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The Hit List				
<u>#</u>	NAME	<u>HT</u>	Pos	<u>YR</u>
42	Jaren Jeffery	6-8	F	Sr.
	A.J. Hess	6-6	G	So.
50	Jayson Cheesman	6-11	C	Sr.
4	Trey Kennedy	6-3	G	Fr.
12	Chris Nsenki	6-2	G	Jr.
34	Cal Hanks	6-11	F-C	Jr.
32	Casey Oliverson	6-5	G	So.
13	Race Parsons	6-6	F	Fr.
15	Juwan Major	5-11	G	Fr.
5	John Marshall	6-3	G	Fr.
2	McKay Anderson	6-3	G	Fr.
10	Thomas Tebbs	6-3	G	So.
14	Drake Thomas	6-0	G	So.
22	Taylor Jenson	6-7	F	Fr.
24	Fric Rippetoe	6-6	E	Ιr

# In All Honesty: A game preview

Head Coach: Nick Robinson

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Fr.

Coming off a seven-point win over Arizona Christian, the T-birds don't seem like much of a threat to the Aggies. Southern Utah returns two starters, senior front-court players Jayson Cheesman and Jaren Jeffery. They also return junior center Cal Hanks and junior guard Chris Nsenki as well as sophomore guards A.J. Hess and Drake Thomas.

Cheesman, Hess and newcomer Juwan Major look as though they should carry the scoring load for SUU. Cal Hanks also had a solid showing in the first game this season with 10 points and seven boards.

IN THEIR LAST CONTEST - The T-Birds took on the international college hoops powerhouse Arizona Christian University. The Firestorm (which is quite easily a more entrancing mascot than the Thunderbirds) posed a five point lead over SUU at the half, but after six ties and eight lead changes the Cheeseman and crew were able to scratch a shocking victory over Jabari Parker, Marshall Plumlee and the rest of the most prestigious basketball program in country.

Wait... they played for Duke? Arizona Christian

only had 15 wins against almost no D-I schools last year and their biggest win was UC Santa Cruz? I guess I got my lines crossed. Never mind then, dem

T-Birdz is cupcakes after all.





Eric Rippetoe @ERipptoe20

Battle of the donkeys lets go

## Thunderbirds Look for Closure: Coping with Loss

Hundreds of Cedar City locals gathered in mourning this week in the wake of what is being called the Biggest Loss in the History of our somewhat University.

In an effort to move on from the relationship they had with star power forward and all-around dreamboat Kyle Davis, the Southern Utah basketball team is currently in the middle of a three-day closure phase. After a well-attended candlelight vigil on Sunday night, the T-birds made their way to Logan to chase the dreams of a long-lost boyfriend.

"It just hurts... so... bad," Nick Robinson, SUU Head Coach blubbered through snot-soaked lips. "We had such a good thing going, I don't know if I can face him again."

Reports surfaced this morning of Robinson wandering outside The Spectrum Monday night at the head of a trail of Hostess wrappers and a fully consumed carton of Rocky Road ice cream, often sulking in the fetal position inside the tunnel repeating "his vertical, his damn vertical" and chewing vigorously on Prozac.

Administrative officials for the university have previously been instructed to keep hard feelings toward Davis' transfer hush, but all plans fell into spiral when locals found video of his all-things-nasty alley oop interception against USC last week. With application numbers declining by the day, highers up are seeking desperately for any positives to hold on to, including a "Win for Bill" campaign magnifying their stewardship over the Shakespeare Festival.

"Hey, it's our one thing, and we're damn proud of it," said big man Cal Hanks. "USU will never, I repeat NEVER, have a soliloquy like us."

Jayson Cheesman beamed in agreeance noting Shakespeare as clearly more important than a successful basketball program, "If 'Hamlet' didn't make you cry you're just classless."

Aggie fans have responded warmly to the Davis addition, being instructed at the time of publication of this piece to cheer "Thanks for Kyle" during any and all game-breaks at tonight's game.

# "THE BANT" Southern Utah Edition

Gotta say, SUU isn't as BANTerrific as several other schools on our schedule. As far as names go somehow the T-Birds managed to stay as normal and light on apostrophes as a college basketball program could under official NSC ("NCAA Street Cred") policy. That all being versed, they did manage to pack a couple of winners in their mom-anddad-must-have-done-this-as-a-joke quiver. All this and more to make you giggle in the Bangarang All-Name Team - SUU Edition!

Honorable mentions go out to Chris Nsenki (just try saying it in your head repeatedly without dancing), Juwan Major (no word on what his major truly is but we're being told he is Juwan Minoring in economics), Race Parsons (don't EVER try to tell me what to do with my Parsons. It's my subject and I'll predicate it however I please) and senior Cal Hanks because research says he's 21 and no Cal - none, trust me - has ever been under 40 years old).

And now our second round of BANT Inductees:

Eric Rippetoe - We're having a really hard time deciphering if this last name was a product of former membership in a native tribe or incessant clumsiness from his mom buying him LA Lights sneakers that were a half size too big. Nonetheless no name has ever served as a better substitute for "break a leg" in modern history.

Note - we had plans on a cavalcade of "ingrown toenail" jokes but we refrained. Some subjects are just too sensitive.

Jayson Cheesman - Cheesman. That says just about everything.

CHEER PLAN - everytime he gets the ball (#50) plan on Section F cheering a different kind of cheese. Once you hear it join in until he passes the ball off. And while we're at it, in the event he gets an air ball - and he will, because SUU - instead of yelling "Air Ball" yell "Cheese Ball." If the basketball Gods exist this will most definitely happen.

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#### Quickies - short and not so sweet

- Official announcement coming next issue for Fro vs. Flat Top brawl!
- Member of Bangarang staff wishes for future employment at Shakespeare Festival. Feel almost quilty for content.
- No tweets in for FREE ICE CREAM last week. Had anyone tweeted us ANY number you would have won. Shame on you all.

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### The Boo Box - Are we classless yet?

 $\textit{\# 50- Jayson Cheesman: } \overline{\text{His twitter } \underline{\text{@bigchees}} \text{e} 50 \text{ uses the words "class" or "classless"}$ in roughly 1 of every 5 tweets. Apparently he's been practicing his post-Spectrum tweets for a while now. You know what this means. Give him all we've got. CHEER PLAN: "Are we classless? \*Clap\*\*\*ClapClapClapClap\* Tweet about it. \*Clap\*\*\*Clap\*\*\*ClapClapClap\*

#24- Eric Rippetoe: Huge fan of Miley and puppies. Not sure if it's a ploy to get laid or if he really is that sensitive of a guy. If it happens to be the latter, let's bruise him like the delicate peach he is. CHEER PLAN: Be prepared for a "You love Miley" or "You love puppies" chant. Also apparently loves watching donkeys fight. We have to assume it's quite a show!

#35- AJ Hess: Seems to be actually a pretty funny guy. However, he fully admits on the web to having a hard time telling the difference between men and women.

#34- Cal Hanks: Loves Ligers. And not for the "Napoleon Dynamite was a funny movie" reason. Searching his name on any social media outlet shows several connections to photos of the half-part tiger, half-part lion, all-parts magical fur-beast. Seriously, we're not making this up.

#4- Trey Kennedy: Dropped a respectable 11 points and 5 assists against Arizona Christian, which isn't by any means offensive. What is offensive, however, is his player bio photo showing he thinks he can come into our house with a piss-poor excuse for an afro. Shake yo head, Jalen. If you feel the need to drop an "Our Fro's Better" cheer at any point you go on right ahead

#15- Juwan Major: Has a twin sister named Diamond. Don't think for even a second that we're kidding. Believe or not she isn't a stripper, in fact she plays for the Lady Rebels at UNLV, which given it's location doesn't rule out the stripper speculation whatsoever, so we take that back.

#12- Chris Nsenki: Actual quote from his bio: "had a career high two rebounds at Troy." Averages 20 minutes and only seven points, and we expect similar results, because SUU.

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