

Lack of Parking; Lots of Cheats

The parking facilities at the U of A have never been extensive but now they are getting worse.

Due to the construction for Universiade '83 the number of

available parking spaces has decreased by approximately 600 places.

In addition to this the nearby surveys of Garneau and Windsor Park are becoming more and more vocal in their irritation at students parking along their streets.

The residents of Windsor Park will be issued with resident stickers and are asking the city to enforce the parking regulations more stringently.

To make matters worse, there was double the number of applications for parking permits this year.

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Says SU president Robert Greenhill, "There really is a problem and we are looking into a unmber of solutions."

These solutions include a park and ride system in which the students will receive pentissent the students will be supposed to the university by bus. However the operators of shopping malls are proving less than receptive.

"It is difficult to convince these people to allow several thousand students to take up parking spaces during business hours when they are not planning on doing any shopping," says Greenhill.

The SU is also attempting to

on doing any snopping, says Greenhill.

The SU is also attempting to insure that the Edmonton City Transport put the U of A on a light rail transit route.

Parking is alloted to students on a basis of need.

Thus students who live outside the city or handicapped individuals receive preference. Applications from car-pools also receive greater consideration.

Some students cheat and list an address outside the city when they in fact live on city bus routes.

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Said one such cheater who
wishes to remain anonymous,
"sure I cheat but I need the

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parking space. It's at least two buses to my place, and that takes over an hour."

The cheater added, "When I went to pick up my pass there was this woman there who lived in Ellerslie being turned down, there was no more spaces because shitheads like me cheat. I felt bad about it."

There is no doubt that the university requires more parking facilities.

But says Brian Bechtel, SU rep to the Board of Governors "It's difficult to get the Board of Governors excited about parking. They've all got their parking

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Application deadline date is September 23, 1982.

FAS Helps Students

by Richard Watts
While student activists riot
in France, wreck computers in
Montreal or become double agents
in Britain; in Alberta they study,
drink Beer, drop-out or graduate.

Where do those student politicos with wider vision than their own campus student councils

They probably end up in the Federation of Alberta Students (FAS).

Principally FAS is a lobby group dealing with the govern-ment and other administrations on behalf of the 40,000 Alberta students it represents.

"We can provide a united student voice looking out for the interests of students," says FAS president Don Millar.

Millar continues, "We repre-sent the focus of those students interested in education and in the province of Alberta."

But Millar insists that FAS is more than a lobby group, and offers students more visible benefits than a 'united voice."

"We also provide research and information to students such as our public information campaign this summer," says Millar. This summer, says Millar. This summer FAS ran an information campaign aimed solely at the student public offering information about the student loan system, how to apply, how to appeal and urging people to apply early.

"And it worked," says Millar. In light of the unemployment this summer I think we proved ourselves invaluable to many students."

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Millar does admit that FAS has had problems in the past.
"In the past there has been a tendency for the Federation to become alienated from the very students it represents, but we're not an entity unto ourselves," asserts Millar.

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