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The Hit List

#	Name	Ht	Pos	Yr
15	Kyle Riley	6-3	G	So.
22	Calvin Thompson	6-3	G	Fr.
33	Eugene Myatt	6-5	G	Sr.
1	Kandi Mukole	6-8	F	Jr.
54	Paul Kirkpatrick	6-9	C	Jr.
0	Curtis White	6-4	G	Jr.
3	Chris McHenry	5-11	G	Fr.
5	Adam Walker	6-8	F	So.
10	Randy Hampton	6-5	F	Sr.
25	C.J. Prince	6-3	G	Jr.
32	Nate Cooper	6-8	C	Jr.

Coach: Gil Jackson

Wesley and Formisano spend Christmas break prank calling Carroll

Utah State sophomore forwards Tai Wesley and Matt Formisano spent three nights over the last week since USU's win over the University of Utah prank calling former teammate Jaycee Carroll to brag about what it feels like to hit a game-winning shot.

Carroll, the school's all-time leading scorer, finished his Aggie career with his name all over the record books, and was nothing short of clutch at hitting shots to put his team in position to hit a game-winner, but never did hit the big bucket in the closing seconds of a game. Wesley's game-winning put-back basket with 0.1 seconds remaining against Utah was the second game winner this season along with Formisano's game winning put-back on the road against UCSB.

With USU's campus completely empty for the break, and little to do before and after practice, Wesley and Formisano killed time by phoning Carroll over in Italy where he is currently tearing up their professional basketball leagues.

"We had to cover the basics, like the ones about if your refrigerator is running and stuff," Wesley said. "I think he might've started catching on when we busted out the cracks on him for never making a game-winner. The 435 area code might not have helped our anonymity either." Carroll cracked back at the sophomore duo by pointing out that he had made nearly \$300 dollars on his professional contract during the phone calls while Wesley and Formisano are still broke-ass college students. Chaz Spicer later got in on the madness by phoning both Wesley and Formisano and asking them to let him know the next time they hit four game-winners in the same season.

Profile of a sacrificial lamb Howard University

Location: Washington D.C.
 Founded: 1867
 Enrollment: 11,000
 Colors: Red, White, and Blue

Howard University has won the same number of games since the start of the 2003-2004 basketball season as Utah State has since the start of last season. Their average home attendance this basketball season is 1,085 people, and the majority of that was because their season opener against Oregon State drew over 2,600 people to see Howard's lone victory of the season. Their logo is a complete rip-off of the NFL's Buffalo Bills, which despite the Bills' perennial mediocrity, is a logo of a team far above the general performance of Howard's basketball program.

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Boylen booked for aggravated assault of possession arrow

University of Utah head coach is facing charges of aggravated assault after his attack on the possession arrow at the Dee Glen Smith Spectrum on Dec. 22. Boylen, who was thrown into a fit of rage after Tai Wesley's game-winning put-back basket, ran over to the scorer's table and exacted his uncontrollable rage on the first thing he could find.

The unfortunate victim was the long-tenured possession arrow at The Spectrum, which might be out for several games with injuries.

"I know I usually wouldn't have much room to talk, but that guy is straight up nutty," said Nevada head coach Mark Fox.

Boylen is facing charges of a potential suspension for his actions, as well as possible liability for a new \$45 possession arrow.

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In All Honesty: A game preview

This game looks to be one of those match-ups where you just kind of feel bad for the other team. Howard is a team who shoots poorly from all areas of the floor, rebounds poorly, and gets outscored by an average of nearly 17 points per game by their opponents. Howard's leading scorer is Eugene Myatt and the 12.8 points per game he brings. Myatt is also Howard's leading turnover man. Howard has just one player shooting about 50 percent from the field in center Paul Kirkpatrick. In comparison, USU has five players shooting above 50 percent, three of whom are shooting above 60 percent. Don't count out Clint Lee as the possible leading scorer tonight.

Quickies - When the headline is enough

- Newcomers to USU basketball team finally all realize that getting girls in Logan is as simple as saying, "I'm on the basketball team."
- Study finds that the Duel in the Desert is neither a duel, nor in the desert.
- Recently fired Foot Locker employees posing as actual refs finally apprehended outside Spectrum on Dec. 22
- Nevill makes appearance on E! show, Dr. 90210... Remains horribly unattractive.

The Petri Dish - This Howard fellow must be one hell of a baller.

Team - Contrary to belief is more than just one dude named Howard, but an entire team, although their record indicates more on the side of the "just one guy" theory. Has a School of Divinity. Also has an all-around severely lacking athletic program. Their football team went a staggering 0-8 in the Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference, and a 1-10 season overall. One win appears to be the norm for Howard University.

#0 Curtis White - Favorite quote is "Leave it all on the floor." Curtis' team is 1-8, so he might need to pick some of it back up.

#1 Kandi Mukole - Full name is Tshimuanga Mukole Tudikonge. Nickname is TMT. He likely has the most complex and obscure name of any visiting player we see all season in The Spectrum

#5 Adam Walker - Thing he liked most about Howard: "It is the Mecca!" Clearly has yet to visit The Spectrum. Has likely has the most boring and generic name of any visiting player we will see all season in The Spectrum.

#10 Randy Hampton - Motto is, "Hi, how are you doing today?" We're curious what his answer will be after the game. It also might be a good time to heckle him by shouting this throughout the entire three-day stretch of games.

#15 Kyle Riley - Motto is, "You'll always miss 100 percent of the shots that you don't take." - Translation: Kyle is both a chucker and horribly unoriginal in his personal mottos.

#22 Calvin Thompson - Uncle is Clyde Drexler, representing the most recent case of a visiting player getting the short end of the stick of athletic talent in his family.

#32 Eugene Myatt - Nickname is "Sky-it Myatt".

#54 Paul Kirkpatrick - Favorite food is a chicken-bacon-ranch sandwich from Subway. Was reportedly devastated when the chicken-bacon-ranch was removed from five dollar foot-long status at Subway restaurants.

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