PR director questions logo issue

A proposed logo change was initiated by the public relations department in an attempt to bring conformity to the university's letterheads and publications, Paul Keckley, public relations director, said Wednesday.

"The whole concept was for uniformity and was to be used for publications. We need a logo reflective of a progressive university," Keckley said.

There are 31 different letterheads on campus, he explained. One department's letterheads are orange and black, another uses the department's title only and another doesn't even use a zip code, Keckley said.

He said the office of continuing education and the aerospace department have already used the new logo.

Gen. Nathan Bedford Forrest would not be removed from the UC, Keckley said.

Proposed MTSU logo

Commenting on the controversy surrounding the proposed change, Keckley said, "I am more than willing to talk to any group. I hope they ask me to do it."

Design, games classes offered

Non-credit courses in furniture design and movement education will be offered this semester by the MTSU office of continuing education.

Furniture design and construction will be taught Monday evenings Jan. 27-Apr. 14 in room 111 of the Industrial Arts Building. Registration is $28.

Movement education, a course to teach pre-school children different motions in games, sports and rhythm, will be held Saturday mornings Feb. 8 - April 26. The course, instructed by Lee Allsbrook of the HPER department, will meet in the Alumni Memorial Gym. The fee is $6 per child.

Further information may be obtained at the office of continuing education in the administration building.

BSA cites logo remarks, drafts Forrest statement

By Rocky Harris

Citing "derogatory and supportive remarks" in Sidelines concerning the controversial Gen. Nathan B. Forrest logo, the Black Students Association (BSA) met Wednesday night to form a general statement.

"We are offended by the presence of the gallant savior of the white race — protector of motherhood, virtue, Christian principles and other things that black people are supposed to be antithesis of," Amos Tucker, BSA president, stated.

Tucker said it was "unfortunate" that the BSA cannot be credited with the "demise of the Southern gentleman."

The Forrest logo serves as a "representative of nostalgic thought for those regressive individuals who long for the good ole' days (lynching and castration of those murderous rapists ... so they say," Tucker said.

Concluding his statement, Tucker said, "If you really will miss the racist dog's face, my heart bleeds for you; but I'll try to get over it. Good-bye Nate!"

Job orientation set for graduates

Seniors and graduate students leaving school in May and August may attend a career placement orientation meeting set for 11 Tuesday morning in UC 322.

Richard Gould, associate professor of industrial arts and technology, will discuss interview procedures and techniques. Lytle Fowler, professor of business education, will discuss letters of application and resumes.

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Tortoise would make a better logo

In the interest of resolving the current controversy over the campus logo, I would like to suggest an alternate symbol: the tortoise.

There appears to be an unfortunate analogy between this animal and the "no-look outlook" of a vast number of MTSU students.

A tortoise lives most of his life in his thick, dull shell. Poking, prodding or even beating won't get him out until he feels like it. He walks, when he walks, at a slow pace; he doesn't make much noise, and in general, is harmless.

This is fine for Tommy Tortoise, but for a group calling themselves the "Blue Raiders," it is deplorable.

For most, college is the only chance to prepare for the real thing. The university is your tool, a valuable one which you've rented. It can only serve you well if you use it well.

Upon testing, you may discover that faculty serve purposes other than harassing you with questions. Or, that books and libraries contain some stimulating information that just might stir your tongue. If you stick your head out a little more often and listen a little closer, you may be able to formulate an opinion based on something more than introspective meditation.

In summary, this is the warm-up sports; and you'd better get some practice, or you're liable to blow the whole number.

Kathy Eckenfelder
General Delivery

Is this guy really serious?

I give my utmost praise to the administration of MTSU. They perform a job with few thanks. With their guidance, I will be a better person.

I agree totally with their policies. Beer and other alcoholic beverages should never be allowed on campus. One should not drink until he is at least 27. One should never visit the room of the opposite sex.

A person should not be allowed to date until he is 25. When he reaches 30, he should be able to go out on a date without a chaperone.

I have a few suggestions however. We come to school for the four r's: reading, writing, arithmetic and work.

Benjamin Franklin said, "Play is the Devil's playground." One should not be allowed outside after sunset. If a person is caught, he should be reported to his parents and grounded (sent to bed at 6 p.m. for a month).

Also, Monk's Den of Iniquity should be forced out of business. Filth, corruption and lust are found in that lair. We should get back to the basics of "mother and apple pie."

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Saga could use SUB on Sunday

Saga, why isn't the SUB cafeteria open on Sunday night like the other cafeterias (as in High Rise and Gag More)?

Surely it can't be because you have no meat, seeing as how you bought such a fine beef specimen from this glorious establishment.

Since everyone is so "concerned" for the students, including the university officials and especially Saga officials, why isn't the SUB cafeteria open when there is a need?

We freshmen HAVE to buy a meal ticket and are served uninspected meat, without our knowledge. With the economy in its present shape, we cannot afford to let this money be wasted, especially since the food is so DELICIOUS!

Name withheld by request

ASB -- let sleeping dogs lie

Will someone please tell the ASB to let sleeping dogs lie?

The extension of Friday library hours is almost reasonable since a good number of people stay here weekends. Of course, this means finding someone to work these extra hours which is not as easy as it seems.

Although working in the library can be especially hectic on weekends, I do not consider an extension of Friday hours too unreasonable.

However, extending Sunday hours would be absurd, to say the least! Sunday is the library's slowest day, and I dare say the number of people coming in before 2 p.m. would easily be in the lower three-digit area.

Also, some people like to attend church service on Sunday morning. Open the library then, and someone surely will have to miss. I can think of no reason behind the Sunday extension.

Next time, dear ASB, think of the poor shnooks who have to go out of their way to abide by your little resolutions. I like to think that we're human too.

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Apathy cure: detail campus issues

Since the beginning of the spring semester I have noticed a great lack of student concern over major campus issues. I believe this is not due entirely to a change in students' attitudes, but in a growing belief that the administration disregards students' requests.

Now this may or may not be true, but either way a reconciliation must be reached if the students of this campus are going to voice their opinions on future issues.

Not all of us are articulate enough (including myself) to express ourselves through the editorial page of Sidelines. I would like to see more information published on campus issues by our student media.

This would mean not only publishing the issues themselves but also information regarding channels of expression; who to see, what to do and how to do it.

As a new student to MTSU, I have no idea where to go or what I can do to make myself felt in issues that I feel are important. I am experiencing the complete frustration that will soon give way to apathy, and I may shortly become just another indistinct part of the overall blob of apathy that is MTSU's student body.

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Forrest demonstrated six 'virtues'

The trivial question of Nathan Bedford Forrest's fate has seemed to raise considerable controversy on this campus about the credibility of his representation as a school martyr. But the ideals that represent this "Man of Gold" present overwhelming evidence supporting his righteousness.

I would like to mention but a few: (1) Motherhood — a band of roving rapists, (2) Godliness — the burning of crosses at band meetings, (3) Cleanliness — white sheets, (4) Brotherhood — a racial bondage known as "Slavery," (5) Fine-Old Southern Phrases — "boy" and "move to the back of the bus," and (6) Equality — the establishment of the KKK and racial discrimination.

Instead of relying on martyrs of the past for our school insignia, I propose we update our representations and preserve those ideals we carry so close to our hearts. Present-day candidates should be the theme of this university, and I therefore suggest we erect monuments to James Earl Ray, Sirhan Sirhan, Rudolph Hess, Elijah Muhammad, Bobby Seale and Robert M. Shelton, the imperial wizard. These last three would be most appropriate for they represent the progressive, original attitudes of this university as exemplified by those nine students so outraged by the initiation of this controversy.

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