

Sushi restaurant opens

BY SHIHARA MADUWAGE
Staff Reporter

Dim lights, exotic wall hangings and delicious aromas waft out of Bonsai, the new sushi restaurant on Harrison Street on the Square.

Bonsai Steaks, Teriyaki and Sushi House owner Peter Saeteurn said the business has been open for two weeks. Bonsai is a sushi restaurant that serves authentic Japanese food.

"We used to have one in Quincy ... and we had a lot of customers that came from Kirksville," Saeteurn said.

Saeteurn said that he has been in the restaurant business for about seven years.

"All the recipes I use [are] from my father-in-law," Saeteurn said. "He has been in the business about 25 years. ... It is not something we made overnight. It took a long time to put together."

He said Bonsai serves a variety of sushi as well as other Japanese food, including Teriyaki chicken, beef and pork.

"We have all types of sushi for our sushi lovers," Saeteurn said. "We have sushi rolls that are not raw — only about ten percent of our menu is raw."

He also said there are different types of soups and vegetarian options to choose from.

Saeteurn said that Bonsai is a family-run business involving him, his fiancée, brother, uncle and his father-in-law.

Saeteurn said Bonsai has been fairly busy since it opened, and he is thinking about expanding his restaurant in the future.

"If we stay busy constantly, we are going to have to either expand to our right or our left, or find another location," he said.

He said the restaurant gets business from students, faculty and other Kirksville residents. He said he especially enjoys getting large groups of students at night.

Saeteurn said he did not know much about the Japanese restaurant that closed in the summer of 2008. The operators of that establishment, named Kitigawa, were arrested later in the year for fraud.

"I have heard bits and pieces about it, he said. "I heard he had good food ... but I don't even know the guy."

Freshman Katherine Weltha



Brian O'shaughnessy/Index

Bonsai Steaks, Teriyaki and Sushi House opened on the square two weeks ago.

said she has already been to Bonsai twice.

"It is only two buildings over from where I work so it is really conveniently located for me," she said.

Weltha said the food served at Bonsai is superior both in taste and quality, and that Bonsai offers a variety of Japanese dishes to customers.

"The service was really great," she said. "They seemed very efficient just from watching them [and] getting me my food ... For my food, it took just about 10 minutes."

Weltha said that the food is reasonably priced and is affordable to most college students.

"It is more expensive than McDonald's, but for sushi it is very fairly priced," she said.

Professor of biology Brent Buckner said he visited Bonsai three times with his family.

"It is nice to have a Japanese restaurant in Kirksville," he said. "It is nice to have those options, and I thought it was a good restaurant."

Buckner said that he was satisfied with the variety of options but that the menu was modest.

"I have been to other Japanese restaurants where there is much more in the menu, but certainly there [are] plenty of options to choose from," he said.

Buckner said the service of the restaurant was fine and that he thought the restaurant would attract customers.

"The people there go out of

their way to be friendly and nice, and they are very positive, very social," he said. "We have been very pleased with the service, and I overheard a lot of people talking in great length, either to the manager or the waiters, so they are obviously very pleased to engage in conversation."

Like Weltha, Buckner said he thought the prices were affordable.

"You can go in there and eat lunch for under \$7," he said. "The sushi, which is of course a big part of their offering, was a little bit less expensive than I would normally expect at a restaurant. ... But then, if they price themselves too high, they are going to be out of market in Kirksville."

NEWS | In Brief

Area residents arrested in meth bust

After a two-week investigation of stolen anhydrous ammonia, four area residents were arrested Oct. 28 by the Macon County Sheriff's Office. Nicole Fraley, 32, of Kirksville, Tracy Miles, 39, of Kirksville and Clinton Munn, 19, of Atlanta, Mo., were arrested for a Class B felony of allegedly stealing anhydrous ammonia and resisting arrest. Both Kirksville residents live in the same residence on the 1500 block of Walnut Street, Macon County Sheriff Robert Dawson said.



Tracy Miles



Nicole Fraley

Christopher Link, 27, of Moberly, Mo., was arrested for a Class D felony of providing a precursor for manufacturing a controlled substance. The Macon County Sheriff's Office was assisted by the Missouri Highway Patrol and North Missouri Drug Task Force.

"It was a combined effort of three or four different agencies," Dawson said. "The investigation went on for a couple weeks prior to the arrest."

Two arrested on drug charges

Adair County sheriff's deputies investigated a report Tuesday that Charles Woods was at a residence in Novinger, Mo.

Woods has a warrant for a parole violation in which the original charge was possession of amphetamines. After the deputies entered the house they saw a subject running from the house who is believed to be Woods.

The deputies found marijuana and methamphetamine manufacturing precursors inside the house, including batteries, Sudafed and tubing.

The two occupants of the home, Nettie Younger and Tysen Martin, were taken into custody. Woods remains at large, and local law enforcement is seeking information on Woods' whereabouts.

Public Relations internship available

The Truman Public Relations office is accepting résumés for a Spring 2010 internship position. Interns can receive course credit and a stipend. Communication majors are encouraged to apply with special consideration given to candidates with knowledge of AP style, experience in desktop publishing and familiarity with InDesign or similar software. To apply, send two writing samples, a résumé and two on-campus references to the Public Relations office in McClain Hall 101. For more information, contact Heidi Templeton at heidi@truman.edu.

Student Senate | In Brief

- Student Senate voted to approve the slate of freshman Alexandria Witt, junior Lucas Freeland and junior Adam Crews as candidates for the next for student representative to the Board of Governors.

DPS | Reports

- 10/29 Junior Andrew Kindiger was issued a Missouri Uniform Complaint and Summons for minor in possession of intoxicants and a driving while intoxicated charge.
- 10/29 Sophomore Brittany Newton was issued a Missouri Uniform Complaint and Summons for minor in possession of intoxicants.
- 10/30 Senior Timothy Schuler was charged with depositing bodily substance in public.
- 11/1 Sophomore Kevin Harmon was charged with driving while intoxicated.
- 11/1 Freshman Hannah Schulte was issued a Missouri Uniform Complaint and Summons for minor in possession of intoxicants.
- 11/1 Freshman Julian Gibson-Cornell was issued a Missouri Uniform Complaint and Summons for minor in possession of intoxicants.

H1N1 vaccine available

BY STEPHANIE HALL
News Editor

Tomorrow Truman students will have another opportunity to receive the H1N1 vaccine from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. and 12:30 to 4 p.m. at the Adair County Health Department.

Claudine Frazier, administrator of the Adair County Health Department, said this is the fourth or fifth shipment of the vaccine they have received, but they only receive about 200 to 300 doses at a time.

"They're such small amounts at a time, it's hard to get caught up," Frazier said. "We want to get [the vaccine] out and get that [risk] group going and then get the next group. We're going to work on the college kids [aged] 18 to 24 on Friday."

The H1N1 vaccine was first offered to caregivers and children between six and 59 months Wednesday morning. Wednesday afternoon, children under 18 could receive a vaccine. All H1N1 vaccines pro-

vided by the Adair County Health Department are free to the public.

Frazier said they are supposed to get another allotment next week, but it is up to the federal government to send them some.

"[The government] are the only ones who can purchase the H1N1 [vaccines] at this point," Frazier said. "Then they give it out to each state, and each state gives it out to whoever [it] sees fit. There's a formula they use and [a] calculation to figure out [vaccine disbursement]."

The federal government purchased a total of 250 million doses of the 2009 H1N1 vaccine, according to the Center for Disease Control and Prevention Web site.

Brenda Higgins, director of the Student Health Center, said the health center doesn't have accurate numbers of students with H1N1 because so many students are not coming to the health center anymore.

"We do believe that we are kind of again

seeing an increase," Higgins said. "There [were] a number at the beginning of the semester and then there was a lull — [a] quiet period where we didn't see as many."

She said she recommends the vaccine for students but that students should check with their personal physician first. She said students who have risk factors like diabetes, asthma or any type of chronic health problem should get the vaccine.

"College students who live on campus might have a higher risk than those living off campus because of the more communal living arrangement," Higgins said.

She said that if students have a fever or are taking antibiotics, they will not be able to receive the vaccine.

"We're just very grateful that Adair County is making it possible for our students to get the vaccine because they really don't have to," Higgins said. "They really only have to provide for permanent residents."

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