



Move it or lose it: Campus police serious about towing



Photo by Argus Staff

Nov. 11 five Winston-Salem State evening/weekend students told an Argus reporter that their [illegally parked] vehicles were towed from campus while they were in class. [From left] Art Black, Sharon Bailey, Kimberly Sturdivant, Sherena Ramirez and Demetrica Hagler. Far right. Jordan Holloway.

Argus Staff Report

At WSSU, approximately ten vehicles are towed per day.

Five students, a faculty member, and a guest speaker found that out the hard way.

Nov. 11, at about 7:30 p.m. five students left the Campus Police office angry because their illegally parked cars had been towed from campus.

"This is how they want their students to be treated," said Art Black, one of the five students that had been towed. "I ought to transfer and hit

them in the pocket." Black, is a graduate student from Winston-Salem.

Demetrica Hagler, another evening/weekend student said, "I'm missing a class to go to get it [her vehicle] off the lot." Hagler is a nursing major from High Point.

Another evening/weekend student said she was told she could park anywhere on campus. "One officer told me that I could park anywhere on campus after 5 p.m.," said Sherena Ramirez.

Ramirez is a graduate student from Cherryville, N.C.

That same evening, a faculty member's car was about to be towed for not having a decal. It was reported that the faculty member has never purchased a decal since he has been working at the University.

While Kenyetta Richmond was speaking at a forum in R.J. Reynolds, her vehicle was towed from parking Lot U after 5 p.m. Nov. 8.

"They need to list protocol, and not be so quick to tow," Richmond said. "Everyone is not familiar with the parking procedure." Richmond is an

alumna and Victim Advocate and Outreach Specialist at Family Services Inc.

"There were other visitors on campus, and I was the only one who was towed that night."

Richmond said she had to wait to get her vehicle back the next business day because McAuley's closes at 6 p.m.

WSSU usually uses the services of McAuley Recovery & Towing in Winston-Salem.

Owner, Cuanas McAuley

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WSSU retains voting station

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Despite a recent complaint filed by the Forsyth County GOP, Winston-Salem State may still have the opportunity to serve as a one-stop early voting station in the next elections.

The Forsyth County Board of Elections had a special meeting Oct. 22 to review early voting locations. This came after Nathan Tabor, Forsyth County GOP chair, sent a letter to the Forsyth County Board of Elections.

The letter addressed an e-mail sent by WSSU Student Affairs Oct. 18 to students, faculty and staff encouraging them to vote early. At the end of the message was a request to help the Democratic Party.

Tabor called the e-mail "a violation of state law," and went on to say the message tarnished WSSU's reputation.

"This whole situation has gone viral," Tabor said.

"This has made the University look like cheaters in front of the entire nation."

During the special meeting, the Forsyth County GOP strongly opposed the Anderson Center as a one-stop voting location and motioned that the Board of Elections find an alternate site.

According to the minutes, university officials agreed that the e-mail was an improper use of a state employee's authority

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International Education celebrated

Nov. 15-19, WSSU celebrates International Education Week. Several activities are planned for the week including multiple activities from India, Tastes of the World, study abroad expos, presentations by international students, international seminars, European experiences, and much more. For a complete schedule of events, check WSSU e-mail and wssu.edu

Source: www.wssu.edu

Students lack research skills

According to the latest Project Information Literacy Progress Report, 84 percent of students say that when it comes to course-based research, getting started is their biggest challenge. The three sources cited most often by students were course readings, search engines like Google, and scholarly research databases. Only 30 percent asked a librarian for research help. The online survey polled 8,353 students from 25 college campuses nationwide.

Source: Chronicle of Higher Education

Four Loko banned in 4 states, so far

Four Loko, the caffeinated alcoholic drink, is causing quite a stir across the United States. Four Loko is known to have sent students to the hospital. Chacha.com reports, "The brand Four got its name for its main ingredients, caffeine, taurine, guarana and alcohol." The drink consists of as much as four beers and one cup of coffee. The benefit of this drink is that it's cheap, costing about \$2.50-\$3. But is cheaper always better for your health?

Source: www.collegenews.com

