



# The Rage Page



Welcome Wolverine fans to another exciting episode of Michigan Basketball tonight here at Crisler Arena. You all may have come to the game with a couple of questions like: who is this Concordia University we are playing on a Monday night? The answer is quite simple... Concordia is a Lutheran liberal-arts school located in Ann Arbor who allowed the Wolverines to practice in their gym while Crisler was unavailable, so we scheduled a game against them. Sounds like a fair trade to me! Tonight, the Cardinals make the fifteen-minute drive down Geddes to face a Michigan team coming off of a hard-fought victory against Harvard a little more than 50 hours ago. The Wolverines will look to continue that momentum against the Cardinals' mediocre Division-II team, so let's cheer loud and proud to show our support for this young, inexperienced team. Let's Go Blue!

Here is the projected starting lineup for the Concordia Cardinals (5-4, 0-2 WHAC):

23	Marius Williams	5'11" G	Marius hates one word text messages, but then again, who likes one word text messages?!
12	Chad McMullen	6'2" G	Junior from Pinckney, MI was named as the Cardinals' newcomer of the year his freshman year.
10	Austin Cook	6'3" G	Watch out for A-Town, he loves to shoot the three ball; In his last game against UM-Dearborn, he went 5-7 from behind the arc.
32	<b>Ryan Walton*</b>	<b>6'4" F</b>	<b>Ryan is currently shooting 78% from the field with no threes, we think he'll be a little under-sized against our big men.</b>
50	Jeremy Simmons	6'8" F	J-Nasty likes playing the online game Kamikaze Race on his Friday afternoons.
Coach	Ben Limback		Limback is now into his 8 <sup>th</sup> season as the Cardinals Head Coach; He is 2 <sup>nd</sup> on Concordia's all time winners list with 68 career wins.

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

**Not only the Basketball Coach:** Concordia's Head Coach Ben Limback has his mind set on doing more at Concordia University besides just being the men's basketball coach. Back in 2008, when the Cardinals were looking for new Athletic Director, they hired from the inside and got Limback to lead athletics. In the past two years, he has made some great improvements like adding a website, and a football team in 2010! Most recently, Ben was given more duties for the University as he was announced as the new director of undergraduate admissions for Concordia back in September. Look out for news about Ben Limback becoming Dean of Concordia University soon if his fortunes continue.

**Spartan Fan?:** As if we didn't even need a reason to have some fun with the opposing team, Sophomore big man **Kody Buursma (#40)** has given us a reason, and a good one at that. Kody list some of his likes as "Michigan State Spartans", which obviously doesn't suite well for him coming into Crisler. It's possible Kody was hoping for a scholarship from Izzo coming out of Thornapple Kellogg High School, but with only the accolades of All-Country Honorable Mention and Captain of his team his senior year, Izzo probably doesn't even know who he is.

**Briefly:** Junior guard **Zack Koerner (#22)** or 'Little-Easy' likes Notre Dame football, especially Jimmy Clausen... Freshman guard **Thomas Lovachis (#3)** claims that he "may be in love with Bruno Mars :)", while his roommate **John Schaeffer (#4)** still plays with Yu-Gi-Oh and Pokémon Cards... Senior forward **Brad Evans (#15)** favorite time of the year is autumn, with some of his favorite aspects being hoodies, bonfires, blankets, and cuddling.

**THE REST OF THE CARDINALS:** #5 Andrew Patrick, #14 Nathan Hand, #20 Aaron Olsen, #33 Rocko Holmes,

CU'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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**MAIZE RAGE NEWS AND INFO ON YOUR MICHIGAN WOLVERINES ON THE FLIP SIDE →**

Here is the *projected* starting lineup for YOUR Michigan Wolverines (5-2, 0-0 Big Ten):

4	Darius Morris	6'4"	G	Continues to put up terrific numbers, leading the team with 13.7 ppg and 6.9 rpg while also contributing 4.3 rpg in his point guard role.
0	Zack Novak	6'4"	G	Putting up 6.7 points and rebounds per game after recording his first career double-double with 12 points and 11 rebounds against Harvard.
10	Tim Hardaway Jr.	6'5"	G	Shooting just 22.9% from the field over the last four games but the H-bomb is still averaging double figures with 10.7 points per game.
23	Evan Smotrycz	6'9"	F	Coming off his first goose egg in the scoring column against Harvard, but still shooting 43% from downtown in his first six games for the Wolverines.
52	Jordan Morgan	6'8"	F	A steady force down low, contributing 10.2 ppg and a team-high 6.8 rpg.
Coach	John Beilein			With such a young team, Beilein knows that no game is a given, even if they come from the NAIA.

**Home Sweet Home:** After playing two games in Atlantic City as part of the Legends Classic and then a quick turnaround game at Clemson in the Big Ten/ACC challenge, Michigan has returned to the friendly confines of Crisler Arena for the *whole* month of December. The Wolverines have eight games on the schedule this month (including their recent 65-62 triumph over Tommy Amaker's Harvard), none of which come away from home. Michigan has been historically much better at home, and will look to capitalize on this opportunity to build a strong non-conference record while also entering Big Ten season at the end of the month. Utah, Oakland, and Purdue are all exciting games to look forward to as we head into the long holiday season. Let's hope the Wolverines give us a gift of eight wins this year in December.

**Big Ten Triumph:** Last week, in the 12<sup>th</sup> annual Big Ten/ACC Challenge, the Big Ten prevailed over the ACC for only the second time. The past two seasons have seen the Big Ten win the Challenge by a score of six to five and perhaps signal a change in big conference power rankings. Michigan did their part for only the fourth time in 10 years, putting away a strong Clemson team in their first true road test of the season. Joining Michigan in the win column were Illinois, Northwestern, Ohio State, Purdue, and Wisconsin, while Michigan State and Indiana lost their third straight challenge games (Iowa lost for the fifth consecutive time). Most experts predict that the Big Ten will end up as the strongest conference this season, but they also peg Michigan in the cellar. Let's do our part to prove the experts wrong and help power our boys to a strong conference season.

**STUUU Show:** In Michigan's last game against Harvard, Stu Douglass showed what he is capable of, putting on a one-man show in shooting 7 of 10 from the field, including 5 of 7 from three-point land, to finish with a season-high 19 points. Watch out!

**\*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:**

December 10	vs Utah	6:30pm	Michigan looks to avenge their loss from last season against the Utes.
December 14	vs North Carolina Central	7:00pm	Look to down the Eagles for the second time in three years.
December 18	vs Oakland	12:00pm	The Grizzlies play only an hour's drive away from Ann Arbor



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## The Histo and Bacari Corner

### Did you know...

- Michigan is 259-198 in seasons when the World Cup had taken place the summer before.
- In those same years, however, the Wolverines have only gone 129-147 in conference play.

### Coach BA's tweets of the week!

*Dec. 5:* "We are a motion team who takes what defenses give us. Did you know that? Well now you know."

*Dec.5:* "John Beilein shows great poise on the sidelines. He and Coach Amaker had a poise battle. Two seasoned Head Coaches. LOL!!!"