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### USU vs. Hawaii

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# "A Cold-Blooded Wrecking Machine since 2009"

#### The Hit List

#	Name	Ht	Pos	Yr
0	Kareem Nitoto	6-2	G	So.
2	Hiram Thompson	6-2	G	So.
23	Roderick Flemings	6-7	G/F	Jr.
41	Bill Amis	6-9	F	Jr.
21	Paul Campbell	6-10	C	Jr.
1	Petras Balocka	6-8	C	Jr.
3	Gary Satterwhite Jr.	6-3	G	Fr.
5	Lasha Parghalava	6-2	G	Jr.
10	Conrad Fitzgerald	6-5	G	Fr.
12	Ji Xiang	6-10	F	Fr.
15	Beau Albrechtson	6-4	G	Fr.
20	Leroy Lutu	6-3	G	Fr.
24	Adhar Mayan	6-8	F	Jr.
32	Brandon Adams	6-7	F	Jr.
33	Adam Jespersen	6-7	F	Fr.

Coach: Bob Nash

#### Senator Buttars mistakes Hawaii team as biggest threat to America

Controversial senator for the state of Utah Chris Buttars, who has been making headlines in recent weeks made a bold, though misguided move Monday in his strong stance against homosexual rights. Buttars, who was recently quoted as saying that he believes homosexuals are currently the number one threat to America, took his efforts to Salt Lake International Airport Monday to unpleasantly greet the Hawaii Rainbow Warriors who were arriving in town for their Thursday game against the Aggies of Utah State.

"We were getting off the plane and all of the sudden this crazy, belligerent old guy comes out and starts chucking Bibles and yelling religious stuff at us," said Hawaii guard Roderick Flemings. "My first thought was, 'man I'd heard Utah State fans were crazy, but not THIS crazy'. And who the hell is this old guy yelling at me?" Flemings later learned that Buttars' violent form of heckling had nothing to do with basketball at all, but rather the state senator's radical disliking of homosexuality and his horribly misinformed purpose of a group of athletic college kids who go by the name "Rainbow Warriors".

A Utah State student who witnessed the fiasco unfold wittingly busted out the "stupid" chant on Buttars as he was hauled away by airport security.

Buttars however, stood by his actions saying that he will neither support nor refrain from physically attacking any group of people who might potentially fight for people rights. "Somebody's got to take a stand against these people, no matter how strongly they stand for rights of homosexuals," Buttars said, despite having been informed that the Hawaii team had no official political stance on homosexuality. "Before you know it they'll be taking over every level of government."

Aggie assistant coach Chris Jones chimed in on the issue saying, "At 13-13 on the season, not to mention 5-8 in WAC play, I'm not sure Hawaii is much of a threat to anybody right now. Outside of the bottom three teams in the WAC, I don't think anybody is very worried."

In potentially related news, the Super 8 motel nearby the Salt Lake Airport is missing 30 Bibles from their motel rooms.

#### Economy takes toll on Refraction - Cutbacks coming until noise goes up

Along with just about every other organization in the country right now, we here at The Refraction are going to be making some cutbacks in production for the remainder of the season, and possibly into next year as well. The previous standard of 300 printed copies per game is getting cut back to 200 copies, and no longer will we be waiting until most people arrive to pass it out, but rather distributing to the true die-hards who wait all day at The Spectrum along with us. While we enjoy getting some laughs about games, teams, players or what have you, our primary purpose with this is, and always has been, to try and get everyone loud as hell for games. For the people who have better things to do than stand up and scream the words to the Aggie Fight Song when the team takes the floor... well... let's just say this newsletter isn't really for you. Get loud enough to bring The Spectrum back on par with how loud it used to be and should be every game. Until then, we're going to save the extra \$6 from printing the extra 100 copies per game and maybe buy some cough drops for everyone who's losing their voices by halftime of every game. To the loud, rowdy, come-early, take no prisoners Aggie fans, you'll always be the only priority we have to write this whole thing for. Keep doing what you're doing. Everyone else, get louder and we'll print more for you.

#### A word on the athletics fee raise

To quote Stew Morrill - "Are we worth one more textbook a year?" That is what it comes down to kids... The cost of one textbook to keep this train rolling strong. Vote YES on the fee raise.

#### Another Reminder about Reno

It's not too late to get your WAC Tournament tickets. Spend your spring break in Reno with the Spectrum on Wheels. No cruise or week on the beach could top this. Be there!!!

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#### The Petri Dish - That's right kids... the RAINBOW Warriors.

**Coach: Bob Nash** - Former Hawaii player in the 70's, became head coach last year after long-time Hawaii head coach Riley Wallace retired. Nash coached his son Bobby Nash last year for the Warriors. Now that Bobby has graduated it is believed that Nash was unable to hand the coaching duties to any of this year's player's parents.

**#1 Petras Balocka** - From Lithuania.

**#2 Hiram Thompson** - Is from Oakridge HS, which is not a high school from the crappy apartment complex in town, but rather a city in California. Went on a two-year mormon mission to Des Moines, Iowa.

**#5 Lasha Parghalava** - From the Republic of Georgia. His "about me" section on his Myspace simply says, "lol." We can't help but agree.

**#21 Paul Campbell** - Fulfills the requirement that every team must have at least one Canadian player. Paul is from Toronto.

**#24 Adhar Mayan** - Wears the #24 in honor of Kobe Bryant. At 4.6 points per game on the season, it appears that the number he wears is the only thing similar to Kobe Bryant that he has going for him. According to his Myspace, his basketball name is "Adee' Dee."

**#32 Brandon Adams** - Is majoring in Creative Media, a profession that the staff of The Refraction pretty much mastered without any kind of degree.

**#33 Adam Jespersen** - Is also from Canada, eh?

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