PARKING PROBLEM POOP PROFFERED

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The parking situation at Rice obviously needs to be classified. Loud complaints have been ringing from all sides about towaway fines paid when cars were not towed away, boots put on parked cars, and tickets handed out during Christmas vacation. So for the benefit of all those who would like to know exactly what the poop is, the following rules are set forth:

1. All parking regulations on the campus, except where otherwise specified, are in effect 24 hours a day, all year round, including vacations. There was no announcement that these regulations would be relaxed during any vacations, as indeed they were not.

2. The Hamman Hall fee parking lot, the Lovett lot, the Physics lot, the Chemistry lot, and the Library lot are legal after 6 pm on any night.

3. The three towaway zones, illegal at any time, are behind the Will Rice, the Hanszen, and the Baker commons. In cases where a ticket is given and the car is not towed away, it is because the car was locked and could not be towed. Since the car would have been towed if it had not been locked, and in some cases the wrecker has already been called before it is discovered that the car can not be towed, the $10 fee must be paid anyway. This policy of making students pay the towaway fee regardless of whether the car has actually been towed or not was decided upon in an administrative meeting after Christmas, and will henceforth be consistently followed.

4. "Boots," locks on the back wheel so the car cannot be moved, are put on cars to force the owner to settle up his parking tickets. They are put on a car after six or more tickets have been left unpaid for five or more days after the proper interval, even if the car is later in a legal parking lot.

5. Anyone who is forced to park his car illegally because of a mechanical failure will be excused from a fine upon telling this to Mr. Sims, Adviser to Men.

6. Any questions about the parking situation may be referred to Mr. Sims.