ELEVATOR EAVESDROPPING

The Spencer W. Kimball Tower has long been referred to as the SWKT. In addition to extensive renovations this year, the building’s acronym has changed to the KMBL. One thing that hasn’t changed is that the building remains the tallest on campus, with a daunting 12-floor elevator. That’s a long way up! From our elevator rides, we have compiled some of our favorite moments en route. You call it eavesdropping; we call it impromptu conversation analysis. Even Dean Ogles got in on the fun.

After pushing the sixth-floor elevator button for a student.

Dean Ogles: So you are headed to the Geography Department?
Student: Yes. What’s on the ninth floor?
Dean Ogles: The dean’s office.
Student: Are you in trouble?
Dean Ogles: No, I’m the dean.
Student: That’s awkward.

Why am I the only one in my apartment who buys toilet paper?

All I know is it was really furry. One guy touched it and the other guy ate it.

“I need to get on Tumblr so I can be educated.”

If the building catches fire, my job is to stay inside and make sure people don’t run back into the fire.

For several months, the elevator’s down button was not operational from the seventh floor. On one of these detours up—and then down—a student observed: “That’s what happens when you build a building this tall. Half of it stops working.”

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No functioning elevator? No running water? They need to become one with the people they are studying.

Student were given rare access to the rooftop for “Selfies on the SWKT” as part of the Choose 2 Give student-giving campaign.

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