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Revelle's annual casino night was a success as it always is, with lots of great door prizes and a grand prize of \$100. Some were winners and others were losers, but since it wasn't real, no one worried about feeding the kids and everyone had a great time.

Picking up the Pieces

By Leesa K. Light

The San Francisco area earthquake last week was one of the greatest disasters that has beset this nation in the past decade. While many expected the earthquake to hit sometime during this generation, oddly enough, no one was really prepared for the damage that it wreaked.

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Much of the focus was on the Oakland and downtown San Francisco area. Great damage was done here as well as the nightmare of Interstate 880. Since the nation was so focused on Candlestick Park and the third game of the World Series, much of the disaster coverage was focused there during the first part of last week. In fact, none of the major networks focused on the epicenter of the earthquake in the Santa Cruz, Los Gatos and San Jose area until President Bush visited them later in the week.

While the 6.9 earthquake demolished many of the homes in these areas, the 5.9 aftershock which occurred a few minutes after the earthquake did greater damage to

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ROCKTOBERFEST

Rocktoberfest, the annual Revelle College Halloween extravaganza, is this Saturday. As is past years, Rocktoberfest is an event in which students can stay on campus and celebrate Halloween.

Be ready for Saturday night at the Commuter Lounge. It will be transformed into a horrifying haunted house - with plenty of fun for everyone. But don't forget to come in your best Halloween costume so that you can enter the costume contest, and possibly win a prize! Other planned Rocktoberfest events include a scavenger hunt, and the movie "The Channglings" in Anchorview on Halloween night. The movie is free and starts at 9 p.m.

Rocktoberfest is sponsored by the Residence Hall Association and the Revelle Programming Board.

Bond & Norrisgive Last Lectures

By Mary Ann Nogaki

The new "Last Lecture Series," which featured Provost Tom Bond and Humanities lecturer Dr. Chris Norris this quarter, may have been misleading in name but allowed both speakers to address a topic of their choice with candidness, given the imagined circumstances. Bond outlined the events which brought him to UCSD, while Norris elaborated on the three conditions under which she really would leave the university. Both are reknown for and demonstrated their enthusiasm for teaching and commitment to student learning.

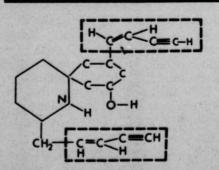
Bond, who spoke on September 28, concentrated on his life story, noting chance events to reassure students that despite the factor of serendipity, "In the end it all works out." Born and raised in Brooklyn, New York at the end of the Depression, Bond revealed that as a child he "wasn't wild about studying" but matured quickly because of his mother's passing away when he was ten years old. After attending high school in North Carolina, he spent his final year in high school as a "fifth year senior" attending Brooklyn Tech to learn higher math. But Bond was still younger than the average college freshperson when he enrolled at the age of 18 at MIT. He majored in

chemistry, inspired by his high school football coach and chemistry teacher. He was also encouraged by his father to "do what you love . . . what you enjoy," who, as a physician, did not receive much satisfaction for a job taken for its monetary benefits during the

His next goal was to become a graduate student of the University of Illinois, which at the time had the best chemistry department in the country. He also applied to Berkeley and UCLA, his respective second and third choice universities, but recalled "never thinking I'd go to them." However, that quickly changed once be arrived, as he "knew after about thirty minutes in California that I wanted to live here for the rest of my life." After receiving his PhD from Berkeley in 1961, he spent the following year in the Army and worked as a professor from 1963-1967. Displeased with his experience, he had just about decided to go into the chemical industry, and in fact had already signed with DuPont when UCSD came along with an offer.

In connection with the lecture theme, Bond hypothesized that "if this really was my last lecture, I'd like to talk about Revelle as well as... a chem project." Thus he marked the opening of the adventures of Bond In Ecuador and Colombia, where he

and a biologist from N.I.H. collected tiny, brightly colored frogs common to the region. In order to understand the noncamoflauging bright green and red pigments, Bond set out to determine the compound's structure, which turned out to be a neurotoxin or an electrical transmission inhibitor. He noted that today such a structure could be determined within a week. But he concluded by drawing the long histrionicotoxin structure and summarizing with a chemist's zeal: "This compound was my life for about a year...[I] really enjoyed it."



Dr. Bond's Histrionicotoxin

He concluded his personal narrative by remarking, "I've never regretted coming here to teach." Five years ago he expanded his role at UCSD to become Provost of Revelle

College. But he remains concerned for and in touch with the students as he still manages to teach organic chemistry 140A once a year and reserves 15 hours a week for student appointments.

Dr. Chris Norris, who spoke October 5, explained three ideological conflicts which would not only prompt her to leave UCSD but which are already occurring to some extent. She first outlined the situations which would cause her to leave: "If humanities was further marginalized, if interdisciplinary studies were marginalized, but most critically, if teaching was marginalized... I'd definitely leave the university."

In the first case, Norris noted that, unlike the sciences, the humanities do not receive top funding from the government, because, like a business, the university allocates its money to the most productive departments. But while this strategy assures flourishing trained specialists here at UCSD, it does not promote or make any claims about the character, the thinking aspect of a person. While the dominant idea is that the university should produce well-trained specialists, Norris believes that the "university ought to be in the business of creating a thoughtful citizen."

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ACCENTON ACADEMICS

Make sure your degree and diploma application form is on file in the Provost's Office and that you are on the "graduating senior" list. The list is posted on the kiosk in front of the Provost's Office. Please see Helen Smeby if you have any

Winter graduating seniors:

Submit your Degree and Diploma Application during fall quarter. Forms can be obtained in the lobby of the Provost's Office. Leave the completed form at the front desk and we will begin processing your graduation early winter quarter. OASIS

OASIS offers many programs to help you with your coursework and study skills. These programs focus on three areas: ACADEMIC SUCCESS which includes workshops in reading skills, time management, concentration, note taking, test-prep, test anxiety, and goal setting; workshops in English as language, second writing/vocabulary improvement and improvement conferences for nish, French, and Italian; and WRITING that includes conferences and workshops in drafting, grammar and editing/revision. Also, the writing program offers conferences to aid you in writing your Humanities

The study skills program is especially helpful for you new freshmen who are feeling that "high school was not like this" as you adjust to the university and the quarter system of instruction.

For further information, see your academic counselor or check with the OASIS office.

Submission of a petition in no way guarantees its approval. Until you have been notified by the Provost's Office of the outcome, you should assume that your request has NOT been approved.

Don't forget to write your current address in the space indicated on the petition form. Without it, notification of the decision on your

After submitting an add/drop card for any reason, a lways request class confirmation at the Registrars Office, and CHECK IMMEDIATELY to verify that the add/drop has been processed correctly.

PLANNING AND SCHEDULING: The winter '90 Schedule of Classes should be available at the Bookstore or the Revelle Sundry Store. Purchase a copy so that you can begin planning your winter

TELEPHONE REGISTRATION FOR WINTER '90:

November 1 through November 19 are the designated dates for telephone registration (T-REG). You should receive your packet from the Registrar's Office containing your 48 hour registration time window beginning October 23. Please refer to the schedule of classes your to the schedule of classes, your Unravelling Revelle, or the video tapes in the library or Revelle Provost's Office for T- REG

ADVISING HOURS: From Monday October 30 through Friday November 17, academic counselors will be available on a drop-in basis in order to better serve more students. For help with academic planning, come by the Provost's Office, open 8:30am-12:00pm, and 1:00-4:30pm. FRESHMEN:

The Revelle Academic Counselors are presenting a review of the procedures for course registration and of the Revelle requirements. If you have questions about what to take for the winter quarter or how to register for classes, this session probably will be to your

Review sessions will be held: Wednesday November 8 7:00 - 8:00pm in "Why not here" Thursday November 9

5:30 - 6:30pm in "Why not here"

Friday November 10 10:00 - 11:00am in the Revelle Formal Lounge

LECTURE

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She stated that the Humanities program aims to teach students not only how to evaluate human nature and global issues, especially in the context of the time period studied, but how to make such claims on paper. This requires a qualitative analysis in order to reach the end statements."

Many of the same factors would contribute to Norris' second imagined reasons for leaving the university, since the Humanities program at Revelle is an interdisciplinary one. Considering the multitude of global questions which cut across various fields, she stated that "the university's trend toward training you well in one area disempowers you to evaluate these issues." While specialists are trained in the production of a good or service, she noted that few question whether or not production should be taking place at all.

Recalling that the original function of the university was to teach the student, she pointed out the hypocritical disincentives for teaching over research. For example, she noted that "teaching is not a major consideration for faculty advancement" and the university's hierarchy places lecturers and grad students, who have the most contact with students, last. Also, some new faculty members are advised to forego their teaching requirements at the beginning in order to concentrate on research.

Norris compared her frequent assistance to Humanities students with that of a "birthing ideas" process where although she may have witnessed the event or topic formation a given time, the challenge is in "overcoming that boredom and realizing that birth is a miracle for that individual." She noted too that "in return . . . I expect the student to intuit that there's some care here."

She summarized two key characteristics which professors ought to be be capable of: "being generous with one's intellectual gifts and being generous with the intellectual struggle of the student."

But she ended by stating that for now these issues are low in intensity and that at least "UCSD is willing to hear this loud voice."

Lisa Deines and Brad Fields, this year's FSPB and EAP interns, planned over the summer for this quarter's series and are currently hoping to sponsor 4 or 5 lecturers for next quarter's series, considering this fall's turnout.

The "last lecture series" aims to utilize speakers primarily associated with Revelle College

QUAKE SHATTERS LIVES

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the already weakened structures. Former Revellations editor, Kevin T. Kelly, a resident of San Jose, was concerned about the many homeless in Santa Cruz county this past weekend. Some 10,000 people in Santa Cruz county were banned from their homes because of the weakened and damaged structures. There were not enough shelters to hold all these suddenly homeless. The threat of aftershocks made many other homes dangerous because of structural fractures. The rain that came this past weekend could have caused further damage to homes and to families on top of the earthquake disaster.

Kelly also mentioned the apprehension that many of the Northern California residents are being faced with. Will another big one come? Every rumble of a construction truck and noise of the earth sends residents to doorways and wide open spaces with a paranoia and panic of death. While this shattering experience is no where near complete recovery, Kelly said that "many of the residents are ready to pick up their lives and go on. They want to regain normal lives. They want the World Series to start up again. It will mean a return to normalcy in their world."

Kelly was also greatful that the quake hit when it did. He feared that "if the quake had come two hours later, although there would have been fewer people on the roads, 62,000 people would have been plunged into darkness in Candlestick Park with stairs opening up and things falling down. I'm just glad that the series was going on; it saved many people's lives. Any normal day I-880 would have been bumper to bumper and rush hour traffic would have been

The response of the nation to the earthquake has been incredible. The Red Cross has asked for donations of money only and the dollars have come pouring in. Students have donated more than \$1000 to the Red Cross Earthquake fund table set up on Revelle Plaza. Fundraisers that were originally meant to raise funds for clubs on campus are being donated to the Earthquake

There is still a great need for money to aide the many homeless and injured in the earthquake. If you would like to donate contact the Revelle Resident Dean's Office, the Dean's office or the Downtown Red Cross office.



Welcome to another issue of *Revellations* In this one, we're introducing a new column called 'Cracked.' We all know that as sidewalks and streets get old, they become cracked. Well this is true of the minds of college students

as well. If you're a freshperson, you can peer into this column at what your future holds for you. If you aren't, then you've already started.

Actually the truth is, some freshpersons have already started to crack although only a month has gone by. This column offers the readership a chance to enumerate the crevices in their mental chalkboards. You, yes you, can expound the bits of insanity in your life, simply by letting me know about them. Write them down, drop them in the 'Revellations Personals' envelope in the commuter lounge, take two aspirins, and call a psychiatrist in

Those of us who intend to become graduate students may have started to worry. We see them in front of class sections, going on about this or that, asking if they are in the right place, admitting that they had no prior knowledge of the subject at hand, and we wonder, is this what intellectual freedom is all about? Who knows? Who cares? Well I do.

Maybe it's the four years of cyclic test-taking. Maybe it's the caffiene build-up from late night studying. Maybe it's the food they serve us. Another decent hypothesis is that the UC Regents have a hand in it. After all they know that graduate students tend to get smarter, and may someday be able to

It's like the old problem of the student coming to know more than the teacher, the child becoming more intelligent than the parent, the slave becoming stronger than the master. So tell us, all you grad students, is it all that bad? I know I've gotten some cracks, which is scary, but if all else fails, I can watch the grass and flowers grow up in between them.

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International Features-

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Are you looking for an opportunity to practice your foreign language, to meet foreign students, and to share stories of international adventure? Join us for Language Tables, every Tuesday 5:00-6:30 p.m. in the Revelle Cafeteria (Residents use your meal card, commuters can bring their dinners or pay at the door.) All foreign languages welcome and all levels are encourged to attend. For more information please call Clare: 534-3492 or Kumar: 452-0781.



The Student Committee for Appreciation invites students concerned and interested in cultural issues to join this inspiring and growing committee. The organization meets every Thursday evening at 5:30pm in the Revelle Formal Lounge. This quarter many exciting activities appear on the S.C.C.A. agenda.

The Student Committee for Cultural Appreciation is presenting a talk show-style discussion on Affirmative Action and its effects and role in the university. Anyone w/comments, questions or curiosities surrounding Affirmative Action is welcome. Nov. 1st, Wed., GH auditorium, 7 p.m. Look for cultural awareness activity Presented by SCCA for the dorm.



Volunteer students are needed for the "Student Advocates for

CAMPUS

Undergraduate Diversity" program. The program is designed for students from UCSD to volunteer as Student Advocates to go to selected high schools, junior high schools and community colleges to motivate underrepresented students for college. For more information contact Pauline Liang, program manager, at 534-4450 or stop by the A.S. office to get an application.

Special **Events**

The Revelle College edition of COLLEGE BOWL, "the varsity sport of the mind," is scheduled for Wednesday, January 31, 1990. As you may know, the competition is the forerunner to the ever-popular board game "Trivial Pursuit," as well as the popular TV game show

COLLEGE BOWL is the game of broad knowledge and quick recall. It has grown to become a popular recreational and academic tradition here at Revelle.

Nationally, the competition is sponsored by the Association of

College Unions-International and it is sponsored by the Revelle Dean's Office here on campus. This is the eighth season of COLLEGE BOWL competition at Revelle.

Presently, student teams are being sought to participate in this season's games. Teams are comprised of four members. Interested individuals may also sign up; they will be matched with other individual players.

Two teams from the Revelle College competition, in addition to an All-Star team (selected by the game's sponsor), will represent Revelle at the all-college competition. Teams from Fifth, Muir, Third and Warren will engage in head-to-head competition with Revelle. The winning team at that stage will represent UCSD in intercollegiate play at the regional competition.

All participants will receive participation certificates. Winners will receive T-shirts and trophies.

Additional information, and team entry forms, can be picked up at the Revelle Dean's Office by contacting Anthony J. Jemison.

Consider joining us in one of the greatest "mind sports" of our time!

Educational Features___

After final touches of remodeling, the new Argo Tutorial Center will offer not only tutoring, but a multitude of Chemistry 6A related sources, including alternate texts, handouts, and old tests. However, free Chem 6A tutoring is currently available Sunday through Thursday nights from 7-9 p.m. in the former Hall Programming Advisory room. Eric Schmitt, a veteran of the Chem 6 sequence, will be tutoring at least one segment of the Chem 6 sequence each quarter for the year. The postdinner hours and chemistry-based resource stack are intended to provide both a study and tutorial environment.

The Teacher Education Program at UCSD offers students interested in a career in teaching the opportunity to obtain Multiple Subjects/Multiple Subjects Bilingual Emphasis (K-6) and Single Subjects (7-12) (Mathematics, Life Science and Physical Science) teaching credentials. We invite you to attend one of our orientation meetings, held on the first and third Tuesday of every month, from 10:00 to 11:00 a.m. in the TEP office located in the 519 MAAC building. Information will be distributed at these meetings describing pre-requisites, deadline for applications, required tests, and an overview of the program.

This Friday the Noon Programming Board will be

sponsoring an antique auto show on

the Plaza. The show will feature five

to eight cars owned by members of

the Horseless Carriage Antique Car Club of San Diego. The show will be on the Plaza between 12 and 1

On Oct. 31, NPB will be

sponsoring a Halloween Festival. Ralphs will be donating pumpkins

for a pumpkin carving contest, so bring your ideas and win some great

prizes. There will also be a costume

contest, with prizes for the best

costume and the most creative. Free

pumpking pie will be served, compliments of the Vons Bakeries

and carmel apples will sell for \$1.25. 91X will be on the Plaza during the

noon festivities with great music and

A. S. Frosh Representative Appointed, Rafael Dominguez wants to "meet needs"

By Aimee Nielsen

This year's Associated Students Freshperson Senator from Revelle is Rafael Dominguez, a bright energetic young man, orignially from Chula Vista High School.

Dominguez is eager to start at his job of representing Revelle freshpersons to the A.S. He plans to try a "unique" approach in getting Revelle freshpersons involved in expressing their ideas by forming a freshperson council that would meet once a week, or once every two weeks. Getting interested first year students involved by informing them of plans and activities discussed in A.S. meetings will give them a chance to express their concerns and ide

Dominguez wants to work with and for Revelle College. "Depending on what the students want that is what I will work towards," said Domiguez, "Everybody has different points of view on what needs to be done and what should be done, and I want to gather up all those points and lead on to doing something concrete.

Dominguez decided to apply to be the A.S. Freshperson Senator partly because of his strong involvement in high school as A.S.B. Junior and Senior senator, and because he wants to represent the freshpersons interests.

He is also interested in getting involved in college life which is shown not only by his interest in Revelle and UCSD student government, but also in his participation in two intramural teams, and the fact that he chose to live on campus rather than commute from Chula Vista. And despite his newness to UCSD and Revelle, he is learning to take everything one step at a time and not let it overwhelm him.

In choosing a college here at UCSD, Dominguez picked Revelle specifically for its philosophy of a well-rounded student, which is shown in his diverse interest between student government and his Bioengineering major. "My goal is to be a well-rounded person once I get out of college and into my career. I want to

know a little bit about everything, and I think that's what Revelle offers students," said Dominguez.

When asked about his future plans in regards to student government, Dominguez is not sure, but he wants to start building roots here in for his future college life and his career And in truth one gets the feeling mat his appointment as A.S. Freshperson Senator is only the beginning.



Revelle College Council appointed Michael Aklufi (left) to the Council as well as appointing Rafael Dominguez (right) to represent the Revelle Frosh class on the A.S. Council. Look for an interview with the new council appointee in the next issue of Revellations.

lots of prizes. Faculty Programming Board has tenatively scheduled a Fireside Chat on Nov. 2 at 7 p.m. For more information on the speaker and location contact the Intern office at 534-2519 or the Revelle Dean's office.

If you missed the Scripps tour this past weekend, look for more tours in the next two quarters sponsored by

The second Commuter Advisory Board .50 all you can eat breakfast will be this morning from 7:30 to 9:30. Look for plenty of food with a new addition of danishes and donuts. CAB will sponsor two more breakfasts this quarter on Nov. 8 and Nov. 22.

CAB will be sponsoring several progressive dinners for commuterson Nov. 11. For more information on the dinners and the specific community area near you, or if you want to volunteer to help out, contact Toni C. in the Intern office (534-

Descriptions

PERSONALS WRITERS - Guess what? This isn't the Koala. and we don't run the same kind of personals that they do. Of course ours are bigger and it's much easier to get yours in, but we don't cater to the same needs that they do. You may drop off your Personals in the Revelle College Center, the Commuter Lounge and Anchorview.

To the girl in the skirt putting up the letters on the side of the cafe Tuesday Oct. 10th - Nice legs. Maybe we can get together and I can show you mine. - a Passerby

She's got long brown hair. She's about 5'0". Very petite, very cute Asian girl. I long for the day to see her smile again. I long for the day when she'll be in my arms.

ATTENTION ATTENTION!!! Tall, dark and handsome and very gainfully employed male seeks 6'2" Bulgarian woman with a purple mohawk. Must have own car (preferably blue) and a job with a net income of at least \$260,000 per annum. Please apply on Thursday afternoons at the Revelle cafe - I'll be the one in turquoise. Jayson

Hi I'm Katy, and I'm looking for a man - not a boy, but a real man. If you think you fit the bill, come see

at Anchorview on Thurs. afternoons at the cash register!!! I'm waiting for you.

Justin, you are my friend. - friend To Troy - who's negative?

I Like Sheep - Paul Wisner

Emie & Burt (Schrep)- I got the cookie monster, you want it back?

To me favorite roommate - I'm all for Tioga TKE, TKE, TKE attacks! But REMEMBER you only have 1/2 hr. before Blake 3 hunts you down! Love, the two spys!

Hey all you alkees of Blake 3: The porcelain god can only be worshipped so much in one weekend, so no more El Cajon parties, SUITEMATES! Love, the few "atheists"!!

Markie I Love You

I really like sheep - Paul Wisner

To the women of Revelle, You are all goddesses as beautiful as You! -Wait give me another beer. . . there's

Leesa, you didn't know what you were in for did you! Good luck this year and congrats. Teresa

To all guys of Revelle - Cafe food is great. We all love it very much - Argo

John Green you are an awesome stud. An admirer

TNT4 ever!

The guy at the door on Wed morning in Anchorview is one hot babe- The women of Revelle

Brian Partee I love you... your eyes sparkle with glitter...RML

Brandy, Brandy, Brandy, Please come home for our high school homecoming. It wouldn't be the same without you. Your buddy Leo.

Hey Lisa and Kiki - Where were you? when the fire alarm went off in

Gremlins are running rampant in the fire alarms. They're swarming the building!!! Hide the Humanities books!!!

Hey - why get trampled, injured, lost, or arrested at UCSB? Stay safe and stay at home this year. UCSB wasn't made to hold population for double the weekend.

Hey Ted! Dude, I can't wait until we get our t-shirts. We'll be the eny of every party. People will most likely follow us around. We could start our own fan club now if we wanted. But we know that we will create that most excellent society years from now. Well, for now, BE EXCELLENT to each other and PARTY ON, dudes. Buds forever,

Mr. JJJS - Thanks for all the support and encouragement. We are going to have a great year.

KTK - thanks for calling. It's great to know that we can still be friends no matter how horribly we communicate. I hope that your birthday last Monday was a great one. You are older than me now. I really miss you and am looking forward to January. - the former dartboard creator. (sorry)

Check out the LUCKY CHARMS TWISTER 4 20. Tonight in Why Not Here? at 9 p.m. a special game of Twister will go on. It's Twister for twenty people at once. There will be free food as well, take advantage of this great way to make new friends.

Revelle College Council Fall Appointments

CAMPUS-WIDE

Cultural Programming:

Yverre Bobay Scholarship/Charity Ball: **Noel Johnson**

University Events/Student Activities:

Film - Lori Bien-Willner Music - Vickie Westaby Dance/Drama - Vickie Westaby
Events - Chau Nguyen Special Events - Meredith Knobler

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Jennifer Bovee Nhu Duong Steve Brown Adam Szpiro

COLLEGE BOWL

Michael Aklufi Daphne Galang CAB

Elizabeth Eng Jennifer Bovee **David Moore** Julie Burry Audrey Stites Michael Marlowe

NPB

Dinna Domdom Kristen Patrick Vicki Westaby Kris Wells Dave Lim James Pine Rod Castillo Lisa Sanders

CLO's Encounters

Mankind's Messiness

Mankind is inherently messy, as such things as landfills will tell us ...

Oh . . . Who am I? No, I'm not the conscience of the world though sometimes I feel that way. I'm just a humble writer who wishes to make the world (or at least Revelle campus) a better place to live. I'm writing in a sort of opinion editorial type format because it's a way to gripe and bite at the world. In doing so I hope to open people's eyes to the problems I see. As for who I am, some of you may know, but to the rest of you, I will be cLo or CLO. Now back to the original topic . . .

Mankind is messy. This is true for babies, teens, as well as adults. I mean, what kind of condition are our rooms in some of the time? It's true that some of us take the time to clean up after ourselves, but for the rest it's a kind of tribute to laziness. It's all psychological. You're away from school and your parents are nowhere nearby to tell you to pick up that can or clean your desk. A regular field day of rebellion, but no one cares.

Not true says experience. On the first part you have a roommate. Not that they care what kind of condition you like to live in, but rather what kind of condition they have to live with. If you leave your trash all over the place pretty soon they're going to get tired of it.

As one example, last year I had the pleasure of witnessing the revenge of a roommate. His roomie had papers strewn all over the floor, crumbs from half-eaten food and other garbage strewn on his side. Not that this is bad, but if it sits there for two quarters it starts to build up. Well finally the disgruntled

roommate (with a few *similarly disgruntled suitemates) took apart the room and cleaned it up. A rather remarkable transformation had occurred, but wait, there's more! In addition to this they also loaded all his belongings in the closet and locked them up. The roommate returned to find the room literally clean along with all of his belongings. This person is still messy today but not to the extreme that he was that he was.

Let's not be fooling ourselves, because messiness does not happen only in the dorms. As a frequent visitor to the cafeteria, I see signs that indicate a veritable mountain of mess. I know what the people are going through in the cafeteria, and believe me, they do not need to be your mothers, constantly telling you to pick up your trash or cleaning off the trays. As opposed to past years, they seem to be cracking down on this, though. Occasionally I see the last few people become lazy and leave their trays on the table . . . or sometimes on accident or out of spite they make a mess on the table and leave it (I've seen ice cream left to on the catsup/mustard/mayonnaise mixtures spilled out of bowls, and drinks spills to no end). The rules they set down aren't to time consuming, or too gross (how hard is it to pick up your plate and overturn it in the garbage can?). For the sake of those who serve you, do them the simple favor

they ask.
I've basically said my piece on messiness and I hope that some people will take it to heart. I know that if I had not said it someone would have at some point in the future. Well, until the next issue. . .