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“We just **panicked** a little bit.” ... *Coach John Beilein, after the 77-65 loss to Minnesota*

So close and yet so far. It’s a common lament for losing teams, but after another tantalizingly close loss on the road to a tough Big Ten opponent in Columbus on Tuesday, it’s something this Michigan team can relate to. And it also applies to today’s Nittany Lion foes. Though this season was supposed to be a breakout one for PSU, Geary Claxton, their leading scorer, tore his ACL to end his college career. Penn State pulled off a monumental upset exactly one week ago, beating #7-ranked Michigan State, 85-76. Even so, they’ve lost to teams like Rider and UCF this year. We’ve beaten the Nittany Lions ten straight times in basketball and nine straight in football. Let’s provide one more example of why We Own Penn State.

Here is the projected starting lineup for the Penn State Nittany Lions (11-11, 3-7 Big Ten):

12	Talor Battle	5’11”	G	Freshman known for three-point shooting described transition to college as a “smack in the face” as he started his career 4-of-36 from long range
11	Stanley Pringle*	6’1”	G	Dreadlocked junior played H.S. basketball with Florida WR Percy Harvin, who knows all about losing to Michigan; mother is named Elvira Pringle
2	Jamelle Cornley	6’5”	F	Facebook group “Cornley’s Crew” boasts two members: Cornley and Pringle
15	David Jackson	6’6”	F	Brother is Pistons forward Amir Johnson; mother, Andrea, is kind of an Olympian (member of the 1980 U.S. Team, which boycotted the games)
22	Andrew Jones III	6’9”	F	Gained over 50 pounds in the last two years (see below for his secret)
Coach	Ed DeChellis			DeChellis on why he recruited star Geary Claxton: “he had a great smile”

***Bum of the Game: #11 Stanley Pringle** – Whenever Stanley Pringle touches the ball, we’ll do a “Prin-gle... Bum!” chant (like “Goalie... Sieve!” at a hockey game). Four medium, four short, then one long. Come on, he’s named after a chip.

No suspenders needed: Don’t be surprised if freshman **Jeff Brooks’s (#25)** basketball shorts come up to his armpits. We’re hoping that this picture is simply either a Steve Urkel or a Joe Paterno impression gone horribly wrong. →



Weight for me: Sophomore Andrew Jones III described himself as a “bean pole” when he arrived on campus, so he promptly added 52 pounds to his frame. How did he do it? He consumed a freakish 8,000 calories a day (the recommended daily intake is 2,000). His required diet was three peanut butter and honey sandwiches and a quart of chocolate milk each night before bed, and that was just one of his required *seven* 1,200 calorie meals in a given day. Also, he participated in workouts that the PSU athletic department says sounded like “some medieval dungeon.” Jones’s thoughts on the process? “It kind of makes you not like [food] as much.”

Finnish line: Junior forward **Joonas Suotamo’s (#21)** 6’10” height may be an advantage on the hardwood, but he says it will prevent him from pursuing his true love: acting. The Espoo, Finland native hopes to direct, instead. He has made one film that you can watch on YouTube that is called “Wolverine in Action,” (reflecting a subconscious desire to go to Michigan, presumably) in which some sort of Special Forces team thwarts terrorists. He has one idea for a movie he can’t wait to make: “It’s about a guy who was in the library and finds a secret hidden microfilm which tells the truth about the JFK assassination.” Like National Treasure, only, somehow, even worse.

Briefly: Senior forward **Brandon Hassell’s (#23)** Myspace page is listed under the pseudonym “B-EazE”; under Favorite Books he writes “readin...nah.” ... Jamelle Cornley’s father, Hank, works in the Ohio Department of Corrections. ... Guard **Nikola Obradovic (#10)**, who is a *junior*, will be a shocking 24 years old in April, putting him near Histo-status by the time he graduates.

THE REST OF THE PENN STATE ROSTER: #1 Schyler King, #4 Mike Walker, #5 Geary Claxton, #13 Will Leiner, #14 Adam Highberger, #33 Danny Morrissey, #41 Steve Kirkpatrick, #44 Andrew Ott

- Penn State’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)
 - Absolute silence, and then scream just as the player shoots
 - 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 (5-17, 1-9 Big Ten):

44	Kelvin Grady	5'11" G	The freshman led the Wolverines in scoring at OSU with 11 points on 4-of-7 shooting including three three-pointers, his fifth time scoring in double-digits
3	Manny Harris	6'5" G	Star freshman exploded for a career-high 26 points at Wisconsin on 11-of-19 shooting; he leads the team in scoring, assists, steals, and defensive rebounds
24	Ron Coleman	6'6" W	The senior sure looked like he was fully recovered from his ankle injury against Minnesota, scoring a season-best-tying 14 points in 27 minutes
34	DeShawn Sims	6'8" F	Sophomore is averaging a career-best 12.7 points per game and has scored in double-figures in 17 games (including two 20-plus point performances)
22	Ekpe Udoh	6'10" F	Big Ten shot block leader had four at OSU, giving him 19 multi-block games this year; also made a clutch three-pointer—U-M's last points in that game
Coach	John Beilein		First-year UM coach set the trend for West Virginia coaches coming to A ² ; check out his radio show every Monday evening at 6 p.m.

A near breakthrough: Michigan had a chance this week to finally pull off a big win to get their season back on track. Mirroring a similar near-upset at Wisconsin a couple of weeks ago, Michigan almost knocked off the Buckeyes in Columbus on Tuesday night. Beilein's boys led by four points midway through the second half but—yet again—went cold on offense, scoring only twice in the final ten minutes of the game. Ohio State closed the game with a 17-3 run, repeating a storyline that we've seen far too often this year. Michigan lost, 65-55. One bright spot: the bench came up big. Redshirt sophomore Anthony Wright had eight points and four assists, junior Jevohn Shepherd recorded six points in just ten minutes of action, and Zack Gibson tallied a nifty four points in 12 minutes. At one point, Michigan went on a 13-2 run that was comprised entirely of points from bench players.

Students, we want to hear you: What do you think of the Maize Rage? What can we do better? What do we do well? We want to know what you think! Come to a meeting of the Maize Rage Core Committee. We meet each Monday night at 7:00 p.m. Next week's meeting will be in the Sophia B. Jones room in the Union (location sometimes changes, so e-mail wolters@umich.edu beforehand to double-check that we'll be there). Whether you just want to share a few thoughts or you want to get involved long-term, we'd like to hear what you have to say.

H-BOMB: When Manny Harris hits a three, drop back in your seats as if a bomb has violently shaken Crisler Arena. Simultaneously yell "Fresh" (Manny's nickname), holding the -SH at the end.

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:

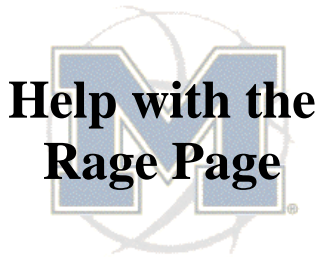
- De-fense! (clap clap)
- D-D-D-Defense! D-D-D-Defense!
- Popcorn (Jump up and down while screaming OHHHH!!)
- Bounce! Bounce! Pass! (Yell "bounce" when the opposition dribbles, and "pass" when they pass)

Bum of the Game goes to the bench: -NaNaNaNaN! NaNaNaNaN! Hey Hey Hey, You Suck!

Band Chants: Try to follow along with what the band is doing. In particular, listen for "Mi-chi-gan, Let's Go," "Blue," and "Go Blue." Also, pay attention to any signs the band might hold up.

Upcoming home games:

Sun, February 17	vs. Ohio State	1:00pm	Nationally televised on CBS
Sat, February 23	vs. Illinois	4:00pm	During Spring Break, but come show the Blue Rage how it's done



Interested in helping make this fine publication? Send an e-mail to craigjoh@umich.edu or come to a Monday evening Maize Rage meeting.

Histo's Corner:

Michigan is 20-8 all-time against Penn State, including a 12-1 record at Crisler Arena.

In basketball, Michigan has won ten straight against the Nittany Lions. In football, Michigan has won nine straight.

Former Michigan head coach Tommy Amaker never lost to Penn State during his six years at Michigan. Penn State coach Ed DeChellis has never beaten the Wolverines during his four seasons in State College.

Histo's RPI Update:

Michigan - #171, Penn State - #130