

Editorial

The Parking Predicament

Take 167 students owning cars attending MAC, and match them with only approximately 90 'immediate' dormitory parking places and what do you get? -A problem, yes or no?

"There's plenty of parking if you're willing to walk," says Dean of Student Affairs, Larry Wilson. There are easily well over 300 parking places throughout the campus within walking distance.

But no one wants to walk a mile or more to class, especially if it's raining and with colder weather approaching fast! Also no one wants to leave their car far from their sight even if "Montreat's finest" are patrolling continuously. At most Universities no class is close to where you can park. So are MAC students getting a taste of the big University life? "No," explains Dean Wilson. "We see the need. It's just a question of priorities. It is my feelings that students would prefer better rooms, carpeting, more and better furniture for the lounges, improved bathroom facilities (McGregor Dorm), etc., provided with the money available to the college." Do students want to live in a parking lot or a dorm?

MAC has a 'nice' problem in that our enrollment is increasing, but our parking facilities remain the same.

However the situation should not be termed hopeless, especially for Davis Dormitory where the problem is at its worst. By the end of October the South Carolina Home will be closed, thus making its parking facilities available for Davis residents. As for everyone else:

I, as does Dean Wilson, suggest that the idea for more parking facilities be set before the Board of Trustees in their meeting later this month by the Building and Grounds Committee (and are your student representatives). It should be placed on the budget! It should not have priority over other needs such as those previously stated by Dean Wilson in this Editorial, but in case additional funds are available (there is always a good chance.) It would be for more and closer parking areas. How about a parking lot behind Ma Hall and McGragor dorms? There's plenty of room and a road leading in and out is already there! (Calm down guys! This would be for girls only.)

Before any of this can happen, you, the members of the student body must impress upon these student representatives of the Building and Grounds Committee the importance of putting this idea before the Board of Trustees and having it placed on the budget. "If you won't do it, it won't get done" as the saying goes.

A.M.

Smoking Regulations

Although there is strong evidence that smoking is hazardous to one's health, the College allows individuals to decide for themselves whether or not to smoke. However, there are certain places and under certain circumstances that smoking should be regulated.

1. No smoking is permitted in any classroom.
2. No smoking is permitted in the Library except in the lower lounge.
3. No smoking is permitted in the Science Building.
4. No smoking is permitted in McAlister Gymnasium.
5. No smoking is permitted in the Student Health Center.
6. No smoking is permitted in the elevators.

It is highly recommended that the students, staff and faculty refrain from smoking in the lobby and halls of Gaither. In addition, smokers should consistently be aware of the rights of non-smokers so as not to cause irritation or discomfort. It is, therefore, recommended that smokers decrease or refrain from smoking at meetings, particularly indoors, where non-smokers are present (examples: dorm meetings, student activities, lobbies, and the cafeteria).

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.



Mr. Richard Gray Teacher Of The Week

Backtalk

Many changes have taken place at MAC since last year which are probably most noticeable to the sophmores. One of these changes is a new open dorm policy. Last year we had Open Dorms every fourth week from 2-5 on Sunday afternoons. This year each dorm chose their own hours for when they want open dorms. The change allows the students to have Open Dorms more frequently as well as giving everyone the opportunity to take advantage of Open Dorms. ALETHEIA was curious about what MAC students thought about the new dorm policy, so we took a survey to find out what opinions the students had on this subject. Below are some of the responses we received from students:

"I think the new Open Dorm policy is good, but we should have it more often as well as longer hours. It is a big improvement." Patti Taylor

"Unless there is some function going on, I do not think Open Dorms are of any real use." Michael Davis.

"I think it's great to vary the hours for Open Dorms, mainly because it gives everyone the opportunity to visit at sometime or another. It's great improvement over last year's Sunday 2-5 routine." Ann Kirby

"It isn't good to have Open Dorms during the week because a lot of people are studying, and it makes it hard for them." Ruthie Dinkins.

"I like it and think it should have been done like this last year." Joe Peoples

"I don't like the hours of Open Dorms during the week days because people are either trying to sleep or study. I don't mind the Open Dorms hours on weekends." Melissa Storms.

"I like the idea that we can choose when we have Open Dorms. I think that it was misleading that the Administration said that we could choose how many hours we wanted, but we ended up having about the same as last year." Roger Cardinal

Letter To The Editor

Men's Intramural Football Games

At Montreat-Anderson College we have men's intramural football games. These teams are organized by floors. They go out ready to 'kill' to prove which men's hall is the best. They come off the field injured, trying not to cry like babies.

Anonymous

RESPONSE: What you say is probably true. However, boys will be — I mean, men will be men? What do y'all think?



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