

The Rage Page



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Freshman Stu Douglass, after the Wolverines' exhibition win against Saginaw Valley State ... "There weren't a whole lot of fans, but I still felt the energy. It just felt really good to finally put on that Michigan jersey."

You heard the man: numbers were low, energy was high. Time to increase both of those, as the regular season opens tonight with the Coaches vs. Cancer Tournament, Round 1. With the season opening against Michigan Tech, the Wolverines must avoid a letdown like Michigan State last season against Grand Valley State. Michigan Tech is a *highly* desirable school for athletes, with a campus in Houghton, MI (one of the most northern cities in the Upper Peninsula) and a boy-girl ratio of 5 to 1. Sounds like a good time! With "Husky Hysteria" coming to Ann Arbor, let's make sure to show them how we do it down here in the Lower Peninsula.

Here is the projected starting lineup for the Michigan Tech Huskies (0-0, 0-0 GLIAC):

10	Sean Geary	5'10" G	Has made several AND1 Mixtapes with an 8-foot hoop; he was dominant
3	Robby Springborn*	5'11" G	Enjoys listening to Daughtry and watching Grey's Anatomy
5	Don Fowler	6'2" G	Headed north to MTU after an embarrassing end to his senior football season
			(See below for details)
40	Federick Bowe	6'5" F	Former walk-on is originally from the Bahamas; nicknamed "Enduranze"
30	Chris Baugh	6'6" F	On Facebook under "residence," lists his home as the "Sin Bin"
Coach	Kevin Luke		Nicknamed "Cool Hand Luke" in his playing days because of his phenomenal
			outside shooting; hails from the Upper Peninsula and has a career record of
			260-145

Fumble-rooskie: Don Fowler is responsible for one of the greatest football blunders in prep sports history. Down 32-30 with a minute remaining in the MHSAA State Championship game, he caught a long pass and was marching towards the end zone untouched for the go-ahead touchdown, only to fumble on the 1-yard line as he extended the ball forward in celebration. The opposing team recovered and Fowler's school, Warren De La Salle, lost.

Nametag: Redshirt freshman **Brian Olley** (#50) must have trouble remembering his name because it's tattooed down his side. Stretching from just below his armpit to nearly his waist, the last name OLLEY is inked in some sort of signature-like font. No word yet on where his first name will be tattooed, or if he can even remember it without the inscription.

Chipotle would be upset: Sophomore **Mike Szatko** (#13) has quite the Facebook profile, claiming to enjoy "creating phat beats on a Macbook," "falling off longboards," and he is listed as "In a Relationship with Qdoba Mexican Grill."

Don't quit your day job: Freshman **TJ Brown** (#4) loves coming up with his own rhymes and opening them for critique. One such rhyme goes like this: "You can call me boss and I'm on them trees like moss, get up in yo mouth like floss, I'm all over this s*** like sauce." He's a long way from Jay-Z, but maybe he can collaborate with Szatko's phat beats and release a single or two...

Not on the ball: Senior Brandon Ball (#11) is notorious for borrowing CDs and DVDs and never returning them, as his Facebook wall is littered with people demanding their discs back. As one friend writes, Ball is "always borrowin' [people's] CD's and DVD's then actin' like [he has] amnesia."

THE REST OF THE HUSKIES: #12 Matt Esters, #20 Anthony Katona, #22 Matt Gaedke, #32 Georgio Holt, #42 Mike Hojnacki, #54 Nate Kindt

MTU'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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Here is the projected starting lineup for YOUR Michigan Wolverines (0-0, 0-0 Big Ten):							
15	David Merritt	5'10"	G	Made the team at open tryouts two years ago; now, the fifth-year senior is one			
				of Michigan's leaders; played in 20 games last year despite a meniscus tear			
1	Stu Douglass	6'3"	G	True freshman from Carmel, IN has a sweet shooter's touch and excellent			
				range, which he displayed in the exhibition, going 3-for-5 from beyond the arc			
3	Manny Harris	6'5"	G	Preseason All-Big Ten team selection took control in the second half of the			
				exhibition win, scoring nine of the Wolverines' first 13 points after the half			
34	DeShawn Sims	6'8"	F	Peedi was a rebound short of a double-double against SVSU; the junior started			
				all 32 games last season and averaged 12.5 points and 5.2 rebounds per game			
32	Zack Gibson	6'10"	F	Transfer from Rutgers started eight games for the Maize and Blue last year;			
				led the team in FG percentage (48.2%), and has developed a nice outside shot			
Coach	John Beilein			His second year at Michigan, Beilein has a career record of 561-340 and has			
				earned a winning record in 26 of 30 years, including 14 20-win seasons			

A fresh start: One of the most exciting aspects of the exhibition game against Saginaw Valley was the sneak peak at the four freshmen. Stu Douglass was particularly impressive, leading the team with six assists and going 3-of-5 from three-point range. Ben Cronin, the 7-foot center, played just four minutes, but contributed four points, three rebounds, two blocks, and an assist in that time. Zack Novak, wearing #0, chipped in six points, all on three-pointers, in 17 minutes, and Corey Person notched one point despite just three minutes of action.

See you tomorrow: Come back tomorrow night for a game against IUPUI or Northeastern, and get here early. There will be food in the bleachers for Maize Ragers before each weekday game. Be sure not to miss a game (give your ticket to a friend if you must), as you will receive a \$20 M-Den gift card for attending all non-break non-conference games and a \$10 M-Den gift card for attending all non-break Big Ten games. Attending all non-break games gets you a Maize Rage hooded sweatshirt. If your friends don't have tickets, bring them along anyway. They can get a free non-bleacher ticket with their M-Card.

Player Intros: We will chant the name of the Michigan player about to be introduced while the opposing team's names are read. Check with the center section beforehand to determine the order in which our players will be introduced.

Stu: When Stu Douglass enters the game, chant "Go, Stu, Go! (clap clap clap)" as if it is "Go, Blue, Go."

H-BOMB: When Manny Harris hits a three, drop back in your seats as if a bomb has violently shaken Crisler Arena. At the same time, 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)

-Go, Blue, Go! (clap clap)

-Let's Go Blue! (clap)

-Bounce! Bounce! Pass! (Yell "bounce" when the opposition dribbles, and "pass" when they pass)

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

Upcoming events:			
Wed, November 12	vs. IUPUI OR Northeastern	5:00pm OR 8:00pm	Get here early for free food in the bleachers
Tues, November 25	vs. Norfolk State	8:30pm	BTN



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 nmattar@umich.edu requesting that your name be added.

Histo's Corner:

Michigan is 3-0 all-time against Michigan Tech (all in exhibition games).

Two years ago, U-M beat the Huskies, 85-50, in the teams' most recent matchup.

On November 11, Michigan is 2-0, both games having occurred in the last two years. Last year, the Wolverines defeated Brown, 72-57. Two years ago, they beat Davidson, 78-68.

Histo's 'Did You Know?'

Michigan women's basketball coach Kevin Borseth is a member of the Michigan Tech sports hall of fame. He served as head coach of the MTU women's team from 1987-1998, during which time he notched a 225-98 record and won GLIAC Coach of the Year five times.