Opinion

Parking on Campus: It Has Gotten Worse

By Joanie Tuttle EDITOR

Recently, I returned to school as many other students did pleased to see the changes that are going on around campus, the addition to the library taking shape, repairs to damage caused by the tornado are finally underway. Unfortunately, one area that has failed to change or for that matter improve is the parking situation!

As a commuting student I am forced to drive to campus in order to

attend classes, so I deal with the parking frenzy daily. Contrary to what some school officials believe there are simply not enough parking space for student and faculty alike. Last semester the situation was bad but tolerable. Students could always opt to park in the quarter lot instead of circling around the desired area while hunting for an opening. This semester for some reason the quarter lot is often so full that some brave souls are even parking on the grass once inside the lot.

If where to park wasn't enough, the

driver, student and faculty alike have to worry about whether or not their car will be the lucky winner of a parking ticket.

Don't get me wrong, I'm not against giving irresponsible drivers tickets, but please let's have a priority system. Let's start with the driver that brazenly defies authority by parking on the campus without purchasing a decal. Many areas around campus have lots that contain cars that are lacking a parking decal. If security would concentrate on removing these culprits a major part of the problem could be solved. Second ticket all

cars that are parked in ways that restrict the safe flow of traffic, this would also relieve a major headache.

While these are some suggestions for the individuals that hand out tickets, a basic thought for the driver to keep in mind is COURTESY! A person knows if he or she parks incorrectly that the other guy will have problems leaving the parking space, thus causing unnecessary delays. The COURTESY rule should apply to both faculty and students alike and then maybe the dreaded parking problem will improve.



Memories of Streetscene

By Tanya Williams
NEWS EDITOR

The Carolina Streetscene blasted through Winston-Salem this year and was a big success. Every year the Urban Arts of the Arts Council, Inc., sponsors the Carolina Streetscene. For three days Winston-Salem and Triad residents enjoy the combination of an open-air market, carnival, and crafts festival called the Streetscene.

It has become something of a tradition to attend Streetscene which is held annually in Mid-September. This year the festival ran from 11:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. Saturday, September 9 to 1:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. Sunday, September 10.

The festival got an early start on Friday, September 8th when the Urban Arts hosted a preview party held at the Benton Convention Center in downtown Winston-Salem. The party started at 5 p.m. and featured the lyrical talent of the Kays, a beach group, and the Blue Notes with plenty of food and drinks available.

There was also a Gallery Tour held simultaneously to the preview party. The tour, which was free, started at the Fiber Company on North Trade Street, went through several businesses on West Sixth Street and ended at the Sawtooth Galleries

on North Marshall Street after passing the First Presbyterian Church on North Cherry Street. There was a choice of walking your way through the arts or taking a shuttle van, courtesy of Cloverdale Ford.

Temperatures in the high 80's and 90's didn't keep the crowds from enjoying the weekend performances of acts such as Patty Loveless, a top 10 country singer; and Urban Edge, a local rock band.

Jazz artists Phil Woods and Jean Carne contributed their talents to the festivities. Others who performed were jazz singer Maria Howell and local musical talents.

The entertainment was just a part of the fun. All ages converged downtown for the crafts and food. Vendors and craftsman from all corner of North Carolina displayed their wares.

There were also areas set aside where community volunteers taught children different arts and crafts like finger painting and building things with sticks. The young boys and girls made animals, pictures, and little toys to take home with them in memory of Streetscene 89.

Streetscene was a success with the crowd turnout, as some people went both days. It remains to be seen whether Streetscene 1990 will be better than this one.

WSSU Recovering From Tornado

By Joyce McMillan SPORTS EDITOR

It started out as a regular spring day, the birds were chirping, the sun was shining brightly and everyone seemed to be in a festive mood. Then as the early evening approached, the sky became cloudy, the spring breeze transformed into savage wind and the rains descended.

Forsyth County was torn apart by the strapping winds of a May 5, history making tornado, that arrived swiftly and swiftly it departed. Some knew what was happening while it was happening, and others didn't know until later that night or the day after. The day after was horrifying. Strong winds destroyed entire communities. Trees as tall as three even four story buildings were completely uprooted and thrown on top of homes and or vehicles. Power lines were pulled to the ground by fallen trees which caused power outages for days across the county. Graduation ceremonies for WSSU's seniors had to be held outside of the old coliseum because of the power outages. No one and yet everyone was discriminated against.

Winston-Salem State University was also hit hard by the storm. One look around campus is all it takes to see the damage that the vicious winds and heavy rains caused. Trees that were standing tall and in full bloom May 4th are no longer standing. Dor-

mitories, recreational facilities, departmental buildings and the auditorium were badly marred. How bad were the damages? How long will it take to restore the campus look?

Associate Vice Chancellor/Physical Plant, Irvin Hodge said, "The preliminary damages dance in and around the household tune of \$1.5 million. Everyday we find something new," he added.

As far as the replacement of the trees is concerned, Hodge said the trees will not necessarily be placed in the same location. He continued, "Since we have the opportunity to

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Faculty Forum

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