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It is not
as if I am
a person of exceptional
looks, personality,
intellect, talent,
or style
But I go deeper than
"how's the weather?"
I broke the cookie
mold, just to get attention.
Students should check me
out of the library.
What's the use of
knowing people if you
can't their insides?
I don't want
the wrapper of a Snickers,
but rather the taste of the
caramel and the peanuts.
College friend could be
an oxymoron, or the
friend a moron.
Can college students be trusted,
or has the
need to rebel
changed our definition of
respect, as well?
Who wants a cup of
cappacino when there's a
Nattie Light left on the planet?
Don't misunderstand--I love a buzz
as much as Winnie the Pooh.
Beer flows straight through,
leaving the soul by itself again.
Mine needs some company.
Perhaps the enemy is a

fear of an internal mirror--
the plague of the college
masses-- forcing them to
ignore the need for a
more personal communication
than naked mamba.

Am I too cynical?

Please, somebody, discuss
before I blow into
a trillion little ideas
that no one will ever hear.

I need a friend

because I already have
plenty of people to
spend Friday night with...

---*Ashley Broom*