

SUSHI | Former restaurant owners arrested in Arizona on Adair warrant

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June when they left Kirksville, although Brooks' original charge was issued in 2007.

"Our investigation goes back to when they first came to Kirksville," Jones said.

Jones said Brooks and Smock did not actually own the name Kitigawa. Smock additionally filed for a license through the Missouri Department of Revenue for a corporation called Modern Foods.

Smock also went by alternate names. Jones said local customers and business owners knew him as Mike Smock and others knew him as Mike Fukuda.

Jones said neither the owners of the restaurant nor the owner of the building have anything to do with the fraud charges, but both came forward as victims. More details might become available as the investigation continues, he said.

Whitney Rentals president Larry Whitney, who owns the building where the former sushi restaurant was located, said Smock was the tenant for the building and that her lease expired at the end of June. Whitney said that days after the lease expired, Brooks and Smock left and that he doesn't expect them back.

"I've had people the past couple of days cleaning it," he said. "As soon as we see what happens and we hear from the court or we hear from them, then we'll know what to do with the building."

He said he hopes to get a business back in the building soon, but he doesn't know whether or not it will be another sushi place.

"The people I talked to that ate there said the food was good," he said. "Sushi restaurants are catching on all over the country big time. I think the town and the University could support a sushi restaurant. But I'm open for anything that wants to go in there."

Brooks and Smock are being held in Arizona on \$25,000 and \$850 bonds. Jones said their extradition hearing to challenge the warrant to return to Adair County is expected to take place at the end of this month.

Preaching furious passion



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Mitch Metzger, with Campus Ministry U.S.A. preaches to students gathered in the quad on Wednesday about changing their lives for salvation. Campus Ministry, known for Brother Jed, makes frequent visits to Truman and other universities nationwide. Brother Jed brought his family to campus, including his daughter, 17-year-old Martha Smock. "I think that people won't really listen if we were just talking about the love of God," she said.

UPDATE | Replacement floor waits in Pershing, turf rolled up in Stokes Stadium parking lot



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Planks for the new floor sit in Pershing Arena. The University hopes the floor will be ready to play on by October, after the old floor was ruined in July flood.

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said. "It means that there is a certain amount of money forfeited for late performance."

Wells said the contract has three phases of penalties. The first is a \$500 fine for every day after July 18 that the field has not reached substantial. Phase two is a fine of \$1,500 for every day the field is not complete after Aug. 2. The last penalty is \$20,000 for every game that has to be relocated.

"It's all cumulative," Wells said.

Wells said he was unsure how the University would go about getting the money from GeneralSports Venue, but the usual practice involves the client withholding the fees owed by the company when the client makes a payment. Wells also said General-

Sports Venue could choose to fight the fines because so much money is at stake.

The delays forced the athletic department to find a new venue for today's season opener. Instead of playing in Kirksville, the team now will play on a neutral site in Fayette, Mo., at the Central Methodist University football field.

By moving the game, the athletic department now must deal with some new expenses. The team and coaches will have to be bused to the game, and two meals will be provided. Wollmering said the University wouldn't be getting any revenue from the game either. As part of the deal to let the Bulldogs play on their field, CMU gets to keep all of the gate and concession money.

Wollmering said he was hopeful that the lost money could be made up by the penalties against GeneralSports Venue.

Eleven days before the season opener, the athletic department announced the change in sites. Wollmering said an announcement about the location for the season's second game against Southern Arkansas University won't come as early because the team doesn't want to forfeit another home game.

"I've talked to Southern Arkansas, and they are aware of our situation," Wollmering said.

Wollmering said the team could afford to wait longer because the field is close to being completed. He said that once the field is done, it could be played on within hours.

While Stokes is getting finished up, the floor replacement in Pershing Arena has just begun. On Tuesday, the new floor was shipped in and crews began work on the subfloor. Luebbert Floor Surfacing, the company responsible for taking out the old floor, also is in charge of installing the new surface. The company's bid was accepted early last week.

Unlike the Stokes project, Wollmering said everything with Pershing is running on schedule. He said he hopes the volleyball team can resume play on campus in early October.

While the gym in Pershing is under construction, the volleyball team is practicing at the Student Recreation Center. The team has had the rec center almost to itself for much of August with fewer people on campus, but with classes starting, more people are around.

"The kids got to get used to people watching them, but that's not a bad thing," head coach Jason Skoch said.

Skoch said the team has had no problems practicing away from Pershing. He said the biggest adjustment so far has been for players who receive treatment for injuries in Pershing and have to walk over to the rec center because of a lack of available parking.

"My libero that's hurt, she gets in late so she has got to warm up on her own," Skoch said.

The team is scheduled to practice from 2:30 p.m. until 5:30 p.m. Skoch said he doesn't anticipate any complaints about the team taking up two courts.

"It's not a concern on my end," Skoch said. "Unfortunately, a storm hit and we're out of a space. It's not fun for anybody, but that's just the way it goes."

TESTING | International students face new requirement to take tuberculosis test at the start of the school year

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and that she has not heard any complaints from students who were required to pay for the QFT-G test.

Junior Emmamarie Melyon said she thinks international students should be tested for TB.

"I think that it's good that they've decided to test all the international students, especially those from high-risk countries, but I also think that it is unfortunate that the international students have to pay an extra \$100 for the test," Melyon said.

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he and the defense met numerous times during that period.

"It took 13 months to get our lab results back from the crime lab," he said.

Williams said the returned DNA results played a role in Feldman seeking a plea agreement.

Reporting by Julie Williams

Former football players face probation

Two former members of the Truman football team were granted three years probation July 9 and a suspended imposition of sentence after pleading guilty to assault in the second degree.

Joshua Kilcrease and Paul Darby were originally charged in December 2005 in connection with serious physical injury caused to Wooden Nickel employee Ted Tarrant, according to court documents.

Prosecuting Attorney Mark Williams said he requested that Kilcrease and Darby receive seven-year sentences in the department of corrections. After a sentencing assessment from the Missouri Board of Probation and Parole, Williams agreed to recommend probation, although he said he still wanted the men to have convictions on their records.

"We wanted the full seven years to hang over their heads," Williams said.

If Darby and Kilcrease would violate their probation, Williams said they could be sent to the penitentiary for as long as seven years.

"[Suspended imposition of sentence] is a very big benefit for the defendant up front," he said.

Williams said Missouri statute also allows for Kilcrease's and Darby's records to be expunged of the conviction if they successfully complete their probation.

A third former Truman football player, Darnell Williams, is also serving two years of probation with a suspended imposition of sentence at the agreement and recommendation of the state. Williams pled guilty in January to assault in the third degree, a charge he incurred in December 2005 in connection with attempting to cause physical injury to Wooden Nickel owner Dan Vogt, according to court documents (see Feb. 8, 2007 issue of the Index).

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