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Learning the art of conversation

SWEARING IN: Sophomore teaches students profanities and pick-up lines.

DAVE ARMSTRONG

Teaching SIUC's international students to swear may not seem like core curriculum, but for one student, it is part of his everyday life.

Pat Kelly, a sophomore in foreign languages, said he loves helping foreign students polish up their casual speaking.

The CELSI, conversation table, which has 15 to 20 students meet to have conversations in English, meets in the Student Center Reading Room. CELSI students drop by at various times between 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. each weekday and spend as much time as they want.

Kelly said that topics discussed include religion, sex, pick-up lines, sports, homework and cursing.

Kelly said some students have asked about things ranging from the meaning of words they heard on MTV's "Beavis and Butt-head," such as "ass muffin," to terminology of oral sex.

"If the table can get pretty strange," Kelly said, "I have a book called "How to Speak F**kn' English' that I use sometimes."

Rita Moore, foreign student advisor for CELSI, said the all topis are appropriate for the conversation table.

"The table gives these students an opportunity outside of class to speak with Americans," Moore said. "They can talk about whatever they want because they are supposed to be free conversations, and these students may not feel comfortable asking a professor those questions."

Some students who attend the conversations say it is effective for learning things other than grammar.

Hogan Cushen, a senior in foreign language and international trade from Taiwan, said he has improved his writing by coming to the table.

"Writing was my main problem when I got here," Cushen said. "1 have improved a lot. I have gotten better at vocabulary and pronunciation. I also get a lot to us should be fairly short- order."

Bend authorization legislation traditionally funds projects every year, but in 1995 and 1996, political differences blocked approval of that legislation.

This year, the state's bond authorization bill, with an accompanying spending and supplemental appropriations bill providing $60 million for projects across the state,

The bills will provide SIU with $45 million for various projects, including $3.4 million to repair SIUC's power grid, $534,000 to repair and improve Kellogg Hall, $1.26 million for equipment and improvements to the Engineering Building and $8.3 million for capital renewal.

Kelly said the development board is determining which projects are ready to begin and which need funds planning.

Projects that were planned before the bills were signed are ready to begin, but some new projects still need to be designed and bid on, Kelly said.

A spokesman at Edgar's press office said she could not
Tuesdays, March 26, April 16, 27, and May 14, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., in the Community Center, Room 201.

On Monday, the deadline for the Spring 2019 Immunization Clinic was announced. Students who receive their immunizations during the two-day clinic will not be charged the non-compliance fee of $25.00. For more information, contact the SHP Immunization Office at 453-4454.
Theater company ‘first born’

LOVE OF ART: SIUC theater alumni produce plays on tight budget for Chicago audiences.

LAURIE R. GRAF
Daily Egyptian Writer

Deep in the heart of Chicago lies the first born of its kind — a theater company founded by 20 SIUC alumni.

After performing a production of “Hamlet” and other plays in the Christian Moc Productions, a non-for-profit organization in the theater section, whether, after graduation, could find a building with a large floor in the club.

The columns would make playing ill said that because the columns would make playing impossible.

Another benefit of the building, Hill said, is that the SIUC Women’s Soccer Club, the facility will make it possible to play on a real indoor soccer surface.

She said the hardwood floor in Pullman Hall is too hard to play on because it is warped and the ball bounces differently on a wood floor.

One of the greatest obstacles to those goals is to get most students juggling jobs with the theater, Andrea Washburn, the publicity director for Firstborn Productions, said.

"It’s very stressful and tiring, but if the drive and ambition to achieve your artistic goals is strong enough, you can do it," she said.

Another benefit of the building, Hill said, is that it will provide whatever support they need to help their creative process.

"We’ve got to make sure we have all the financial worries are not always personal. Gillman said working with small budgets and limited resources, can put the production aspects like lighting, sound, costumes and publicity.

Because of the relationship Firstborn maintains with SIUC, members said they receive support in some of these departments. Gillman said some faculty members at SIUC let Firstborn borrow costumes, use sets, help with technical aspects, and even provide what ever support they need to help their dramatic process.

Edward Supite, chairman of the theater department, said he admired the initiative it took to start Firstborn.

"It is important for professors to help students accomplish their goals. "We see a lot of kids with big dreams, but this group pooled their resources, dreamed and attained those goals," he said. "So we wanted to show them how much a chance at success as we could.

"For students to succeed, that’s what it’s all about. If a student shows initiative then that’s the time to step in and provide whatever support they need to help their initiative blossom into success.

"Because ambition and big dreams are not foreign to the members of Firstborn, they want to give students the same support they received. Gillman said the group has hopes of establishing a summer internship program for SIUC students who may give playwrights or groups an opportunity to present their works in Chicago with the company.

Area scores indoor sports facility

KICK, PASS AND ROLL:

Complex slated to open to soccer, roller hockey in May.

TRAVIS ANN
DAILY EGYPTIAN WRITER

Something the entire Carbondale community can use is the goal Cory Hill, manager of a new indoor roller hockey facility located most of town.

Hill said he hopes to open the facility located at 2500 McRoy Court, by May so the community can have the advantage of an indoor facility for the winter.

"I want people there who desire to see kids have fun," Hill said.

He said the facility will feature a turf floor rolled out for indoor soccer on the concrete floor which is specifically designed for indoor sports.

Tad Anglin, president of the SIUC Reller Hockey Club, said that an indoor roller hockey facility would generate more interest in the club.

While making the changes to the building may be tough, Hill said, finding a building was the most difficult task. He said the problem was finding a building with the floor space that did not have supporting columns, because the columns would make playing soccer impossible.

Another benefit of the building, Hill said, is that it will help the SIUC Roller Hockey Club attract interest from other schools.

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CARBONDALE

Chamber hires new director

Pam Brown was hired as the executive director of the Carbondale Chamber of Commerce on Monday.

On Monday, a retired U.S. Air Force Lieutenant colonel, will replace James Farrell, the retiring executive director.

For the first time, the Food and Drug Administration has given the government’s formal endorsement to using high doses of birth control pills as an emergency contraceptive.

The agency Monday took the unusual step of approving drug companies that make oral contraceptives to apply for permission to market pills specifically packaged as “morning-after” contraception — which actually can be taken as long as 72 hours after intercourse.

The FDA took the action to publicize contraceptive methods that has been known to be safe and effective since the 1970s and is widely used in Europe.

MOOSCOW

Yeltsin admits his people are dissatisfied with government

Boris N. Yeltsin, in a rare concession Monday, acknowledged that a majority of Russians are openly dissatisfied with him as president and said that gives him cause to worry.

Emerging from months of seclusion due to his prolonged illness, Yeltsin criticized his own administration for its inability to pay wages and pensions for months at a time, leaving millions of people destitute and bringing some government operations to a standstill.

"Many Russians are unhappy with the government, and consequently they’re unhappy with the president," Yeltsin said. "People are openly speaking of that, and the dissatisfaction already constitutes the majority. I am worried."
Dear Editor:

After restraining myself for weeks, I finally had to start to express my displeasure with the "new look" given to the Daily Egyptian.

1. The new masthead manages to take up nearly twice as much of the old one, yet at the same time the typeface is crowded together, and most of the type is devoted to such a small area.

2. The new format of the opinion pages pushes the letters to the editor to the bottom of the page or to the opposite side, thus emphasizing what has to be one of the best parts of the paper. The new idea of putting the pictures of columnists also wastes a lot of space.

3. Whenever else the new columns did a spectacularly awful job, we are presented with the Handsy Unfairly Ever and the Unfunny University. Surely there are better funnies around than these two. They make pretty pathetic replacements for Calvit and Hoobie or the Fat Side.

4. It is bad enough that you employ headline writers who cannot spell; after all, it takes some time to find out the difference between rapped and repl. But the headline, "Pro-Life decision overruled" (1/24) really takes the cake. How would a person, regardless of their opinion on the abortion issue, not know which side of the issue the court was on by reading the same "profile" as described itself? They won't have to be ignorant of the Roe v. Wade decision itself.

5. Deciding to devote so much space to the Church of the Creator was inappropriate. I agree that the 1/25 should cover such a controversial group, but to run it so wordlessly is even worse.

6. "Our Word" represents the consensus of the Daily Egyptian Editorial Board.

Joyce Newby,
Technical assistant, Morris Library

Mailbox

Our Word

Students could affect city election single-handedly

CARBONDALE'S FUTURE RESTS IN THE HANDS OF THE VOTERS TODAY

Student engagement in city elections has been low throughout the years. However, we believe students can have a strong influence on local government with their power to vote in both city and state elections. In order to vote, students must first be registered to vote.

Voting in local elections is important because city council members are responsible for the day-to-day decisions that impact students' lives. This includes decisions on parking, student fees, and city services such as public safety and public works.

In order to affect city elections, students must first register to vote. However, many students do not take advantage of this opportunity. Many students are unaware of the importance of voting and do not understand the impact that their votes can have on the city's future.

The Daily Egyptian, an independent student newspaper, is committed to helping students understand the issues and policies that affect their lives. We believe that students have the power to make a difference in their community and encourage all eligible students to register to vote and participate in city elections.

Overheard

"I feel if students are going to complain, if they're going to riot, they need to take it somewhere else." - Joyce Newby, a freshman in cinema and photography from Rantoul and a College Democrat, on voting in the Feb. 25 city council primary.
Elderly gays subject of new police inquiry

FORGOTTEN PAST:
Implementaiton of Megan’s Law has led to tedious update.

Gay men arrested by police in the 1950s, 60s, and 70s for seeking consensual sex with other adult men have become the subject of law enforcement inquiry again as the result of California’s recently enacted Megan’s Law — because they were required to register as sex offenders decades ago.

This, despite a ruling by the California Supreme Court 14 years ago that it would make sense and unusual punishment to make men convicted of minor-lead-exhibits crimes register their whereabouts with police for life, as rapists and child molesters had to do in California since 1944.

But today, struggling to implement Megan’s Law and other recent statutes, law enforcement agencies are scrambling to update long-neglected files, sending police to knock on the doors of elderly men whose frequent sexual advances have excased such care for years.

In one case, two states have passed versions of Megan’s Law, named after a New Jersey girl allegedly slain by a pedophile decades ago. Now, reports have surfaced nationwide of gay men and others facing legal hang-ups and other inconveniences as their crimes have nothing to do with rape or child molestation.

“I heard the term sex offender and I did not think ‘gay.’ I thought it was about kids and I thought it was against morals. I didn’t think it was about gay sex,” said Mary Bonaventure, a gay rights attorney from Boston who says she has received thousands of calls on Megan’s Law from concerned gay men.

A lack of focus at many versions of Megan’s Law has resulted in the registration of an army of offenders whose actions are far different from those of the violent predators the law was intended to cover.

In Massachusetts, a homeless man who changed clothes in his car pleaded to public nuisance charges and is now a registered sex offender. In Wisconsin, a 15-year-old girl who had consensual sex with a 13-year-old boy must register. In New Jersey, prosecutors registered a 12-year-old boy who fondled a 10-year-old in the bathroom, a defense registers every child través of exposure. Youth of people who are at a very low level of risk being accused of sex offenses.

Born in the 60s and 70s, many gay men who were legal at the time of Megan’s enactment are finding themselves on sex offender registries decades later.

That means people such as Paul T., a 50-year-old Orange County resident, can remain on the register unless they take vigorous legal action. In 1964, Paul was charged with lewd conduct after police found him touching the leg of another man in a parked car on a secluded West Hollywood street. He pleaded guilty to the charges but went on with his life and eventually married.

But that long-looked-at chapter of his life was open again in 1995 when his wife of 20 years went to the mailman and found an envelope addressed to him, stamped “SEX CRIME” in red ink. Inside was a letter warning that if he did not register as a sex offender he would be arrested.

“My life’s over,” he remembers thinking.

Even after he explained the circumstances of his conviction, his sexual behavior in prison and the fact that he had no contact with children, court officials made it difficult for him to get a new trial. He was finally able to get his name removed a few months after receiving the letter, but he is still shaken by the incident.

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Tally Ho: Judi Lamb, a junior in art and design from Miami, practices stock seat (Western) riding with Barbie Sunday afternoon.

Giant Leap Forward: Lamb and Scotty jump over a rail during hunt seat (English) practice for upcoming regional competition.

Taking the Reins: Lamb harnesses Barbie in preparation for practice.

Obstacles to success

Equestrian team on the right course for regional competition

Story and Photos by Annette Barr

The SIUC Riding Club and Equestrian Team has gone through a metamorphosis, including a name change, and now Tracey Beaver says the team is on the right track.

"The club has gone through a lot of changes," said Beaver, a senior in animal science from Macomb and club vice president, "Fall of '94, it was like a whole new club."

The Equestrian Team is made up of members who compete with other universities in equestrian shows throughout the year. The competitions include both hunt seat (English) and stock seat (Western) riding.

Beaver said the team has progressed over the past couple of years from having just one or two people qualify for regional competition to five eligible members, two of which compete in both categories. "The other schools have complimented us on how we have improved and become more cohesive as a team," she said.

Beaver, who will compete at regionals, said the team's success can be credited to hard work and motivation from each person and the team as a whole.

"I think we're taken more seriously now, and we're trying harder to compete," she said. "I think we've dedicated now."

Cindy Rindo Choate, the SIUC Riding Club and Equestrian Team coach, said she is proud of the team of about 10 members.

As of December, Choate said the SIUC team is in second place for its region and so far this season, five team members are eligible for regional competition.

Any members who win at regional competition will then advance to zone and national competition. "I think we will have more students at zone this year, and we're looking forward to qualifying for nationals," Choate said.

She said the team members' hard work and dedication has enabled them to compete against larger schools with better facilities.

"I personally am really proud of their dedication, and that's what's making them so successful," Choate said. "They do a heck of a job."

Judi Lamb, a junior in art and design from Miami, also will be competing at regionals this spring.

Lamb said before each show, competitors choose from a hat the name of a horse they will compete with.

She said she is looking forward to competing in both hunt and stock seat at regionals, although the horse she ends up with can make a difference in the outcome.

"It just depends on the luck of the draw, whichever horse I choose," Lamb said. "It's just like gambling."

Beaver said they realize the accomplishments the team has made.

"We've gained a better reputation as a team."

Tally Ho: Judi Lamb, a junior in art and design from Miami, practices stock seat (Western) riding with Barbie Sunday afternoon.
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Moon walks away from Vikings

WARREN RELEASED: Veteran quarterback begins to search for a new home.

WASHINGTON POST

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — Warren Moon came to the Minnesota Vikings with the hope of winning a Super Bowl. He didn't come close, and left Friday simply hoping to continue playing football willing to give him a chance.

The Vikings released Moon as expected when the 40-year-old quarterback turned down a $500,000 offer to back up Brad Johnson next season. Moon's agent, Leigh Steinberg, said it was an amicable parting, and he even helped Moon to sign elsewhere in the next couple of weeks.

"We're pleased that they went ahead and did this now instead of waiting, because now we'll have a much better chance to find a new home," Steinberg said.

Moon was scheduled to earn $3.4 million in 1997 in the second year of a three-year, $15 million contract. When he met the $3.8 million pay cut, the Vikings let him go. Moon flew to Minnesota for a physical Friday he passed, Steinberg said and then returned to his suburban Houston home.

Houston, where Moon spent his first 10 NFL seasons, is among several teams believed to be interested. Seattle, Tampa Bay and St. Louis also might have interest in Moon.

"Our first priority will be to look for potential starting job," Steinberg said.

"There are not many that are available right now, so our second goal would be to find a job where he could compete. If not even that is available, then we would next look at situations where he could play a backup role."

After Moon failed to get the Oilers into an AFC championship game during his 10 seasons there, he was traded to Minnesota for two mid-round draft picks in what amounted to a money-saving move for the Oilers.

The Vikings hailed Moon's arrival as the piece that would give them a chance to get back to the Super Bowl for the first time since 1998, and they started 7-2 in his first season.

The Vikings lost four of their last seven games, although they clinched the NFC Central title on the final day of the season when backup Sean Salisbury, filling in for an injured Moon, beat San Francisco. Moon returned for the playoffs the following weekend, but he was ineffective and the Chicago Bears shocked the Vikings 35-18 at the Metrodome.

Maple Leafs affected by scandal

FACING CHARGES: Garden employee suspect in sexual assault.

WASHINGTON POST

TORONTO (AP) — A part-time usher at Maple Leaf Gardens surrendered to police Friday, the second suspect in custody in a scandal involving arena employees who allegedly abused boys into free tickets and other enticements.

Police said Joby Rogers, 54, who has been a Maple Leaf Gardens usher for 25 years, turned himself in after officers found him at his home.

Toronto Maple Leafs president Phil Kozak said Rogers was a part-time employee who would work only when he was available.

"We have worked very hard to clear up the allegations," Kozak said.

Along with the positives came some negatives that Brechtelsbauer said the team needs to concentrate on.

"There are a lot of little things," he said. "Some players revert to old habits or are just not putting in the work."

Brechtelsbauer said the wins provided the Salukis a sense of accomplishment and something to work toward.

"The more we win, the more hungry they are to win," she said. "It was a great way to learn what it takes to be a winner."

The Salukis return home to play host to Southeast Missouri State at 7:30 p.m. Saturday.

BRENNER: Pirates' winning ways come in bunches.

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BEARS DO IN DAWGS:
SIUC's regular season ends in sixth consecutive loss at the hands of SMSU.

Southwest Missouri State University built up a 19-9 lead with 1.1 seconds on the clock against the Salukis. The Salukis managed to get a bucket in the final seconds to make the final score 19-11.

Key moments of the game included:
- SIUC's defense limited SMSU to just 19 points in the first half.
- The Salukis led for most of the game, but SMSU rallied in the second half.
- Key players for SIUC included [Player Names], while SMSU's [Player Names] were the stars of the game.

Softball Salukis take third in Big Easy

GREAT START:
SIUC opens season with impressive play at Mardi Gras Classic.

Freshman Lori Greiner hit a home run in the third inning, leading the Salukis to a 10-2 win over the rivals. Greiner went 2-for-3 with four RBIs in the game.

Key moments of the game included:
- The Salukis scored five runs in the third inning, led by Greiner's home run.
- Key players for SIUC included [Player Names], while the opposing team struggled to keep up.

Tomorrow:
Saluki basketball guard Kasio McClendon nears her final game at SIUC.

The basketball Salukis are preparing for their final game of the season against the [Opponent Name]. Kasio McClendon, a key player for the Salukis, is getting ready for her last game as a Saluki. The team is looking to end the season with a strong performance.

Key moments of the game included:
- The Salukis are looking to secure a victory in their last game of the season.
- Key players for SIUC included [Player Names], while the opposing team struggles to keep up.