Concerns about Chancellor Fernando Treviño's performance were expressed as early as the month after he took office, SIU President Glenn Poshard said Tuesday.

"Not long after Chancellor Treviño began his tenure here, we started receiving concerns from folks around the campus community," Poshard said. "I can't get into the particulars of those concerns but they were simple job duties."

Poshard gave the explanation at Tuesday's Faculty Senate meeting in the Kaskaskia-Missouri rooms of the Student Center. Poshard spoke to the senate about his announcement Monday that he had placed Treviño on administrative leave.

Poshard said he had several conversations with Treviño before winter break to set some basic initiatives to help rectify the situation, but those initiatives were not met.

"It came to a point where, I think, the viscosity just broke and things boiled over and we had to make a decision," Poshard said. "SIU General Counsel Jerry Blakemore said Poshard could not release the details of Treviño's administrative leave because of liberty interest, which protects reputations.

"Because of that there is an obligation to members of the faculty senate about his new rule of taking on the day-to-day duties of the chancellor during the meeting Tuesday. SIU President Glenn Poshard spoke at the meeting about Monday's announcement of Chancellor Fernando Treviño being placed on administrative leave.

Emergency text message system used for first time

Excess amounts of rain flooded streets, canceled classes and kept some employees from work Tuesday.

University spokesman Rod Sievers said power went out on most of campus around 6 a.m., but Physical Plant staff members were able to restore all areas except the Agriculture Building, Paul Simon Public Policy Institute and all of Greek Row.

"There's just a lot of water everywhere," said Sievers, speaking from a cell phone. "I'm in my car right now and it's like a river out here."

Sievers said Physical Plant crews had trouble accessing underground electrical lines. He said the crews had to pump water out of underground manholes before they could fix the electrical problems. The crews thought they had found a solution around 3 p.m., but instead the entire campus lost power for about five minutes, Sievers said.

But he said maintenance personnel would work into the evening and hoped to have power restored by Wednesday morning.

Todd Sigler, director of the Department of Public Safety, said he sent out a text message to about 4,200 people who have signed up for the emergency notification system. He said the original message directed them to the university's Web site for more information, but he had to send out a second message when he learned the power outage had left the site without power.

The second text, sent at roughly 8 a.m., told students to call one of the university's hotline numbers, 866-264-6420 or 453-5375.

"We use a layered approach to getting information out," said Sigler, adding that officers helped staff at the Agriculture Building notify students that classes were canceled.

Students parked in Green Lot 106 — the main Break Towers lot located between the residence halls and Grand Avenue — were advised to move their cars around 5 p.m., Sigler said.

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Poshard: Concerns about Treviño started early

Complaints came to me as early as August and September of last year but it would not have been fair of me to make a decision at that point in time.

-- Glenn Poshard
SIU president

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Continuous rain causes floods and power outages

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-- Rod Sievers
University spokesman
**CALENDAR**

**Peace, War and Poetry: Commemorating the Fifth Anniversary of the Iraq War**
- 7 p.m. today at the Old Baptist Foundation.
  - SAK faculty members Rodney Jones, the Rev. Joseph Brown and Elyse Pineau will serve as MC’s for a night of poetry reading commemorating the Iraq War.

**Criminal Justice Association**
- 5 p.m. today at Parkinson Laboratory room 202.
  - There will be a probation officer as a guest speaker.

**Sexual Harassment at SIUC: Are Civil Rights Protected?**
- 7:30 p.m. Thursday at the SIU Law School, room 204.

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Carbondale Police Department to purchase new vehicles

Old patrol cars handed down to other city departments

While the bulk of Carbondale’s police force directed traffic away from flooding streets, the City Council voted in favor of expand-
ing the number of patrol cars in the coming weeks.

The council unanimously approved a resolution allowing the police department to purchase five new vehicles — four patrol cars and a replacement for Chief Bob Ledbetter’s 2000 Ford Crown Victoria — to replace aging squad cars currently in use Tuesday night. Ledbetter said the transaction will be driven by the Crime Victim Advocate, which provides safety checks to those affected by domestic violence. Vehicles currently being used by engineering and equipment management are to be traded as part of the transaction with Vogler.

The City Council also denied a rezoning request filed by Douglas Ross, which would have added 64 rental units to the city, is meant for those with disabilities and war veterans. A group from the Center for Independent Living supporting the complex was on hand, but did not address the council.

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Obama tries to halt damage from pastor's comments

PHILADELPHIA — Barack Obama confronted the nation's racial divide head-on Tuesday, tackling both black grievance and white resentment in a bold effort to quiet a campaign uproar over race and his former pastor's controversial statements.

Standing before a row of eight American flags near the building where the Declaration of Independence was adopted, Obama urged the nation to bring "a racial stalemate we've been stuck in for years." "The anger is real," he said. "It is powerful, and to simply wish it away, to condemn it without understanding it as the result of deeply rooted causes, is not to serve the higher goal of changing the frame of misunderstanding that exists between the races."

The speech, at the National Constitution Center, was by far the most prominent airing of racial issues in Obama's 13-month campaign to become the first black president. It was prompted by the wider notice his former pastor's racial statements have been receiving in the past week or so.

He said he recognized his race has been a major issue in a campaign that has taken a "particularly divisive turn." Many people have been turned off by the constant view statements by his longtime pastor, the Rev. Jeremiah Wright, who suggested in one sermon that the United States brought the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks on itself and in another said blacks should demand America for continuing to mistreat them.

Obama rejected Wright's divisive statements but still acknowledged he brought him to Christianity, officiated at his wedding, baptized his two daughters and wrote the title of his book "The Audacity of Hope." "I can no more disown him than I can my white grand- mother — a woman who lifted me, a woman who sacrificed again and again for me, a woman who loves me as much as she loves anything in this world, but a woman who once confessed her fear of black men who walked in the street, and who on more than one occasion has uttered racial or ethnic stereotypes that made me cringe," Obama's father is a black man from Kenya who left the family when he was 2. He was raised by his white mother and her parents in Hawaii.

"What is reasonable about a total ban on possession?" Chief Justice John Roberts asked. Walter Dellinger, representing the district, said that Washington residents could own rifles and shotguns and could use guns "in self-defense because we have a Second Amendment to our Constitution." Dellinger said.

Justice Stephen Breyer appeared reluctant to second guess local officials.

"Is it unreasonable for a city with a very high crime rate ... to say no handguns here?" Breyer asked.

Alan Gura, representing a Washington resident who challenged the ban, said, "It's unreasonable and it fails any standard of review."

The court has not conclusively interpreted the Second Amendment since its ratification in 1791. The amendment reads: "A well regulated militia, being necessary to the security of a free state, the right of the people to keep and bear arms, shall not be infringed."

The basic issue for the justices is whether the amendment protects an individual's right to own firearms for any reason or whether that right is somehow tied to service in a state militia.

Supreme Court justices seem to favor gun right

Matt Moore
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

N. Y. governor admits affairs with several women

ALBANY, N.Y. — The state's new governor revealed Tuesday that he had affairs with five female state employees while he was a lieutenant governor, telling voters and former colleagues that those affairs were "terrible." But he added that he did not "feel I have broken my commitment to the citizens of New York." Scott Paterson said at a news conference with his wife, Michelle Paterson.

NORTH DAKOTA

Workers uncover rare mumified dinosaur in North Dakota

By TERRY STEEL, Associated Press

Using tiny brushes and heels, workers picking at a big black rock in the badlands of North Dakota's state museum are meticulously uncovering what may be among the most complete dinosaur skeletons ever unearthed in the area.

The fossil — a 68-million-year-old skeleton of a parrot-beaked theropod dinosaur — was found by a field team of paleontologists in northeastern North Dakota in 2004, is currently under study and was finally unveiled to the public Tuesday.

The skeleton is now known as the best-preserved of any theropod dinosaur in North America, and may resemble a prehistoric wading bird.

"This is certainly one of the most significant discoveries in all of North Dakota's history, if not the nation's," said Dan Pickering, a paleontologist at the University of North Dakota. "We're looking at something that's going to change our understanding of dinosaurs for years to come."
‘Green fee’ has more than half of needed signatures

Group says they have 1,000 of 1,600 signatures in support of referendum

Joe Crawford
DAILY EGYPTIAN

A campus group that supports a proposed ‘green’ fee is working feverishly to see that the student body gets to weigh in on the issue.

Megan Pulliam, a co-coordinator for Project Eco-Dawgs, said the group has collected 1,000 of the 1,600 student signatures it needs to put a referendum on the ballot in April’s student government elections. The referendum would ask students whether they support the $10 per semester fee to fund on-campus renewable energy, energy efficiency and sustainability projects and research.

At its March 5 meeting, Undergraduate Student Government voted down a request to put the referendum on the ballot without petitioning. USG President Demetrous White said the group could sidestep the failed resolution by collecting 1,600 student signatures — or 10 percent of the university’s undergraduates — in support of holding a referendum.

Pulliam said the petitioning has been time consuming. “Any free hours I have during the day I’m either coordinating petition collections or collecting signatures myself,” said Pulliam, also the campus’ student trustee.

Pulliam said the group plans to solicit signatures at the Engineering Building today, and they have been petitioning at the Student Center and near Faner Hall the past two days.

“We just have people scheduled all day,” he said.

Dyer said the group received help from faculty members as well as some USG senators. Collecting signatures has taken a lot of time, he said, but the process has also given the group a chance to speak with lots of students face-to-face about the fee.

“T identify this as a blessing in disguise,” Dyer said.

White said he signed the petition despite his opposition to the ‘green’ fee and his vote against the referendum at the March 5 meeting. White said he opposes the fee and he believes the university is already taking measures to address environmental concerns.

“We did it to help out because I understand that they are serious about this,” White said.

White said USG would verify the signatures were legitimate by checking each signature with a list of enrolled students.

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Tony Koz, a freshman from Monticello studying agricultural production, signs a petition as Eco-Dawgs member Robin Morrow explains the group’s mission Tuesday morning in the hallway connecting Wham Education Building and Pullium Hall. The petition, organized by Eco-Dawgs, is to put a student referendum on the ballot for the student government elections asking whether students support a $10 per semester fee to fund on-campus renewable energy, energy efficiency and sustainability projects and research.

A ny free hours I have during the day I’m either coordinating petition collections or collecting signatures myself.

— Megan Pulliam
Project Eco-Dawgs co-coordinator

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According to some university officials, perhaps SIU President Glenn Poshard should have taken heed of Chancellor Fernando Treviño’s own uncertainties during his interview process for the position less than a year ago.

“Am I ready to make that leap? I’m not sure,” said Treviño at an open interview process for the position less than a year ago.

Not only should he be informed immediately, we as a community should be too. It’s wrong for officials to assume these proceedings can be done on their time and to their accord. We are a public institution. Keep it that way.

At this point, the best thing officials can do is be as open about this situation as possible.

Poshard has put this university in a political vise, case and point. We have a right to know for this administration that was and is severely lacking in women.

If Treviño is ousted, he will be the second chancellor Poshard has removed since he became president in 2005. The Daily Egyptian thinks Poshard has politicized the nature of his own job to the point that it has become harmful. Like a politician who manages a campaign, Poshard seems to think he should as individuals after a brief assessment of their shortcomings.

But a university is not a campaign trail. Relationships must be forged, and in this atmosphere, they require longevity. One of a chancellor’s main duties is fundraising; yet Treviño has only lived in southern Illinois for less than nine months.

Maybe he’s not perfect. Maybe someone else should have been picked. But one thing Treviño has said provides more clarity than anything the university has offered us thus far.

“We’re constantly coming up with a new vision, a new this, new that,” he said in May. “I think you need some stability. I hope you get the best chancellor you can get.”
I spent my spring break in Carbondale. I had homework and projects that needed to be finished, but I wanted to use my time to take pictures. I haven’t had much free time this semester to really work on any photography. I wanted to try something different. One of my classes was in need of some wildlife photography for a project on the Shawnee National Forest. I’ve never done any real wildlife photography but I’ve been interested in it since I was a child. It was the reason for my original love affair with National Geographic. At the end of last Thursday I had spent, on the conservative side, around 20 hours and four days sitting and waiting in the Shawnee National Forest. In four days I learned an amazing amount about wild animal photography just by doing it. For one, I greatly underestimated the intelligence of deer. Wildlife photography takes an incredible amount of time and patience; it can be unpredictable, but it can also be rewarding.

My first two days were complete busts. I got serious on day three. I bought camouflage at the local big-box store to hide myself and the lens I was using. I set up in a valley near Garden of the Gods just inside the tree line and off an established deer trail. The deer started to emerge from the forest behind me as the sun sank over the horizon. A fawn appeared first, then its mother. The deer knew I was there but had a hard time seeing me when I didn’t move. I only managed to take a handful of great images in four days, but I found a new passion for a side of photography that I hadn’t known. I was proud of my first attempt and the knowledge I gained by getting out there and trying something new.

In Bill Clinton’s last year, he put through legislation that protected 38 million acres of national forests from road building and logging. In Case George Bush last month, he committed 164 death row inmates’ sentences to life in prison and punished six others by granting a blanket clemency for inmates on death row in the state of Illinois

But what has President Bush been working on in order to preserve his legacy? He has pledged to post-pone adding polar bears to the endangered species list in order to open up areas of Alaska for drilling and has vetoed a law meant to protect others from cruel and unusual punishment—something written both in our constitution and in the United Nations’ conventions against torture. A couple of very good books also encourage us to do unto others as we would have done unto us.

Would we want our soldiers to experience these methods of torture? Would we want to have these methods of torture used on us? The best way to lead is by example, but how can we make a good example of respect for human rights if that respect does not apply to all of humanity, suspect terrorists or not. A contemporary philosopher states that we cannot win a war by fighting with the same weapons as our opponents.

How can we fight terror with terror? Sadly, President Bush’s most recent actions leave me with questions that I am too afraid to answer. If we use the same tactics as terrorists, what does that make us? If we do not police our own actions, who will? Please help me to show President Bush that even though much of our energy is concentrated on the upcoming elections that his actions and policies still have a direct effect on us. We will care what George Bush is doing.

Emmy Mathis
master’s in art history
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- 504 S. Beveridge
- 506 S. William #2
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- 403 W. Elm #1-4
- 405 W. Freeman #3
- (available June 08)
- 507 S. Hays #2
- 408 1/2 E. Hester
- 410 E. Hester
- 410 1/2 E. Hester
- 208 W. Hospital #1
- 703 S. Illinois #101
- 703 S. Illinois #102
- 612 1/2 S. Logan
- 507 W. Main #2
- 507/1/2 W. Main # B
- 400 W. Oak #3
- 410 W. Oak #1,3,5
- 202 W. Poplar #2
- 202 W. Poplar #3
- 301 S. Springer #1,2,4
- 414 W. Sycamore #6
- 404 1/2 S. University
- 406 S. University #2,3,4
- 606 1/2 S. University
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- 703 W. Walnut #2

### Two Bedroom

- 607 N. Allyn
- 609 N. Allyn
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- 304 S. Ash #1,3
- 514 S. Ash #1,2
- 407 S. Beveridge
- 512 S. Beveridge #5,7
- 514 S. Beveridge #1-5,7
- 508 N. Carico
- 510 N. Carico
- 306 W. Cherry
- 311 W. Cherry #2
- 404 W. Cherry Court
- 409 W. Cherry Court
- 407 W. Cherry Court
- 406 W. Cherry Court
- 403 W. Chestnut
- 310 W. College #1-4
- 401 W. College #7
- 501 W. College #4,6
- 507 W. College #6
- 509 W. College #6
- 710 W. College #6
- 305 E. Crestview
- 203 W. Elm
- 716 S. Forest
- 500 W. Freeman #1,3,6
- 109 Glenview
- 526 S. Graham
- 505 S. Hays
- 507 S. Hays #2
- 408 1/2 E. Hester
- 406 E. Hester
- 410 E. Hester
- 703 W. High #E

### Three Bedroom

- 208 W. Hospital #1
- 705 N. James
- 507 1/2 W. Main #B
- 207 S. Maple
- 606 W. McDaniel
- 300 W. Mill #2-3
- 411 E. Mill
- 400 W. Oak #1,3
- 402 W. Oak #E,W
- 408 W. Oak
- 501 W. Oak
- 300 N. Oakland
- 505 N. Oakland
- 511 N. Oakland
- 514 N. Oakland
- 602 N. Oakland
- 1305 E. Park
- 507 S. Poplar #6,7
- 301 N. Springer #1,2,4
- 913 W. Sycamore
- 919 W. Sycamore
- 404 S. University #8
- 404 1/2 S. University
- 402 1/2 W. Walnut
- 820 W. Walnut #2
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- 406 W. Willow
- 804 W. Willow

### Four Bedroom

- 609 N. Allyn
- 504 S. Ash #3
- 409 S. Beveridge
- 502 S. Beveridge #1
- 503 S. Beveridge
- 506 S. Beveridge
- 507 S. Beveridge #5
- 509 S. Beveridge #4
- 513 S. Beveridge #3-5
- 515 S. Beveridge #5
- 510 N. Carico
- 309 W. Cherry
- 405 W. Cherry
- 407 W. Cherry
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- 104 S. Forest
- 120 S. Forest
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- 503 S. Hays
- 505 S. Hays

### Five Bedroom

- 509 S. Hays
- 408 E. Hester
- 208 W. Hospital #2
- 212 W. Hospital
- 610 S. Logan
- 614 S. Logan
- 515 S. Logan
- 411 E. Mill
- 417 W. Monroe
- 400 W. Oak #1,2
- 402 W. Oak #E,W
- 501 W. Oak
- 505 N. Oakland
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Despite a fire alarm, a power failure and more leaks, Morris Library celebrated Tuesday. The library hosted an open house Tuesday to acknowledge the opening of floors three, four and five.

Tours of the renovated areas were provided at the top of each hour. The open house featured speakers SIU President Glenn Poshard, Interim Provost and Vice Chancellor Don Rice, and Dean of Library Affairs David Carlson. A Hospitality and Tourism Administration class provided refreshments for the event.

Katherine Harre, a sophomore from Nashville studying dietetics, was one of the students serving the punch. Two days of preparation led to enough nachos, vegetables, punch, fruit and Rice Krispie treats for 400 people, Harre said.

The majority of those present for the speeches and refreshments were community members. Most students remained separate from the speakers, working in the computer lab.

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be given to a group reserving the room and will only open the door for the time the room has been reserved. To reserve a study group room, students can contact the information desk at 453-2818.

Mullendore is most excited about the new study group rooms. “(The rooms are) a lot quieter than downstairs because you’re not near people on computers so you can’t hear people typing,” said Mullendore.

The majority of these rooms are on the fifth floor, which also contains Library of Congress books and a small computer lab.

One level down, the fourth floor holds geographic information and the reserves desk, as well as the university’s collection of maps, dissertations and theses. Four study group rooms are on floor four.

Periodicals take up most of the third floor’s space. The main computer lab and four group study rooms are also located on floor three. The library’s government documents will eventually be moved to this floor as well.

Brittany Smith, a sophomore from Peoria studying journalism, said she doesn’t go to the library and doesn’t intend to start despite the renovations. "I probably would visit more often once I have classes that I need (the library) for, but other than that, I wouldn’t use it," Smith said.

A portion of the shelves remain vacant, though, due to the cost of moving all the books back to the library from the McLafferty Annex, the main storage area for the library books. Carlson said the cost of the move would be about $1.5 million.

In a short speech, Poshard promised the building would be finished in its entirety, but said the state’s help from the Capital Construction Plan would be necessary.

“The next step in finishing the library is preparing the bottom three floors for their move-in. The October deadline will likely be pushed back to late this year or early next year,” said Carlson.

“Given the overall complexity of the project and the extensive nature of it, and the fact that we had a lot of unexpected things to deal with, like the wall collapsing and the tremendous amount of books and people involved, I don’t think a three-month delay is bad at all,” Carlson said.

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Crowes not disguised with ‘Warpaint’

The Black Crowes: ‘Warpaint’
Release date: March 4
Silver Arrow Records
http://blackcrowes.com

“Warpaint” is the first full-length recording from The Black Crowes in seven years, but with minimal change to their sound it could easily be mistaken for some-thing released at any time in the band’s career.

Heavy on the blues and light on musical difference, “Warpaint” is an indi-cation that maybe a little musical experimentation isn’t always a bad thing.

If the live albums were a great reminder of how much the Crowes really rock, “Warpaint” is an indication that maybe a little musical experimentation isn’t always a bad thing.

The 11 tracks on the album have also grown a little bit in terms of length, averaging nearly five minutes a song.

When it comes to lyrics, it feels as though singer Chris Robinson could have come up with something better than “Put a little grease on my axle now,” one of the opening lines in “Goodbye Daughters of the Revolution.” Overall, the writing has tapered off with a few good phrases here and there but nothing too powerful.

Guitarist Rich Robinson’s choice of distortion has become a far distant memory, as is his drawl of beauty the Crowes haven’t never attempted to hide their faith, yet something about the song, where the line “If you need it, God’s got it,” repeated countless times, is quite preachy by rock’s standards. The Crowes attempt to give the song a little rock facelift, but it ends up just sounding awkward.

The best comes at the end for “Warpaint,” with “There’s Gold In Them Hills” before the clos-ing track, “Wash Mule.” The two songs are the band’s best attempt to create something wholly new for the album. On the first, the guitar lead is spaced enough to allow the song some breathing room and relaxation, though the chorus takes a vaudeville flavor. In “Whoa Mule,” the guitar is set aside to let in some harmonica and some beautiful vocalization.

On these tracks, the vocals do finally sink to that low, southern drawl of beauty the Crowes haven’t completely abandoned yet.

The Black Crowes still have something going for them, and that’s that they actually do play some good rock ‘n’ roll at a time when the world is losing faith in the genre.

But the Crowes’ unwillingness to explore new territory with their music ultimately sinks this title.

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Alicia Wade
DAILY EGYPTIAN

With the same sweet succulence of a bite of the juicy title melon on a summer day, folksy rocker Shawn Mullins delivers a delicious album with his latest release “Honeydew.” Mullins catapulted to fame in 1998 when his smash hit single “Lullaby” monopolized radio waves and was nominated for a Grammy. Since “Soul’s Core,” which contained the heartfelt and falsetto-strong “Lullaby,” Mullins has consistently cracked out formidable albums and his latest is no exception. “Honeydew” kicks off with the laid back, snare-heavy groove “All in my Head,” just right for a slow head bob and an aimless drive in the country on a sunny day. A raw electric guitar, tinkling piano and hefty organ sounds fill the soulful background and act as the perfect platform for Mullins’ drawling, scratchy voice that gracefully flips into falsetto notes. The song’s introspective words discuss the internal conflict and worries of someone just doing what they have to do to get by, and the lyrical and musical strengths set the tone for the rest of the album. “I’m just working for the man,” Mullins croons. “I’m just trying to lend a hand. But if I had a rocket ship, I’d never want to land. I’d just doing the best I can.” Driven by storytelling lyrics, “Honeydew” weaves tales of people and places created so intricately, listeners might swear they saw each song’s central focus stepping out of their speakers. The tune “Home” shows Mullins’ rare exceptional ability to spin the stories of his characters and make each one a person a listener could have met at an everyday place. “The funniest girl I ever knew had hair as orange as Halloween,” he describes over quiet guitar chords. “The bluest eyes that saw right through all the b.s. in everything. She was an artist from the start and she always sang from the bottom of her heart.” The peaceful and mellow folkly vibe of the album paired with the occasional blues groove build a flowing tranquil setting of personal thought and connection. Though the songs often center on one character, the emotions and feelings communicated within the lyrics are central to everyone and easily relate. In tracks, such as “Song of the Self (Chapter 2),” it’s easy to feel like Mullins is sitting in the room speaking directly to the listener. Singing in his deep range over a “Dust in the Wind”-esque guitar part, he shares a touching mantra of love and hope with interludes of a tinny solo harmonica. “Keep your chin held high,” he urges. “Sometimes it’s hard but you gotta try, try to find your own way. Your heart must be ready when true love is found.” The only detriment to be found on this record is the somewhat formulaic song writing into which Mullins occasionally slips. Usually a song begins with a name or a description of a person and then what the person did in his or her life. But the strength of the stories and Mullins’ ability to relate his stories to common feelings prevails in the face of repetition. The endlessly catchy folk-rock tunes paired with emotion-driven lyrics make Mullins’ new album an irresistible addition to any music collection. Long-time fans and new listeners won’t be able to refuse a few extra bites of this “Honeydew.” Alicia Wade can be reached at 536-3311 ext. 275 or awade@siu-ed.com.

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SIUC debate team wins national championship

The SIUC debate team can argue better than anybody else in the country.
One of the university’s two debate teams placed first among 54 teams invited to the National Parliamentary Tournament of Excellence March 15 to 17. The tournament is the highest level of national competition. Only the teams that won the most debates during the year are invited, said SIUC debate coach Todd Graham.

Kevin Calderwood, a junior from Missouri studying political science, and Kyle Dennis, a senior from Missouri studying economics, were the pair of university debaters that captured the gold. The pair achieved a record of 50-4 during the year. “This is not a club, but a team,” Dennis said. “We work hard, we prepare like everybody else, and we represent our university in a manner that is professional, important and visible.”

During the three-day tournament, Dennis and Calderwood defeated 12 teams before meeting rival Washburn University in the final round. Some of the topics debated were robots, international trade policy and the national housing crisis, all of which were argued using parliamentary style of debate.

Parliamentary debate originated in England, Graham said. A pair of debaters takes one of two opposing sides: governmental or opposition. Each side is given 25 minutes to prepare for the 45-minute debate. The governmental team begins the debate and has the benefit of the last word, but the opposition can respond during two two-minute periods of eight and 12 minutes.

Dennis said he remained confident throughout the final debate. Washburn University fell to the SIUC debaters six times this year, while defeating them once. He said the victory would remain the high point of his career as a debater.

“This was just a team that we had their number,” Calderwood said. “We hardly ever lose to this team.”

The final debate topic was self-determination in Tibet, which is torn between autonomy and Chinese rule. The SIUC debaters called for a resolution in Tibet, which is torn between autonomy and Chinese rule.

The SIUC debaters planned for this debate on the side of the opposition. Washburn appeared unprepared, Dennis said. The SIUC debaters called for a topicality, which a team may use if the opposing team continually strays off topic.

During Graham’s eight years as coach, the team became the first in history to win both the Point Loma Nazarene University Round Robin Tournament and the Sunset Cliffs Classic, also held at Point Loma. And although he remains proud of the debaters and assistants, he said he is most pleased by the positive image the university is receiving.

“We have really smart people who go here,” he said. “Our students are incredibly smart. Every school looks up to SIU.”

Graham’s debaters said they are appreciative of their mentor and consider him invaluable.

“I think Todd (Graham) is the greatest debate coach in the nation,” Dennis said.

Adam Tisterman, a sophomore from Missouri studying philosophy, and Katie Thompson, a junior from Colorado studying political science, also competed. The pair placed sixth in the tournament.

The debate team has one final tournament before its season ends. The National Parliamentary Debate Association, an open invitational consisting of 250 teams, will be held March 27 to 31.

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By Linda C. Black

Today's Birthday—As you get nearer to accomplishing a major goal, you find it easy to be superlative. But it's also important for you to have some personal space. Protect your private time by knowing when to say no.

Gemini (May 21-June 21) — Today is a 3 — There's a lot of action, but is anything really happening? Don't go racing off yet, or jump to a hasty conclusion. Wait until the dust clears.

Cancer (June 22-July 22) — Today is a 7 — You're seeing several rather noteworthy surprises. Discover the dangers that might be out there before leaving your safety zone.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22) — Today is a 6 — There are plenty of opportunities to squander your money now. Resist the temptation to gamble or buy lots of things on credit. Great self-discipline is required.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Today is an 8 — Be on the alert for an error in judgment. You probably won't make it, but you can be very helpful. Put in the corner before taking it.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) — Today is a 5 — It's perfectly OK to hole up for a while. It's easier to concentrate when you're by yourself sometimes. This is one of those times.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) — Today is a 7 — Be careful when trying out new ideas. One of them, at least, is definitely. It's good to be innovative, but you also should be cautious.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) — Today is a 4 — It's easier to make changes now, at work and also at home. So get rid of stuff that's in your way and make life more comfortable. That might include getting a different job.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Today is a 7 — Don't go racing off in pursuit of new objectives yet. You haven't done enough homework. You could get into trouble out there.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) — Today is a 6 — Unexpected costs could put a dent in your savings. Look around to find a way that won't be so expensive. Discuss it with an expert.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20) — Today is an 8 — Finally you can get some of the assistance you need. You are if you let it in, that is. Don't stubbornly refuse a genuine offer to help.
**DAILY EGYPTIAN**

**SPORTS**

**Randy Falkner out of treatment, not in control**

Jessica Flannery flips her racket while waiting to do double duty in a match during practice on March 5. Flannery won her match against Arkansas State.

**EXTRA MARKET**

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**TENNIS**

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Guys competed hard from start to finish. We are making strides in the right direction.

The Saluki women return to Carbondale for matches against Evansville and Tennessee Tech Saturday and Sunday, and the men travel to face Memphis Saturday.

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Athleticism and Dain Coopwood brought some defense.

Lowery said it was going to take a complete team effort to fill in for Mullins and he was proud of the way the team responded.

“the kids stuck it up and they barked,” Lowery said. “I think it helped us grow together when Bryan wasn’t there.”

Bone started the game at point guard and found early success as he hit the first basket of the game from behind the arc. Those first 10 minutes also saw Cornelius and Coopwood make their first appearances.

While Coopwood was able to frustrate Oklahoma State defensively, Cornelius did not make his presence felt until later in his start off the bench.

Cornelius came through for the Salukis when he followed a missed dunk with a put-back dunk that gave SIU all the momentum and a 14-10 lead.

SIU built off the dunk for a 26-19 halftime lead.

Cornelius also ripped down five of 39 Saluki rebounds.

When Bone wasn’t running the offense, Green took control and dished out a career-high eight assists, mostly from behind the arc.

While Randy Falkner and Mart Shaw did the most damage for SIU in the second half, Bone and Green still contributed with big plays.

The Cowboys started the second half strong and cut the Saluki lead after a Byron Eaton 3-pointer, but Bone responded with a 3-pointer of his own and a steal to keep SIU in control.

Green helped out by playing point guard for the majority of the last 10 minutes and finding open teammates while also earning trips to the free throw line.

His biggest assist went to Shaw with 3:30 left for a shot that put SIU up by 18 points to seal the victory.

Lowery said Green played with a lot of energy and controlled the pace of the game as well as anyone.

“It was special, just handling the ball like that and being able to find guys,” Shaw said. “Getting eight assists and not turning the ball over one time is pretty special.”

Mullins will be out for the rest of the tournament, so SIU will continue to look for help from the bench and other role players.

SIU is awaiting the winner of No. 1 Arizona State and No. 8 Alabama for its second round matchup Thursday.

Lowery said the Salukis have to focus on playing through the NIT one game at a time.

“We’re going there to play basketball and that’s what we’re going to focus on,” Lowery said. “We’re just very glad to be in this tournament and I think that needs to be said. We’re not just here to show up.”

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A crucial shot that ended the Cowboys chances of making the game close.

“I thought it was an important answer basket for them,” Sutton said.

But the Salukis wouldn’t stop there as they rallied to hold the Cowboys to just six points in the last four minutes of the game.

Defense was key for the Salukis as they held the Cowboys to just 35 percent from the floor and 16 percent from behind the 3-point line.

Junior guard Byron Eaton compared the Salukis high-paced defense to the team’s best opponents in the Big 12.

“I think they would be right up there at the top,” Eaton said.

The Cowboys (17-16) were led by junior guard Terrel Harris who scored 20 points while Anderson chipped in 13 points and five rebounds.

The Salukis will face the winner of No. 1 Arizona State and No. 8 Alabama State on Thursday. Results of the game were not available at press time.

Location will be determined by the higher seed.

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First rainout for the Salukis

Megan Kramper
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Rainstorms canceled Tuesday's softball game against non-conference opponent Southeast Missouri State. This is the first rainout of the season for the Salukis.

The game will not be rescheduled and the Salukis will return to Missouri Valley Conference play Friday as they head to Wichita State in their first road conference series of the season.

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SIU’s game against Murray State rained out

Just when the weather started to get warmer, the rain came and washed away the SIU baseball team's chance for its first midweek home game of 2008.

The Salukis (8-7) were scheduled to play Murray State on Tuesday but torrential downpours turned Abe Martin Field into a swamp. This is the fifth postponed game for the Salukis this season.

The game has not been rescheduled and SIU will open Missouri Valley Conference play Friday at home against Indiana State.

Last season, SIU took two out of three from Indiana State as Time Hane, Ind. The Sunyhawks bring a 4-10 record into the SIU series.

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SIU seals first round NIT win over OSU
Megan Krامر  Daily Egyptian

With its most heralded defender, leading assist maker and third leading scorer sitting on the bench, the SIU men’s basketball team didn’t miss a beat.

The Salukis used an 11-0 run late in the second half to help them seal a 69-53 victory Tuesday in the first round of the National Invitational Tournament against the Oklahoma State Cowboys despite the absence of junior point guard Bryan Mullins.

Senior forward Matt Shaw led SIU with 21 points and nine rebounds while sophomore Randy Falker added 15 points and nine rebounds to advance the Salukis (18-14) to the second round.

Playing without Mullins, who is out for the season with a stress fracture in his leg, the Salukis led by just seven at the half but earned big minutes from bench players including junior forward Tony Boyle and sophomore guard Christian Cornelius.

Shaw said the victory helped wash out the bitter taste left by the loss to Illinois State on senior night March 1.

“‘It’s just a tremendous team effort and great win over a great team,’ ” Matt Shaw, senior forward.

Saluki bench fills in for injured Mullins
Jeff Engelhardt  Daily Egyptian

Bryan Mullins has done a little bit of everything for the Salukis, and Tuesday nearly every Saluki did a little to pick up the slack.

Coach Chris Lowery unloaded his bench and relied on his role players to make up for the absence of the

Senior forward Matt Shaw attempts to block a shot by Oklahoma State guard Terrel Harris during the victory against Oklahoma State Tuesday. Shaw scored a team high of 21 points helping the Salukis to a 69-53 win.

Junior forward Tony Boyle and senior guard Tyrone Green eye a loose ball during the game against Oklahoma State at the SIU Arena Tuesday.

SIU looks to recover from sweeps in Hawaii
Women’s team dropped three, men swept
Luis C. Medina  Daily Egyptian

The first outdoor meet brought a dark cloud over the SIU women’s tennis team as it was unable to extend its winning streak.

The Salukis’ three-match winning streak ended March 11 with a 5-2 loss against Arkansas State. SIU saw its overall record drop to 6-5 after dropping matches March 12 to Texas-Arlington, 5-2, and March 14 against North Texas, 6-1.

Coach Audra Notwehr said playing the outdoor matches would better prepare the Salukis for adjustments they would have to make later in the year.

“We knew the matches over spring break were going to be tough, especially since we are still adjusting to playing outdoors,” Notwehr said. “I think this weekend was great competition for us and has helped us to find our outdoor games so we are better prepared to start our conference matches.”

Michela Cruise and Jessica Flannery captured two points in singles matches against Arkansas State, defeating Ron Van Wyk and Leydi Zora. Agata Sikorska and Amanda Talleffer picked up singles victories against UT-Arlington.

In the match against North Texas, Sabine Tsala Mudongo’s victory against Madura Ranganathan accounted for the only point for SIU. The Salukis’ only victory in doubles action came by default against UT-Arlington.

The men’s team took a two-game winning streak of its own to Hawaii, but dropped a pair of matches to Hawaii-Pacific and Hawaii-Manoa, 6-1, 7-0, respectively.

The Salukis’ lone point came March 10 via Hugo Vidali’s 6-2, 6-1, 10-8 victory against Hawaii-Pacific’s Anton Samulau. Head coach Dan Nelson said Vidali’s ability to keep his composure after losing the first set was important.

Even though SIU did not earn a point March 11 in its 7-0 loss to Hawaii-Manoa, Nelson said the team was making progress.

“We played much better today,” Nelson said. “The