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"I'm learning they can't fix things on their own early in the second half. But I won't beat them up with the tape, and we'll say that this is what happened and this is the momentum change." ... *Coach John Beilein, on Maryland's 16-3 second-half run*

After squandering a halftime lead for the first time this season, the Wolverines are back home and have no time to dwell on their loss at Maryland. For the second time in two weeks, Beilein's boys square off with the perennial powerhouse Duke Blue Devils. Despite a 71-56 defeat at Madison Square Garden, Michigan is hoping that a sellout crowd in the friendly confines of Crisler Arena will give them the boost they need to top the Blue Devils. Games like this don't come very often – it's time to leave it all on the line and cheer your brains out. Let's show Duke that the Maize Rage is raucous and rowdy from start to finish. Get loud and GO BLUE!

Here is the projected starting lineup for the #4 Duke Blue Devils (8-0, 0-0 Atlantic Coast Conference):

2	Nolan Smith	6'2"	G	Grew up and played AAU ball with Michael Beasley of the Miami Heat
30	Jon Scheyer	6'5"	G	Was inducted into the National Jewish Sports Hall of Fame before he ever played a college game; father is the COO of picture frame company
15	Gerald Henderson	6'4"	F	Son of Gerald Henderson, Sr., who won two NBA championships with the Boston Celtics and one with the Detroit Pistons
12	Kyle Singler*	6'8"	F	Mother played basketball at Oregon State; lists favorite artists as 50 Cent, Tupac, and Biggie; dream job is "to be chilling on the beach in the Caribbean"
55	Brian Zoubek	7'1"	C	Nicknamed "Zoobs," the junior claims to be a talented singer; he also says he eats cheesecake and takes naps to relax
Coach	Mike Krzyzewski			Only a great coach could a) produce the likes of Tommy Amaker, and b) get D-Wade, Kobe, and LeBron to beat Spain, Argentina, and Angola in the Olympics

***BUM OF THE GAME:** Give a shout-out to Kyle Singler tonight, as he's our Bum of the Game. Chant "BUM" whenever he touches the ball and if the center section asks "What's the matter with Singler?" respond: "He's a bum. Bum-bum-bum-bum-bum-bum!"

Not enough: Trailing 71-58 with 1:24 to go, Jon Scheyer's #1 Glenbrook North High School needed a miracle. Having already tallied 31 points in the game, the guard went absolutely bonkers, dropping in an insane *21 points* in the final *75 seconds* for the Spartans. His final bucket was a 28-foot trey to pull within two of Proviso West, 81-79. But, on the ensuing inbounds play, Scheyer was whistled for his fifth and final foul while attempting to steal the ball. With Scheyer watching from the bench, Proviso West knocked down four free throws to seal the victory and snap Glenbrook North's 35-game win streak.

Hit the books: Before immigrating to the United States from Poland in 2004, freshman forward **Olek Czyz (#13)** wanted to challenge himself academically to make sure he could handle the difficult classes at a prestigious American university like Duke. Realizing that the mainstream Polish school system wasn't going to cut it, Czyz enrolled in *Zespol Sportowych Szkol Ogolnoksztalcacych* (compared to that, spelling "Krzyzewski" is a piece of cake) in Gdynia, Poland where he "studied" basketball for four years...no word yet as to whether or not he beat his Polish professors in HORSE—or, as the Poles call it, "Koń."

Motown medicine: On his XM Radio show, Coach K is known to share his musical interests with fans that are just dying to know what's on his iPod. Turns out, he has love for the 1970's toe-tapping soul music from Detroit known as Motown. Coach K says "listening to Motown music with my fellow cadets is one of the primary things that got me through the tough times attending West Point." But it's not just the Temptations and Smokey Robinson on Krzyzewski's playlist. "Because You Loved Me" by Celine Dion and "Music of the Night" from Phantom of the Opera also made his cut of all-time favorite songs.

THE REST OF THE BLUE DEVIL ROSTER: #3 Greg Paulus, #5 Martynas Pocius, #14 David McClure, #20 Elliot Williams, #21 Miles Plumlee, #41 Jordan Davidson, #42 Lance Thomas, #51 Steve Johnson

- Duke'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
 - 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 (5-2, 0-0 Big Ten):

15	David Merritt	5'10"	G	Former open tryout walk-on has become a senior leader; despite playing the sixth-most minutes on the team, he has committed the fourth-fewest turnovers
1	Stu Douglass	6'3"	G	Freshman sharpshooter has started every game in his short Michigan career; hit 4-of-5 three-pointers in the big upset over #4 UCLA
3	Manny Harris	6'5"	G	Notched 25 points against Duke earlier this season; the sophomore leads the Big Ten in points per game with 21.3—good for 28 th in the nation
12	Anthony Wright	6'6"	F	Hit an impossible three towards the end of the Maryland game; previously, the redshirt junior had the game-sealing assist against UCLA
34	DeShawn Sims	6'8"	F	"Peedi" got his first start at Maryland, scoring 10 in the first half, surpassing the 600-point mark for his career, and leading the team in rebounds with seven
Coach	John Beilein			Second-year Michigan head coach has 566 career wins; took Canisius, Richmond, and West Virginia to the NCAA Tourney... Michigan is next

Big (0-)10: For the tenth consecutive year—every year since the Big Ten/ACC Challenge was created—the ACC has prevailed. This year, the Big Ten came up just short, winning five games to the ACC's six. Michigan took a six-point lead into halftime at Maryland, led by DeShawn Sims's ten first half points on 4-of-5 shooting. But a 16-3 run to start the second half proved too much for the Wolverines to overcome, falling short, 75-70. Overall, Michigan's 3-5 record in the Challenge is good for third-best in the Big Ten.

Indiana Wolverines: Michigan's two freshmen from the state of Indiana—Stu Douglass and Zack Novak—have started their U-M careers in grand fashion. Douglass, from Carmel, IN, played an integral role in the UCLA win with excellent three-point shooting, and has played good defense, trailing only Manny Harris in steals on the season. Zack Novak, from Chesterton, IN, leads the team with nine three-pointers made on the season and a 42.9% three-point shooting percentage, good enough to make him the third-leading scorer with 5.6 ppg in just 18.9 minutes per game.

Player Intros: We will chant the name of the Michigan player about to be introduced even 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 clap)
- Go, Blue, Go! (clap clap clap)
- Let's Go Blue! (clap)
- Go Blue! (clap clap)

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

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 events:

Saturday, Dec. 13	vs. Eastern Michigan	4:00pm	Gates open one hour prior to tipoff
Saturday, Dec. 20	vs. Oakland @ The Palace	4:00pm	Buy your tickets now from the Michigan ticket office

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Histo's Corner:

Michigan's record on December 6 since 1959-60 is 10-5. The Wolverines' last win on this date was an 83-59 blowout of UNLV in 1997.

Michigan's record against Duke since 1959-60 is 7-19, having lost seven straight to the Blue Devils. Duke has been ranked in the top five for 15 of those 26 matchups. The Wolverines beat Duke three times in a row from 1995-97. Michigan is 4-5 against the Blue Devils at home.

Before the victory over #4 UCLA earlier this season, Michigan's last win against a top-5 team was a December 13, 1997 win over #1 Duke, 81-73.

Histo's RPI Update:

Michigan #32, Duke #8