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ORU Leaving Summit League; Blames OU For "Ruining Their Fun"

By Baker Cronin

Recently Oral Roberts coach Scott Sutton called up the HCP staff to express his extreme relief that this was the last time ORU had to travel to the O'Rena for a conference game.

"It's almost over," said Sutton with a sigh. "Just have to suffer through one more road loss to Oakland before we are out of this miserable conference."

Oral Roberts had previously enjoyed a fair amount of success in the Summit League, especially from 2004-2008. Oral Roberts managed to amass numerous conference championships during this stretch through a combination of well placed bribes, marginal basketball talent, sheer luck, and liberal amounts of sleeping pills in opponent's water coolers.

"It was a great time for our basketball program," said Sutton "We were the top dog in the conference and we could strut around like peacocks and get away with it."

Then along came Oakland.

Starting in 2009, Oakland University basketball players realized that the time had come to end ORU's unmerited and underhanded success.

"They just started winning..." said Sutton with a glazed look coming over him "Not just winning, but *dominating*. It was painful. It was hard enough to be booted from the top of the conference, but we were just getting flat out embarrassed by the Oakland squads."

That was when Oral Roberts decided it was time to move on.

"Honest competition? Heck, any competition for that matter! That is not what we are looking for in a "battle" for a conference title," stated Sutton regarding ORU's decision to move to the Southland Conference.

You may be reading this article thinking that this is just another piece of HCP satire, but the sad part is, The Southland Conference really is a lot worse competition than the Summit. Currently, the Summit League's

conference RPI is ranked 13th, while the Southland Conference is ranked 25th.

Don't let the rankings fool you though. The Southland Conference boasts many prestigious schools with great basketball programs, including the following:

Nichols State, Lamar (Yes, Odoms, actually), McNeese State, Central Arkansas, Southeastern Louisiana, Northwestern State (Almost as feared in this conference as Northwestern is to the Big 10), UT Arlington, Texas State, UTSA, Stephen F. Austin (apparently individual people are allowed to compete in this league), Sam Houston State, and Texas A&M Corpus Christi. Quality competition indeed.

"It will be so nice to finally have a chance at winning our conference again," Sutton said in his closing statement "No more O'Rena. No more Grizz Gang screaming behind our bench during timeouts. No more OU ruining our fun."

Freshmen Guard "Strongly Encouraged" To Change Name

By Ivey West

Adjusting to living away at college can be difficult for any college student. This is especially true when your institution of choice is the hardline conservative campus of Oral Roberts University, where freshmen guard Trey Cox is learning to what lengths ORU officials are willing to go in order to maintain the campus' high moral standards.

Oral Roberts University is one of the few colleges in the United States that does not allow for homosexual or premarital sexual activities on its campus. Though we here at the HcP seriously doubt that ORU players receive no "improper benefits" from the ladies of Tulsa, the staff at the university is attempting to eliminate everything which has the connotation of sex from the program. Recently this freshman guard from Missouri learned that among those things to be expunged is his last name.

"Coach Sutton came up to me after practice and said my jersey was going to have no name on the back from here forward. I then started noticing phone books with bookmarks on names like Smith and Jones being placed outside my dorm room in the morning."

The final message came last week, when after attending chapel, C*x was asked by three men in black suits if he enjoyed bringing dishonor to the Oral Roberts name by taunting his inappropriate name every time he took the court. These men left with the ominous message, "Change your name to something else....or face our wrath." While a fourth man who was hidden in the bushes during the encounter projected "dun, dun, dun" in a deep mysterious voice.

"I guess I never realized that my name was controversial," said Cox Jones as he mullered over his decision. "I mean not allowing an adult to have something due to strictly held beliefs does

not create open minded or well-adjusted adults who can think for themselves."



"That eagle, I say, that eagle looks a lot like me, son."

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