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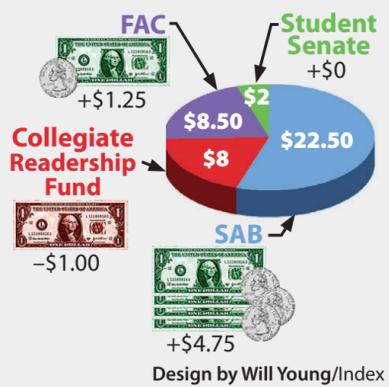
Fee Facts

Student Senate and the Board of Governors have voted to increase the student activity fee by at least \$1.50 per semester.

However, on April 15-16 students can vote yes or no to:

- 1) adjusting the fee yearly for inflation,
- 2) increasing the fee by an additional \$0.70 to boost FAC funding, and
- 3) increasing the fee by an additional \$2.80 to boost SAB funding (specifically for concerts, comedians and films).

If both the FAC and SAB increases pass, the fee will increase from \$36 to \$41 next semester (as shown in the chart below). Dollars and coins represent how much additional funding each department will receive compared to this year.



Bulldog Party runs solo so far

BY JULIE WILLIAMS
News Editor

With just five days left before Student Senate elections, only one ticket has begun active campaigning for Senate leadership.

Sophomore Lizz Esfeld, current Senate academic affairs chair, is making a run for the presidency with junior Brett Wiley, campus environment chair, running as a vice-presidential candidate. Candidates interested in either of these positions or one of 12 senator-at-large positions, three senior senator positions or one graduate senator position have until noon tomorrow to file

their election petitions.

In addition to electing senators, students will have the opportunity to vote next week on three ballot measures brought by the Organizational Activities Fee review committee. Students will be presented with questions concerning the Student Activity Fee, which will include a \$2.80 per semester increase to be allotted to SAB for concerts, comedians and films, a \$.70 per semester increase for the Funds Allotment Council and an annual Student Activity Fee inflation adjustment, according to the ballot.

New to this year's election is Please see ELECTION, Page 9



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Sophomore Lizz Esfeld and junior Brett Wiley, who are running for Senate president and vice president, met with students Monday.

Council, bypass decided

BY JOHN MOENSTER
Staff Reporter

Kirksville voters chose in Tuesday's election to fund a Highway 63 bypass around the city, and also reduced nine candidates to three City Council members.

Todd Kuhns, Richard Detweiler and Martha Rowe were elected to the Council. Rowe was re-elected, while Kuhns and Detweiler were both first-time candidates. Kuhns finished the race with 1,632 votes, and Rowe received 1,474 votes. Richard Detweiler took the third position, beating out Larry Logston by only 78 votes. Detweiler said that now that he's been voted onto the council, he will prioritize job training and improving roads.

"The economy has changed in the past 23 years," Detweiler said. "People are going to have to change from the jobs they've been working at. ... They're going to need training in more technical and computer-oriented jobs."

Kuhns said that once he learns the ropes, he's going to work toward opening up Council meetings by possibly using television broadcasts. Kuhns said he then wants to tackle the issue of jobs in Adair County. Kuhns also said he would like to improve relationships between Kirksville citizens and Truman students.

"I think the resentment can sometimes go both ways — I hear discouraging remarks from students as well towards town folks, [calling] them townies and things like that," Kuhns said. "What we all really need to realize is that we're all



Brian O'Shaughnessy/Index
Mayor Martha Rowe talks with City Council hopeful Larry Logston after election results were announced Tuesday night. Rowe's term was renewed, but Logston lost by fewer than 100 votes.

in the same boat. We are all Kirksville citizens no matter whether we've been here three years, or whether we've been here 30. We need to acknowledge that and approach everything we do with the spirit that Kirksville needs Truman and Truman needs Kirksville and without one or the other, it won't work." Rowe said she was happy with the results, but now there

is a lot of work to be done. Rowe said she wants to continue funding Kirksville Regional Economic Development, Inc., and working with Phil Tate, director of job creation for K-REDI.

The other big issue on the ballot besides the Council race was a proposal to extend Kirksville's half-cent economic development tax for six more years. The tax provides fund-

ing for the proposed 8.5-mile Highway 63 bypass. The issue resulted in a close race, passing by only 205 votes — with 1,470 votes for and 1,265 votes against.

Senior Dan Kleinsorge, a registered voter in Adair County, said he was surprised that the issue passed.

"I've always thought, as a stu- Please see ELECTION, Page 9

Fee boost in hands of students

BY DIANE POELKER
Assistant News Editor

Beneficiaries of the Student Activity Fee want a raise, but Truman students will have the final say over their financial futures.

Student Senate convened the Organizational Activity Fee Review Committee earlier this semester to undertake its triennial task of evaluating the amount and distribution of the Student Activity Fee, according to the Senate Web site. However, in light of a 2007 Missouri state law, the OAF has some new hurdles to jump. Senior Nadia Mozaffar, Senate representative to OAF, said the new caps on total institutional tuition and fee increases set by Senate Bill 389 have complicated OAF proceedings.

"This bill basically limits the increase of the tuition and fees to whatever the [Consumer Price Index] is, which is 4.1 percent this year," Mozaffar said. "Because of that, the budget office, [Budget Director] Dave Rector and [Director of Student Affairs] Lou Ann Gilchrist had to put together a budget proposal, all of the fees and all of the tuition, so that it would fall under that 4.1 percent. ... But they didn't really ask the OAF [how much they intended to increase the Student Activity Fee]."

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University increases energy efficiency

BY ALEX HALFMANN
for the Index

Truman is looking into installing green-technology on campus.

Older buildings, campus design and budget restrictions have limited Truman's flexibility and capability to become more energy-efficient as energy prices rise and global warming looms.

"We have a lot we can improve," Campus Planner Mark Schultz said in regard to Truman's energy efficiency.

However, he said Truman has been making strides in becoming more energy-efficient in recent years.

"We are always looking for better ways of dealing with our heating, cooling and lighting," Schultz said. "We have major issues with steam generation at the power plant."

Schultz said the most energy is wasted at the steam plant.

The steam plant contains two boilers

that provide heating and hot water to Truman's campus as well as steam to power other appliances. Schultz said one boiler can sufficiently serve all the heating needs for steam on campus to five degrees Fahrenheit outside, and the amount of heat produced cannot be pulled back. Both boilers run simultaneously only a few weeks a year.

"In modest weather like we're having right now, we are generating way too much steam way too inefficiently," Schultz said.

In a life cycle cost analysis for Dobson Hall, Schultz said the installation of high-efficiency gas-fired condensing boilers could save Truman about \$135,000 a year in utility costs if a smaller, more efficient boiler could be installed at the steam plant.

Karl Schneider, director of the Physical Plant, said the project was submitted to the state. However, it is unlikely to happen due to costs and priority.

"Whenever you are looking to make

Energy issues at Truman:

- Inefficient steam generation.
- Utility bills have increased by 64 percent from 1999 to 2007.
- Worn down insulation cause steam pipes to lose heat.
- Corridor lights in buildings are wired to remain lit 24/7, which wastes energy.

How Truman is becoming more energy efficient

- Install occupancy sensors to save lighting costs.
- Install efficient appliances, like air conditioners and heaters
- Install high-efficiency lights at Stokes Stadium.
- Recycling programs.

significant changes, there is cost involved, and we have a tight budget," Schneider said. "We first have to look at how much money it will cost, then do we have the money, and can we spend the money."

Truman's utility bill, with the exception of the Student Union Building and the Student Recreation Center, ran at \$3.3 million during the last fiscal year, July 2006 to June 2007 — a 64 percent increase from 1999 when utilities cost \$2.1 million.

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Architects iron out Dobson design plans

Changes to include lounges and elevator, climate control still uncertain

BY JOHN MOENSTER
Staff Reporter

The Board of Governors gave the go-ahead to pursue the Dobson renovation project at a meeting last weekend.

Mackey Mitchell Architects, the same group that designed West Campus Suites and Blanton, Nason and Brewer Halls, completed the design, which already has been approved.

Campus planner Mark Schultz said that once the plans are complete, different firms will submit bids, then Truman will select a contractor based on the bids.

"River City Construction has done West Campus Suites, Missouri Hall and BNB," Schultz said. "If the pattern holds we're going to continue [with River City Construction], and we're happy with their work."

Schultz said asbestos abatement will begin in the beginning of June.

The Board of Governors approved a

\$9 million budget for this project. Schultz said the majority of the money is coming from bond issues devoted to fund student housing, and Residence Life also is paying for a portion of the project.

Schultz said some of the amenities Dobson will have after renovations include a large C-Store, an elevator, three fully accessible rooms in compliance with Americans with Disabilities Act standards on the first floor, and the corner four-person bedrooms on each floor will be converted into lounges. Schultz said he is working with his budget to determine how heating and cooling will be addressed, but there will be heating and cooling for the entire building.

Schultz said that when Dobson was designed in the 1960s, it was supposed to be a very high-density residence hall with a small student-to-square-footage ratio. Schultz said his job with the Dobson renovations is to make it more comfortable by students' standards. Another priority with Dobson is increasing thermal efficiency in the building, he said.

"When you walk through the attic you Please see DOBSON, Page 9

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Greener Pastures

Daniel Glossenger wants Truman students to leave the state after graduation



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Disco Fever

Dance club featuring '70s theme to open later this month



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Escape from Iran

Kirksville author publishes story about early war experiences



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