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## What I Didn't Learn From Not Living in the Dorms

By Benjamin Loucks ~ Daily Bull

When I came to the illustrious Michigan Tech, I was 22. This may not seem like an amazing feat, but when you're old like I am, you'll understand. If you're already as old as I am and you still don't understand, chalk it up to going senile. When you don't come straight out of high school, you are considered a 'non-traditional student' - this means that you can laugh at the misfortune of the poor miscreant freshmen who are required to pay Tech's outrageously overpriced fees for living in the Residence Halls... as well as being able to miss out on the constant swiping of cards to get in and out of your 'home', and being able to feast on the completely delicious cafeteria food all the time.

"But wait! I like living in the dorms! I prefer my lack of privacy, dealing with RAs, and having to smell the horrible odors emanating from my roommates!" You are quite welcome and allowed to say such things - however, those of us who are non-traditional students laugh at you huddled, unwashed masses. After hearing some of the horror stories associated with Residence Hall living, I think I'm quite happy not having to deal with some of it. Some of the examples I've heard...

- Once, an acquaintance of mine told me about a roommate who he used to have gas-passing contests with. The two of them would be doing this or that and then one of them would break wind; not to be outdone, the other would attempt to muster up more foul-smelling gas than the other in an attempt to dominate the airspace. However, on at least one occasion, the two had to vacate the room due to the rather unappealing smells which lingered like annoying in-laws. Of course, even this was not to be outdone - once, not only did the two have to vacate the room, but the surrounding area of the door. Passerby students described the smell as "something that could peel paint" and "OH GOD MY FACE IS MELTING AUUUUGH!"

- Imagine you've come home from a long day of classes and you want to go to your room, relax, and perhaps play a rousing game of Team Fortress 2... only to walk in on your roommate getting it on with his fling of the week. Now, of course, being the nice roommate that you are, you tell them to finish up while you go take a nice long shower (after sneaking a good peek at the non-roommate, if that's your thing). And what

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Someday, maybe in 4 or 5 years, this Daily Bull issue will become a fossil.



## Nathan Wonders: Earth Dirt

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For the longest time, I was not content believing that all the dirt on the entire planet came from a long chain of plants and animals breaking down giant boulders and mountains. Even wind and rain seemed much too weak to weather them down. While thinking of this conundrum, I twiddled my thumbs and cleaned my fingernails.

That's when it hit me: every speck of dirt came from under somebody's fingernails. Isn't it weird how there's always some grime stuck under there, even if

you haven't done anything dirty all day? So you pick it out, and the cycle continues. Eventually, after many thousands of years of people cleaning their fingernails, all this dirt collects into vast meadows and forests.

Proof of this theory is that humans did not initially begin agriculture until many hundreds of thousands of years after they came to be. This is because they had to save up dirt to make farms. While they waited and preened, they hunted stupid animals that were busy crunching up rocks for food. Yum yum. 🐾



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happens when you return? They're still at it like rabbits! (This is a hint to all of you dorm-livers who bring their flings home. Be considerate - your roommates are not likely to want an eyeful of you.)

- One girl reports why she never trusts roommates to clean. Her roommate liked to read in bed, so she would like to read in bed, so she would be asked by her roomie if she could borrow her lamp, as the roommate's lamp 'got broke.' Being the nice kind, our subject lent the girl her lamp... only to see it fall to the floor a while later between the bed and the wall. Apparently the roommate was propping it between the wall and the bed and there was enough space to let it slip down. Of course, our roommate was not finished there - our unfortunate subject was able to help her roommate find the busted pieces of glass in the carpet after the roommate

said she had cleaned it up. How did she find them? With her bare feet, of course... for three weeks, no less. Such cleanliness!

- Some dorm-dwellers can't hold their alcohol. One student complains that one night, someone from down the hall drunkenly wandered into his room at 2 AM and tried to sleep in their bed... only to find out that it was occupied and that the room was not his, after trying to get into said bed. This can be excused once, but when it gets to the third time in a semester, there is something wrong. Not to mention when said drunken person thinks that your dresser drawer is, in fact, a urinal in disguise...

- Multiple students have complained about the idea that their Residence Halls are turning into prisons. Not only is it being proposed by certain people that one must swipe into their dorms no less than 73 times to get to their rooms, but there is talk of moats, little old men demanding questions of everyone who wants to cross the moat bridge, and other such atrocities which make me glad I've never had to put up with this sort of thing.

- Alcohol theft. This is completely unforgivable. Nuff said.

It's reasons like these which I am glad I missed out on the wonderful experience of living in the dorms. But for all of you dorm-dwellers, there's still hope - you can get a few of your dorm-friends together and go rent an apartment where you can put up with the same things, only worse because there is more space to clutter and more dishes to do. Good luck with that!



### ...Crazy from front

The speaker was trained as a military doctor; he had a mindset very used to orthodoxy, a very good working knowledge of the human anatomy, and after seeing how complex it is when blown apart in such lovely places as Iraq, he concludes it could not have evolved. Particularly, he focused very heavily upon human sex. His basic argument was that sex is far too complex for it's origin to be explained by evolution. Mels and fems would have to evolve independently, and any incompatibilities in physical, chemical, or behavioral components would cause extinction. This is untestable groundless bullshit.

First, please consider the scales operated on. This is a planet a few million fold larger than you, receiving energy from a star a few million fold larger than it, operating on scales a few million fold longer than your parents have lived. There is time, matter, and energy enough to generate whatever complexity you want, especially with a quadrillion liters of water full of chemicals operating on other chemicals.

But that's not all. To quote from the Talk Origins index of claims which examines each and every single creationist claim in detail (specifically, <http://www.talkorigins.org/indexcc/CB/CB350.html>), "Males and females most emphatically would not evolve independently. Sex, by definition, depends on both male and female acting together. As sex evolved, there would have been some incompatibilities causing sterility (just as there are today), but these would affect individuals, not whole populations, and the genes that cause such incompatibility would rapidly be selected against."

The Lode didn't even bother to examine these claims for scientific rigor. They were floored by medical language. If we can't trust the newspapers to check up on this, who can we trust? These people have their heads so far up the asses of the apostles that they can't even look at the world around them when they start talking about where it could have come from, and we can't even trust the paper to call them on it. They let the rest of the Christians who are honestly pretty cool get a bad name.

I don't enjoy attending these events. Even the first wasn't fun. I did a lot of research on the speaker before he came - and he was this feeble old man spouting ideas that even I, a freshman, was able to shoot down with ease. I could have crushed this old man - he was caught as the head of an organization, addicted to this power granted to him, forced to have fully accepted the broken ideology of creationism-repackaged-as-intelligent-design. I didn't, because I couldn't destroy such an old, feeble man in good conscience. I don't enjoy attending these events, and probably won't in the future as I don't want to support these douche bags for providing "interesting campus events", to paraphrase USG.

It is their right to believe whatever crappy thing they want to believe, that whatever magic spells they cast in their magic buildings are actually doing something. It's stupid, but they are still allowed to be stupid. I've tried to internalize that lovely government ideal that one can't force a belief on someone - perhaps an education, but that's more making statements of "This is how this works" rather than "This is why this works".

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*[Editor's Note: Pastore is our resident crazy person. Whether you believe him is completely up to you.]*

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