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# "A Cold-Blooded Wrecking Machine since 2007"

# The Hit List NAME HT

#	NAME Brandon Brown	<u>HT</u>	Pos	YR	
3	Brandon Brown	5-10	G	Jr.	
23	Mark Lussier	6-2	G	Jr.	
21	Cody Thueringer	6-3	G	Sr.	
32	Tyler Hurley	6-5	F	Jr.	
25	_Kyle Perry	6-9	F	Jr.	
5	Jared Smithson	6-0	G	Sr.	
11	Levi Simon	6-0	G	Fr.	
12	JC Isakson	6-1	G	So.	
14	Gabe Rucker	6-1	G	Fr.	
	<b>Souleymane Diedhiou</b>	6-6	F	Fr.	
33	Bridger Chambers	6-6	F	Jr.	
34	Chad Jones	6-3	G	Jr.	
35	Kyle Erickson	6-4	G	Jr.	
	Matt Mullins	6-6	F	So.	
	Jordan Overstreet	6-2	G	Fr.	
	Nolan Harris	6-3	G	So.	
	Austin Mailey	6-0	G	Fr.	
Head Coach: Steve Keller					

# Refraction staff preps for final issue and face off with Final Boss of the Internet

With just one game remaining for the original Refraction staff, the duo is preparing for one final underwhelming send-off with next week's Idaho game. After that, real life sets in for the duo, including an inevitable battle against The Final Boss of the Internet.

"It's been a long time coming," Refraction co-founder Matt Sonnenberg said. "After all this time spent digging up dirt and bashing on people, we've earned quite a bit of internet street-cred. It's one of those things where eventually we've got to face the final boss of this."

Sonnenberg continued on the situation, likening it to the movie Scott Pilgrim vs. The World, where a young man must battle his dream girl's seven evil-exes to continue dating her.

"It's like a rite of passage I guess," Sonnenberg said. "We can't be fully legit in the online world of smack talk until we've taken out the final boss. The Final Boss of the Internet is basically our version of Gideon Graves from Scott Pilgrim."

After four years and hundreds of players mercilessly bashed on in The Refraction, as well as the unlikely completion of 120 course credits, the staff is prepped to face the real world, contingent upon defeating the upcoming final boss.

"It's going to be a hell of a fight," Sonnenberg said. "I mean look at that guy... Even on visual appearance alone, is there any doubt as to why he's the final boss? We feel like we're as prepped as we can be at this point, even if we still have no idea what to write about certain teams that come here. We're pretty sure even that jackass couldn't have thought of something interesting to say on Montana-Western."



FINAL BOSS OF THE INTERNET THIS IS THE FINAL BOSS OF THE INTERNET

### In All Honesty: A game preview

Trying to find info on a school that doesn't even play in the NCAA is difficult...With that said, here's a preview as best as we can do.

Montana-Western, believe it or not, currently has the best record of any team to have played, or that will play in The Spectrum this season. Sure not a single one of those wins is relevant at all, but still kind of funny.

Leading the way for the Bulldogs is a trio of double-digit scorers in Brandon Brown, Cody Thueringer and Tyler Hurley, who combine to score almost 46 points per game between the three. The team also has three players who have hit above 40 percent of their 3-pointers on the

Both Brown and Hurley have also made their way to the free-throw line quite a bit this season too, but as stated before, it's all relative to their competition.

Given the lack of size down low for the Bulldogs, tonight will be one of those games where Tai Wesley scores exactly however many points he feels like scoring. Really the same could be said about anyone on the team, so hopefully tonight will be the night Tai gets that triple-double that he has been pretty close to a few times in his career thus far. Oh, and hopefully Brad Brown has the game of his life tonight! That would be nothing short of epic, so make it loud.

## Missed any issues of The Refraction???

Visit **www.usustats.com/refraction** and get caught up on what you've been missing (that means you freshmen). Also join our group on Facebook for all our updates and info on coordinating the chaos that we so often coordinate.

#### News and notes and stuff

- New Mexico State is throwing a "Pajama Party" for their March 2nd home game against USU... Because nothing says intimidating, hostile and rowdy crowd like a massive pajama party. Video on Youtube. ROFLMFAO!!!
- Kinda looks like we've found some heirs to take over The Refraction next year... in case you were wondering.

# We're hoping that tonight will be forever remembered as "The Brad Brown Game"

Let's be real... We're going to win tonight... by a lot. So with that in mind, this means some playing time could be in store for the deepest parts of the USU bench, including friend of The Refraction, Brad Brown.

Basically, we're going to reach a point where we know we've got the game in hand, and at that point, it's time to start chanting Brad's name and hope that Stew can't say no.

If Brad gets some quality minutes, chances are he'll get some quality scoring chances, and hopefully finally get one or two shots to fall. The Spectrum had better be ready to go off for him. Nobody deserves it more.

### **WAC Standings**

Team	Conf.	Overall	RPI
Utah State	12-1	23-3	26
New Mexico State	8-4	14-12	125
Nevada	7-5	10-15	179
Boise State	7-6	14-11	155
Idaho	7-6	14-11	156
Hawaii	5-7	14-10	187
Fresno State	5-8	11-14	197
San Jose State	3-9	12-12	201
La Tech	2-10	11-15	235

### Quickies - short and not so sweet

- Tai Wesley to play entire Montana-Western game with one hand tied behind his back
- Montana-Western player hasn't heard of himself or his team either...
- President Obama attempting to trade
   Montana and North Dakota to Canada for the
   Toronto Maple Leafs and 30-pack of beer.
- Refraction staff shamelessly admits to recycling past headlines for "Quickies" section of Montana-Western issue.

## Buy your WAC Tournament tickets

If you haven't already bought your tickets for the WAC Tournament, March 11th and 12th in Las Vegas, freaking buy them already!!!

They're \$18 a game, and because USU will be the No. 1 seed, there will be just two games, or \$36 total for tickets. That's cheaper than years' past, and hotels shouldn't be too pricey either.

So basically what this comes down to is that you should go somewhere for Spring Break for the Saturday after school is out until Thursday. Hit the beach in SoCal, go to Mexico, go on a cruise, or even hit up Spring Training baseball in Arizona.

After that though, be ready to represent and carry on the legend of The Spectrum on Wheels in Las Vegas.

The Spectrum on Wheels crew in Reno for the 2009 WAC Tournament was something of legend. This year should top anything else before... Make it happen!!!

### The Petri Dish - This is unfair... To both these players for being subjected to this tonight, but also for us having to dig dirt on them.

#3 Brandon Brown - Would be better if he was Brad Brown.

#11 Levi Simon - Favorite athlete is "The Travis Williams"... whoever that is. Has a horrible haircut

#12 JC Isakson - Facebook profile picture= Jimmer Fredette. A sampling of Facebook statuses= "Oh great Utah State is top 25. This is going to be interesting." "A keg for super bowl? I think so". JC also appears to run a business called Pulse Entertainment, which is not as cool as Prestige Worldwide. #15 Souleymane Diedhiou - Goes by Jay. From Senegal. Redshirted at Snow

College last year.

#21 Cody Thueringer - is a fan of "Montana is for badasses" on Facebook, a hypothesis that The Refraction fundamentally disagrees with. His last name also closely resembles a type of German sausage, as well as a certain breed of rabbit.

#32 Tyler Hurley - Plays for Montana Western

#33 Bridger Chambers - Likes Rodeos according to his Facebook

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