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Residence halls transitioning to new chip-reader IDs

Incoming students will receive IDs with both magnetic strips and chips to increase residence hall security.

BY SAMANTHA BROWN
Columbia Missourian

Gaining access to dorm rooms will capitalize on the new chip system this year. Instead of swiping a magnetic strip, some MU students will enter residence halls and rooms via a chip reader.

Students living in Hatch, Gateway, Johnston, Wimpers, McDavid and Brooks residence halls will be able to use chip-embedded IDs to access both exterior and interior dorm doors. Respect, Responsibility, Excellence and Discovery halls will not have the new system when the fall semester begins.

This is the first step in a project by the MU Division of IT to upgrade all building access with chip readers and chip-embedded IDs.

Prior to this summer, students IDs included just magnetic strips. Incoming students this year will receive IDs with both a chip and a magnetic strip.

"The primary benefits are increased security of data and convenience," said Frankie Minor, director of the Department of Residential Life. Minor said eventually all residence halls will incorporate the chips for exterior doors.

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Updated equipment and enforcement techniques may mean more MU tickets for illegal parking

By SAMANTHA BROWN
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Illegal parkers using campus parking garages and lots could see an increase in parking tickets this year.

Tiger Park, a new program that checks license plates instead of parking tags, will be implemented this fall.

The new system under MU Parking and Transportation Services will manage parking passes, metered spots and orange envelopes on campus at a time.

First, students and faculty needing ease for customers were those caught parking illegally using license plate numbers. Instead of paying at the meter, guests will be able to purchase day passes online, on their cellphones and at kiosks in lots and garages.

Sustainability and increasing ease for customers were reasons for MU to replace the old system, according to Seville. She noted that the old system was similar to a library card catalog system and was outdated.

The new system under the new system, will also make it easier for legal parkers to find a spot in an assigned lot or garage.

The new system also dismisses with physical tickets for violators. No longer will people be alerted by a little orange envelope on their dash, under the new system, those caught parking illegally will receive an email notification.

According to Seville, full implementation of the project will cost about $200,000.

Other campuses have seen that when people empty their own recycling and trash, they realize that more things can be recycled than they thought.

KARLAN SEVILLE
Campus Facilities communications manager

Trash cans get bumped in favor of recycling bins

MU hopes ease of access to the bins will make recycling a daily habit for university employees

By MEG VATTEROTT
Columbia Missourian

Blue recycling bins have popped up around campus as part of the new Low Waste Initiative at MU.

During the summer, MU Campus Facilities began replacing trash cans and waste baskets in ad hoc and private office spaces with dual-side blue recycling bins that have smaller black bins attached for trash.

Three larger bins — one for plastics, aluminum and glass, one for paper and one for trash — will be placed in central locations in each building.

Employees are now responsible for sorting their trash into these bins, putting blue recycling bins into the larger bins of each building. Cleaning services will no longer return trash or recycling from cubicles and offices.

Karan Seville, communications manager at Campus Facilities, said MU could be doing a lot better at recycling.

One goal of the Low Waste Initiative is to raise MU’s recycling rate to 40 percent or 50 percent from 28 percent currently. The national recycling rate, according to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, is 35.8 percent.

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Attempts to increase recycling rate have been happening on campus for years.

In 2016, MU’s landfill costs reached almost $600,000, according to Campus Facilities. An audit in 2016 found that one-third of trash at MU was recyclable.

University of Missouri-Kansas City has seen success with a similar model, Seville said.

Changes have already been tested in these MU campus buildings — the General Services building, Green Hall and Butler Library.

Campus Facilities provided an information sheet to MU building coordinators, faculty and staff clarifying the new changes, as well as collaborating with coordinators to educate building occupants.

“We also see that MU employees form these practices into daily habits, that they will carry them over into personal lives — increasing positive environmental outcomes even further,” the information sheet said.

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By MADISON HUMMEL

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fter a decade of rapid student enrollment growth, the Columbia College Board of Trustees voted in April 2015 to reconstruct the university into three schools: School of Business Administration, School of Natural Sciences and Mathematics and School of Humanities. Each branch will be administered by its own dean.

David Starrett, provost and vice president for academic affairs at Columbia College, said he believes reconstructing the administration will do a number of things to benefit the university. The three schools will allow departments to work directly with each dean and attend to its own discipline, which will make it easier for them to discuss current and future programs.

Starrett also said the administrative remodel will bring more accountability to the university. Starrett has visited campuses nationwide, including the day and night campuses in Columbia. The university also offers online classes according to Starrett, accommodating 29,000 students across the country calls for consistency and quality among administrators.

“We’ve got lots venues with lots of people working on lots of curriculum, so it’s important to me that everything is consistent across the university,” Starrett said. “The reconstruction of the schools will allow that. Quality of curriculum and consistency are everything.”

Vordtriede-Patton, who has been educating students for more than 165 years, this fall will be the first time the university will have academic deans and schools. Starrett noted that the reorganization will not create any sort of divide, and it does not mean the departments will be working separately. Rather, the grouping will unify the university and help each department grow through focus work and collaboration.

“Each school had its own team or an additional management layer,” Starrett said. “I wanted to make sure that department heads have a team to help with any of the administrative aspects of the university.”

Here is a look at the new deans:

PATTON
Sarah Patton, dean of the School of Humanities, Arts and Social Sciences

Bagley has been a member of the Columbia College faculty for more than 20 years as a political science professor. He also served as department chair for 12 years, as well as the interim dean for academic affairs for nearly two years.

What initial plans do you have on your first year as dean?

The first year is going to be mostly working to get all of the new structures up and running. That means creating a new administrative team and working with new faculty members.

What do you hope to bring to the university as dean?

The main reason I applied for this job was because I felt like I could contribute institutional memory. I know the culture and history of this university. I have been here a long time, so I think I can help groups understand our history as we move forward.

What are you most looking forward to in the 2016-17 school year?

I am looking forward to working with faculty and students and seeing how things have been done previously. I think there is a lot of potential for us to change things, and I am excited about that.

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What initial plans do you have as you embark on your first year as dean?

Really just get to know the faculty and to also get involved with the community. I think both those things are really important to do and both something I want to do. I also plan to focus on the college’s mission, which is to educate and serve the community in which we operate. What do you hope to bring to the university as dean?

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Q&A with the 3 new Columbia College deans

We talked to the three new hires about what they’re looking forward to, what they think of restructuring and what they think they can offer Columbia College.

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New housing opens for graduate students

Since graduate students demanded more affordable housing options last fall, MU has opened about 40 new spaces for the fall.

BY MEG VATTEROTT
Columbia Missourian

Graduate students will have more affordable housing options this fall, including rooms in Respect Hall and The Reserve at Columbia. About 40 spaces are available at both new options. More affordable housing options were one of the demands made by graduate students last fall, in addition to child care and subsidized health care.

“We had decided, based on the projection size of the freshmen class coming in and the fact that we are opening a new residence hall, Brooks, that we didn’t need all of our capacity,” said Frankie Minor, director of Residential Life.

With full enrollment projected to drop by up to 2,400, Respect and Excellence halls were put on standby until other halls were filled. Excellence remains on standby. When used as undergradate housing, Respect Hall had double rooms connected by a bathroom. For graduate use, the single rooms will become suites, which will allow them to have more privacy and space.

In addition to Respect Hall, another university-operated, extended-campus housing option is available for graduate and professional students at the Reserve at Columbia called Tiger Reserve. Space at The Reserve for graduate and professional students allows for academic-year or semester-based contracts. Students will have private rooms and bathrooms with shared common spaces and kitchens.

Minor said the benefit of working with university housing instead of other options is simply, “You are working with the university, so in essence, your bills are all going through your student account.” Minor said this removes the need for students to make separate payments to the landlord, college company and utilities. If they receive a stipend through the university, this allows that money to be directed toward housing through the same system.

“We are in the business of helping students, not to make money,” Minor said. “Our job is to provide a service to students that is going to help them to succeed.”

Graduate students often need flexibility due to the nature of their programs, which sometimes requires them to break their housing contracts. For graduate students living in university housing, Minor plans to make the process to do so easier.

One floor in Respect Hall will also be used for graduate students with disabilities. It is an affordable on-campus place to live for students, such as visiting faculty members or medical students on a short-term rotation at University Hospital.

The Residence Hall Association will continue to offer other graduate student housing options. This includes the on-campus apartment-style rooms in Manier House, Tara Apartments and University Heights. Minor said that these options are typically close to full capacity.

MU unveils new housing for students in recovery

BY M.P. WHITE
Columbia Missourian

This semester MU is offering recovery-focused sober housing, a new living community housed in Discovery Hall, to 16 students for the 2016 fall semester.

Franke Minor, director of Residential Life at MU, “The only thing the students are interested in is that they’re expressed interest in sober housing.” Minor said, “They sign an agreement acknowledging expectations not just for their own behavior but to support other people who have chosen that path as well.”

The new housing option will provide a less regimented living environment for those who choose to offer the opportunity for students to live together, support each other and feel that their choices can be normal and very typical for their college experience.

As of Aug. 3, three men and two women had signed up for the sober community.

The students will be housed in two double-suite rooms on the second floor of Discovery, where they will have designated space in their rooms to hang out and socialize in a safe environment. The students will not, however, be identified as people in recovery in any way. “We’re not trying to single them out,” Minor said. “They’re not going to be expected to do anything differently. These are still students who are living in their community, and we want them to get involved in all the other activities on campus.”

Most students on the floor are probably not going to be aware that the suite is sober,” Minor said. “If the students choose to talk about it or if they choose to not, we wanted to give them that latitude.”

While the living community is focused on the basis of recovery, the sober-living option will also be available for students who are not in recovery but still want a sober environment. “It may be the fact that drinking or drug abuse is not a part of their lifestyle, and they don’t want to have to deal with that or with people who do celebrate that,” Minor said.

He said that he decided it was a good time to offer the program because the increased demand is down for the upcoming fall semester. Providing enrollment at MU for fall of 2016 is expected to drop by about 2 percent. “Our occupancy is gonna be down as well,” Minor said. “Then, so do we every October.”

MU hopes the suite will offer the opportunity for students to break their housing contracts. For graduate students who are not in their regular program of study, breaking their contracts may be difficult. “It’s the nature of their programs, which sometimes requires them to break their housing contracts,” Minor said.

“Some students may have no interest in the sober community,” Minor said. “They may be wrestling with their own issues, and they may be in the process of helping students, not to make money.”

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COLUMBIA STREETS WELCOME NEW EATS

**SMALLCAKES**

Smallcakes is a cupcakery (cupcake bakery) with more than 300 locations nationwide. The business, which opened a store in Columbia last month, is located at 421 E. Broadway. The new Columbia location is the first for the chain in Missouri.

**BARRED OWL BAKERY**

Barred Owl Bakery is a coffee shop located at 121 E. Broadway. The bakery serves a variety of baked goods, including pastries, cookies, and cakes. It is open daily from 6 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Thursday, and from 6 a.m. to 9 p.m. Friday and Saturday.

**FLYOVER**

Flyover opened in July and is housed in a small space in the center of Columbia. The bakery offers a variety of baked goods, including breads, pastries, and cakes. It is open daily from 6 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Thursday, and from 6 a.m. to 9 p.m. Friday and Saturday.

**NOURISH CAFE**

Nourish Cafe is a restaurant located at 1202 E. Broadway. The restaurant offers a variety of healthy and organic options, including cold-pressed juices, salads, and wraps. It is open daily from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday through Saturday, and from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Sunday.

New building, same old Shakespeare's feel

The new downtown Shakespeare’s Pizza boasts 165 more seats, but that management was careful to preserve the spirit of the old location

By Ethan May

Shakespeare's iconic downtown location was demolished in the early 1970s, but the restaurant has been a beloved fixture on the Columbia dining scene ever since. Now, after nearly five years of hard work and preparation, the new Shakespeare's Pizza is open for business.

The new building features a larger kitchen, more seating, and a more modern design. But the restaurant's commitment to quality and customer service remains the same.

The menu includes classic pizzas, as well as new and creative options. There's something for everyone, no matter what your preferences are.

The new location is located at 220 S. Walnut Street, just a short walk from the old location. The restaurant is open every day from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Coffee shop provides special atmosphere, brews

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By Lindsey Jones

When Alfred “Aldy” Deysh’y opened his coffee shop in 2007, he had no idea what was in store for him. Today, his shop is one of the most popular in the area, attracting customers from all over.

The shop has a loyal following, and Aldy is known for his friendly service and delicious coffee. He's always ready to chat with customers and make them feel welcome.

Aldy's passion for coffee started when he was a child. He spent his weekends at his grandfather's coffee shop, watching and learning from the baristas. When he grew up, he knew he wanted to open his own shop.

The shop is open every day from 7 a.m. to 9 p.m., and is located at 1202 E. Broadway. Stop in and see why Aldy's Coffee Shop is a favorite among Columbia residents!
Hitt Records has expanded, meaning the once-tiny store can now offer more vinyl, record players and help with audio systems. “Eventually, I’ll maybe like to have a small rental library,” Cook said.

A small stage also stands in the back of the store. Local artists and young musicians can schedule shows — and when it comes to playing a gig, there are “no rules,” Cook said.

“It’s an effort to catch the attention of new and returning students,” Cook said. “Eventually, I’d maybe like to have a small rental library,” Cook said. A small stage also stands in the back of the store. Local artists and young musicians can schedule shows — and when it comes to playing a gig, there are “no rules,” Cook said. Hitt Records, located at 10 Hitt St. next to Ragtag Cinema, is open from noon to 8 p.m. Sunday through Thursday, and until 10 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays.

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Record store includes larger selection, stage for music

BY JESSICA HEIM-BROUWER

Taylor Dance, co-owner of Hitt Records, plays a song on a jukebox on Aug. 10 at his store in Columbia. The jukebox, which was purchased in November 2014, had to be sent to Topeka, Kansas, for maintenance before being put into the expanded store.

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**MU phasing out ‘unisex’ bathroom labels to promote gender inclusivity on campus**

The president of the Residence Hall Association said the change is meant to make people of all identities feel welcome at the university.

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Many single-occupancy restrooms across the MU campus that were labeled as “unisex” will be re-labeled “toilet” by the time students return in August.

The change to “toilet” will only affect single-occupancy bathroom stalls. In residential halls, single-occupancy stalls with showers and sinks will be re-labeled “shower” and “toilet,” depending on the contents of the restroom.

The move follows a resolution passed by the Missouri Students Association in January. According to the resolution, the change will “make MU’s campus bathrooms more accessible to trans and gender non-conforming students.”

Sterling Waldman, a social justice chair in the MSA Senate, engaged the support of the MSA for the relabeling. He said he believes the word unisex excludes people who do not identify as male or female.

“Unisex is just such an uncomfortable and outdated word,” Waldman said.

Nathan Hurst, who works for the MU News Bureau, said in an email that MSA donated $5,000 to the project and the Department of Residential Life has used $1,000 of the funds to update signage in 24 residential halls and two campus dining halls.

MU Residence Hall Association President Matt Bourke said it will help make MU more inclusive as possible to as many identities.

“This is our way of making people feel that no matter how they identify, there is a space for them,” Bourke said.

However, according to Waldman, finding a private place to go to the bathroom on campus can sometimes be difficult.

“There aren’t enough, not even close to enough,” he said. “There’s not even one in every building.”

According to a map provided by the LGBTQ Resource Center at MU, there are 28 single-occupancy stalls across campus, most concentrated in the center of campus. There is currently not enough money to complete the renaming project for all 28 stalls, Hurst said.

It will cost an estimated $11,600 to change every relevant sign on campus and, due to budget cuts, Hurst said, there is insufficient money available to support the entire project.

“Campus facilities is currently working with students from MSA to identify which bathroom signs are of the highest priority and change the signage in those bathrooms using the remaining $3,000 of the allotted MSA money,” Hurst said.

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