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(Taken from actual maintenance requests for the Student Success Center).

Six Sheetrock Ceiling Tiles Fell.
For three months I
clean up after the leak.
Last January. Dead Ladybugs
Fell Out of Vent
On Desk. Guess
who crawled in.

If I change another
lightbulb in this place, I’ll scream.
They built ‘em so only a specific
tool can get the covers off.
Replace 16 Bad Bulbs
in This Room.
Guess who.

Repair Outgoing Mailbox Lock.
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Spray for Ants. Set Mouse Traps.
— goddamn mold. Goddamn leak.
Goddamn rodents.

Goddamn restrooms. Load of crap.
Right Sink Drain
Clogged in Men’s Restroom. Recaulk
Bathroom Counter and Sinks. Repair/
Broken Hand Soap Dispensers. Replace
Diaphram on Toilet. Replace
Faucets in Men’s/Women’s Restrooms.
Tighten Handicap Toilet
Seat. Toilet
Continuously Flushing in 108.
Urinal Pipe Leaking.