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Krueger retires to Utah**Krueger talks about future life plans, Paino prepares to take over**BY LISA KUCHARSKI
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After years of helping students and universities grow, Interim President Darrell Krueger will head back to Utah after his retirement to help something else grow — a garden.

At the May 8 Commencement ceremony, Krueger will make his final farewell to students and faculty. Troy Paino, provost and vice president for academic affairs, will step in as Truman's 16th president two days later.

After the ceremony, Krueger will pack up with his family and head home to Utah. He said he plans to live the retiree's dream by starting out with a family reunion, and then traveling around the area, helping out his family and finally working on the house and yard.

"I'm going to enjoy those first few months," Krueger said. "I still have a lot of work to do in my backyard to bring it up to speed to where I want it."

Krueger said that, after catching up on some family time, he is going to look at how he can serve as a volunteer at his alma mater, Southern Utah State College.

Although his interim presidency at Truman was short, beginning Oct. 16, 2008, Krueger has a history with the University. After earning a Ph.D. from the University of Arizona - Tucson in 1971, Krueger served as an assistant professor of political science at Truman for two years. He then served as the vice president for academic affairs and dean of instruction for 16 years. Krueger left to become the President of

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**Darrell Krueger**

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Local conservatives gather Tuesday night to protest President Obama's visit Wednesday to an ethanol plant in Macon, Mo. Five people spoke including Rep Roy Blunt, R-Mo. and Rep. Blaine Luetkemeyer, R-Mo. via telephone.

Tea Party rallies in MaconBY DAN WARNER
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President Obama's visit to the ethanol plant in Macon on Wednesday sparked a Tea Party rally at the Leo O'Laughlin Concrete facility on Tuesday.

Speakers at the rally talked about constitutional rights, the influence of federal power and the use of tax dollars. Speakers included Rep. Roy Blunt, R-Mo., and Rep. Blaine Luetkemeyer,

R-Mo., both speaking by phone from Washington, D.C.

Ashley Young, an organizer for the rally, said grassroots organizations such as the Macon County Patriots — a Tea Party affiliate — and the Missouri Republican Party sponsored the event.

Young said the rally helped educate people and, with more than 1,000 attendees, was a success, especially because organizers had only five days to prepare. Young said holding the rally on the eve of Obama's

arrival and near the site of his impending visit was not meant to be disrespectful toward the president.

"My sincere hope is that no one came away from that rally thinking the intent of this rally was to demonstrate any kind of disrespect toward the office of the president or the president himself," Young said. "What it comes down to, though, is very severe disagreement with the policies that have been advanced by this administration and the Democratically controlled

Congress under Sen. Harry Reid and Speaker Pelosi."

Young said the conservative Tea Party often has been mischaracterized by the mainstream media. He said what is frequently perceived as conservative radicalism is more often impassioned speech by people who are very upset with interference by government. He said Tea Party members generally see big government as trying to tell them how to live their lives.

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Two candidates named for Provost, visits plannedBY BRENNA MCDERMOTT
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The two finalists chosen for the Provost and Vice President of Academic Affairs position will visit campus next week.

The Provost/VPAA Search Advisory Committee selected Stephen Scheck, dean of the college of liberal arts and sciences at Western Oregon University, and Lynn Pardie, associate vice chancellor for

graduate education and research of the University of Illinois - Springfield, from more than 80 applicants. Scheck and Pardie will visit Truman May 3 and May 4 to see the campus and meet with faculty and students.

Pardie, a psychology professor and Iowa native, said she applied for the position because she appreciates what Truman represents.

"I have reached a point in my career when I am inter-

ested in new challenges, and the opportunity to serve as a Provost seems to be the right move for me," Pardie said. "It would be really the pinnacle of my career, particularly at an institution like Truman State."

Pardie said the economy will be a challenge for Truman, but she looks forward to the possibility of working closely with President-elect Troy Paino to deal with financial problems.

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Lynn Pardie



Steve Scheck



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Graduate student Adam Yanick stands outside the Dukum Tuesday night and enjoys a cigarette.

Kirksville smoking ban investigated

BY SHAWN SHINNEMAN AND ANNIE WARMBRODT

Three years after Kirksville residents voted to pass a city-wide smoking ban, Kirksville Police Chief Jim Hughes said the transition has been seamless. But reaction and compliance from local businesses has varied.

Since January 2008, there have been 12 smoking-related incidents reported to the Kirksville Police Department. Only one of these 12 incidents resulted in a summons, stemming from a March 2008 incident at The Full Moon bar, according to a Kirksville Police Department incident report. Mark Williams, former Adair County prosecutor, did not pursue charges.

But more than two years later, on April 17, 2010, an Index reporter observed patrons smoking inside The Full Moon. The patrons smoking were not told to extinguish their cigarettes, a violation of the ordinance.

Don Ward, owner of The Full Moon, was an outspoken opponent to the ban when it was first

introduced, but said he has not instructed his employees to look the other way on violations of the ordinance.

"Good God, it isn't going to kill anything," Ward said. "But no, I'm not ever going to admit to nobody that I allow smoking or any of my [employees] allow it. Because it's illegal and I'm not going to say it."

Ward said the ban has made his and his employees' jobs harder.

"I can't keep an eye on everybody," Ward said. "It isn't my job to do that. I did not open this place to be a police officer."

Hughes said as far as enforcement is concerned, the ban has been a non-issue.

"If there is an establishment out there that is routinely violating this law, I am not aware of it," Hughes said. "And I would say that the people who frequent it should call us and let us know that they're in violation of the law."

The ordinance, which went into effect July 1, 2007, bans smoking inside many Kirksville establishments, includ-

ing restaurants, bars and city parks. Smoking is not prohibited at membership associations. In all, about 40 establishments were affected.

Enforcing the ban

Hughes said the reason local businesses have transitioned smoothly to the ban has the education the police and city council offered business owners affected by the ban prior to its implementation. Sixty-one percent of Kirksville voters supported the ban.

"It was controversial for some, while this was being planned," Hughes said. "But after the implementation and the education that everybody put into it, it was truly a seamless move from the planning stage to the ordinance to compliance."

Penalties for violating the ban range from a \$100 fine for a first offense to a \$500 fine and 90 days in jail for repeated offenses, according to the ordinance. The ordinance lists the same penalties for business owners who tolerate smoking at their establishment as for individuals who smoke in prohibited areas.

Hughes said no fines have been issued and violators of the ban have not served jail time because no one has been prosecuted by the city for violating the smoking ban.

"We were kind of complaint-based at the start," Hughes said. "And by the time we would have moved beyond the complaint-base it was a non-issue, so we decided to stay with the complaint-based form of enforcement."

Hughes said he thinks enforcing the ban requires the cooperation of Kirksville citizens.

"There is an expectation out there that the community would support this law, and by supporting it, give us a call so that we can help them support their law," Hughes said.

In addition to the reliance on residents to notify the police of violations, other factors affect the enforcement of the smoking ban. Hughes said the Kirksville Police Department has a limited staff to handle calls.

"We don't have enough cops to enforce every law that's out there," Hughes said. "You're go-

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