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Within-mile residents get busted for illegal decals

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Parking and auxiliary services has begun their routine parking sticker investigation, making sure that only students with daytime parking decals are ones residing outside of the one-mile radius.

Although the process is not a new one (it's been done the last three years), many students are not aware that it goes on.

"We are just trying to make sure that those driving to campus are outside the one-mile radius," said Dick Fauson, director of auxiliary services.

Even though the number of cars on campus has decreased a little due to December's graduating class, Fauson still sympathized with students trying to find a parking space between the busiest hours of 9 a.m. and 2 p.m.

"If we allowed students to violate the one-mile rule, we'd have another 500 cars on campus making it impossible to find a parking space for those students who are

living outside the mile," Fauson

Auxiliary services has three tried and true methods of finding the parking sticker violators.

Most often, when parking staff members are checking cars to make sure they are parked in their designated color parking spaces, they also make a note of which cars have decals from communities within the one-mile radius. This costs the school nothing extra because they are not sending out extra employees, and it also has proven quite effective. Fauson said that most of the communities within the radius require residents to have parking decals on their car, so whenever you see a car with a UNCW daytime parking decal as well as a decal from one of these other communities, it's a dead give away.

The other two methods are used less often. "Sometimes we've been informed by other students ... and we also do a lot of surveillance," Fauson said.



About 144 students have been caught to date for illegally purchasing and using daytime parking decals. The maximum penalty is a \$172 fine and seizure of the sticker.

By surveillance, Fauson means that on occasion auxiliary services will send a vehicle to the communities within the one-mile radius to see if any of the cars have both community decals and UNCW daytime parking decals.

As for the rumor of cars leaving campus being followed home by an auxiliary service employee, Fauson laughed and said, "we do not do that, we have never done that, nor will we ever do that."

There are mixed feelings among the students as to whether or not auxiliary services should be revoking the illegal parking

"I think it should be allowed even though there aren't enough spaces ... because it would be a long way to walk in bad weather and certain conditions for those who are on the outskirts of the one-mile," said freshmen Allison

"I think it's good, because you do pay for those spots," said freshmen Kate Regan. "If you pay, you should get a space."

Auxiliary services sold approximately 5,580 daytime parking decals. As of Monday, auxiliary services has only had to send out 144 letters to individuals suspected of violating the radius rule.

A mere 26 of the violators came forward and turned in their decal and walked away without so much as a fine. However, the maximum penalty is a \$172 fine, a revoked parking sticker and an invitation to the dean's office for disciplinary action.

A few students have complained about getting the fine and the revoked sticker, but no one has been sent to the dean's office as of

Campus hosts speaker to discuss controversial genetics

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On Feb. 2, Kenan Auditorium hosted guest speaker Dr. Gregory Stock, a recognized expert on the projected impact of the Human Genome Project. He discussed the implications of manipulating human DNA in the areas of preventative medicine, reproduction and culture.



Dr. Stock received his Ph.D. in biophysics from John Hopkins University and serves on the editorial board of the American Journal of Bioethics. He has also

written two books: The Book of Ouestions and Redesigning Humans.

With the mapping of the human DNA sequence, called the Human Genome Project, Dr. Spock believes that we are on the path to "taking control of our evolutionary future...Within 10 years it will be possible to look at your entire list of DNA...for about \$1,000," Spock said

Dr. Spock says this newfound knowledge will allow pharmaceutical companies to tailor drugs to the individual, which will in turn spur changes in drug development, FDA approval, life insurance and health insurance.

Life expectancy will increase with the introduction of antiaging drugs and the ability to prevent some of the ailments of old

According to Dr. Stock, "many experts agree that the first person to live to 150 is already alive." Forthcoming drugs may double or triple the human life span.

Parents will be able to select certain traits for their children and avoid genetic disorders by genetic screening of the embryo. Stock says the groundwork for this was

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