

# Sushi place will soon open

Those fishing for new cuisines can visit Kimberly Smock's restaurant soon

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Kirkville residents and students soon will have a fresh dining choice — so fresh, it's raw.

Local resident Kimberly Smock said that if all goes as planned, her sushi restaurant at the corner of Franklin and Jefferson streets will open in less than two weeks. The restaurant is located in what used to be Crumbles & Cream, which was owned by Larry Whitney, Kirkville resident and Truman alumnus.

Smock stood outside the business Wednesday night as workers installed flooring and sprayed paint inside — the door featured a sign to alert passersby of the activity within: "Please do not disturb. We are very busy!"

She said the restaurant will feature traditional kinds of sushi and maybe other types of Japanese cuisine, like her homemade beef and chicken teriyaki sauce, but she hasn't determined a menu or prices yet.

"The food's not going to be like McDonald's or anything," Smock said. "It's going to be ... very high-end food, but hopefully it's affordable for everybody."

So far the bamboo flooring stretches across only part of the restaurant and newspapers still cover the windows, but Smock said she hopes the décor will be modern but still warm and inviting.

"Kind of like my personal home," she said.

Smock said opening a sushi restaurant in Kirkville is something she has discussed with close friends and other members of the community.

"From what I've been told, I guess a lot of people have talked about doing it but had never done it," she said.

She said she hopes to broaden the type of dining available in the city.

"Sushi is healthy, and this restaurant won't be just like most of the fast food



Local resident Kimberly Smock stands in the entrance of her business, at Franklin and Jefferson streets. The building is still under construction, but in less than two weeks, it will be transformed into Kirkville's only sushi restaurant.

restaurants available in Kirkville," Smock said.

Smock said she plans to order the fresh fish from a seafood company, which will then fly in the fish and deliver it to the restaurant.

Sophomore Clare Cummings said she is excited for a sushi shop to open in Kirkville.

"I think that's the coolest thing I've ever heard," Cummings said.

Cummings said she hopes the restaurant will get a lot of business because she is getting tired of eating at Mexican and Chinese restaurants in Kirkville.

Cummings said she thinks many students will eat at the restaurant because of its proximity to campus. Cummings said she thinks the sushi bar should feature a dollar menu, in addition to more pricey items.

"There is a sushi restaurant in Kansas City that has that kind of menu, and it's great," Cummings said.

Kirkville resident Tom Vornald said he thinks the restaurant will be a great opportunity for community members to experience a different kind of food.

"Sushi would be interesting and I think it would really be a big hit," Vornald said.

Vornald said he and his wife most likely will try the sushi restaurant and hope others will as well.

Smock said she probably will open the restaurant in the next two weeks but will not host a grand opening celebration until spring.

"We've got plans for the outside," she said, gesturing at the covered porch on the south side of the building, whose surface currently is hidden by boards, buckets and other construction supplies.

When it opens, the restaurant only will serve dinner, but Smock said she plans to expand to lunch when students return from Winter Break.

Smock said she will reveal the restaurant's name when it is functional.

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Kimberly Smock  
Sushi Entrepreneur

# University increases summer fee

Additional \$55 will pay for expenses of summer orientation

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Next year's incoming freshmen will have to pay an additional \$55 in exchange for an extra chance to acclimate themselves to the Truman's campus and to participate in the creation of their first semester class schedules.

Starting in summer 2008, new freshmen will be required to attend one session of a day-long summer orientation program in addition to Truman Week. The orientation program will be offered on seven different days in June and one day in August. The August date will be just prior to Truman Week and will be reserved for those with extenuating circumstances, such as international students.

"The Board of Governors approved an increase in the [freshmen] orientation fee, which is what pays for Truman Week," said Martin Eisenberg, associate provost for Academic Affairs and dean of the Residential College Program. "That [fee] will now be \$305 from \$250."

The increased fee will cover expenses associated with hosting each session. Expenses include payment for student orientation leaders, food, entertainment costs

and a T-shirt, Eisenberg said. Some additional charges might arise at a later point, such as the cost of an optional overnight stay on campus for students or parents and a luncheon for parents attending the orientation.

The summer orientation has separate goals from Truman Week, and this is not expected to change in the future, Eisenberg said.

"They're both about connecting, but one's about building longer term connections," Eisenberg said. "The aim of the summer orientation is to help people be more comfortable and to get them here. Part of the aim of Truman Week is to get them to be comfortable, and so they're successful here and go on to graduate from here."

Brad Chambers, director of admission, communication and scholarship, said 20 current Truman students will serve as orientation leaders during the sessions.

Their responsibilities will include helping organize class schedules, assisting with check-in procedures, participating in dis-

cussions and for some, videotaping activities, he said.

Orientation leaders will stay in the residence halls during the month of June and also will serve as resources for incoming students who choose to stay overnight before or after their orientation day, Chambers said.

Leaders will spend non-orientation days in June cleaning up from previous sessions and preparing for upcoming orientations, he said.

Orientation leaders were selected through an application and interview process, during which candidates met with members from admission and student affairs.

"[We were looking for] students that have found themselves making a successful transition to Truman and could provide guidance through that experience as [incoming students] are preparing to transi-

tion to the University as well," Chambers said.

Orientation leaders will participate in limited training during the spring semester, as well as more concentrated training between Memorial Day and the first orientation session.

"This is the first year that we have had orientation for a number of years, so we're creating the program as we go," Chambers said.

Discussion concerning plans and procedures beyond the summer 2008 orientation has not occurred, Chambers said.

"Summer orientation of '08, it really is going to be something that I anticipate we're going to be very well-prepared for, but we are also going to learn something from," Chambers said.

Senior Max Eisenbraun has doubts about the program's effectiveness.

"I personally think I would have made really bad choices freshman year on what classes I would take," he said.

He also expressed concern about students making an extra trip to Kirkville in the summer.

"I'm really glad that they didn't have that when I was a freshman," Eisenbraun said. "To come up here on a weekday, stop my summer job, interrupt my week, that'd be really annoying. On the other hand, it'd be really useful because it's an attempt to know the campus better before I even come here."

## NEWS | In Brief

### Ameren offers holiday safety tips

Ameren UE has issued a list of measures home and apartment owners can take to make their holidays safer, according to a Monday press release.

To prevent electrical accidents, Ameren UE suggests inspecting all holiday lights for damaged wires or plugs, keeping electrical connections off the ground and away from water and selecting artificial Christmas trees labeled as fire-resistant.

Residence owners also should never leave space heaters unattended or place cords under rugs or carpets, where they can be walked upon or where someone can trip over them, according to the release.

To help avoid the possibility of carbon monoxide poisoning, it is recommended that a qualified plumber or heating professional annually inspect and clean furnace systems, according to the release.

Flues that also vent through walls must be clear of leaves, snow and other materials to prevent carbon monoxide from backing into the home.

Residence owners should never store combustible materials within a few feet of the furnace or water heater, according to the release.

For more of these tips and information on how to detect the presence of carbon monoxide or a natural gas leak, consult <http://www.ameren.com>.

### Truman's NPR affiliate goes digital

KKTR, the Truman NPR affiliate broadcasting on the FM dial at 89.7, went off the air this week so engineers could change out the old transmitter with a new Hybrid Digital transmission system, according to a Monday press release.

The station's digital conversion was possible because of a \$78,000 grant from the Corporation for Public Broadcasting.

Listeners still will be able to receive NPR programming on their existing radios, but to listen to the digital transmission, a special receiver is required, according to the release.

For more information about HD radio, consult [http://www.kbta.org/inside/faq/hd\\_radio.htm](http://www.kbta.org/inside/faq/hd_radio.htm).

## Student Senate | In Brief

- Senate appointed the following students in the following positions to the Organizational Activities Fee Committee: senior Daniel Glossinger as student at-large, senior J.R. Hladky as student at-large, senior Nathan Whelan as student at-large, junior Alex Reed as Funds Allotment Council representative, sophomore Stephanie Kwon as Student Activities Board representative, senior Vivienne Creamer as student at-large and senior Nadia Mozaffar as Student Senate representative.

- Senate discussed the formation of a committee to create a professor rating tool.

- Senate discussed the construction plans for Ryle Hall and Centennial Hall.

- Senate passed a resolution in favor of implementing a campus Safe Rides Program.

- Senate passed a money motion for \$45 to spend on food for the Senate Campus Environment Committee's retreat to write the Guide to Living Sustainably handbook.

- Senate passed a money motion for \$100 to spend on Swapalooza advertisements.

- Senate passed a money motion for \$100 to spend on a ceremonial gavel for former Senate President senior Angela Crawford.

- Senate passed a money motion for \$800 to spend on 500 magnets, 500 pens and 500 Post-It pads with Senate logos.

- Senate passed a resolution in favor of honoring Board of Governors Student Representative senior Emily Kiddoo.

- Senate discussed the budget of the Senate Athletics Committee.

- Senate passed an amendment to organizational standing rules in favor of simplifying the process for appointing Senate presidents.

## DPS | Reports

- 12/1 Sophomore Megan Clegg was issued a Missouri Uniform Complaint and Summons for minor in possession of intoxicants.
- 12/1 Phillip Geraci, freshman Lindsay Burcham, freshman Shannon Beatty, Christopher Lippmann, freshman Sarah Harton and Anthony Coleman were issued a Missouri Uniform Complaint and Summons for minor in possession of intoxicants.
- 12/1 Report of property damage in parking lot near Ryle.
- 12/1 Report of theft from parking lot near Ryle Hall.
- 11/29 Report of theft from McClain Hall.
- 11/29 Sophomore Patrick Schultz was issued a Missouri Uniform Complaint and Summons for minor in possession of intoxicants.
- 11/27 Freshman Austin Bradley was issued a Missouri Uniform Complaint and Summons for minor in possession of intoxicants.
- 11/26 Sophomore Charles Powell was issued a Missouri Uniform Complaint and Summons for minor in possession of intoxicants.

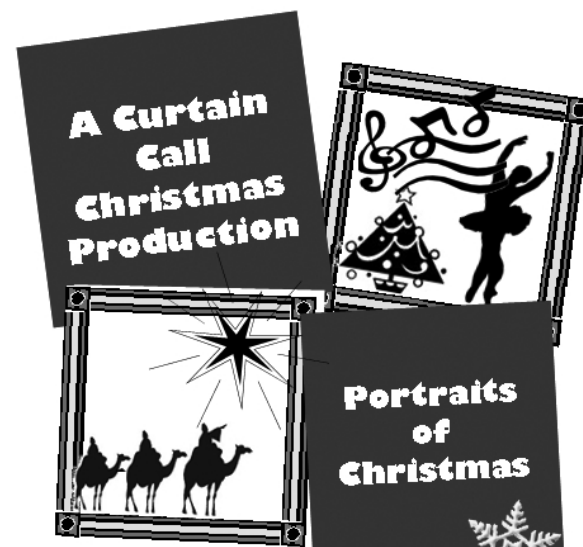
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