

Brain Farts:

The Collected Works of
The University of Chicago
Bathroom Graffiti

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for the Tuck Pointers: Pierce Scav 2004

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Preface

Many are familiar with bathroom graffiti. It's everywhere—from CTA stops to the finest of restaurants, where there is a bathroom, bathroom graffiti is surely close behind. Works may be humorous, political, dirty, or just plain obscure; there's everything from "Jenny kissed Sarah here—2001" to "war sucks." Everyone has felt the urge to scribble on a public space while no one is looking, knowing others will come in and read with glowing fascination, and may perhaps comment or elaborate.

The anonymity and collaborative nature of bathroom graffiti makes it an amazing reflection of the world we live in. People can write what they want to, in their own, honest words—it is a clear window into the modern human psyche.

80. *Brain Farts: The Collected Works of The University of Chicago Bathroom Graffiti* (organized by theme, but attributed to location). [102 points. 15 bonus points for an inset detailing the entirety of the "Grout Work."]

Never before has this vast artform been explored—until now. With these grout words of the 2004 Scav Hunt judges, this book came alive. I now present to you a collection of bathroom graffiti works from The University of Chicago—a collection to be preserved and cherished for years to come.

I cannot claim any of the work herein, for I am merely the messenger. This is the art of the people. This is your art.

mitcho (Michael Erlewine)

May 6, 2004

Chicago, IL

General

you may not
function as before - - -

Pierce 6

Rainbow
party
tonight

Cobb 1M

Thou
art
That

Cochrane-Woods Art Center

Regenstein 5W

Cobb 3M

Krystal
Samuels
is a fat, ugly
Bitch.

But you're a jerk

ABANDON
YOUR SHIT
HERE

FUCK
VULGARITY

Cobb 1M

W. W. J. D.

He wouldn't
defile school
property,
that's for damn sure.

IF you're happy + you know it
CRAP YOUR PANTS!

Regenstein 5M

Pierce 9



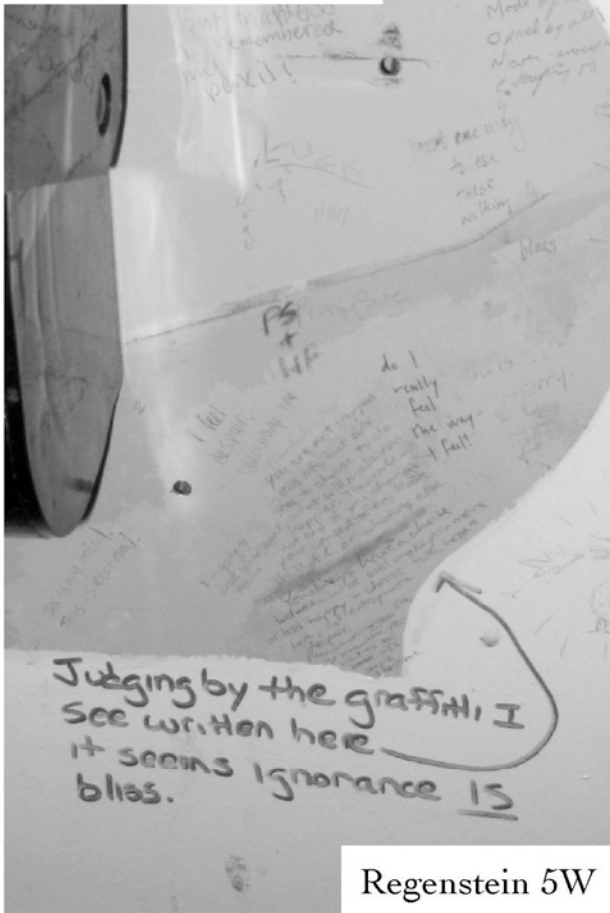
Regenstein 5W

5 Morgenster LIVED!
Not in the last
4 years
She didn't

Regenstein 2M

hey yo it wasn't even like that

Drawing



Regenstein 5W



Pierce 5

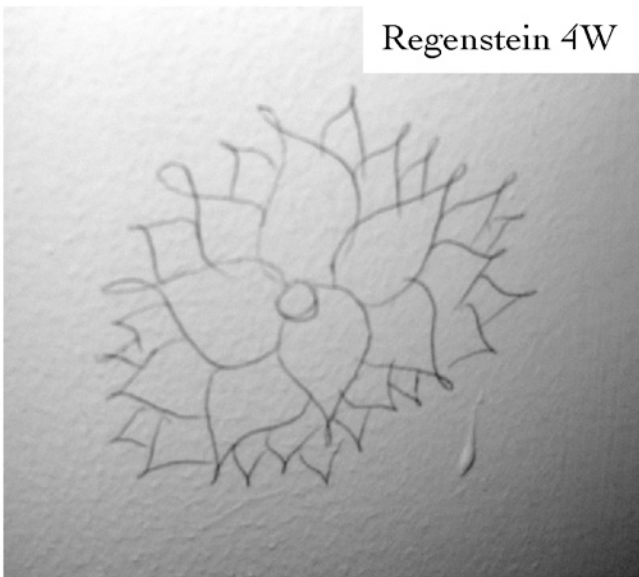


Cobb 1W

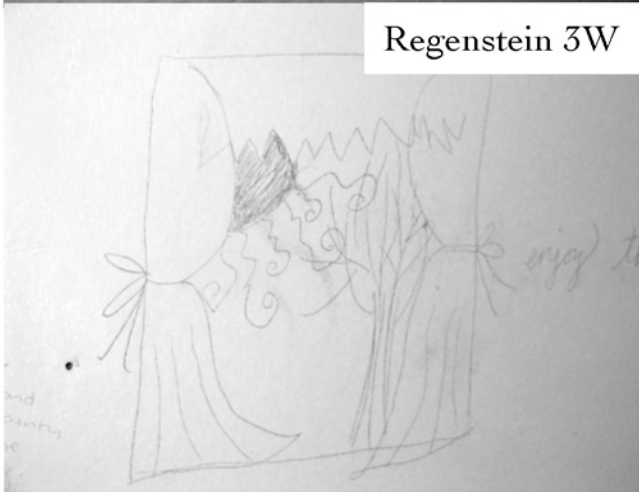


Regenstein 5W

Regenstein 4W

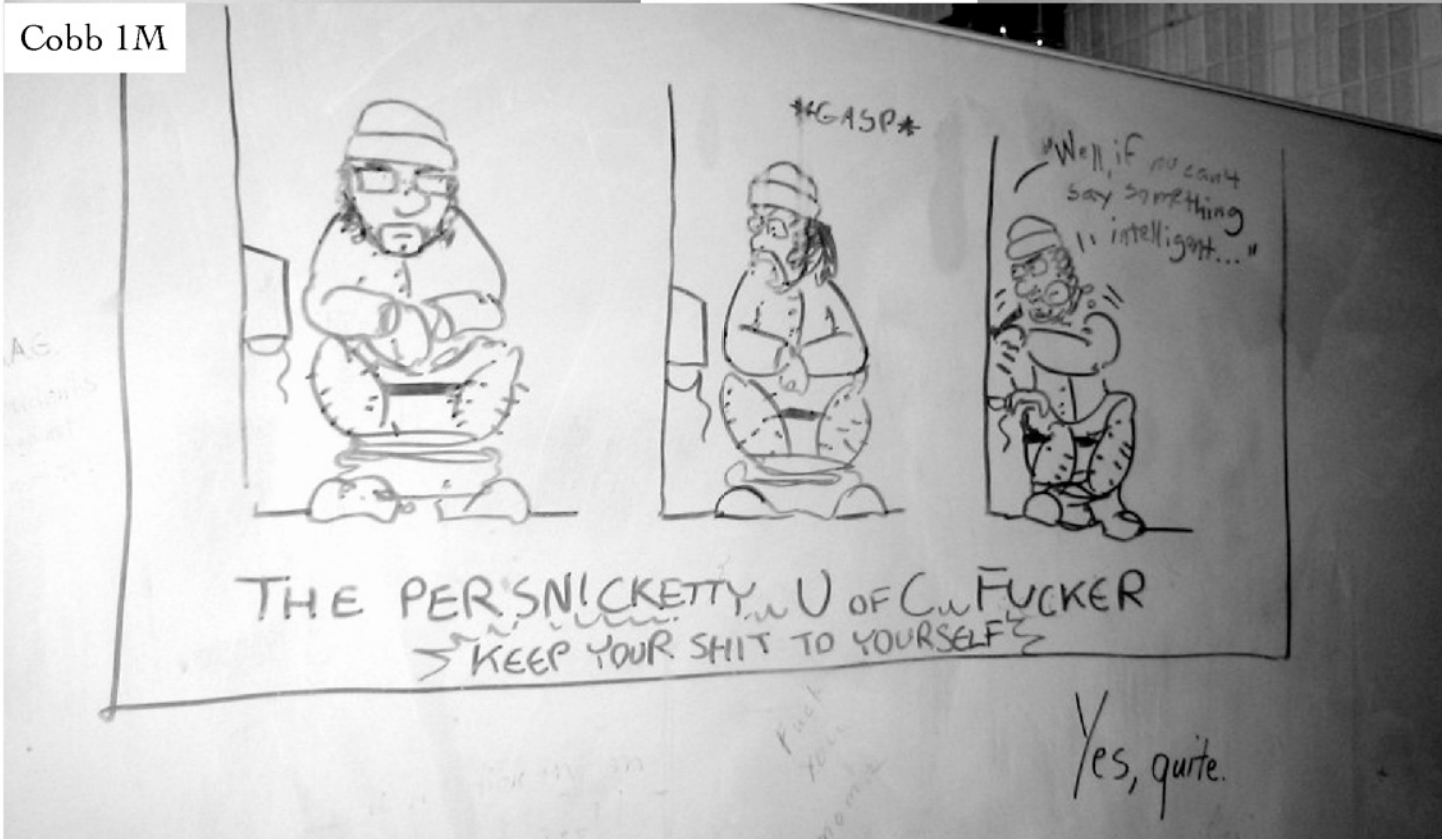


Regenstein 3W



Reynolds Club BM

Cobb 1M



Sex

Regenstein 4M

Give in
to
puberty

Cobb BM



Regenstein 5W

I's lost my
virginity

Reynolds Club BM

wear
condoms
people

Cobb BM

Dec 03
need uncut cocks

A hand-drawn sketch of a penis, showing the shaft and the head with a foreskin. The drawing is simple and done in a sketchy style with dark lines.

help him
moving but
I can't
get any!

First there was
a sharp and profound
pain, and then, soreness.
All the while it felt
good, even when it
hurt the most.
Now it is sweeter.

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Politics

Harper Memorial 2M

WAR
AGAINST
PREMEDS

Regenstein 4M

FUCK
GW-BUS

Cobb 1M

Well if you can't
be intelligent about
something you may
as well be articulate

FUCK YOU
WAR IS GOOD

DEMON YEEN = D. YEEN = DIVINE
SCAVENGE YOURSELF

why does

Regenstein 3W

clearly, you've
thought about
this as little
a possible

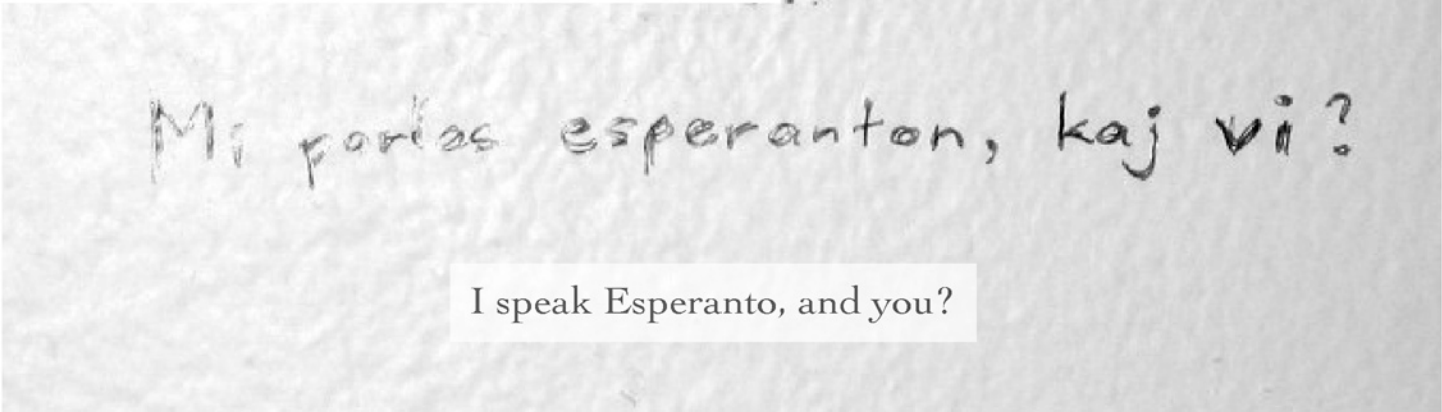
welfare system = poor allowed to steal from rich

tax returns = rich having to give back what they stole from the

since wh
stealing
benefits

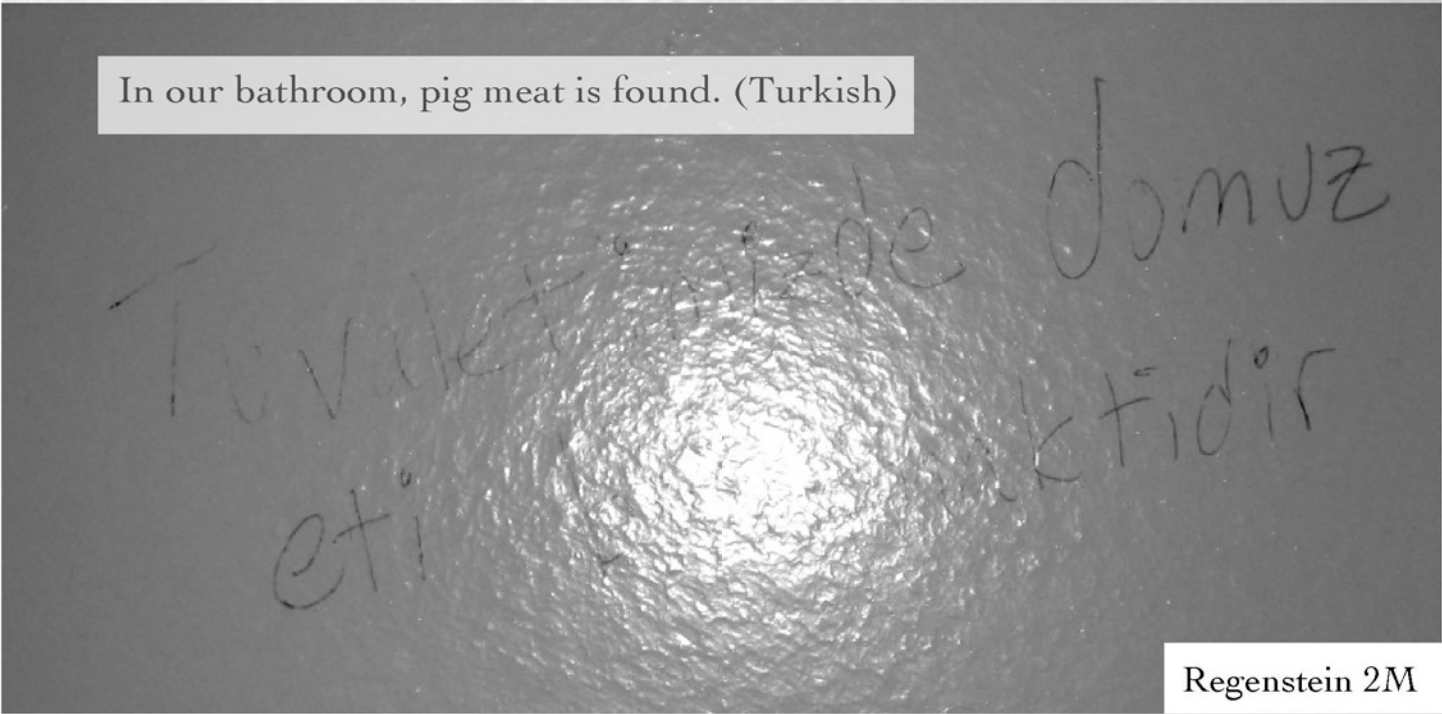
Foreign Languages

Ida Noyes Hall 2M



Mi parolas esperanton, kaj vi?

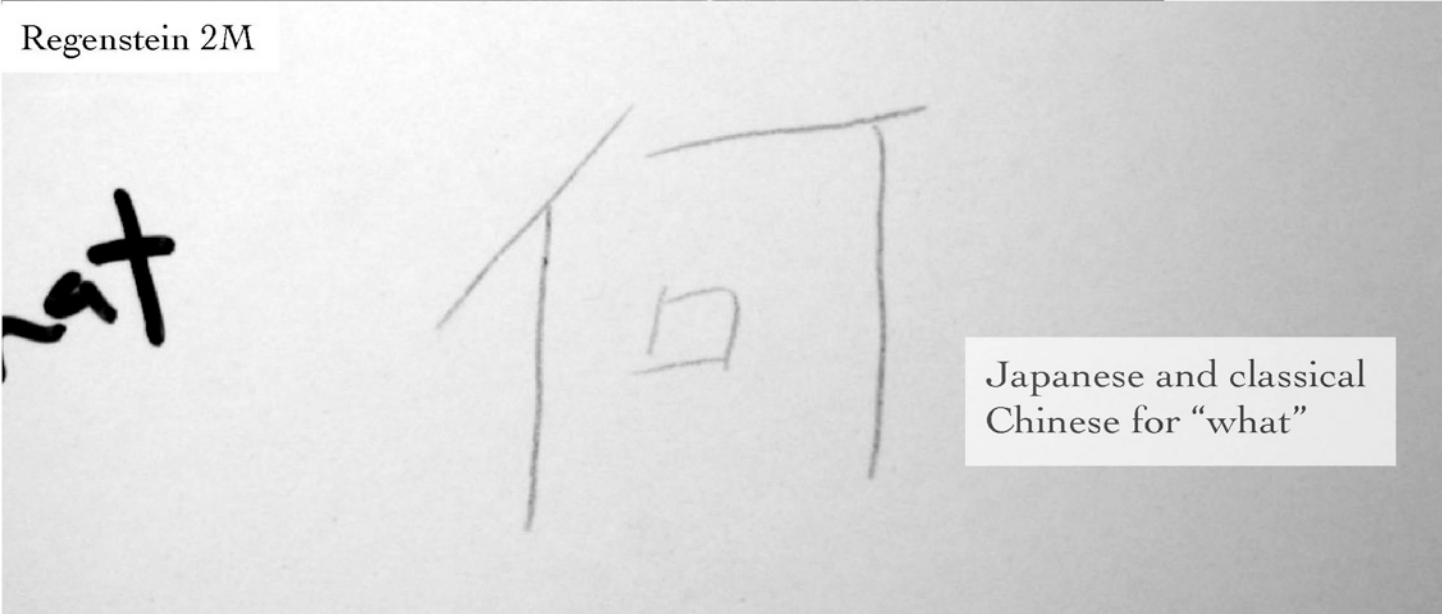
I speak Esperanto, and you?



Tuvaletinizde domuz eti bulunmaktadir

Regenstein 2M

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Japanese and classical Chinese for "what"

Grout

Regenstein 3M

GROUTS OF WRATH

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GROUTFUL DEAD

I'M GROUTA HERE

I'M GROUTA HERE

I'M COMING GROUT

MOVE BITCH GROUT THE WAY

MOVE BITCH GROUT THE WAY

KISS MY GROUT

KISS MY GROUT

KEEP UP THE GROUT WORK

KEEP UP THE GROUT WORK

THE GROUTEST DAY OF MY LIFE

THE GROUT ESCAPE

THE GROUT RACE

FROM THE GROUTSIDE - LOOKING IN

FROM THE GROUTSIDE LOOKING IN

ALEXANDER AND THE TERRIBLE, HORRIBLE, GROUT GROUT GROUTY GROUT GROUT

Regenstein 3M

GROUT, GROUT, LET IT ALL OUT

These are the things we can do with grout!

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Groutwork to the
Metaphysics of Mores

I'M GROUTING
MYSELF

I'm tiled of all
this grouting.

It's tile to cum grout of the closed

Cobb 1M

IN GROUT WE TRUST

TWIST AND GROUT - THE BEATLES

TWIST AND GROUT-THE BEATLES

WOULD YOU GROUT WITH ME?

"SHOUT, SHOUT, LET IT ALL GROUT" - TEARS FOR FEARS

Harper Memorial Mezzanine M

ARS GROUTICA

FOR A GROUT TIME CALL 555-GROUT

MUCH ADO A-GROUT NOTHING

THEY CALL ME MR GROUT!

THE GROUT DROUGHT

I AM THE GROUTTEST

IT'S A GROUT TING

EGROUTUGA

WISSON GROUTERS

NO GROUT

GROUT OF THE CHRIST

YOUR GROUTA HERE

GROUT OF THE CHRIST

YOUR GROUTA HERE

GROUT expectations

IT'S GRRRRROUT!

IT'S GRRRRROUT!

SIT, GROUT, SIT!

GROUTO MAX

GIVE ME THE GROUT OF THAT MAN

MAKE HER GROUT FOR MORE

MAKE HER GROUT FOR MORE

WHO THOUGHT OF THIS GROUT IDEA?

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Colophon

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YOUR SHIT
HERE