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<u>The Hit List</u>			
# Name	<u>Ht</u>	<u>Pos</u>	<u>Yr</u>
11 Adam Liberty	6-2	G	Sr.
13 Moses Ehambe	6-6	G/F	Sr.
3 Yemi Ogunoye	6-9	G/F	Sr.
21 Marcus Lewis	6-8	F	Jr.
33 Shawn King	6-10	С	Sr.
1 Jahaziel Howard	6-5	G	Fr.
2 Andre Hardy	6-6	F	Fr.
4 Curtis Allen	6-4	G	Jr.
5 Kelvin Sango	6-3	G	Jr.
10 Robert Jarvis	5-11	G	Jr.
12 Jonathan Dunn	6-3	G	Fr.
23 Joe Moore	6-0	G	So.
25 Kyron Stokes	6-4	G	Fr.
32 Ben Haynes	6-2	G	Jr.
44 Marchello Vealy	6-7	G/F	Jr.
Coach: Scott Sutton			

In All Honesty: Tonight will be a battle

Oral Roberts has been on a steady rise over the last several years led by stud forward Caleb Green, the career-scoring leader in the history of the Mid Continent Conference (now Summit League). They have reached the NCAA tournament each of the last two seasons and look to still be on the rise under head coach Scott Sutton. Despite Green graduating after last season the Golden Eagles have put together a solid campaign so far this year. The last two games have seen a 10-point loss on the road to #5 ranked Texas and a win on the road against Oklahoma State. If the Golden Eagles play with the same kind of ferocity that they brought against Texas and OK State it could be a very tough night for the Aggies. Three of their starting five are 6-8 or taller, which could create some size match-up problems for USU, and will demand that the Aggies shoot the ball well from the mid-range and beyond to score a lot of their points. Big men Shawn King and Marcus Lewis shoot at a high percentage from the post but are very below average at the free throw line. The Aggies shouldn't be bashful about playing very aggressive defense down low as putting either of the bigs on the FT line is practically a defensive rebound. Robert Jarvis leads ORU offensively with 16.5 points per game.

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Carroll awarded National Player of the Week by Vitale, Oral Roberts' entire team pees pants.

For the second time in as many years, ESPN's Dick Vitale named Jaycee Carroll "National Player of the Week" in college basketball. Also for the second time the Aggies will face off with the Golden Eagles of Oral Roberts on the Saturday of the following week of Carroll's national honors. Last season Carroll was given Player of the Week honors by Vitale after dropping 44 and 28 point games against New Mexico State and Idaho respectively. The following week Carroll helped the Aggies overcome an early 22-4 deficit against Oral Roberts en route to arguably their best road win of last season.

Wednesday evening the Oral Roberts team was notified of the honor given to Carroll at their first team practice after the Christmas break. The reaction from the players was bad enough to result in the team manager, who handles all laundry duties, to resign from his position. ORU coach Scott Sutton said, "We knew we were in for a rough time coming into Logan. We played there two years ago and learned first hand how merciless of a place it is to play." Sutton and company played in the Spectrum during the 2005-2006 basketball season, and had declined to schedule the Aggies again. Saturday's game is the mandatory return game for last season's bracketbuster matchup between these two teams, which was played at Oral Roberts. "We had sworn this place off for all we knew," Sutton said. "We were terrified to learn that we'd have to play here this season when we were matched with USU in last year's bracketbuster. When we heard about Carroll getting Player of the Week... well I'll just say we had quite the mess on our hands after that."

The mess Sutton referred to was from his players when he notified them that they'd have to try and stop the Aggies and Jaycee Carroll, "National Player of the Week", in The Spectrum. Sutton's entire team and coaching staff wet their pants upon delivery of the news.

"With all of our guys having tainted their gym shorts before practice had really gotten going, we didn't really have any choice but to turn that practice into a film session," Sutton said. Three of the four freshman players on the ORU squad peed their pants a second time after watching game film of the Aggies.

<u>Williams suffers minor injuries</u> after bumping elbow on shot clock.

Aggie guard/forward Pooh Williams suffered very minor injury following the team's practice on Thursday when the athletic freshman hit his left elbow on the shot clock above the backboard during a dunk attempt. Williams suffered only a minor bruise and scrape from the incident but was a bit rattled from getting up so high. "We all knew that Pooh had some crazy hops," said assistant coach James Ware, "but I never thought I'd see anybody get up high enough to hurt themselves on the shot clock." Team trainers examined Williams and determined that he was still fit to practice and play. Williams still made the attempted dunk, as well as the "and 1" on the ensuing free throw.

In Case You Didn't Notice...

Last week Jaycee Carroll picked apart both UVSC and Northern Arizona on back to back nights logging point totals of 32 and 33 points respectively. For his outstanding play in both of those games he has received two "national player of the week" honors (that we know of). The first of the two honors was given by ESPN's go to guy for college basketball. Dick Vitale, who named Carroll his National Player of the Week. The second of the two came from college basketball website Midmajority.com, who named Carroll as the "Mid Majority Baller of the Week". It was not the first time that Carroll has received each, as he received the same honors last February from Vitale. and was only the fourth player ever to be honored by Mid Majority after the creation of their weekly award in 2004.

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The Petri Dish - Tough to find bad things to say about a religious institution NOT named BYU.

#3 Yemi Ogunoye — Sixth-year senior. Says on his myspace profile that the thug drink he is most like is "purple drink" because, "You love just getting f-ed up for the hell of it... your not drinkin to score because ur the ultimate thug." Apparently also has a very poor grasp on grammar, possibly the reason why he is a sixth year senior.

#5 Kelvin Sango - Cousin of former ORU superstar Calem Green. Green apparently got all of the basketball talent in the family.

#13 Moses Ehambe - Ranks fourth in school history in career 3-point percentage (41.3%). In related news Jaycee Carroll ranks sixth in NCAA history in career 3-point percentage, and has never shot below 43% for a season. Has Jesus as his #1 friend on Myspace. Ehambe is nowhere to be found in his #1 friend's "top friends" #32 Ben Haynes - Scored exactly one point last year, which is exactly one more point than the combined point total of the entire two man staff of "The Refraction"

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