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Kill suffers third seizure

Jordan Wilson  
DAILY EGYPTIAN

The 45-year-old Kill collapsed almost immediately after taping his weekly coach’s show at WSIL-TV studios in nearby Carterville, Weber said. “Within a minute after it was done, he had a seizure,” he said.

Though test results came back normal, Weber said doctors planned to keep the sixth-year head coach overnight Sunday.

This is Kill’s third seizure since coming to SIU in 2001, all of which have come within hours after home games. The first occurred after losing to Missouri State University in November 2001, and the second came in October 2005 against Illinois State, the Salukis’ last home loss before Saturday night.

Kill returned to coach the next week and in January had a cancerous tumor removed from one of his kidneys. See KILL, Page 11

Area mayors discuss energy rates

Alicia Wade  
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Last year’s profits for Ameren Illinois Utilities and its recent warnings of bankruptcy left members of the Southern Illinois Mayors’ Association and area representatives scratching their heads.

Members of the organization met in the Student Center to discuss the proposed 40 to 55 percent rate increase on Ameren electric rates. The increase comes as a result of an expired rate freeze, put in place when legislators deregulated the electric industry to increase competition more than a decade ago.

Representative Mike Bost, R-Murphysboro, listens to a question asked by West Frankfort Mayor Larry Warren concerning the electric rate freeze during the Southern Illinois Mayors Association meeting Saturday in the Cambria Room of the Student Center.

During the meeting that when the freeze was implemented, legislators believed wheeling would occur. He said wheeling is essentially shopping for the best electric rates in the country and getting power from those areas. Unfortunately, he said wheeling has not been as popular as legislators had hoped since the rate freeze was implemented.

When the extension expired, an auction was held to determine what company would generate electricity for Ameren and Commonwealth Edison to distribute. State Rep. John Bradley, D-Marion, said the company that generates Ameren power won the auction, and it was sold to its distribution company, to which Bradley attributes much of the increase.

“The 50 percent increase in the cost is from selling it to them selves,” Bradley said. “It just doesn’t make sense.”

Herrin Mayor Vic Ritter said an Ameren representative showed him the projected bill for his municipality, and it was double the usual rate. “We can’t do it,” Ritter said.

Murphysboro Mayor Brad Cole said municipalities currently receive 50 percent credit off the electrical rates, but next year the credit will be taken away, and the rate increase will be added as well. See MAYORS, Page 11

Rally takes back the night

Alicia Wade  
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Andy Jones stood at a lone microphone, strumming the strings on his guitar in the Town Square Pavilion on Friday night at the Take Back the Night rally — an event dedicated to ending violence against women.

This year’s rally began outside of the Interfaith Center, where participants lit candles and gathered in the street. Taking up one full lane of Illinois Avenue, the group of men, women, children and even some four-legged friends marched down the Strip to the Town Square Pavilion with Carbondale police blocking intersections as they moved through. Their walk was punctuated by chants of: “No more rape, no more violence, no more death, no more silence.”

Between 2004 and 2005, more than 64,000 people over the age of 12 were raped, according to the U.S. Department of Justice.

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Final offer

The university’s bargaining team, representing SIUC and the Board of Trustees, has made its final salary offer to the Faculty Association.

- Promotional pay raises of either $1,500 to assistant to associate professor and $1,200 from associate to full professor for nine months, or 11/2 percent of the unit’s average salary, the rank of which the faculty member is being promoted.
- Parity adjustments of $250,000 in FY08, $350,000 in FY09, $500,000 in FY10 and $500,000 in FY11. The money is to be plugged into equity formula devised by the union. No money will be distributed in FY07.

University administrators are awaiting a response from SIUC’s faculty union after making their final offer in contract talks last week, and it is unclear whether negotiations have reached the second stalemate in just as many months.

Faculty Association spokeswoman Lorraine Lange said union leaders will meet Sunday, Kolb said no other meeting had been set.

Lange said the union’s Departmental Representative Council would meet within the next two weeks.
Extra police on duty during enforcement period

WASHINGTON (AP) — Illinois is taking center stage in what promises to be a dramatic, possibly landmark, election year at the federal level. Democrats and Republicans are both pouring money and resources into the state, knowing races here will help determine which party controls both the House of Representatives and the Senate.

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The Democrats seem certain to win only 15 more seats across the country. Illinois will determine the outcome, and the victory margin could be as narrow as 15, according to political analysts. The Republicans will target the 8th District in Chicago, the 19th District in the suburbs of Chicago, and the 20th District in the Chicago area.

Some political analysts believe that if the Democrats win the majority in the House, the GOP will lose its control of the Senate. The Republicans will lose their majority in the Senate, and the Senate will be split between the two parties. The House will be divided between the two parties, but the Senate will be controlled by the Republicans.

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It’s an exciting time to be in general aviation, which includes everything but military and commercial flying, said the president of the organization that represents two-thirds of the country’s pilots.

“There are some very, very exciting career opportunities in all aviation,” said Phil Boyer, president of Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association. “Particularly in the growing, fascinating and very, very rewarding general aviation, which I am so proud to represent.”

Boyer’s organization represents about 400,000 of the country’s certified pilots and carries significant lobbying weight in Washington.

Students get a chance to learn about the outlook of general aviation from Phil Boyer during the annual aviation banquet Friday at the Student Center.

Nearly 200 students and faculty gathered together for a night of scholarship awards and a lecture during the 2006 Aviation in the Future Career Fair and Banquet. The night was dedicated to Gene Seibert, the co-founder of SIUC’s aviation program who died in August.

David NewMyer, chairman of the Aviation Management and Flight department, said more than $25,000 in scholarships was given away to students at the banquet.

Boyer also discussed new planes coming out within the next few years, such as a new jet made by Honda.

Boyer also said new technology is being used in aviation. The Automatic Dependent Surveillance-Broadcast is the first system to allow pilots and air traffic controllers to view identical screens from the air and ground. This will enable pilots and air controllers to better track the planes’ position, he said, especially in areas of low visibility and bad weather.

Money starts flowing in Bush’s teacher bonus program

WASHINGTON — The Bush administration is finding out money for teachers who raise student test scores, the first federal effort to reward classroom performance with bonuses.

Education Secretary Margaret Spellings planned to announce the first of 16 grants, worth $42 million, including $5.5 million for Ohio, on Monday. The government has not announced the other grant winners.

Spellings made her pitch last Tuesday to the National Governors Association in Washington, D.C.

Using the old-fashioned incentive of cash, President Bush’s program encourages schools to set up pay scales that reward some teachers and principals more than others. Those rewards are to be based mainly on test scores, but also on classroom evaluations during the year.

The grants also are aimed at luring teachers into math, science and other core fields.

Teachers normally are paid based on their years in class and their education. Yet more school districts are experimenting with merit pay, and now the federal government is, too.

It is not always popular. Teachers’ unions generally oppose pay-for-performance plans saying they do not fairly measure quality and do nothing to raise base teacher pay.

Spellings, though, says the money will be a good recruiting tool. The most qualified teachers tend to opt for affluent schools, she told The Associated Press.

“These grants will work to fix this by encouraging and rewarding teachers for taking the tough jobs in the schools and classrooms where our children need them the most,” she said.

One of the first grants is $5.5 million to the Ohio Department of Education, to be shared among schools in Cincinnati, Cleveland, Columbus and Toledo.

The rest of the grants will go out over the next two weeks to three weeks — filling right before the Nov. 7 elections in which a reeling Republican Party is eager for good news.

The Education Department says the election had no bearing on the timing. The grant application process began in May, and the review was done in the early fall, officials said.

The grants will range from about $1 million to $30 million. That is small time for the federal government but can be enough to offer a meaningful pay bump at the local level.

Yet done in isolation, performance pay “have very little chance of having impact,” said Sabrina Weber of Women in Aviation said general aviation pays for airspace through ramp fees and fuel tax. Airlines, which pay the most for airspace, want more money from general aviation to help pay for the airspace. These fees increases would come through services that are free right now, such as getting weather reports and filing flight plans.

An increase in fees would hurt general aviation, Boyer said, but there has only been discussion among the Bush administration and airlines, he said. There are no actual bill proposals before Congress yet.

“Anything that would add cost to general aviation would decrease the use of general aviation,” he said.

NewMyer said an increase such as the one being discussed would fall on the shoulders of students because it would increase the flight fees they are charged. Also, Jeff Jaynes, president of the Aviation Management Society, said increased fees for students could make aviation a career only for the rich.

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Survey finds low support for U.S. forces among Iraq's youth

Katherine Shrader  The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The White House is bracing for guerrilla warfare on the homefront politically if Republicans lose control of the House, the Senate or both — and with it, the president's ability to shape and dominate the national agenda.

Republicans are batting to keep control of Congress, and analysts in both parties increasingly suggest Democrats will capture the House and possibly the Senate in the Nov. 7 Election Day races. The most recent exception was in 1994, when Republicans won control of Congress. But polls and election analyst Bob Woodward as saying, "I'll not have the capacity to say yes to Democratic legislation, but he won't have the capacity to say no to his own legislation."

The White House traditionally resists renewal of Iraq policy. Freshly retired Gen. Tommy Franks, the former leader of the U.S. Central Command, is among former admirals in recent weeks, has political stock been rising as a potential Demo- cratic centrist candidate for president in 2008 after former Virginia Gov. Jim Gilmore recently said he was considering a run for president. In fact, Gilmore recently said he was considering a run for president. In fact, Gilmore recently said he was considering a run for president.

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Of all the people that Ross Rafferty came out to walk for on the McAndrew Stadium track Friday, two were most important to him.

Rafferty, a junior from Mount Carmel studying physical therapy, was one of about 50 participants in the sixth annual Walk for Life, a fundraiser sponsored by Beta Theta Pi fraternity for the American Cancer Society.

Rafferty said his grandfather died of liver cancer, and his grandmother has battled cancer twice.

“I am walking in memory of my grandfather and in honor of my grandmother’s strength,” Rafferty said.

The walk lasted just under 24 hours — from 4 p.m. Friday to about 2 p.m. Saturday. Before the walk, participants went door to door in Carbondale and throughout the university asking for donations for time spent walking.

Dawn Dietrich from the American Cancer Society came to watch the first few hours on Friday and stopped by again Saturday morning. She said she was thrilled with the final contribution of more than $450.

“We like to think that any amount is significant,” Dietrich said. “Every little bit helps.”

Dietrich brought dozens of pink wristbands with the words “hope and courage” written on them — similar to the yellow “Livestrong” wristbands developed by cyclist Lance Armstrong. Beta Theta Pi members sold the wristbands for $1.

Beta Theta Phi philanthropy chairman Andrew Janik organized the event. Janik, a senior from Wheaton studying automotive technology, said the walk took place a few weeks later than usual this year because of a lack of communication.

Beta Theta Pi did not start organizing the walk until about three weeks ago. They usually start during the summer, Janik said.

Janik said Beta Theta Pi invited the Greek system about a week and a half ago, which was “last minute.” Most participants were from the Beta Theta Pi and Alpha Tau Omega fraternities.

The students accumulated approximately 110 hours by the end of the walk early Saturday afternoon.

Janik said he was not disappointed by the turnout.

“Doing something like this makes me feel like I’m helping out people I don’t even know,” Reinhardt said. “I feel like I can change the world.”

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Wish it were your idea?

You’ve had get-rich-quick ideas, right? Peace-drone beer? The diaper that changes itself? Chances are, those ideas are sitting in the sock-drawer of your brain.

So when you heard that the creators of YouTube recently sold their little video-sharing Web site to Google for $1.65 billion, you probably did one of two things.

Boy, were they right. Today people from all over the world watch more than 100 million video clips — on subjects from pop culture to politics — each day on YouTube.

Marvel at American ingenuity. Kick yourself because it wasn’t your idea. It was the idea of Chad Hurley, 29, and a couple of former University of Illinois students, Steve Chen, 28, and Jawed Karim, 27. They founded YouTube 20 months ago in a garage. They wanted to share videos over the Internet with friends. They had an ingling that others armed with video cameras and some editing software just might want to do the same thing.

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YouTube — such as how to make money off its advertising, or how to make money off its advertising, or how to get around copyright laws. But here’s the coolest thing about the site: Not only does its creators embody the spirit of invention, it fosters more innovation. "The site creates an echo chamber for ideas," Allen said. That turned into the "macaca moment." When a student of Sen. George Allen, R-Va., got chewed out for holding a "Ghetto Fabulous" costume party to which at least some clods wore Afro wigs and big-bling imitation necklaces to accentuate their 40-ounce malt liquor bottles.

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Pleading ignorance

First-year law students at the University of Texas at Austin apparently need better schooling in bad precedent. News reports last week indicated that a group of them got chewed out for holding a "Ghetto Fabulous" costume party to which at least some clods wore Afro wigs and big-bling imitation necklaces to accentuate their 40-ounce malt liquor bottles.

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Glad you asked.

The satir on "The Simpsons" that spoofs immigrant convenience-store owners, Jeff Foxworthy’s "redneck" jokes and Chris Rock’s boundary-pushing comedy take irreverence to extremes and beyond. But in context, they attempt to comment on societal conventions. They encourage us to take a look in the mirror and not take ourselves too seriously.

For better or worse, there’s something tolerable about listening to a comic poke fun at things that he or she knows, about the absurdities of one’s own experience. Those elements are missing when one group of people deliberately stereotypes and then ridicules another, whether acting from willful malice, blissful unawareness or astounding cluelessness.

Most administrators have turned these episodes of doofiness into teachable moments, to get groups of students talking in ways they hadn’t before. On some campuses, genuinely healthy conversations about cultural differences, racism, tolerance and free speech boundaries have resulted.

At UT, apologies were extended and no disciplinary action resulted, the AP reported.

Let’s hope that the students who found hilarity in tackiness have learned more than to keep their rude ideas to themselves.

Asking law students, of all people, to consider the propriety of their actions isn’t demanding the kind of political correctness that has crept into too many areas of life. Civility, good taste and sensitivity toward others are virtues that carry moral and ethical weight and make living together more hospitable.

There’s no legal right to not have one’s feelings hurt. Nevertheless, we regular folks have a compelling interest in the shapers and interpreters of our laws learning to act in mature ways, even when they’re still in training.

Linda P. Campbell is a columnist and editorial writer.
So vivid was every combat scene that this Iwo Jima survivor was transported back to February and March of 1945.

I could smell the sulfur again — and the sickening scent of the dead.

Clint Eastwood's new movie about Iwo Jima, "Flags of Our Fathers," was so powerful and so real it took me back 61 years to that hellhole island.

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I had my M-1 Garand rifle, as much a part of me as my limbs. I had my pack on my back, bandage, canteen of water, extra ammo, hand grenades, a picture of my girlfriend (today my wife) inside a prayer book and my trusty Zippo lighter.

I was there once more, scared as hell, with the sounds of war — 20mm shells exploding, machine-gun fire and the screams from wounded buddies as we yelled, "Corpsman, corpsman, over here...

Over here, Goddammit!"

Once again, I saw the horror that hot metal finds in all types of gunfire does to human flesh. It's so horrible you might turn away. But it is real, my friends, as real as you could ever imagine.

Tim alongside the flame- thrower guys, the BAR (Browning Automatic Rifle) men, the fellow demolition men. My squad is trying — under machine-gun fire — to get land mines the hell out of their way so our tanks can pass.

We...
Republican John Spencer calls the former first lady ‘tremendous’ presidential candidate

Beth Fouhy  
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEW YORK — Republican U.S. Senate candidate John Spencer said Sunday that his rival Hillary Rodham Clinton would make a “tremendous” presidential candidate if she chose to run in 2008 and criticized Americans who say they hate her.

“Hate is not a good word. I like Hillary Clinton,” the former Yonkers mayor said as they met in their second and final debate of the campaign, sponsored by WABC-TV.

Spencer, a conservative who has repeatedly accused Clinton of focusing on national ambitions and shortchanging New York concerns, startled observers when he praised Clinton’s experience and qualifications for higher office, including her years as first lady.

“Senator Clinton would make a tremendous candidate for president of the United States but not at the expense of New Yorkers,” Spencer said. He spent much of the rest of the debate clarifying his position, saying he wasn’t endorsing her and would never vote for her.

“From a Republican point of view, maybe she would be an excellent candidate because we can beat her,” Spencer later told reporters.

Clinton’s presumed national ambitions took center stage in the early moments of the forum, but she refused to disclose her plans for 2008, saying she had not made up her mind. Yet, she also refused to say whether she would commit to serving another six-year term in the Senate.

“I’m not looking past this election — I can’t make a decision now,” Clinton said.

Clinton and Spencer tangled on a range of issues throughout the hour-long forum, including taxes, social security, North Korea’s nuclear ambitions and the conduct of the Iraq war.

Pressed to defend her 2002 vote authorizing military intervention in Iraq, Clinton said she had voted to grant President Bush the authority to send weapons inspectors back into the country — ignoring the fact that the resolution also granted Bush authority to go to war.

“I regret the way the president used the authority,” she said.

“If we knew what we know now, there never would have been a vote, there never would have been a war,” she said.

Clinton, who holds a wide lead over Spencer in most polls and is expected to cruise to re-election next month, has largely ignored Spencer in recent months and targeted her criticisms at President Bush and the Republican-led Congress.

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Juan A. Lozano
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

HOUSTON — Ken Lay’s death wiped away his convictions. Andrew Fastow got a reduced six-year sentence. That leaves former CEO Jeffrey Skilling as the sole top Enron Corp. executive who could be given at least 20 years in prison when he is sentenced Monday for helping orchestrate the biggest corporate scandal in U.S. history.

In addition to the legal consequences of his actions, the burden of lost jobs, worthless pension plans and ruined lives that resulted from Enron’s 2001 collapse has now shifted solely onto Skilling’s shoulders.

Lay’s death and the lighter than expected sentence handed last month to Fastow, Enron’s former chief financial officer, will work against Skilling when he faces sentencing, former federal prosecutor Robert Mintz said.

Skilling was convicted in May of 19 counts of fraud, conspiracy, insider trading and lying to auditors. Lay, Enron’s founder, was convicted of 10 counts of fraud, conspiracy and lying to banks in two separate cases. His death in July vacated those convictions.

“Any sentence is a meaningful sentence. I don’t want to talk about or speculate on the length of it,” Skilling’s attorney Daniel Petrocelli said. "He knows he broke the law. He knows he’s done us wrong. I’ll always believe until I go to my grave that man knew exactly what he was doing.”

Kirby Behre, a former federal prosecutor in Washington and an expert on federal sentencing guidelines, said Skilling will probably get more than 20 years in prison, but an exact figure is hard to determine without knowing the final calculation of investor loss.

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12:00pm

Presentation
Agriculture Building
Muckelroy Auditorium
1:00pm

Burden of company’s collapse is on Skilling as sentencing approaches
**Women pamper themselves on Sweetest Day**

Black Women’s Task Force presents opportunity for pampering

**Sarah Lohman**

Chris Santiago may have brought his girlfriend, Angelina Sanchez, for a birthday pampering, but he seemed to enjoy the treatment just as much.

Santiago, a sophomore from Chicago studying psychology, trusted Sanchez, a sophomore from Morris studying business management, to give him a pedicure and massage, so he could focus on his ASLI placement test.

Sanchez, who also works at Walmart, said that she decided to do something special for Santiago.

“End my laziness and do my eyebrows,” Miranti said. “I'm going out tonight and I don't want to look like that. I'm going out tonight and I want to look cool because no one had ever done it for me.”

She tried the eyebrow treatment, but she seemed to enjoy the treatment just as much. “I'm not exactly going to get a pedicure,” Santiago said.

The Black Women’s Task Force sponsored “A Treat For Your Sweet” once a semester. They try to hold it around Sweetest Day.

Nations is vital to hundreds of thousands of citizens of the Darfur region, said a European Union spokesman, Amadeu Altafaj Tardio, in Brussels. In a statement distributed by the official Sudan News Agency, the country’s Foreign Ministry accused Pronk of demonstrating “enmity to the Sudanese government and the armed forces” and of involvement in unspecified activities “that are incompatible with his mission.”

In New York, U.N. spokesman Stephane Dujarric said Secretary-General Jan Pronk was “persona non-grata.”

**Mohamed Osman**

**THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

KHARTOUM, Sudan — The Sudanese government Sunday ordered the chief U.N. envoy out of the country after he wrote that Sudan’s military had suffered heavy losses in recent fighting with rebels in northern Darfur.

Pronk was given 72 hours to leave — an order that is likely to complicate international efforts to get Sudan to allow a U.N. force to take over peacekeeping in Darfur from a 7,000-member African Union force.

The Sudanese armed forces said they had suffered more than 200,000 people have been killed in recent weeks in Darfur, where more than 200,000 people have been killed and 2.5 million displaced in three years of fighting.

U.N. officials have said the African Union force is too small and ill-equipped to cope with the violence and protest civilians from rape, murder and pillage.

But President Omar al-Bashir has rejected a U.N. peacekeeping force, branding it as simply a bid to restore colonial rule.

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Reports speak about hundreds of casualties in each of the two battles, many wounded soldiers and many taken as prisoners,” he said.

The Sudanese armed forces said Thursday that those remarks amounted to “psychological war against the Sudanese army” and declared that Pronk was “persona non-grata.”

One day later the military demanded an official apology.

Even before the blog appeared, Sudan’s government had been at odds with Pronk over Western efforts to get Sudan to allow a U.N. force of 20,000 troops to take over peacekeeping in Darfur from a 7,000-member African Union force.

Violence has risen dramatically in recent weeks in Darfur, where more than 200,000 people have been killed and 2.5 million displaced in three years of fighting.

U.N. officials have said the African Union force is too small and ill-equipped to cope with the violence and protest civilians from rape, murder and pillage.

But President Omar al-Bashir has rejected a U.N. peacekeeping force, branding it as simply a bid to restore colonial rule.

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The main objective of interest-based bargaining was to avoid simi- larities of the Collective Bargaining Act of 2002 that almost caused a faculty strike. Negotiators agreed to interest-based bargaining, in which both sides bring their positions to the table and use a neutral facilitator to reach an agreement. Both sides in the spring semester maintained a workshop and hired a mediator from the Northwestern University School of Law.

Kolb said interest-based bargaining was beneficial and provided the administration many issues and options for its offer. “We have no regrets with regard to that, but we recognized that the time to make an offer had come,” Kolb said.

The old contract, which expired June 30, remains in effect until an agreement is reached. The new five-year contract will expire summer 2011. Branden Wiesenberg can be reached at branden_wiesenberg@dailyegyptian.com.

Recently, a bill has been proposed in the Legislature to extend the compa- rison freeze, have claimed the two companies affected by years. Both Ameren and ComEd, posed in the Legislature to extend the

FACULTY CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1 to determine the next steps for the organization, which union leaders say consists of about half of SIUC’s instructional faculty.

Langsdorf said a strike would be an “absolute last resort.” “All options are open, but nobody wants that,” Langsdorf said. “We do not want to interrupt the educational process.”

On Wednesday, the two sides held their fourth bargaining session, which was apparently the final session of interest-based bargaining. In that meeting, the university administration’s team had showed no interest in hearing the mediator’s recom- mendations on three contentious issues that caused a deadlock on talk.

Kolb, the associate dean for the College of Mass Communication and Media Arts, said he had not seen the union statement until contacted by the DAILY EGYPTIAN on Sunday. He said it was unclear whether or not anyone else on the university bargain- ing team received the statement.

Kolb said the university did not abandonment bargaining. Instead, the team made an offer to prevent negotiations from going on indefinitely.

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Brian Feldt  
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The SIU volleyball team played with two different identities during its weekend road trip.

Friday’s version of SIU had trouble scoring, while Saturday’s version tallied points at will.

After Illinois State University swept the Salukis on Friday, SIU bounced back 24 hours later to dominate Indiana State University on Saturday.

SIU (10-11, 5-6 conference) now stands in seventh place in the Missouri Valley Conference after splitting the weekend series — one match shy of the coveted sixth spot, which earns an MVC Tournament bid.

A fourth-quarter SIU possession that featured a first-and-10 on the WKU 49-yard line was a microcosm of the team’s difficulties offensively. The Salukis were flagged for two penalties totaling 25 yards and faced a third-and-38 from their own 23-yard line, forcing them to punt.

Kill pointed to the possession as a key turning point in the loss.

“That’s where they won the game, no question about it,” Kill said. “Football is a game of momentum, no question about it,” Kill said. “That’s where they won the game.”

SIU’s offense, meanwhile, managed only two first downs in the fourth quarter.

But SIU had momentum in the first half, playing the special teams.

American-kick returner Craig Coffin garnered praise from Brian Feldt after his ability to score when it seemed the offense could not get things going.

Turner, a junior, dominated the Hilltoppers on special teams. He gained 135 yards on three punt returns, including an 83-yard touchdown to give SIU a 21-7 lead with 10:50 remaining in the first half. Turner finished with 233 total return yards.

The punt return was the second longest in SIU history to his own 85-yard score. Turner had a feeling he would get to the end zone after Wednesday’s practice.

“The time was overdue,” Turner said after the game.

The Salukis opened scoring when Alan Turner recovered an Ian Lundy blocked punt at the 12-yard line and scored on a 5-yard run to give SIU a 7-0 lead. The touchdown marked the second time in as many games that the Salukis scored on a punt recovery against WKU.

WKU head coach David Olson said the special teams play motivated him and his team.

“I didn’t even want to go to halftime, I just wanted to get them back out here and get going because I knew we had put ourselves in a hole,” Olson said.

But the Hilltoppers dug themselves out of their predicament behind clock-eating drives, solid defense and second-half turnovers.

SIU extended its losing streak to two games, including upcoming opponents Missouri State, have at least a one-game lead over the Salukis’ conference.

Although SIU out-blocked the Redbirds, Illinois State’s 52 kills overcame the Salukas’ third-ranked blocking unit in the MVC.

The Salukas will return home next weekend as they will host Northern Illinois on Friday and Bradley on Saturday at Davies Gymnasium.

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“Friday night’s loss to Illinois State (20-30, 25-30, 19-30), however, set a different tone.

SIU extended its losing streak to the Redbirds to 32 matches, which dates back to 1991. Noble said the streak could have played a factor in the team’s mentality.

“Friday night we just came out and played flat,” Noble said. “They kind of got into their minds that this is going to be a tough match, and we just didn’t play very well.”

The Salukis were held to just 27 total points, which hurt the Salukas’ chances of postseason play.

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"Wow. People wouldn't believe this question would ever arise. I would say the Bears have a better chance of going undefeated. But seriously, undeniably. As much as I like the Bears, it's tough to believe they see an undefeated NFL team in my lifetime with that thing called parity."
The Salukis managed only 48 yards on 22 plays in the second half, 43 plays and 200 yards for the game Wku, by comparison, totaled 443 yards on 79 plays and stayed on the field for nearly 38 minutes — a discrepancy Kill called "the difference in the game." Western Kentucky scored 17 unanswered points, including14 points in the final 7:01 of the game. WKU quarterback Justin Hackle's 31-yard touchdown to wide receiver Jace Gauthier narrowed SU's lead to 24-19. Running back Lerron Moore, who rushed for 121 yards and two touchdowns on 34 carries, gave the Hilltoppers their margin of victory. With a 3-yard touchdown run up the gut with 2:20 remaining in the game, SU's offense was less effective in the final frame. See UNANSWERED, Page 14

Not again: WKU scores 17 unanswered during Salukis' second-half meltdown

D.W. Norris

When a special teams player can make an 83-yard touchdown return on a second quarter punt, and junior receiver Alan McCloud corralled the ball and took 12 yards on a third quarter goal line fumble, SIU's special teams provided when no one else could.

"The bottom line is they executed better than we did," said SU head coach Jerry Kill. The Salukis have been in a slump. Since losing to Illinois State on Oct. 7, 2006, they have played five games and the offense and defense haven't been firing on all cylinders.

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