethlehem, PA/Bethlehem Catholic HS) has blocked nine punts for Moravian while freshman defensive back Mason Lauer (Winfield, PA/Selinsgrove HS) has one interception.

THE DEFENSIVE BACKFIELD: In the defensive backfield, sophomore cornerback Brad Bodine has made 14 tackles with one for loss, four pass break-ups and a forced fumble while junior defensive back Eric Brinkerhoff has 14 tackles with two for loss, one sack, a fumble recovery of 72 yards for a touchdown, one interception and two pass break-ups. Junior strong safety Carl Robinson (Boothwyn, PA/Garnet Valley HS) has contributed 12 tackles and one interception while freshman corner back Daniel Burley has 15 tackles to go along with an interception and a pass break-up. Freshman defensive back Thomas Dailey (Easton, PA/Notre Dame HS) has contributed six tackles for Moravian while freshman defensive back Jason Lauer (Winfield, PA/Selinsgrove HS) has one interception.

KICKING GAME: Junior kicker Brian Reckenbeil is ten-for-ten on extra-point attempts this season, and he four-for-six on field goal attempts with a long of 37 yards against McDaniel. Reckenbeil is averaging 56.6 yards per kickoff as well, making opponents receive the kick off at their own 16-yard line. Junior punter Michael Voskian (Brielle, NJ/Manasquan HS) is averaging 36.7 yards per punt on 12 attempts with a long of 46 yards. Voskian has had one punt downed inside the 20-yard line, one fair caught, one blocked and three touchbacks.

SPECIAL TEAMS: Junior running back Tyler McCambridge has six kickoff returns for 124 yards while senior wide receiver Sean Hill has returned four kickoffs for 75 yards. McCambridge also has five punt returns for 61 yards while freshman wide receiver Alex Hersch has added three kickoff returns for 76 yards. Freshman linebacker Anthony Carney was credited with a 25-yard punt return after blocking a punt at Susquehanna. Freshman wide receiver Shawn Sylvainus has made four tackles on special teams this fall while junior fullback Michael Cancelliere has added two tackles.

STARTERS PLAYER OF THE GAME: As part of Moravian’s radio contract with Fox Sports Radio 1470 AM WSAN The Fox, the announcers will select the Starters Player of the Game for Moravian during the Post-Game Show. Last week, senior tight end Kris Bisci, junior linebacker Kevin McGorry and junior kicker Brian Reckenbeil were selected as the Starters Players of the Game for their performances. Bisci caught six passes for 74 yards and a touchdown. McGorry made a game high 13 tackles including a sack and a forced fumble to lead the Moravian defense. Reckenbeil became Moravian’s all-time leader in field goals with a pair in the game and he made his only extra-point attempt. Starters Riverport and Starters Pub, sponsors of Moravian College Athletics, are located on 2nd Street and Route 378 South of Bethlehem.

WINNING WAYS: Moravian had 11 consecutive winning seasons—all under Coach Scot Dapp, from 1987 to 1997 and has had 15 winning seasons in Dapp’s 20 years. The 11-straight winning seasons is the longest in school history. Dapp ranks third among Greyhound coaches in winning percentage.

OVERTIME HOUNDS: Moravian has played a total of seven overtime games since the NCAA instituted the rule for the 1996 season and is 5-2 all-time in the extra-session. Last year was the sixth time since 1996 that the Greyhounds did not play at least one overtime game.

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