# Parking perils

by Kisa Mortenson

It was a dark and stormy morning as I headed to the U of A, sitting behind the wheel of my mighty blue Honda. Since I was feeling rather low that day and had a late class, I decided I would drive and spare myself the fun of late night Edmonton transit.

Parking was what I truly looked forward to. Where else would I be able to spend long hours and money but at the many parking facilities on campus. This time, however, I was going to save money.

I left an hour and a half before my first class in search of, you guessed it, a cheap place, slightly off campus to park. Little did I know what excitement I was in for.

I began my search just east of campus. Up side streets... down side streets...

Nothing could be found but those infamous NO PARKING signs. I had been looking for half an hour... But I would not give up. I had an hour until my class...

I went south only to discover NO PARKING tatooed to every telephone pole. Forty-five minutes to go...

Go west young men and so she did. But no! More of those signs ... This was turning into some sort of weird Hitchcock movie... My head was beginning to pound and everywhere I turned NO PARKING... Half an hour...

As the clock ticked away before my class, I knew I would have to find somewhere to park. I would have to pay the

Education car park and six dollars... Hitchcock would agree, that is a lot of birdseed...

## Lister Hall food prices exorbitant

I am writing to you in the hope that a concern to many students at the University of Alberta might receive some much needed attention. Approximately 1200 students live in the university dormitory called Lister Hall. Students who live there are obligated to pay \$212.50 per month for food in addition to their rent. This money is credited to the student on a card with a magnetic strip. Purchases made by the student from the university food services are deducted from this amount.

The problem is that we are forced to spend this money in a monopoly. Prices were somewhat expensive last year but we have suffered drastic increases this year. Here are a few illustrations: a slice of bread increased from 15 cents to 30 cents, milk rose from \$1.00 a litre to \$1.45, and a plate of fruit jumped by 170% over last year.

I am not aware that these kinds of items

increased as sharply at any other food outlet. In Safeway, for example, bread still costs considerably less than six dollars a loaf (approximately what a loaf at 30 cents a slice would amount to) and their price for milk has not rocketed by 45%

It is claimed that these kinds of exorbitant prices are required to merely break even. I believe that if the Mac's store across the street operates at a profit and has lower prices, then the students of Lister Hall are the victims of profiteering.

Students here would appreciate any kind of help that Gateway readers could provide in helping us to prevail over the monopoly which takes our money and leaves us hungry.

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