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Editorial

More regulations needed for room searches

The room searches that occurred recently have caused many questions to form in students' minds. It has been several years since a room search of such proportions has been conducted and it came as a surprise to many students.

One point in this touchy issue is: what are the exact rules for searching a room? Many students have no idea how a search is conducted. In addition, students also are unaware of their rights when someone comes to search their room. Do you have the right not to allow your room searched? Can your roommate's articles be searched if she is not present? Can you get in trouble for having a toaster in your room if the search is specifically for alcohol?

Another crucial point is: Is it necessary for students to be searched by fellow students? For many, this could ruin valuable friendships. Even more important is the humiliation of having your items inspected by a peer. This could promote more hostile feelings than cooperative efforts during the search. Perhaps it could be better if a resident advisor or staff member conducted the search, instead of the students who initiated it.

Perhaps, the recent room searches were necessary. That is not at issue here. It is the matter of how the room searches were conducted. Many students would be grateful if guidelines for room searches could be set up and publicized. If room searches are going to become more common, which should not be necessary, the students should be given more information on the subject.

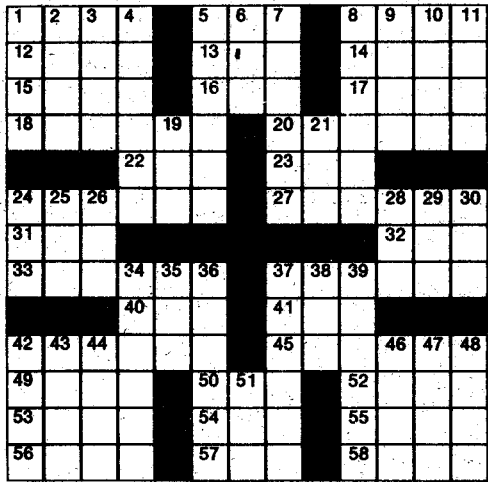
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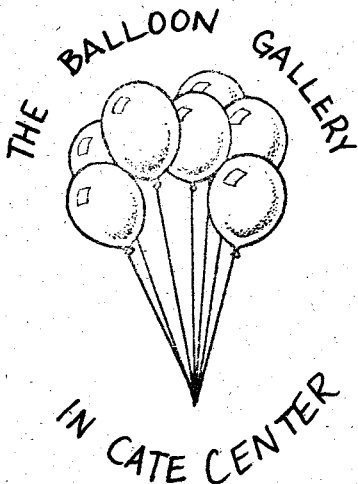
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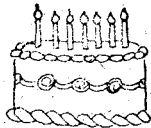
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