

# Sidewalks Filled To Stop Buckling

The sidewalks around the Rice campus have been buckling. Mud is being inserted underneath the sidewalks through holes drilled into them to correct this condition, according to Mr. Justin Elliott, campus Buildings and Grounds Supervisor.

Elliott said that the ground around the campus has been shifting, causing some of the gravel sidewalks to crack and buckle.

This creates a potentially hazardous situation, according to Elliott, because some adjacent sections of walk wind up at different levels.

The process of levelling the sidewalks is known as "mud jacking." After the walks have been leveled, the holes in them will be plugged up.

Elliott said that the buckling has not been concentrated in any particular spot around the campus, but has occurred "here and there." He reported that his department is trying to catch the worst spots.