

UPT RENOVATIONS/WIRELESS UPGRADES

The University of Pittsburgh at Titusville has recently extensively refurbished Spruce Hall, a student residence complex, and Boomer's (the café in the Student Union).

Additions to Spruce Hall involved the installation of a new roof and interior upgrades which included new carpeting and wall surfaces throughout the dormitory and refurbishing and redecorating the common areas and entry on the first floor. In addition, incoming and returning students will be welcomed with new furniture in student rooms. Boomer's was redesigned with a total upgrade of all "backroom" operations (food preparation areas and equipment). While the renovations to Boomer's are infrastructure items, they will make the facility ready for the expansion of the dining area planned for the future.

In addition, the two original buildings on the UPT campus, McKinney Hall and Bennett Davis Hall, were given a facelift over the summer. Improvements to these two buildings included a fresh paint job, new landscaping, and completely replacing the entryways to both buildings. The new entrances were constructed to architecturally match the historic tradition of both structures with brick-work very similar to the design that was original to the buildings.

Over the past year plans to expand wireless capabilities on campus were realized. In the past, students only had access to the wireless network in Haskell Memorial Library or in Boomer's in the Student Union. Recently, wireless access has been installed in all UPT facilities. The expansion of the network will provide students convenient and enhanced

study areas to access course materials and online resources anywhere on campus at any time.

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