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Editorial

University Parking Regulations?

The University has deemed it important enough to actually have a sub-committee of our Senate, simply to set up and review our "Parking and Traffic Regulations". In fact, our present parking regulation (absurd as they are) actually got approval from both the Senate and the Board of Governors.

Each year, these six pages of rules concerning the "Parking and Traffic Regulations" are printed and handed out to every student and faculty member that has a car. Then a University parking permit (sticker) is issued to every person who owns a car. (if you may drive more than one car during the year i.e. your fathers, your wives, you must also get a sticker for that car) Then the Security Police go through all the lots giving warnings to all the people who don't have stickers on their cars. After the Security Police have done this a few times, they will go around and give tickets to everybody that doesn't have stickers on their cars (and if you don't pay the fine within seven days, the Security Police can cancel your parking privileges, remove the vehicle from the campus at your expense, or more serious disciplinary action for repeated or serious offences. The main objective behind this whole process is to make sure everyone has a sticker so that they will only park in the lots A,B,C,D & E and not in the areas marked "visitors parking".

Many Universities are not as lucky as us, in that at U.P.E.I. we have more than ample parking in order to accomodate all of the cars that are brought to the campus. Most Universities that do issue parking stickers, do it because there is a limited amount of parking and they feel that university people should have priority to the spaces. This threat just doesn't seem to occur at U.P.E.I. (I haven't

seen too many people parking in Lot E so that they could shop at the Charlottetown Mall).

Why don't we just eliminate all this great waste of time and money, and let people park where ever there is a regular parking space. The only concession that I could see making is (if you want to give out stickers) reserving one of the more convenient lots in front for people who actually need them i.e. people in wheelchairs or with walking disabilities.

It states in the "Parking Regulations" that "visitors parking is solely for the use of visitors to the campus on business. Every student and faculty member is at this University for business. We can go and use the K - Mart parking lot and not be forced to have a sticker on our car. In fact, they don't even get mad at me when I park there, walk through the store, and

don't even buy anything.

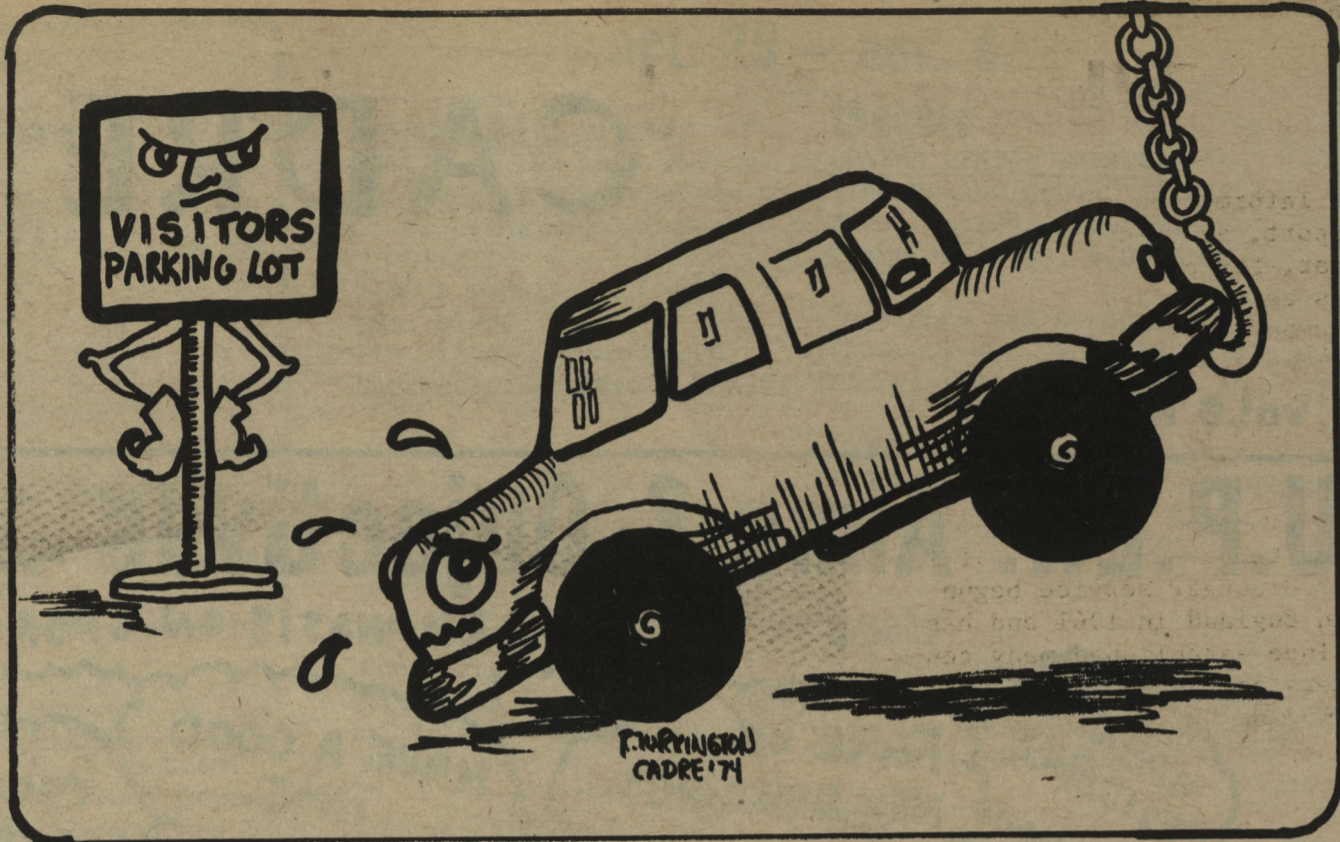
There are a lot of other rules listed in the regulations, i.e. speed limit, obstructing fire hydrants, driving carelessly etc. All of these are simply a repeat of the basic rules of the road. Every traffic sign that is on this campus has to be approved by the City Council. Why don't we just have regulations that are the same as anywhere is, one has to follow the traffic rules that are marked.

As I mentioned at the beginning of this, all of these rules have been approved by Senate and the Board of Governors. It is interesting to note that in a copy from two years ago under Section II part F; it states "will be notified by the Business Office that their parking privileges are suspended." In the copy of the parking regulations you receive from the Security now, it states, "will be notified by the Security Office that their

parking privileges are suspended". The interesting fact that the cover of both of these are identical with "approved by the Senate on November 16, 1972 and by the Board of Governors on November 27, 1972.

If the cover of both of them are the same, who gave the approval to move the power from the Business Office to the Security Office? It seems as though that impressive cover with all those approvals doesn't mean anything. Somebody has been taking it upon themselves to change these rules as they see fit.

Since somebody feels that they can change these rules as they see fit and most of the rules are so absurd, the most effective action is for students and faculty to take the power into their own hands. Everybody at the University should scrape off their stickers on the same day and put an end to this ridiculous situation.



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