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Brown Root Not Computer Friendly

By Lisa Griffin

Matt Watson, member of Brown Root Seed Company, was reprimanded recently for advertising over the campus e-mail system. Watson sent students a message about an upcoming performance by the band.

Watson thought that he was doing a good thing by sending out advertisements about an upcoming Brown Root Seed Company performance. Watson was taking advantage of this technology to avoid paper waste associated with passing or posting fliers. This action caused a minor uproar in the computer lab.

Students who usually do not follow the band may remember them playing in chapel last semester.

One student, who remains anonymous, was very distraught over Watson's use of the e-mail system. Someone replied to the entire student body with the subject, "Down with the Brown [Brown Root Sucks]."

The sender blasted Watson for misuse of the college's e-mail system saying that it should only be used for student activities, not for the band's own personal gain and that a protest of the band was in order.

Upon receiving this complaint.

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One student has reaped the effects of being too loud during the quiet hours. Freshman David Hickman stated, "I received two hours of community service for playing my music too loud one morning last semester. I guess it didn't help any that it was 8:30 in the morning and it was the day of an exam."

Some students have also complained about the loudness and lack of respect in the dorms. Sophomore Anderson resident, Amy Wappes explained, "It's been better since we've gotten back from Christmas break, but people still need to remember that they live above and next to people who might go to bed early."

Howerton resident. Terrence Johnson said. "I don't think that noise is a problem in my dorm. If anything I think Watson sent another message to all students first as an apology for any misuse of the system, and also as a rebuttal to the angry party.

Watson explained, "I didn't mind the message, everyone is entitled to their opinion, it was the tone that bothered me." He went on to say that the fact that the writer chose to remain anonymous was "rather childish and cowardly."

Most students on campus don't see what the big deal is about the band advertising over the e-mail. Senior Erin Broome stated, "I don't see anything wrong with it, if you are not interested, clear the message and go on about your day."

Junior Rusty Fleshman agrees, "There is nothing wrong with it, you gotta do what you gotta do to market yourself."

Currently Watson is working with Tom McMurtry to set up an e-mail address for Brown Root Seed Company.

Brown Root Seed Company is a local band and several of it's members attend or have attended Montreat. Interested students may like to know that Brown Root will be off the road until mid-March while they record a CD.

it is too quiet at times. People should be allowed to be noisy as long as it is not offensive to anyone, no matter what the hours are.

Freshman Davis resident. Ozzie Orengo explained, "On my hall, dorm noise really isn't a problem. Seventy-five percent of my hall is my teammates, and we all need a good night's sleep in order to be able to function during practice. We get wild at times, but we are like family. We have respect for each other's needs which include sleep and study time."

Resident students should take into consideration the feelings and needs of other students before they start being loud.

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Witteveen said, "This will be an extremely challenging part for me to play, and will be both mentally and physically exhausting. Whitney is a character that doesn't reflect who I am entirely, but nevertheless, I'm looking forward to it."

After the plays, Darwin Glassford, head of the Christian Ministries Division (co-producer of the play with the Greybeard Players), will take the stage to lead a question and answer session to discuss the deep theological issues that will be taken on by both plays, and for spectators who might have questions on particular topics.

Glassford stated, "I am really looking forward to these plays. I think they have some deep underlying issues in them, and this will be a good opportunity to discuss them." Dr. Bill Hayes, a Human Services professor and experienced counselor, will also assist Fuller and Glassford.

Upon being asked if he found the plays controversial, Fuller stated, "I'm sure many people will find some of the material controversial. However, this is controversy for God's sake, not controversy for controversy's sake. Darwin, myself, and others seek to glorify God through this play."

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