



The Rage Page



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It seemed like it was only yesterday that we sat here in Crisler Arena, watching our Michigan Wolverines earn an at-large berth in the NCAA Tournament. But that was almost two years ago, and now we are here preparing for what is sure to be an interesting 2010-2011 season. With a plethora of freshmen this season, Coach John Beilein says we are going to surprise some people, and there is good reason to believe him: every player on this Michigan roster is a Beilein recruit, and after a summer of hard workouts and a trip to Europe, this team looks hungry and ready to play. Compared to last season, this team has very low expectations, which is exactly where this team was two year ago when they shocked the world and made it to the second round of the NCAA Tournament. So let's get ready for the Cardinals straight out of the Sag-nasty, who return for the second time in three years.

Here is the *projected* starting lineup for the Saginaw Valley State Cardinals (0-0, 0-0 GLIAC):

55	Greg Foster	6'2"	G	Former "Bum of the Game" does not garner the same recognition this time; was a big recruit two years ago, scored a team-high 12 points at MSU Tuesday
32	Chris Webb	6'1"	G	If only his last name had the letters "er" at the end...
23	Keithan Jackson	6'5"	F	Last season he was second on the team with a whopping 16 blocked shots.
20	Dan Genther	6'5"	F	Studying to become a veterinarian, he comes from a town of 1000 people.
40	Adam Roberts	6'10"	C	In high school, he was both the Student Council Treasurer and the History Student of the Year; thus, he is good with money and the Civil War.
Coach	Frankie Smith			Last time he came to Crisler, he faked shooting a gun at la Gilbert Arenas when we chanted for the police officer to use his gun (all in good fun, of course).

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

The Bird Is The Word: In the popular TV show *Family Guy*, Peter Griffin is infatuated with the song "Surfin' Bird", which includes lyrics "the bird is the word". Griffin often asks other characters if they "have heard the word", in which he responds with "THE BIRD IS THE WORD". To make a long story short, Roberts loves this song, and we should keep that song fresh in his mind this evening.

Dan The Vet: As noted above, Genther plans on becoming a veterinarian after college. His favorite channel is Animal Planet, and if you are in the Saginaw area, he will be sure to tell you that it is on channel 68 on the main Saginaw cable network.

Internet Sensation! Sophomore **Taylor Brule (#34)**, or "musicube17" on Youtube, has uploaded several videos onto the site. One has him (or a friend of his) doing some sort of card trick, while another, titled "basketball video" appears to be a highlight reel from his playing days in high school. However, it is simply a slideshow going back and forth between photos of him in lay-up lines and professional basketball players like Shaq and Allen Iverson on the covers of magazines. The Houghton, Michigan native's highlight reel does not include any moving picture...

Briefly: Sophomore **Mike Schaaf (#35)** was drafted in the 18th round of the MLB draft in 2009 by the Texas Rangers, but had signed a letter of intent to play baseball at St. Peter's College in New Jersey... fellow sophomore **Jay Thames (#44)** transferred from Oakland University, where he lasted one season before coming to Saginaw... **Michael Fugate (#24)** once hit a full-court shot in high school at the end of the first quarter... **Logan Ellman (#22)** averaged nearly a triple-double in high school, putting up averages of over 17 points, 9.8 rebounds, and 9.3 assists.

THE REST OF THE CARDINALS: #1 Justin Henderson, #3 Sean Romsek, #10 Josh Picknell, #12 Bret Beland, #14 Ian Monk, #21 Eli Redman, #30 Mohammed Conde, #32 Josh Eisenga, #33 Patrick O'Brien

- SVSU'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 we work toward becoming a great student section, 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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MAIZE RAGE NEWS AND INFO ON YOUR MICHIGAN WOLVERINES ON THE FLIP SIDE →

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

4	Darius Morris	6'4"	G	D-Mo returns as the Wolverines' true point guard; he played all 32 games last year in his first year on campus.
0	Zack Novak	6'4"	G	Hopefully Zack can get some more threes to drop this year after moving from power forward to shooting guard.
10	Tim Hardaway Jr.	6'5"	G	The son of former NBA great Tim Hardaway; Jr. starts he's career at Michigan after leading the team in scoring in Europe with 11.8 ppg
23	Evan Smotrycz	6'9"	F	From Reading, Mass; Evan will add some much needed size to the squad.
22	Blake McLimans	6'10"	F	Don't let his size fool you, Blake can stroke it from behind the line.
Coach	John Beilein			JB will begin his 4 th year as the Wolverines head coach tonight.

Underclassmen Takeover: "This is probably one of the younger teams I've ever coached, and maybe one of the younger ones in the country." That is a quote from Coach Beilein at the Big Ten Media Day last week describing the youth of this Michigan Basketball team. With no seniors and only two juniors (Zack Novak and Stu Douglass), there are only three other players who have played more than 15 minutes of Division-I basketball (sophomores Darius Morris, Eso Akunne, and Matt Vogrich). Wrapping up the rest of the "youngest team in the country" are redshirt sophomore Corey Person, redshirt freshmen Blake McLimans and Jordan Morgan, and true freshmen Tim Hardaway Jr., Jon Horford, Evan Smotrycz, and Colton Christian.

Jayhawks come to Crisler: In response to last year's road game in Lawrence, the Jayhawks make their way to Ann Arbor on January 9th, 2011. Kansas comes into the season ranked #7 in the nation, but they made quite the exit last year in the NCAA Tourney. After being awarded the overall #1 seed, the Jayhawks were stunned by Northern Iowa 69-67 in the second round. Thanks to the ticket policy, if you want to sit in the bleachers for this game, you need to attend all of the games leading up to it. But don't worry, it will be worth it when you are sitting in one of the best seats in Crisler and a possible top-5 team comes to town.

European Vacation: In last August, the Wolverines took a trip to Europe to play against 4 professional teams in Belgium. With such a young team, expectations were thrown out the window and Beilein just focused on getting better, as always. After dropping the first three games, Michigan capped their trip by defeating Mons 80-74 lead by Matt Vogrich's 22 points and another 14 points from Tim Hardaway Jr.

***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 "Timmay" (like Timmy from South Park).

THE FISH: At halftime, be sure to sit down and start swaying back and forth. You will see random Maize Ragers jump up and flop like a fish. If you feel so inclined, go ahead and try it out, too!

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:

November 13	vs SC Upstate	7:00pm	This is our first chance to beat some Spartans
November 18	vs Bowling Green	7:00pm	Round One of the 2010 Legends Classic,
November 21	vs Gardner-Webb	4:00pm	Round One of the 2010 Legends Classic



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The Histo and Bacari Corner

Did you know...

- Michigan is 259-198 in seasons when the World Cup had taken place the summer before.
- In those same years, however, the Wolverines have only gone 129-147 in conference play.

Coach BA's tweets of the week!

Nov. 2: "It doesn't matter how slow you go as long as you don't stop"
 – Confucius
 Oct. 29: "We love the National Geographic channel here at Michigan!
 LOL!!! Gotta luv it."