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**USU vs. Nevada**

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## "A Cold-Blooded Wrecking Machine since 2009"

### The Hit List

#	Name	Ht	Pos	Yr
23	Armon Johnson	6-3	G	So.
1	Lyndale Burleson	6-3	G	Sr.
15	Malik Cooke	6-6	F	So.
44	Dario Hunt	6-8	F	Fr.
5	Luke Babbitt	6-9	F	Fr.
0	Brandon Fields	6-4	G	Jr.
3	Joey Shaw	6-6	F	Jr.
11	London Giles	6-3	G	Fr.
20	Ray Kraemer	6-4	G	Jr.
24	Richie Phillips	6-7	F	Jr.
25	Ahyaro Phillips	6-8	F	Fr.
55	Adam Carp	6-7	F	So.

Coach: Mark Fox

### Fox pays off pollsters to keep Aggies out of top-25 for an extra week

Anonymous reports have been surfacing that University of Nevada head coach Mark Fox has spent each of the last several weeks working the phones to get in touch with, and if needs be, offer bribes to various coaches and media members who select the weekly top-25 rankings. "The Aggies are 19-1, and right on the verge of breaking through," an anonymous recipient of a Mark Fox phone call and bribe said. "While I don't necessarily agree with the ethics of what Mark is doing, I can understand where he's coming from. I mean seriously. That place is already its own slice of hell on earth. Imagine the noise if they were in the top-25."

Another anonymous pollster in the coaches' poll said, "Fox came to me making these ridiculous offers to get me to keep Utah State off my ballot. He even offered to trade me some players of his. I don't think I'm alone when I say that nobody gives a rat's ass about acquiring Adam Carp to play for their team. The dude has scored, what like six points in his life?"

While Fox apparently missed the memo that players cannot be traded in collegiate athletics, he apparently managed to complete the process without violating any rules. Per NCAA policy, coaches are not allowed to campaign for their own teams to be voted into the top-25, however no rule is currently in place that prevents coaches from campaigning against other teams.

### Freshman forward Babbitt mortified to learn he can't join a sorority

A dejected Luke Babbitt emerged late last Friday from the house of the Nevada-Reno chapter of the Gamma Phi Delta sorority after learning that he was not being asked to pledge for the spring semester.

"I don't get what their problem is," a tearful Babbitt said. "We spent all of rush week doing fun things together; Manicures, pedicures, girl talk... all that stuff. Now they just turn me away"

Amidst the excitement of embracing his feminine side, Babbitt severely overlooked the fact that sororities are generally reserved for the female gender. Babbitt believes there are other factors that led to his exclusion.

"You know the only reason they picked Christy and Michelle are because they're prettier than me," Babbitt said. "Neither of them are as smart as I am and I'm pretty sure neither of them are averaging nearly 16 points per game for the men's basketball team. But if they want be shallow, then fine. I don't need them anyway."

### \*\*Friendly Reminders\*\*

We can't figure out how the loudest games at The Spectrum this season have all been games when a good number of students were out of town (Weber State, Utah, Wyoming). We'd be thrilled to bust this slump tonight, preferably by means that break away from traditional slump-busting strategies (if you don't know, don't ask).

There was once a time when anytime the Aggies scored a couple buckets in a row, The Spectrum volume would rise to levels not believed to be humanly possible, thus forcing the opposing coach to call a timeout to shut all of us up. This hasn't happened much this year, and it's just so much fun when it does... It takes everyone though. Everyone from the front rows to the people in rows 15-30 need to make the noise. Keep in mind that this very gameday newsletter was founded on the goal of encouraging and/or demanding The Spectrum keep on kicking un-measurable amounts of ass.

### In All Honesty: A game preview

Nevada was the preseason pick to win the WAC and after a slow start (7-6 in non-conference play) the Wolfpack are starting to live up to that potential with five straight WAC wins. Nevada is lead in scoring and rebounding by freshman forward Luke Babbitt. Babbitt was a McDonalds All-American in High School in Reno, and is just as capable at stepping out and hitting a jumper as he is posting up in the paint. Nevada's FG% defense is tied with USU's for best in the WAC. The Aggies on the other hand lead the WAC offensively in field goal percentage, converting 50.7% of their shots. The fatal flaw of Nevada is their ranking of dead last in the conference in FG%. They also rank at the very bottom in 3-point percentage in the WAC. If the Aggies can run their offense at the same efficiency they have all season the Wolfpack should be hard pressed to keep up.

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### The Petri Dish - The, "Sporting goods stores in Reno have way better security than you thought" edition.

**Coach: Mark Fox** - Is always a leading candidate for Coach of the Year honors on the annual All-Refraction team. Has a very short fuse, to the point of attempting to physically attack referees following certain losses to Utah State. In fairness to him, that alleged incident took place in Las Cruces, New Mexico, where it seems that all the weak-minded are compelled to be criminals in some way. **Fox had this to say when asked about the Spectrum "Crowds having nothing to do with it, we've had a lot of success on the road over the years because we've focused on what's going on between the lines." Prove him wrong tonight Aggie fans.**

**#0 Brandon Fields** - Nevada's top returning scorer from a season ago spent his offseason serving as a mentor to shoplifting freshmen London Giles and Ahyaro Phillips. Was originally accused of a five finger discount with the two freshmen, but has since been acquitted of the charges.

**#1 Lyndale Burleson** - Some carryover dirt from a year ago... Likes to "play video games on his Play Station 2 and watch re-runs of Marvin" in his spare time. We're not sure what show "Marvin" is, but we've narrowed it down to Marvin the Martian from Looney Toons fame, or Burleson's poor spelling of the 1990's sitcom "Martin" starring Martin Lawrence. He is the younger brother of Seattle Seahawks WR Nate Burleson. Top friend on Myspace is Tom. Nothing has changed in a year.

**#3 Joey Shaw** - Sister is married to Lyndale Burleson's older brother Nate, which makes Lyndale and Joey brothers-in-law, which explains how Joey got on the team... it's a family thing. Shaw also began his college career at Indiana.

**#5 Luke Babbitt** - True freshman is the focal point of Nevada's team. He shall be ridden hard tonight and thrust into emotional trauma like he's never experienced at any point in time... except for maybe the part in his life where he grew up in Reno. McDonalds High School All-American committed originally to Ohio State, but then decided there's no place like home, even if that home is Reno, and committed to his hometown Wolfpack.

**#11 London Giles** - Shoplifted from a sporting goods store earlier this year. Plead guilty and was fined \$350 plus court fees of \$107. Nickname is "cotton". Cousin of Boston Celtic Kendrick Perkins

**#25 Ahyaro Phillips** - The other half of the shoplifting duo pled not guilty to shoplifting and is awaiting a court date. Hobbies include shopping (surprise!) and basketball. On his Myspace he claims to be "smart, athletic, hood/sophisticated, ambitious, determined and 100% ST." And who are we to argue...

**#44 Dario Hunt** - According to his Myspace he, "shuts sh\*t down." Ironically most likely to be on the receiving end of Gary and/or Tai's "you can't guard him" chants.

**#55 Adam Carp** - After scoring just two points all last year, is on a tear so far this year having already doubled last season's total output of two points for a total of FOUR!

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