



# The Rage Page



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The final few days of exams are upon us here in Ann Arbor, but there is still basketball to be played! Today, our guys get an early start as they take on the very dangerous Oakland Golden Grizzlies, straight out of Rochester, Michigan. Only an hour's drive away, Greg Kampe took his team to the NCAA Tournament last season, and is coming off of a HUGE win at #7 Tennessee. They have played arguably the nation's toughest schedule so far; in addition to beating the Volunteers, they have played (and narrowly lost to) Michigan State, Illinois, Purdue, and West Virginia. After today, they will move on to face #2 Ohio State next week. It is important that the Maize Rage makes an impact today, as this is the last time the team will see the 'Rage in full force until 2011. So be loud and proud as we cheer on the Wolverines in what is, for most of us, the last time we will be in attendance in the 2010 calendar year.

Here is the projected starting lineup for the Oakland Golden Grizzlies (6-5, 0-0 Summit):

23	Reggie Hamilton	5'11" G	Against Austin Peay on December 2, he knocked down a 3-pointer with three seconds left to send the game into overtime
2	Larry Wright	6'2" G	Saginaw native transferred from St. John's after his sophomore season
3	Travis Bader	6'3" G	Father Richard Bader used to be the head of basketball operations at Michigan State University; would be the "PTW" if not for Hudson's ridiculous tattoo.
*4	<b>Will Hudson</b>	<b>6'9" F</b>	<b>Has a tattoo of his home state (Wisconsin) on his arm, with a star depicting his hometown just in case he can't find his way home.</b>
34	Keith Benson	6'11" C	Legitimate NBA prospect returned for his senior season despite being predicted by many to be a first-round pick.
Coach	Greg Kampe		Since coming to Oakland, he has lifted up the Golden Grizzlies from the depths of Division II basketball and has taken them two NCAA Tournaments.

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

**Where There's a Will There's a Way:** For the second time in three games, the "Player to Watch" is not only a player named Will, but his nickname is "The Thrill" for the second time in three games, too. Hudson joins Utah's Will Clyburn as the second "Thrill" to receive the Maize Rage's highest honor. It should also be noted that Superfan X Will McDowell goes by Will "McThrill" but is in no way even close to being a part of that boring group who cannot come up with a creative nickname.

**He's Back:** Even though he's still sitting out because of his transfer, **Laval Lucas-Perry (#13)** is back at Crisler for the first time since leaving the Michigan basketball program at the end of last season. This is his second transfer in three seasons, leaving him only two away from Alex Legion's record of FOUR transfers/de-commitments.

**The Good Ol' Days:** It was nearly ten years ago when junior **Drew Maynard (#32)** played AAU basketball with your Maize Rage President and Rage Page Editor, Nick Mattar. Back then, Maynard was a small guard who played almost every position. Clearly, the two former teammates have taken different paths, with Maynard trying to leave a legacy in the Summit League and Mattar leading hundreds of Michigan basketball fans against the 6'7" guard and his mid-major powerhouse.

**Briefly:** Center **Ilija Milutinovic (#50)** played for Worcester Academy, the same high school as current Wolverine Blake McLimans... Benson also played at the same high school as a current Wolverine, hailing from Detroit Country Day, home of Jordan Dumas... **Kyle Sikora (#40)** is from Key Largo, Florida, which you may recognize as being mentioned in the Beach Boys smash hit "Kokomo" ("Key Largo, Montego, baby why don't we go...")

**THE REST OF THE GOLDEN GRIZZLIES:** # 11 Jordan Howenstine, #12 Ledrick Eackles, #15 Drew Valentine, #22 Blake Cushingberry, #33 Ryan Bass, #42 Corey Petros, #52 Joey Asbury

- OU'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 premier 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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**MAIZE RAGE NEWS AND INFO ON YOUR MICHIGAN WOLVERINES ON THE FLIP SIDE →**

Here is the *projected* starting lineup for YOUR Michigan Wolverines (8-2, 0-0 Big Ten):

4	Darius Morris	6'4"	G	Darius is fourth in the country and leads the Big Ten in assists averaging 7.3 per game – he has been identified by many Big Ten coaches as “on the rise”.
0	Zack Novak	6'4"	G	According to Josh Bartelstein’s blog, Zack’s car dying last week is just karma for him pulling a prank on Bartelstein with fake lottery cards.
10	Tim Hardaway Jr.	6'5"	G	Timmy had a game high 4 assists against NC Central along with 11 points and a pair of H-BOMBS after missing his first six 3-point attempts
23	Evan Smotrycz	6'9"	F	Evan found his touch again and made some shots after simplifying his game.
52	Jordan Morgan	6'8"	F	Morgan out-rebounded his counterpart last Tuesday 6-4 but fell into foul trouble early and never really got into the game offensively.
Coach	John Beilein			Coach Beilein’s team is 6-0 when the Wolverines win the rebounding battle.

**Sparks From the Bench:** Many fans have noticed the hot starts by players like Darius Morris, Tim Hardaway, and Jordan Morgan, but what many fans fail to notice is the remarkable contributions from players off the bench. Against North Carolina Central, Jon Horford came off of the bench to score nine points while going 3-3 from the field and grabbing nine rebounds (seven offensive). During the first half against Utah, Matt Vogrich added eight points while shooting 2-2 from behind the arc to help the Wolverines to a 17 point lead at halftime. Finally, Harvard came to town and saw Stu Douglass tear it up in the second half, netting 16 points in the frame (19 total). Stu almost couldn’t miss as he caught fire and contributed to an 18-point swing that saw the Wolverines turn the game around in only six minutes.

**Bright Future:** Not only have the Wolverines seen fantastic play out of their young guys, but the start of the season has been good for the Michigan recruits as well. Class of 2011 recruits Carleton Brundidge from Southfield and Trey Burke from Columbus have been tearing it up in their first couple games of their senior years. Carleton put up 41 points in his first game and followed that up with 29 points (in addition to eight rebounds and eight assists) against Romulus. In the two games Trey Burke has played, he is averaging almost 29 points while shooting close to 80% (!) from the field.

**\*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 DO NOT 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:**

December 23	vs Bryant	6:00pm	A victory over the Bulldogs would be an early Christmas present
December 28	vs Purdue	2:00pm	The opening game of the Big Ten conference schedule
January 2	vs Penn State	4:00pm	Bring in the New Year with the final game in our 8 game homestand



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## The Histo and Bacari Corner

### Did you know...

- Michigan is 8-5 all-time on December 18, with their last game being a narrow 79-81 loss at UCLA.
- On this date in 1976, #1 Michigan beat over Kent State 102-66

### Coach BA’s tweets of the week!

*Dec 15:* “Need to thaw out from the bitter cold? Come to Crisler Arena. Our heat bill is paid! HA!!!! See you Saturday at noon.

*Dec. 15:* HA!!!! is the new LOL!! Oops did I just type LOL, that felt weird. HA!!!!HA!