

many vaccinations I've had. I had my oral typhoid this week--what fun. Here is a renewed list of my vaccinations or immunizations for your file.

"Mom--that interview you had sounds so awesome! You are a stud! [Really?! What a go-getter! You could be so successful at so many things. I could fully see you as a reporter or something [my dream]. Dan, I'm praying you'll do well in school & Mom, too--and I pray everything is going well for you at work, Dad! I love you! Have a great week! I'll try to. Leaving in a month! BEWARE ECUADOR...Here I come! - In the MTC we need to wear stockings--if you send me a package--throw in some white & black stockings por favor! Oh, Mom, by the way--I didn't quite catch it. What was your grade for your performance in modern dance class? Group and alone? [She's being sarcastic, because I told her my sympathy/charity grade about 100 times in my last letter--my teacher likes people who make her laugh.]

"Daniel isn't home to tell me not to send the one she sent him in the same envelope (arrived today)--so, here goes: "Hey Dan...You little punkarama! You little silly-head! You are such a little tease! I owe you so badly! I love your letters, Dan...&your art work--they totally inspire me and give me much laughter. Everyone has been telling me they've seen you. Bob...Melissa Furness--it makes me sad! Dan...do you know I was in a classroom abt. 3 doors down from where you were on Sat? [he was playing the part of investigator, in Spanish, for a friend of his who teaches at the MTC--and he's going in again more, he had so much fun]--I think I am going to have to take a little walk down the hall next Sat abt. 8:30 or so... If not, maybe you should take a little walk to Rm. 203. My morning teacher is a stud--he wouldn't care, esp. on a Sat. I'd love to see you Sweetie--since everyone else has seen you, but me! [That isn't the half of it--he saw a heart-throb of his who is in the MTC that day and got a genuine, long-distance hand-shake--didn't wash his hand for quite a long time and probably cleaned it like that elder cleaned the cat!]

[Now is probably a good time to insert a paragraph I wrote Laura today, after getting her letter: "'Just a clue. I'm telling Daniel that when he volunteers at the MTC next Sat. and just happens to find the room you're in--since you broke all the mission rules and just happened to tell him where you'll be at that time of day--ahem! --Anyway, just so you have fair warning, I'm telling Daniel to really make this good. He is going to show up at your classroom, swoop into the room, sweep you into his arms, declare his passionate love for you and show you what a JUICY kiss is. Then he is going to burst into sobs about how he just can't bear your being in the MTC--and then, do you really think all those observing--especially your teacher--are going to believe this is your brother?" How's that for the inspiring, uplifting, spiritual letters they told us to write from home.] Getting back to Laura's letter:

"This has been a really good week. It went by quickly--way quickly--yeah. I've been here 4 weeks. Anyway, I am looking forward to Sat. I just hope you are in the same building 7M.

"Dan I want to get details abt. your dates & fun & social life & church. I am now living through you--so feel free to spill details, esp. if juicy! So, little doll...given anyone a little kiss lately? Perhaps Miss\_\_\_\_\_ [he's going to have to pay well for my having left out the name]? Hm-m-m-m? Hee Yee! Let me know! Tell me fun stories! Keep up your awesome artwork. Also remember that one painting is de mio. So, keep it safe--do NOT give it away! My district is so great! I want you to meet 'em. 'Hope to see you soon, you doll! Be good this week! Bob said you looked really good & happy. Good news! I love you so much Dan. You are the bestest brother in the world. I love your letters & art! I wonder how your art work would look on a big box for me full of treats & goodies you bought me! Just kidding [oh, yeh]. [We sent her enough junk food to keep her sick through Halloween]--Love, Laura Hermana B. [I realize this is hardly deep, profound stuff--but figured you would all be profoundly glad to know Laura isn't in the pits any more--the second day she sounded like she wanted to go home.]

Her address: Sister Laura B: MTC Mailbox 20, Provo, UT 84604 (will do it).  
Departure date: November 15--anybody want to go to the airport with us?

*Love, Steven*

*P.S. Happy 40th to Charlotte this Oct. 20! (We won't mention Dad's & Tracy's)*