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### USU vs. Hawaii

### ReSpectrum: 133-12

## "Refining the Home Court Advantage since 2007"

### The Hit List

#	Name	Ht	Pos	Yr
2	Matt Gibson	6-5	G	Sr.
22	Riley Luettgerodt	6-5	G/F	Sr.
33	Bobby Nash	6-6	G/F	Sr.
41	Bill Amis	6-9	F	So.
30	P.J. Owsley	6-8	F	Sr.
35	Stephen Verwers (Inj.)	6-11	C	Sr.
0	Kareem Nitoto	6-2	G	Fr.
3	Gary Satterwhite	6-3	G	Fr.
10	Conrad Fitzgerald	6-5	G/F	Fr.
12	Ji Xiang	6-10	F	Fr.
20	Jared Dillinger	6-5	G/F	Sr.
21	Paul Campbell	6-10	F	So.
24	Adhar Mayen	6-8	F	So.
32	Beau Albrechtson	6-4	G	Fr.
50	Alex Veit	6-8	F	Sr.

Coach: Bob Nash

### Warriors fall back on player's dad to replace long time head coach.

Hawaii basketball enjoyed the continuity of former head coach Riley Wallace for over 20 seasons before having to search for a replacement this past off-season. Like many little league basketball teams, a replacement coach is usually found when one of the player's dad's step up to take the reigns of a team. In this case it was the dad of senior Bobby Nash. "I'm honored that the school and other parents felt that I gave our kid's the best chance at a winning season," said coach Nash. "I'm definitely going to give it my best shot." University of Hawaii Athletic Director Herman Frazier commented on the hiring by saying, "We feel very good about Mr. Nash being able to lead our boys to a successful season. It was tough to have to make a choice between him and the other parents, but we think he will help teach our kids sportsmanship, fair play, as well as any other life lessons that kids learn through basketball."

The Hawaii AD has said that they are comfortable running their program like a little league team because their play this season has been barely up to that high a level.

### Aggie big men each receive Nate Harris post play DVD for X-mas

Last week Utah State's five big men posted their highest combined point total of the season in a victory against Oral Roberts, who was arguably the toughest interior defensive the Aggies have yet to face this season. Coincidentally the five big men had each received a copy of the 'Nate Harris Post Play Instructional DVD' just days earlier as Christmas gifts. Harris was an easy two points if he got the ball down low, and sits at #1 in career FG% at USU. "Our guys had been playing really well in the post all season so far," said USU coach Stew Morrill. "I feel like this last game they took the step from 'good' to 'great' in their performance. I think a lot of that is because they've begun to dominate down low in the same ways that Nate always did." Morrill speculated that freshman Tai Wesley opened his Christmas gift early, as Wesley has put up numbers comparable to those of Harris. Since his insertion into the starting lineup, Wesley has averaged 11.6 points and 7.2 rebounds per game while shooting a ridiculous 76.4% from the field. Wesley denied the allegations that he'd prematurely unwrapped his gift. Harris plans to use the current Aggies recent and rapid improvement as a success story on an infomercial while marketing his DVD in Germany, where Harris currently plays professional basketball.

### In All Honesty:

#### A disgrace to the noble rainbow.

The Hawaii Warriors visit to the Spectrum last season resulted in a 58-50 loss to the Aggies, with 31 of Hawaii's total 50 points coming from seniors Matt Lojeski and Ahmet Gueye. Neither of those players return to the Warriors this season. Current Hawaii leading scorers Bobby Nash and Matt Gibson last year combined to shoot 1-12 for a total of 4 points in the Spectrum, including 0-9 from 3-point range. The Warriors will have a size advantage at 4 of the 5 starting positions against the Aggies, but they tend to use it poorly as they have been out-rebounded by opposing teams in 7 of their 12 contests this season while shooting a mediocre 43% from the field.

### Refraction Record Watch 2008

Career Scoring	Coaching Wins
1. Greg Grant 2127	1. E. Romney 225
2. Jaycee Carroll 2056	2. S. Morrill 223

### Hawaii's Gibson devastated that frosted tip hair has gone out of style

University of Hawaii point guard Matt Gibson missed the first four games of this season after learning that his favorite hairstyle of frosted tips had fallen off the map in the fashion world. "I had a pretty rough time putting my life back together after I learned the news," Gibson said. "The last thing on my mind was basketball at that point. I had to cope with my personal issues during the early part of the season, and unfortunately had to miss some ballgames." Gibson has a passion for his appearance on gameday as he lists "doing my hair" as a pre-game superstition, which is the main reason for how poorly he took the news of the change in fashion trend. Gibson lit up the stat sheets in the Spectrum last season with a 4-point performance in which he shot 12% from the field with 3 turnovers in 28 minutes of play.

### Nick Fazekas All-Star Watch 2008

Tracking the NBA career and all-star game pursuit of former University of Nevada superstar Nick Fazekas. Fazekas was a three-time WAC player of the year who never quite figured out how to "run like a man"

Games Played	----- 2	<b>All-Star Votes</b> <b>0</b>
Total Points Scored	----- 2	
Total Rebounds	----- 2	
Total Minutes Played	---- 5	

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### The Petri Dish -

**As a Team** - Ran the table to a last place in their own in-season tournament, "The 2007 Rainbow Classic."

**Coach Bob Nash** - Worked as a Hawaii assistant for 20 years before stepping in as head coach this season after long time Hawaii coach Riley Wallace retired.

**Asst Coach Larry Farmer** - Head Coach of Weber State from 1985-1988 where he put up a stellar 34-54 record.

**#2 Matt Gibson** - Nicknamed "Little Matt." Pre-game superstition is "Doing my hair and praying right before tip-off" sat out most of the 2005-2006 season with a reported staff infection. Also is apparently a locker room cancer as he was suspended for half of one game this year due to "conduct detrimental to the team" as well as missing two games in 04-05 for the same reasons.

**#21 Paul Cambell** - Put up a whopping 3.4 points and 4.3 rebounds last year at Arkansas Fort-Smith Junior College. Showing those numbers weren't flukes he is averaging .9 points and 1.7 rebounds per game this season for the Rainbow Warriors.

**#22 Riley Luettgerodt** - Has a pre-game superstition of putting on his socks a certain way.

**#33 Bobby Nash** - Nicknamed "B-nasty". Earned nickname last year at the spectrum putting up 0 points 1 assist and 2 turnovers. Eats Ramen prior to every game. Father is Hawaii head coach Bob Nash. Tonight seems as good a time as ever to bring back the "Daddy's boy" chant.

**#50 Alex Veit** - Nicknamed "Smooch." A name possibly containing some innuendo on a team called the Rainbow Warriors... not that there's anything wrong with that.

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