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Tonight's game marks the beginning of a stretch of games that aren't so high-profile, but mean everything to us at this point in the season. The injury bug has recently hit Crisler and knocked out a few players including Lester, who's out for the season. Our team is about to find out how deep and how tough it is without several of its big-time guys. Tonight, the second installment of the new Michigan-High Point rivalry will be hashed out here in Ann Arbor, with the Panthers looking to bounce back from the 35-point drubbing that they received at the hands of Michigan last November. High Point did lose to Division II Alaska Anchorage recently, but they are selected to finish 2nd in the Big South this season. Let's bring it like we always do and will the Wolverines to a win.

Here is the starting lineup for the High Point Panthers (2-5, 0-0 Big South Conference):

00	Jerry Echenique	6'6"	F/C	This Honduras native turns 25 three weeks from today...OLD ALERT; had one rebound against Creighton on Saturday
10	Zione White	6'3"	G	Likes the music of Lil Flip; hails from <u>Spartanburg</u> , SC
11	Titus Byrd	5'11"	G	Fourth in the nation in scoring in JuCo ball in '03-'04 with 24.2 ppg
13	Landon Quick	6'1"	G	This High Point native playing for his home team loves to shop for shoes
55	Danny Gathings	6'6"	F	He's a big "Titanic" fan (he liked Leo) and turns 24 this Saturday; wow, these guys are just all really old
Coach	Bart Lundy			Collegiansider.com's defending National Rookie Coach of the Year

Prep connection: Issa Konare (#4), a transfer from South Carolina, and Michigan's Amadou Ba are both alums of Bridgton Academy in Maine.

Nutty: Freshman forward Jerald Minnis (#34) is nicknamed "P-Nut".

The rest of the roster: 3 – Anthony Harris, 5 – Chris Mayshack, 12 – Chris Meeks, 21 – Mark Wilson, 23 – Akeem Scott, 30 – Arizona Reid, 33 – Terrance Stokes, 44 – Patrick Hilliman

Mix it up: There's been discussion around the Rage about "excessive popcorning", or bouncing and yelling on defense. Let's mix in some chants like DE-FENSE (clap clap), for example, when we're on D. It's good if we popcorn for the first several minutes of the game and after baskets (especially huge BP dunks), but if we turn the ball over or miss a shot, try to go into a different chant.

IMPORTANT: DO NOT SPEED UP WHEN CHANTING. Chants can get out of control and become ineffective. Be steady.

WATCH THE BAND: The Victors is the greatest fight song in the history of the world, and we should treat it that way by all being in sync with each other and especially with the band while singing it. When the band stops playing the music and it's time to sing a cappella, watch them and their fist pumping to make sure you keep the time.

H-BOMB: If Daniel hits a three, drop back in your seats as if a bomb has violently shaken Crisler Arena. It's the H-BOMB!

Yeah gold seats: Who ever said that the upper bowl of Crisler had to be so quiet you could hear a pin drop? Cheers to the Maize Ragers sitting up in the top of Crisler that took on and neutralized Notre Dame's Leprechaun Legion on Saturday afternoon. Remember, everyone with student tickets is a Maize Rager. Raging's not restricted to the bleachers. Get loud and get up, everyone.

Check out our website: After the game, make sure you check out MaizeRage.org for all of the latest Maize Rage news about upcoming meetings and the Rager of the Game. Check out new Maize Rage pictures and archived issues of the Full Court Press. MaizeRage.org...it's just a click away!

Correction: In the Notre Dame FCP, Omari Isreal's name was inadvertently misspelled. Oh well, he still lost.

Histo's Corner: Michigan is 3-0 all-time against teams from the Big South Conference.

Michigan defeated High Point 84-49 in their first meeting ever on November 26, 2003.

Michigan is 7-0 all time against teams starting with the letter "H" in games played in the State of Michigan.

High Point is 0-5 in road games this season, having lost by an average of 13.0 points.