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The elevator in Patton hall takes a hit

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Patton Hall elevator experiences normal wear and tear, but this elevator in particular has had a lot of incidents.

Many things have happened to this elevator it is not always reported directly to physical plant because it happens during the week. The custodial staff normally takes care of it during the week and then it is reported more on the weekends. "Reports don't come in when it occurs during the week, our custodian will usually take care of it," said Kevin Wagner Senior Director, facilities and Physical Plant.

The wear and tear an elevator can experience is nothing like what something's that are reported to physical plant. These incidences are things that people might do as a prank, and in the elevator there has been various foods found. "Various things have happened to the elevator, and I expect [it] will continue to happen;" said Wagner. "There has been Italian dressing poured in it, ice cream has been dropped/smeared, crammed to almost every part of it, graffiti of all variations and language, buttons glued shut, liquids of unknown origin poured around it, trash spilled about, controls smashed. The list is long," said Wagner.

The different incidences can happen for weeks at a time and then none at all for several weeks, it could vary depending on the time frame. It also depends on if it is reported to Physical Plant it is not always reported to them. "It usually depends on the severity of the incident. If it is another ice cream incident, then no, [it is not reported to Physical Plant]. If the elevator incurred damage, then yes," said Wagner.

One student living in Patton hall doesn't see why people leave garbage in the elevator when they are going down to somewhere that probably has a trash can nearby or up to their room where there is most likely a trash can. "I don't see the point in leaving trash in there," Adam Livingston sophomore Theatre major music and history minor.

However, it doesn't really seem surprising to him that this would happen "it doesn't really surprise me," said Livingston.

This is more common on the weekends than during the week so students can keep that in mind.