# BRANDING 101 MICHAEL **AIKENS**

#### This Presentation....

One central concept

▶ Designed to make you think

▶ Raises more questions than answers

### What is Branding?

▶ What does "branding" mean to you?

#### What is Branding?

Branding is a feeling

- ► An emotional response
  - ▶Business, Person, Community/Place

▶ Identity to align customer interests & convey values

### Terminology/Hierarchy

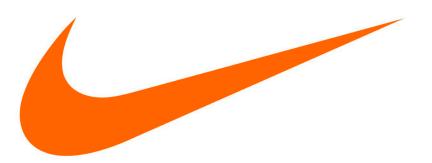
- Branding feeling/identity
  - ► Marketing science behind the sale

Science: product, place, price, promotion, PR, return on investment (ROI)

Advertising – communication of the brand

Creative: logos, magazine ads, Snapchat stories, Facebook ads, etc.

## A Brand is Not a Logo



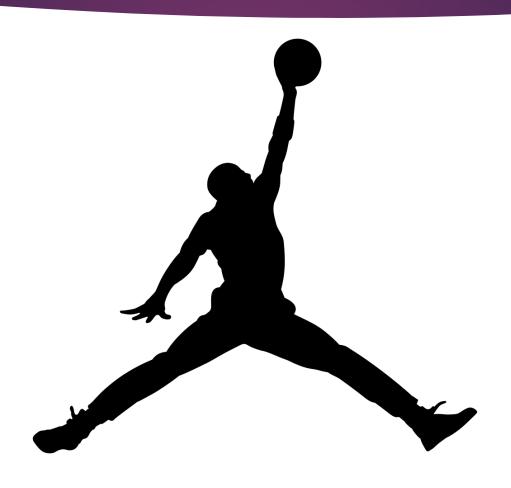
## A Brand is Not Packaging



#### A Brand is Not a Product



## The GOAT



#### A Brand is Not Advertising



SEPTIC SYSTEM
PROBLEMS?
CALL THE
STOOL BUS!



#### Conveying the Brand

#### ►How? Depends!

- Develop the brand first
   Don't start with emails, posters, websites and other advertising media,
- These mechanisms are all essential, but branding is about a creating and disseminating a feeling
- ► HIRE A PROFESSIONAL but they need your input

#### Community Principals

Real estimate the place - to develop the brand on an authentic basis

- Develop a vision for the future
- ▶ Define attractive, unique brand position
- Should affect those who are affected

#### Building a Brand – Key Concepts

- Commit to your core values → customer values
- Innovation, differentiation, positioning

Progressive story, not individual campaigns

Convert customers to loyalists and evangelists

## Conveying the Brand

▶ Both creative and strategy must work together

Great advertisements, but unsuccessful strategy, gets you no where

Bad advertisements but great strategy will have same effect

### Conveying the Brand



#### ▶ Who are your customers?

- ► Honestly isolate your customers
  - ▶ Who can you best serve, and who not?
  - ▶ What is your capacity?
- ▶ Divide them by interests, values, and needs
- Convey and maintain your brand through targeted marketing & advertising
- ▶ Focus upon who you can serve best

#### Building a Brand - Apple iPod

#### 1. Who are their customers?

People who love music..

#### 2. What are their customer's values?

Instant gratification and to enjoy endless music regardless of location.

#### 3. How did they communicate these values?

"1,000 songs in your pocket"

Single handedly created a new eponym

Other great eponyms - Xerox, Kleenex, Coke



# Say hello to iPod. 1,000 songs in your pocket.

#### Building a Brand - SWOT

Strengths Continue, enhance

Weaknesses Minimize, reverse

**Opportunities** Discover

Threats Avoid, contingency

### Building a Brand - Planning

Situation Analysis	(SWOT) Where are we?
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**Key Issues** Why are we here?

Vision/Purpose/Goals Where could we be?

Strategies How do we get there? How to build brand

equity?

Execute/Measure What do we need to do? / How did it go?

## Building a Brand – Brand Equity

Definition	One sentence which articulates your brand
Mission	Your reason for being
Vision	The big picture goal
Core Values	4-5 beliefs – never compromised & everything measured against them
Positioning Statement	A 1-2 sentence description of how you do what you do and for whom
Value proposition	One sentence which conveys to others the Value you provide to your customers

#### Building a Brand - Trust

Folks should believe there is no alternative to your brand

- ► Trust
  - ► Reliability + delight



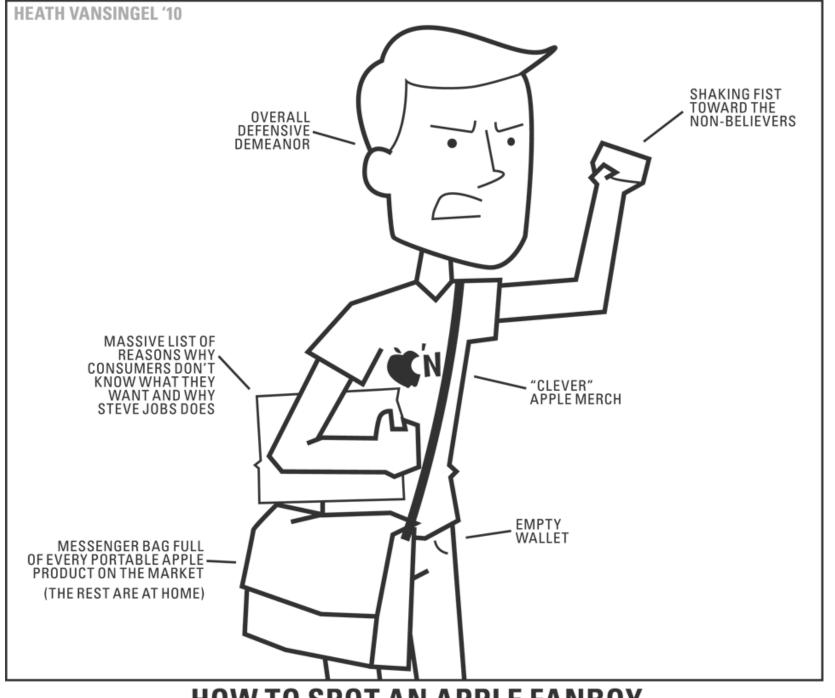
## INTRODUCING THE ALL NEW SILVERADO HD.

THE MOST POWERFUL HEAVY DUTY ON THE PLANET.



#### Convert Customers to Evangelists

- Make them so happy they can't help but spread the word
- Example: Apple
  - ► Fashion statement, status symbol
  - ▶ In many cases their products are inferior to other companies
    - Say that to a "fanboy" and you will never hear the end of it



**HOW TO SPOT AN APPLE FANBOY** 

#### Which is "better?"





#### Differentiation & Positioning

▶ How different you are perceived against competitors

► How **innovative** is your product/service/place?

▶ Blending in is not a strategy

#### Impact Measurement

- ► Branding difficult
  - ► Marketing return on investment

Science: product, place, price, promotion, PR, return on investment (ROI)

Advertising – qualitative and quantitative

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## Brand Contingency

► Sometimes things happen

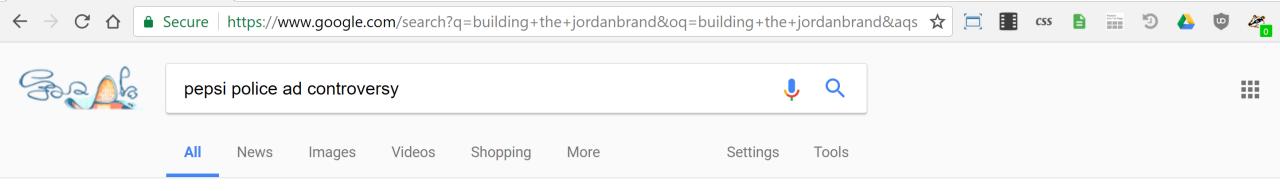
▶ Brands are volatile

▶ It's up to you how to react









About 722,000 results (0.48 seconds)

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#### Pepsi Pulls Ad Accused of Trivializing Black Lives Matter - The New ...

https://www.nytimes.com/2017/04/05/business/kendall-jenner-pepsi-ad.html
Apr 5, 2017 - **Pepsi** has apologized for a **controversial** advertisement that borrowed ... In the **ad's** climactic scene, a **police** officer accepts a can of **Pepsi** from ...

#### Controversial Pepsi ad used San Francisco police logo without ...

www.latimes.com/.../la-me-ln-san-francisco-police-pepsi-ad-badge-20170410-story.ht... ▼ Apr 10, 2017 - Lots of people were unhappy about the Kendall Jenner **Pepsi ad** — including, it turns out, the San Francisco **Police** Department. In a "behind ...

#### Pepsi Pulls Controversial Kendall Jenner Ad After Outcry - NBC News

www.nbcnews.com/.../pepsi-ad-kendall-jenner-echoes-black-lives-matter-sparks-ange... ▼ Apr 5, 2017 - **Pepsi** Yanks **Controversial** New **Ad** Amid Backlash 1:23 ... back by a **police** line and tweeted: "If only Daddy would have known about the power ...

#### Pepsi pulls this controversial Kendall Jenner ad after widespread ...

www.chicagotribune.com/.../ct-pepsi-kendall-jenner-protest-video-backlash-0406-biz... ▼ Apr 5, 2017 - Soon after **Pepsi** posted video featuring Kendall Jenner, and a soda, as peacemakers in a standoff between marchers and **police**, the company ...



















## Protesters throw Pepsi cans at police during May Day demonstrations

Medic hit and demonstration shut down as Portland protesters mock theme of Kendall Jenner advertisement where she handed drink to police officer



#### **Bonnie Malkin**



Tuesday 2 May 2017 01.05 EDT



#### Police disperse people participating in a May Day rally in downtown Portland. Photograph: Dave Killen/AP

#### Most popular in US



Belgian university tells female students to wea 'low-cut' tops to graduation ceremony



Portland man accused fatal train stabbing has outburst in court



Trump clashes with German leaders as transatlantic tensions boil over



The gender wars of household chores: a feminist comic







## Marian



Pepsi: We are the most hated company right now.



United Airlines: 1 sec - Hold my Pepsi.#PEPSI

#unitedAIRLINES

7:04 PM - 10 Apr 2017



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Chris Melberger O



fly the friendly skie

WORRY ABOUT OVERBOOKING

**DON'T WORRY** 











If we cannot beat our competitors,







































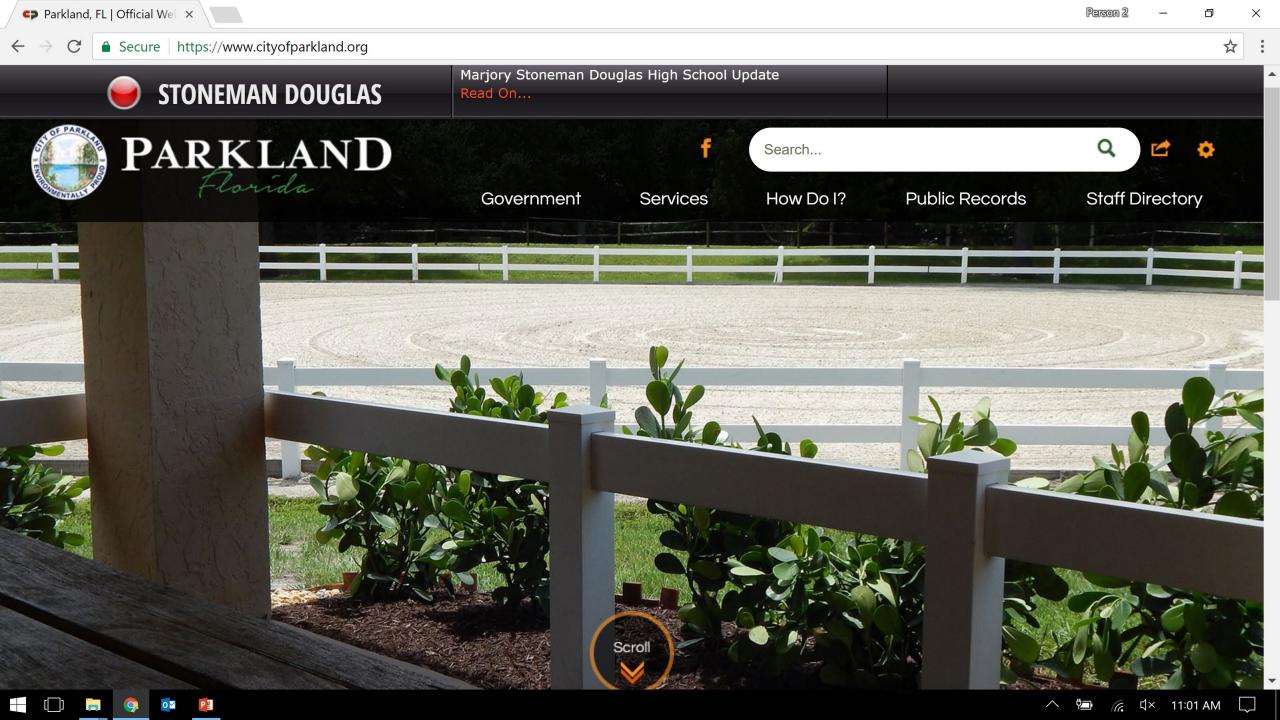












## Assigned Reading

Building Brands with Character and Chemistry
LINK

Prand Equity & Advertising
Pt. II The Brand Personality and Brand Equity, pp. 67 - 96
Pt. III The Role of Creating Advertising, pp. 143 - 213
LINK

### Thanks...

► Questions?