



# The Rage Page



The weather outside may be getting frightful, but inside Crisler Arena is so delightful, for the Wolverines that is. Michigan enters tonight's game with an undefeated home record and a lot of to play for. From now on, the Maize and Blue must enter each game with a winning mentality because this game represents the start of Big Ten season. The Nittany Lions from Penn State make their way to Ann Arbor for the opening of Big Ten season with a young squad and a mediocre record. There's no doubt in saying that this is a rebuilding year for the Nittany Lions as first year coach Pat Chambers tries to motivate his squad to play the now ranked #18/16 Michigan Wolverines. Remember, it was just two years ago when Penn State made a visit to Crisler and recorded one of its three conference wins against the Wolverines, so there must be no holding back. For the students who are in attendance and the many non-students in the bleachers, we must stand and cheer for our team because the first Big Ten game is always important. Be loud, be proud, and Go Blue!

Here is the projected starting lineup for the Penn State Nittany Lions (8-5, 0-0 Big Ten):

23	Tim Frazier	6'1"	G	The junior leader from Houston, TX is "The fastest player ever I have ever coached" according to Pat Chambers.
11	Jermaine Marshall	6'4"	G	Red-shirt sophomore missed the first game of the season due to a suspension for "violation of team rules".
5	<b>Matt Glover</b>	<b>6'4"</b>	<b>G</b>	<b>Matt played one year for Sheridan Community College in Wyoming where he was an honor roll student and recorded 11.8 points per game.</b>
43	Ross Travis	6'6"	F	Freshman from Chaska, MN attended the same high school (Chaska HS) as Michigan Women's Bball player Courtney Boylan.
44	Billy Oliver	6'8"	F	Billy is an Academic All-Big Ten honoree, he was voted homecoming king, and supposedly is a pretty good piano player.
Coach	Patrick Chambers			First year coach from Pennsylvania left his head coaching job at Boston U after two years and an NCAA tourney birth.

*\*To comply with the new Big Ten Sportsmanship code, the Bum of the Game has been removed from the Rage Page. Instead Matt Glover is now the "Player to Watch".*

**Lone Wolf:** While making a quick search up and down the Penn State roster, you'll have a difficult time finding many upper classman. In fact, you'll have a harder time finding a senior on the roster. The only senior on the Penn State basketball squad is **Cammeron Woodyard (#24)**. He may have got been outplayed for the starting spot by sophomore Matt Glover, but that hasn't stopped him from making a name for himself. He has increased his minutes played throughout his four years and is now up to 25 minutes per game, averaging 8.1 ppg. If you're looking for something interesting about Cammeron, his father played basketball at Mount St. Mary's, who Penn State beat 72-43 earlier in December. Cammeron didn't start against The Mount, but recorded 14 points off of 20 minutes.

**Lost Trey? Found Another:** Few people know that Michigan freshman Trey Burke didn't choose to come to Michigan first; he actually verbally committed to Penn State first. However, in early 2010, Burke (thankfully) decommitted from Penn State to open up his options, which opened up a spot for a point guard on the PSU recruiting roster. It turns out the Nittany Lions had to get another Trey, so they settled on now freshman **Trey Lewis (#3)** from just outside of Cleveland, OH. While Burke enjoys scoring and assists, Lewis enjoys playing the piano, rapping, and performing magic tricks.

**Briefly:** Walk-on **Alan Wisniewski (#34)** hails from Sterling Heights, MI and plans to major in electrical engineering... Freshman **Jon Graham (#25)** is the son of former Maryland great Ernest Graham, who holds that record for the most points scored in a game for Maryland with 44 points.... Freshman center **Patrick Ackerman (#32)** attended Worcester Academy, the same prep school as Blake McLimans... Cammeron Woodyard suffered from blindness in 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade because he was shot in the eye with a BB gun.

**THE REST OF THE NITTANY LIONS:** #2 DJ Newbill, #14 Kevin Montminy, #20 Nick Colella, #21 Sasa Borovnjak, #52 Peter Alexis

- PSU's Free Throws: Listen in to the center of the Rage where the chant will be started, and follow along with one of these:
- You Will Miss! You Will Miss! You Will Miss! (And upon a miss, yell "Thank you")
  - Gooooo!! Bluuuuuuue!! (with the rest of the crowd)
  - Sing The Victors (listen for the "1, 2, you know what to do!")
  - Upon a made free throw, listen for the "It doesn't matter!" prompt and yell "You still suck!"

**Keep it classy, Rage:** As one of college basketball's premiere student sections, it's important that we refrain from swearing and making other negative slurs throughout the game. The University of Michigan is an institution of class, and as a collective representative of the University, we need to uphold this standard. It's cool to razz the opposition, but keep it clean, Ragers.

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Here is the *projected* starting lineup for YOUR Michigan Wolverines (10-2, 0-0 Big Ten):

3	Trey Burke	5'11" G	Continues to impress as a freshman, putting up 13 points per game and sporting a solid 1.8 assist-to-turnover margin.
0	Zack Novak	6'4" G	Third-year captain has simply done everything this year for the Wolverines, including shoot free throws: he leads the team with an 88.9% mark.
10	Tim Hardaway, Jr.	6'5" G	Continues to struggle from downtown, making just 32.8% of his threes, but he still leads the team with 15.4 points per game.
23	Evan Smotrycz	6'9" F	His first two career double-doubles have come in the last two games, but his 78.9% three-point shooting over the last four games is more impressive.
52	Jordan Morgan	6'8" F	Starting to show signs of his potential after his 15-point, seven rebound performance in the win over Bradley.
Coach	John Beilein		Enters his fifth season of Big Ten play tonight looking to improve on his 30-42 conference record.

**Welcome to the BIG:** Going into the season, the Big Ten looked like it may be facing a bit of a down year after losing a number of high-profile players to graduation and transfer. To date, however, the conference has appeared to be by far the strongest in the NCAA, with all 12 teams entering conference play with winning records. Many pundits predict as many as eight Big Ten teams could reach the NCAA Tournament, but the only sure thing today is that each conference game is going to be a battle. Buckle up for the ride.

**Maize Rage Social Media:** To keep up to date with the digital world, the Maize Rage continues to grow in the Internet world. Be sure to become a fan of the Maize Rage on Facebook to keep track of all Maize Rage news and to follow on Twitter at @UMMaizeRage.

**JORT OUT:** This year the Maize Rage is trying to increase participation by organizing theme nights. The first theme night of the season will be our "Jort Out" held on January 8 against Wisconsin. The concept is simple, wear your favorite pair of jeans shorts. Rule of thumb: If you can't see the bottom of the pockets, your shorts are too long. Also, the tighter the better, and cut-offs are mandatory. If you have ideas for future theme nights, contact President Sam Sedlecky at sedlecky@umich.edu.

**Quick Reminders:** This is the *MAIZE* Rage; please make a conscious effort to wear maize (or a costume or jersey) to all games. Also, we thank you for coming to each and every game, but we ask that even if you are a late arriver and don't get a bleacher seat to please stay standing and to participate as much as possible to help make the Maize Rage one of the premier student sections in the country.

**\*H-BOMB:** When Tim Hardaway Jr. hits a three, drop back in your seats as if a bomb has violently shaken Crisler Arena. Simultaneously, yell "Timmy" (Like Timmy from South Park).

**Chants: Be steady and *DON'T SPEED UP*, or the chants will become disorganized and ineffective...**

Offense:

-Here we go Michigan, here we go! (clap clap)  
-Let's Go Michigan! (clap, clap, clap clap clap)  
-Go, Blue, Go! (clap clap clap)  
-Let's Go Blue! (clap)  
-Go Blue! (clap clap)

Defense:

-De-fense! (clap clap)  
-D-D-D-Defense! D-D-D-Defense!  
-Popcorn (Jump up and down while screaming OHHHH!!)  
-Bounce! Bounce! Pass! (Yell "bounce" when the opposition dribbles, and "pass" when they pass)

**Upcoming games:**

January 1	vs Minnesota	4:00pm	Ring in the New Year by helping us beat Tubby's Gophers again!
January 5	at Indiana	9:00pm	Michigan looks to cool the smoking-hot Hoosiers at Assembly Hall.
January 8	vs Wisconsin	TBA	See above for news on the Maize Rage's exciting theme night today!



**STUDENTS! E-MAIL LIST:** To sign up for weekly newsletters and important Rage tidbits, go to MaizeRage.org and click the link on the left side of the page, or send an email to [mcwillre@umich.edu](mailto:mcwillre@umich.edu) requesting that your name be added.

## The Bacari Corner

A Tribute to coach Bacari Alexander and his Tweets:

*December 25:* "Playoff bound! Go Lions! #diehardfan"

*December 28:* "I believe if our fans are loud and engaged our players will surely respond. #6thman"

*December 28:* "We are tracking towards a sellout!!!! Wow! #growblue"