



Senior Brett Wiley works in the library computer lab Wednesday night. Although some students have mastered how to use their TruView accounts, others still have much to learn about how the Web site can benefit them throughout the school year. Brian O'Shaughnessy/Index

TruView Made Easy

A handy how-to guide to make a payment on TruView.

- Log on to your TruView account and click on the "Student" tab.
- Scroll to the very bottom of the page and click the link that says, "View Bill and Make Payment."
- If using a pop-up blocker, it will block the link so you can either view the pop-up or click the other link TruView provides you. Clicking the TruView link should open a new tab.
- From there, you click the "Make Payment" tab and follow instructions.
- If your parents are paying, then you have to authorize them as users.
- At the top of the page there is a tab that says, "Authorized Users."
- Once on that tab, there is an "Add an Authorize User" button in the lower right hand side of the window.
- From there, follow the instructions the Web site gives you.

Developers tweak TruView site for students

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New changes are in the works to make TruView more student-friendly. TruView was launched in fall 2004, and Information Technology Services Web developer Greg Marshall said that since the launch, there have been some major problems during enrollment. When several thousand students at-

tempt to use TruView at once, it causes the server to overload, he said. "We had server problems during registration, but since then, we've addressed the problem and switched servers," Marshall said. "[TruView] hasn't experienced any difficulty for a couple of years." This year, he said a team of Web developers decided to add the "Kirksville" tab in response to student de-

mand. This tab features links to KT-VO's top stories, the Daily Express, local Web sites and movie listings for Downtown Cinema 8. Within the next year, the developing staff hopes to upgrade the entire system, he said. Marshall also said the Luminis platform that runs TruView produced new software that will improve the system and should be installed within the next year. He said the Web developers face

a problem because many Truman students are so dependent on e-mail and TruView accounts that ITS can't find time during the school year to shut the server completely down. Junior Andrew Williams said he has experienced some problems with TruView, especially in regards to paying bills. "My account hasn't been set up so my parents can see the bill," Williams said.

"I'm not totally sure how this works." Marshall said ITS is working on making TruView more user-friendly and is open to suggestions. "It might be possible to make a tab for student workers and a tab for staff," Marshall said. "That's a route we might choose to go down. . . . We are always looking to improve TruView and gladly appreciate any feedback."

OPIUM | Man charged with selling opium to drug task force agents

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Forfeiture Act.

"Since the vehicle was used in the commission of a crime, under our drug statutes the forfeiture act then allows for the state to seek that piece of property," Williams said. The forfeiture will not be heard until the criminal case is done, but Williams said that if it is successful, the vehicle will be sold and the proceeds will be divided among

the three school districts in Adair County. Clark said the presence of this particular drug in Adair County is uncommon. "I've been with the sheriff's office 28 years, and this is the first opium I've ever been aware of," he said. Tom Murphy, group supervisor with the St. Louis division of the Drug Enforcement Administration,

said opium is a very rare drug in the Midwest and that none has been seized since 2006. He said opium comes from poppy seeds, and Afghanistan is the main supplier of the drug, though it's also now being linked to Mexico. "We normally see it in the form of heroine, not just the raw opium," Murphy said, adding that this is when possession of the drug carries the highest charge.

PERSHING | Last week's rain caused no major damages to athletic building

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The problems with the west side drain. He said plumbers are going to check the drain for a back up, but if the drain is simply not big enough, it could be a bigger concern. Replacing the drain would be a major project, but Schneider said the renovation plans for Pershing Building will eliminate that area altogether and will put a small building addition in its place. "The situation will change significantly when the building is renovated," he said.

That change happened about five years ago, but the drain outside the doors still overflows every time there is a hard rain. Schrader said that when the water got into Pershing on Thursday, people working on the floor and the building's night crew happened to be in the area and were able to keep it from going on the floor and causing more extensive damage. "I'm not sure how close it got, . . . but it probably got within 20 feet or 30 feet," he said.

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music fan, compared Ben Folds to previous concerts featured in the past. "It is refreshing to see a band that I actually want to see," Mohs said.

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chance to host a legend, Lynch is a promising comedian due to his frequent appearances on previous student surveys that the SAB has conducted, as well as his good reviews from previous acts at other colleges.

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Senior Marti Galloway, supporter of both Carlin's cynicism and of Lynch's comedic songs, said he is OK with the second choice in comedians. "I think George Carlin would like Stephen Lynch taking his place," Galloway said. "I'm excited about seeing Stephen Lynch." Lynch is performing at 8 p.m. Nov. 8 in the Baldwin Hall Auditorium. Tickets are \$5 for students and \$15 for general admission. Tickets go on sale two weeks before the show.

HIT | Human Information Technologies Inc. comes to Kirksville, provides space for police department's private criminal DNA testing facilities

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own without having to send it to the state laboratories." Kern said he thinks it will take as long as a year to get HIT's international accreditation through the American Society of Crime Lab Directors. Once HIT receives accreditation, it can start the hiring process and full operation.

Phil Tate, director of job creation for Kirksville Regional Economic Development, said that right now, HIT has not guaranteed a number for employment, but they're expecting more than 100 slots available for applicants during the next five years. Tate said that with a private lab, the KPD can apply

for access to the Combined DNA Index System. CODIS can enable the city to solve crimes and charge criminals more efficiently by analyzing a sample of DNA from a crime scene and comparing it to the DNA from convicted felons in the database to find a match. Discussions between HIT and Truman have centered

on the University's role in the partnership. Kern said he thinks Truman's student body will have a future with the company through both employment and internships. Right now, HIT representatives are talking with Truman about expanding their internship program based on student feedback. The biology department

is in the process of writing a proposal for adding a forensic science minor, according to Jon Gering, biology department chair (see May 1, 2008, issue of the Index.) The proposal suggests that the minor requires 15 hours of coursework. Kern said he would like to see every student with a forensic science minor have the opportunity

to intern with the company. "Overall, I think that interest is going to impact if we can set this up on a larger scale versus a smaller scale program," he said. "This is a tremendous, high-growth field, very interesting and challenging, and I feel like it's a good fit for the Truman body."

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