



# The Rage Page



Aloha! After opening the season with two big wins over Ferris State and Towson, the Michigan Wolverines welcome in the Western Illinois Fighting Leathernecks from Macomb, IL tonight before traveling over the Pacific to take part in the Maui Invitational. A win tonight is absolutely imperative for our boys in Maize and Blue to go into the preseason tournament with a head of steam and momentum at our backs. And while the Maui Invitational tournament and Memphis loom large, Coach John Beilein will be the first one to tell you that the next opponent is the most important opponent on the schedule. With Western Illinois making the 457-mile trek to Ann Arbor tonight, let's show them what we are made of, so stand up, be loud, and Go Blue! Let's get another win!

Here is the projected starting lineup for the Western Illinois Fighting Leathernecks (0-1, 0-0 Summit):

24	Remy Roberts-Burnett	6'0" G	"Sizzle" (according to Facebook), from Joliet, IL is inspired by his father because he will be his "first and last coach". Mom Shauneise agrees.
3	Tommie Tyler	6'3" G	One of two seniors on the team; Tommie hails from Houston, TX.
<b>15</b>	<b>Obi Emegano*</b>	<b>6'3" F</b>	<b>True freshman is from Edmond, Oklahoma, also the hometown of former Michigan great Ekpe Udoh. Obi will be happy to ever play professionally.</b>
32	Jack Houpt	6'7" F	Junior transferred to WIU after one year at South Suburban College in Chicago; dad also played at Western Illinois.
43	Terrell Parks	6'7" F/C	Junior transfer from Iowa Central Community College has a son named Terrell Jr. – apparently Terrell didn't know how to spell his own name.
Coach	Jim Molinari		Fourth-year coach coming off 7-23 record last season is disappointed his son Mark can't help in any other way than being a manager.

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

**Former Teammates:** Starting forward Jack Houpt is a native of Chesterton, Indiana. If that doesn't ring a bell, you probably aren't a huge Michigan basketball fan, because our very own Zack Novak is also from Chesterton. While both played basketball at Chesterton High, there is no telling how many years Houpt was able to make varsity and play alongside classmate Novak. If we had to guess, we would probably say that Houpt only played with one future Wolverine, Mitch McGary, who played junior varsity his freshman year and Houpt's senior year. According to his bio on Western Illinois's website, he "helped Chesterton HS win first conference title in decades". Decoding that we get "watched Zack Novak and Mitch McGary from the bench while they led Chesterton to a conference title."

**Transfer U:** When looking at the rosters of small conference teams, one will often find a pattern of transfers on the basketball team. Whether this is a product of coaches having difficulty recruiting for small schools or otherwise, Western Illinois is no different in this aspect, boasting four transfers out of their 11 players listed on the roster. In addition to Houpt and Parks, sophomore **David Gebru (#33)** is a transfer from Maine Central Institute (don't ask) and junior **Don McAvoy III (#34)** previously played at Black Hawk College.

**Daddy's Boys:** When asked to list the person that had the biggest influence on their life, Haupt, Roberts-Burnett, and **Billy Molinari (#14)** all chose their dads. Haupt and Roberts-Burnett's dads taught them the game, but Molinari's father is actually the coach of the Leathernecks. Interestingly, Molinari's other biggest influence was his younger brother David and not his older brother Mark, who is a manager on the team. It seems this is a case when both daddy and Billy have something against poor Mark.

**Briefly:** No one on the roster is under 6'0...Tyler once dunked on three people at North Carolina Central and enjoys riding horses and shooting guns...**Jalen Packer (#12)** apparently has a dad named Sean Parker...**Sean McDonald (#45)** wants you to see his tattoos...**Ceola Clark III (#22)** is the second third (is that right?) on the team alongside McAvoy III...Roberts-Burnett likes to dance.

**THE REST OF THE FIGHTING LEATHERHEADS:** None

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

3	Trey Burke	5'11" G	In the first start of his young career, Trey finished with 13 points shooting 5-8 from the field (3-6 3-pt) with 2 assists and 2 rebounds.
0	Zack Novak	6'4" G	Entering his senior year, he ranks fifth all-time in 3-pointers made (with 161) and fifth in 3-pointers attempted (with 464).
10	Tim Hardaway, Jr.	6'5" G	After a mediocre 12 points on 4-12 shooting against Ferris St., THJ returned Monday night with a more efficient 15 points on 6-12 from the field.
23	Evan Smotrycz	6'9" F	Last year as a freshman he averaged 6.3 point per game shooting 38% from behind the arc in 18 minutes per game.
52	Jordan Morgan	6'8" F	J-Mo got the start over Jon Horford against Towson; he notched 6 points and 5 boards in 19 minutes.
Coach	John Beilein		Did you know he has his own website?! Visit johnbeilein.com for the latest insider information on Michigan Basketball.

**Summer, Man:** For college basketball players, the offseason offers a great opportunity to work on their game away from the team to hone their skills. Exhibit A, Trey Burke, who spent the summer documenting his intense workouts in the Youtube series "Trey Burke Journey to Ann Arbor." For the lucky few, summer means practicing and playing for the U-19 USA basketball team at the U-19 FIBA World Championships in Latvia. One of those lucky few was sophomore guard Tim Hardaway, Jr. Along with players like UConn's Jeremy Lamb and Memphis' Joe Jackson, Hardaway, Jr. played 9 game in 10 days, where he was fifth on the team in scoring (9.4 ppg) shooting 43% for the tournament. USA won their group, but lost in the quarter-finals to Russia. Being the fifth scorer on the team, Tim had to find his own niche, where he said he tried working on being a vocal leader, rebounding, and handing out assists.

**Zack Attack:** Lone senior starter Zack Novak is no average basketball player. As a guard who can play the 3, 4, or 5 spot, he can shoot the lights out while still being able fight with the big dogs down low for rebounds. In a game against Illinois his freshman year, he "collided with the elbow" of former Michigan commit Alex Legion and walked off the court dripping blood from above his eye, which required 6 stitches on the spot. Oh yeah, and he returned to that game to help the Wolverines rally to win the game 74-64.

**Quick Reminder:** This is the *MAIZE* Rage, please make a conscious effort to wear maize (or a costume or jersey) to all games.

**\*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 "Timmy" (Like Timmy from South Park).

**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 21	vs Memphis	3:00 pm	First round of the Island portion of the 2011 Maui Invitational
November 22	vs Duke/Tennessee	2/7 pm	Second round of the Island portion of the 2011 Maui Invitational
November 23	vs TBD	TBD	Final round of the Island portion of the 2011 Maui Invitational



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## The Bacari Corner

A Tribute to coach Bacari Alexander and his Tweets:

*November 14:* "We won't lock you out here at Michigan. No pun intended! HALOL! Stop over and help us Fill the Fritz! Gametime is 8:30p.m. Walk-ups welcome."

*November 15:* "Fill the Fritz! clap.... Fill the Fritz! clap..... See you Thursday night."

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