

Parking Crisis ?

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If you are not a driver of this college's streets, then you have not noticed but many students have—parking is a problem! In years past, parking has also been a issue, but this year's beginning brought more than the usual dose of trouble. With a three to one male/female ratio, and over 70 day students, available parking spaces have become limited.

Montreat-Anderson Hall is possibly

where the major crisis lies. There are more than 67 girls registered to park with this dorm and only one gravel parking lot alongside of a few individual parking spaces to accommodate the number. Many freshmen were instructed to park in the lower half of the Belk Campus Center parking lot. This however, cuts faculty and day student parking down. To solve this problem, the college is allowing some faculty park on the curb of the

Belk Campus Center without being ticketed. The administration is also moving more of the Montreat-Anderson dorm drivers to the gravel lot.

Are you like the others around campus? Wondering if future freshmen will be allowed to drive to school after this year's "overload?" According to Sam Wheeler, Student Government President, this is not a consideration at all and '91-'92 freshmen need not be concerned. Many state-supported schools such as North Carolina State University,

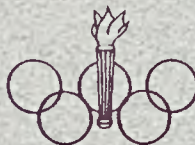
as well as many other private colleges do not have the freshman driving privilege. It is a characteristic that makes Montreat unique.

Freshmen Shelly Morris agrees, "I appreciate the Montreat privilege of freshman driving. On other campuses, freshmen pay a very high price to store their cars and can drive only on weekends."

So students, calm your anxieties; the parking problem will hopefully clear itself up. Until then, be patient and considerate with your parking.

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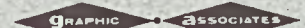
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