

New additions to the square

Upper East Side



Steve's Garden Deli

LEFT LOWER: Sarah Mitchell stands with an espresso machine. UPPER LEFT: Rows of drink flavorings line the walls of the cafe. RIGHT: Located next to the southwest corner of the square, Steve's Garden Deli begins construction.

Two new restaurants on the Square offer better selection

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New additions are coming to the Square this fall.

Kirksville resident Steve Taylor and his wife have owned a plethora of businesses in Kirksville, but their newest venture is a New York-style deli on the Square.

"A couple guys from New York opened a deli in Sarasota, Fla., 31

years ago that I visit fairly often," Taylor said. "That is the deli we're patterning ours after."

The new restaurant, called Steve's Garden Deli, will be located at 117 W. Washington St. on the south side of the Square. Taylor said he hopes to open on Oct. 15.

"I think with no delis in Kirksville we definitely need one," Taylor said. "We're going to be all green, and I think it will be a great thing for Kirksville."

Taylor said the instability of Kirksville's economy doesn't scare him and he thinks the deli will be a success.

"We're going to have great sandwiches, great wraps, great desserts, great coffee and a great atmosphere," Taylor said.

Manhattan Café owner Don Kangas is opening a coffee shop called the Upper East Side located on the northeast corner of the Square.

Sarah Mitchell, Upper East Side manager, said the restaurant should be opening its doors

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within the next two weeks and will have a grand opening in a month.

"We have a different philosophy here," she said. "A lot of businesses wait until everything is perfect to open. With us, we figured we'd try something different. We want to

get the doors open as soon as we possibly can, then people will get to feel a part of it as they watch it grow over time."

The restaurant will serve deli sandwiches as well as numerous drinks.

"We will have a full line of espresso drinks, coffee drinks, Chai tea, real fruit smoothies — you can't get that anywhere in town," Mitchell said. "Our specialty is really more healthier-minded foods, lower-calorie, lower-fat whole grains. We're going to have waffles in the morning — a regular and a whole grain waffle. I'm not sure which food will be our specialty until we open."

Mitchell thinks all the restaurant businesses on the Square will be prosperous because they all have a slightly different focus, she said.

After Kindle removes books, students become wary of new technology

BY MARGARET HOOPER
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Forget the dog. Justin Gawronski, a 17-year-old from Michigan, is suing Amazon for eating his homework.

During the summer, Amazon remotely erased copies of "1984" and "Animal Farm" from Kindle readers, refunding users the cost of the book after the U.S. copyright holder claimed the ebooks had been sold illegally. Gawronski watched his copy of "1984" disappear, rendering the notes he had taken in the text useless.

Amazon CEO Jeff Bezos later issued an apology, calling the move "stupid," but the irony of Amazon throwing "1984" down the memory hole reinforced many consumers' concerns that owning an ebook is not quite the legal equivalent of holding a physical copy of the text.

Although some schools, including

Northwest Missouri State University, have strongly promoted e-readers and electronic textbooks, Truman Bookstore Manager Steve Pennington said few students opt for electronic versions of the required reading.

"I think because of the newness of [electronic textbooks], people are kind of apprehensive about trying it," Pennington said. "Once the technology gets more commonplace, people will become more comfortable with it."

The Truman Bookstore has offered ebooks for three semesters and more than 200 textbooks are available in electronic form, but students who order online must specifically search for an electronic edi-

tion to find out if one exists.

During the spring semester, Jason Miller, associate professor of mathematics, used an electronic textbook and online homework program in his Elementary Functions class. He said he received positive feedback from his students and would use the technology again.

"A lot of students loved it, but some also wanted the paper, wanted the tactile feel of a book in front of them," Miller said.

Senior Cody Sumter, technology committee co-chair, said he thinks Amazon regrets its decision to delete the illegally sold texts because it violated the consumers' trust and brought up Digital

Rights Management issues.

"It's the question of ownership," Sumter said. "If I'm going to spend all this money, don't I get to use the book the way I want to?"

However, DRM technology issues aren't the only reasons electronic textbooks have not been widely adopted. Cost is another big factor.

"A lot of the electronic textbooks are cheaper than a new book but cost more than a used book, which is what most students look for anyway," Sumter said. "I think the biggest thing that's standing in the way is the current nature of the business."

Still, he said he is optimistic about the future of ebooks.

"Change happens when the older generation is gone," Sumter said. "Right now you have your early adopters really using the technology, but give it five or 10 years and it will become the primary approach."

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