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TED SCHWITZER - DAILY EGYPTIAN

**LOOK AT THAT:** Taylor Vaughn (right) and Darbi Ellis stare in amazement at the sound wave machine Tuesday afternoon at The Science Center, 1237 E. Main, University Mall. The center, a non-profit organization that offers science education to students and families in the area, was recently awarded a \$27,000 grant from the Carbondale Park District. See related story, page 3

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# Suspect arrested after brief foot chase

*Carbondale man recovering after machete attack*

DAVID OSBORNE  
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

A Carbondale man was resting at home Tuesday after being stabbed in the leg with a machete.

Charles A. Ruffing was attacked near his home at Crab Orchard Lake Mobile Home Park on County Line Road

Monday afternoon.

A press release issued by the Jackson County sheriff's office said John Olsen, also known as John Tomlinson, was arrested a little more than four hours after a brief foot chase with Jackson County deputies through Carbondale New School and the arboretum area of Pleasant Hill and Wall streets.

According to Jackson County State's Attorney Mike Wepsiec, Olsen has been charged with one count of aggravated battery in connection with the incident.

Ruffing said he was attacked after a disagreement took place between him and

Olsen, who is living with Ruffing's mother. According to Ruffing, Olsen had not been paying rent and had become increasingly abusive toward Ruffing's mother.

"Mom was staying here because she hadn't been able to go home," Ruffing said.

Ruffing said the suspect came to his home, harassing both him and his mother. Ruffing told him he would have to leave. Ruffing said the two were walking back toward the home where Olsen stayed with Ruffing's mother, and Ruffing told him he could not stay there anymore. It was then, Ruffing said, that Olsen picked up the machete from the ground and chopped at

his leg.

Ruffing said the machete was very sharp, and was stopped by the bone. The suspect swung the machete at Ruffing's eyes, he said, and as Ruffing ran toward the manager's trailer to get help, the assailant threw the machete at him. Ruffing said he picked up the machete, and the suspect fled.

According to the press released issued by the Jackson County sheriff's office, Olsen is alleged to have many aliases, and may be wanted in other states. Olsen is expected to appear in court Wednesday at which time bond will be set.

# Emergency session to cut gas prices

*Gov. Ryan seeks to place a six-month moratorium on the gas tax in Illinois*

JASON COKER  
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

The General Assembly's emergency session to cut the gas tax convenes Thursday, but not in the 123-year-old Capitol Building, which is currently under construction.

In 1973, it met in the Howlett Building auditorium, to the south of the Capitol Building, where it has reconvened for a highly-anticipated session hoped to relieve Illinoisans of steep prices at the pump.

Gov. George Ryan called the legislature back to Springfield to make a decision on lifting the sales tax on gasoline in Illinois.

Senate Bill 1310, if passed, will

place a moratorium on the gas tax for six months, from July 1 until Jan. 1, 2001. Rep. Mike Bost, R-Murphysboro, said the bill is a much-needed solution to the high costs of gas in Illinois.

"I believe it will pass," Bost said. "Unless someone tries to play politics."

Illinois is one of only six states that has a sales tax on gasoline, and Bost has been fighting for some time now to have it permanently removed.

Bost said he believes the Illinois gas tax is unconstitutional. The federal gas tax is included in the price of gasoline, afterwards, the Illinois sales tax is applied to both the original cost and the federal tax.

"They tax a tax," Bost said. "[The federal tax] is included in the price, then the sales tax is based on that."

Bost said the state gas tax was

# Interim dean begins with goals to help MCMA

*Jyotika Ramaprasad has ideas to keep the reputation and the stability of the college intact*

ANDREA PARKER  
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

The newly appointed interim dean of the College of Mass Communication and Media Arts has future plans and aspirations for her new position — one of those is targeted at maintaining the department's solid reputation.

Jyotika Ramaprasad, who has been associate dean of the college for four years, took the position of interim dean Monday.

Ramaprasad replaces Joe Foote, who will be leaving the University to take a position as director of the Walter Cronkite School of Journalism and Telecommunications at Arizona State University. He also will be a Walter Cronkite Endowment professor at Arizona State.

Eager to start her new position, Ramaprasad said she can now gain administrative ability from another level.

"This will give me a chance to grow even more," she said.

While in her office, Ramaprasad has goals to

advance the college in technology and digital conversion. She plans to implement new programs and office positions to allow communication within the college to run more smoothly.

One program she plans on applying to the college curriculum is a digital communications specialization. This would be a new specialization in the School of Journalism. Ramaprasad said it should go into effect within the next two years.

"There's such a high demand for this sort of thing," she said.

Ramaprasad's co-workers also agree with her decision to make changes to the college. Clare Mitchell, academic adviser for the college, has known Ramaprasad for two years and said she is a strong worker.

"This way, things can work more in order and effectively," she said.

Ramaprasad's co-workers also agree with her decision to make changes to the college. Clare Mitchell, academic adviser for the college, has known Ramaprasad for two years and said she is a strong worker.

"She only wants what's best for the students," Mitchell said.

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- Blood Drive, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., Student Center and 1 p.m. to 5 p.m., School of Mass Comm., donors and volunteers needed, Vivian 457-5256.
- Library Affairs, e-Mail using Eudora, 12 to 1 p.m., Morris Library Room 103D, 453-2818.
- Women's Services Summer Brown Bag Series 2000, Tai Chi: the Art of Relaxation, 12 to 1 p.m., Woody Hall A 306, 453-3655.

UPCOMING

- Blood Drive, June 29, 11 a.m. to 4

p.m. Student Center, donors and volunteers needed, Vivian 457-5258.

- Art in the Garden, every Thurs. 12 to 1 p.m., University Museum Sculpture Garden, northwest side of Fanner Hall, June 29 Akiem the Dream, July 6 Banjio, July 13 SIRD, July 20 Loose Gravel, July 27 Ear-Relevant, William 453-5388.
- Women's Services Summer Brown Bag Series, Dream Interpretation, 12 to 1 p.m., June 29, Woody Hall A 310, 453-3655.
- Library Affairs, Introduction to Photoshop, 3 to 4 p.m., June 29, Morris Library Room 103D, 453-2818.
- Southern Illinois Pagan Alliance, Literary Discussion Group, meets every Mon., regarding the first Mon. of the month, 7 to 9 p.m.,

Longbranch Coffeehouse, Marcus 529-7197.

- Women's Services Summer Brown Bag Series 2000, Tai Chi: the Art of Relaxation, 12 to 1 p.m., July 5, Woody Hall A 306, 453-3655.
- Women's Services Summer Brown Bag Series 2000, Dream Interpretation, 12 to 1 p.m., July 6, Woody Hall A 310, 453-3655.
- Blood Drive, July 11, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Life Science III, donors and volunteers needed, Vivian 457-5258.
- Women's Services Summer Brown Bag Series 2000, 12 to 1 p.m., July 12, Woody Hall A 306, 453-3655.
- Women's Services Summer Brown Bag Series, Dream Interpretation, 12 to 1 p.m., July 13, Woody Hall A 310, 453-3655.

ALMANAC

THIS DAY IN 1975:

- Frank E. Horton was named vice president for Academic Affairs at SIUC.
- The University Committee on Pollution Control conducted an intensive study of the pollution in Campus Lake.
- Carbondale Jayces had stated they enforced their national convention's order barring women from membership, but they encouraged women to participate.
- The Jackson County Network, a 24-hour crisis intervention service, announced a July 1 opening.
- Former President Richard Nixon testified on Watergate this week after being under oath for 11 hours.
- The University Four, located inside Carbondale's University Mall, was showing "Blazing Saddles" starring Mel Brooks for a \$1.25 two-lite show.

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invented in the 1970s, and he has been trying to get it eliminated for years.

Likewise, Sen. Dave Luechtefeld, R-Okawville, said he has twice voted on a bill that would remove the state tax on gas for a period of three years. He said these bills always pass in the Senate, but then they fail in the House.

Due to the high cost of gasoline, Luechtefeld said cutting the gas tax now makes sense. He said cheaper prices will encourage people to buy gas in Illinois.

"It makes the sale of gas in Illinois competitive with other states," Luechtefeld said. "It's good economic policy for Illinois to do away with the gas tax."

If this happens, consumers will buy other products while they are in the gas station, and Luechtefeld said these sales

will more than make up for lost revenue. As such, Luechtefeld said Illinois may be losing money by not bringing down the cost of gasoline.

Dan Crendon, the director of governmental affairs for the Illinois Petroleum Marketers, said he tried to get this bill passed in the spring session of the state legislature. He said he is sure gas sales will increase when SB1310 becomes law.

"With taxes [taken off], it'll help immensely," Crendon said. "We'd like it taken off permanently."

The loss of revenue, Crendon said, will not harm the state, which has a budget surplus.

Also, the state levies another tax on gas, the motor fuel tax, and this pays for the roads in Illinois. The sales tax, he said, goes directly into the general fund and cannot be used for streets. Therefore, he said it is only logical that cheaper prices, which should bring more sales, will result in more money for Illinois roads.

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Ramaprasad also wants one person in charge of the publicity and promotion of the college.

"I'm hoping to have someone who will be able to handle our newsletters and webpages, and to keep a list of all the awards achieved by the college," Ramaprasad said. Because Ramaprasad feels the college needs a more strategic process of operating, and needs to provide more faculty development.

"Sometimes it's hard to communicate from department to department," she said. "I just would like things a little more systematic, especially internally."

Foote, who already had an inkling that Ramaprasad would have the position, thought she was the most logical person for the job. He said he is fully supportive of her making improvements to the University.

"She's very well qualified and up for the challenge," Foote said.



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## Bill to preserve evidence is signed by Ryan

*A new law says that defendants' evidence will be held after conviction*

ALEXA AGUILAR  
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

Police departments and prosecutors will now be responsible for the care of a defendant's physical evidence after the defendant has been convicted because of a bill signed Friday by Gov. George Ryan.

House Bill 4593 is the first step in implementing a uniform statewide evidence retention policy. It will hold law enforcement agencies and state attorneys responsible for keeping the evidence in a continuous chain of custody. Failure to do so would result in a Class Four felony charge.

In 1998, Illinois was one of the first states in the country to pass a law offering defendants the opportunity to request DNA or fingerprint analysis after a defendant has been convicted.

However, this legislation is only beneficial if evidence for further testing has been kept. HB 4593 provides that option, Ryan said.

"I have made a commitment to do all that I can to improve the truth-seeking ability of the criminal justice system, and my action today is in furtherance of that goal," Ryan said in a letter to the Illinois House of Representatives.

"In signing HB 4593, we are taking an important first step in ensuring justice through modern technology."

Rep. Larry McKeon, D-Chicago, a sponsor of the bill, said while the bill was introduced more than a year ago, it was motivated by the 13 prisoners on death row who, since 1977, have

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KERRY MALONEY - DAILY EGYPTIAN

**ICE CREAM, YOU SCREAM:** Two-year-old Tyler Johnson eats an ice-cream cone to cool off Tuesday afternoon at the Carbondale Dairy Queen. His grandmother, Marissa Greenwald, is there to wipe most of the messy treat off his clothes.

## SIUC representatives participate in gay festival

*Pridefest is more than revelry for local gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender community*

MARLEEN TROUT  
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

Pridefest is a time when men wearing pink tutus or black leather things parade through U.S. cities unashamed, but for local gays and lesbians, the annual gay pride parade means more than shocking the nation with colorful merry-making.

While Pridefest is a time to break out of taboos, it is also a time when gays and lesbians can have a political presence in the community.

Paulette Curkin, Student Development coordinator and adviser to the Saluki Rainbow Network, has been attending these parades since

the 1970s. Curkin attended this year's St. Louis Pridefest, which took place Saturday and Sunday.

"It is unfortunate that the media tends to focus on the most outrageous people in the parade because it feeds the stereotype," Curkin said. "All gay men are not drag queens. While some men do like to do that, that's not the majority of the community."

Curkin said the event showed that there are homosexuals in all walks of life.

"It allows people to see that we cut across socioeconomic and professional classes," she said.

A Vermont law allowing civil unions between homosexuals and a hate-crime bill passed in Albany, N.Y., were celebrated as this year's political victories.

The parades started as a political protest after the 1969 Stonewall Inn rebellion, when police

raided a New York City gay bar. The event fired the gay liberation movement, giving it more press than it had received before. The parades have now become more of a celebration falling on Stonewall's anniversary.

The St. Louis PrideFest 2000 marked the 21st year of celebration for the city's gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender community. The event featured speakers, bands, food, beverage, merchandise and informational booths, including an on-site HIV testing unit.

Curkin said this year's Pridefest was one of success and pride. The highlight for Curkin was listening to a speech by Urvashi Vaid, former director of the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force and present director of the task force's policy institute.

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## Science Center receives local funding from park district

*Another year of educating and entertaining is secure*

RYAN TROST  
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

The hot-air balloon will stay airborne at the Carbondale Science Center for another year thanks to funding from local sources.

The Science Center, 1237 E. Main St. inside University Mall, has been awarded a \$27,000 grant from the Carbondale Park District for fiscal 2000. The park district funding will come directly from tax revenues derived from University Teletrack, said Park District President Carl Flowers.

The non-profit organization has offered its science education program to more than 100,000 students and families across the tri-state region since its opening in January 1994. The Science Center will be offering programs throughout the summer at the University Mall.

A hot air balloon, river flume, air cannon,

chaotic pendulum, deconstruction room, and real-life skeleton are some of the exhibits found at the Science Center.

Science Center Executive Director Jim Mueller said without funding from the park district the center would struggle to offer the programs that it does to the community.

"What happens if we lose our funding is it's going to cut into our services," Mueller said. "Our most likely cutback would be a traveling exhibit, or one of our extravaganzas."

Dino Days, In The Dark, and Backyard Monsters were such "extraganzas" brought to Science Center. These attracted 20,000 visitors to University Mall.

The Science Center has an annual budget of about \$250,000 and has been partially funded by the park district since its inception in 1994. The Carbondale Rotary Club, the National Science Foundation, the City of Carbondale and numerous private supporters have helped keep the center open, but the center needs more donations.

"We are at least 70 percent self-supporting, through people walking through our front

### SCIENCE CENTER

ADMISSION TO THE SCIENCE CENTER IS \$2. HOURS ARE FROM 10 A.M. TO 6 P.M. MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY, FROM 10 A.M. TO 9 P.M. ON SATURDAY, AND FROM 12 TO 5:30 P.M. ON SUNDAY. FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT JIM MUELLER AT 529-5431

door, donations, through our fund raisers, sponsorship drives, memberships and birthday parties," Mueller said.

Children at the Science Center Tuesday afternoon did not know their summer refuge had received another year of funding from the park district, and they did not seem to care as long as it was open.

"I'd come here any day to get out of school," said 10-year-old Amber Williams, a student from The Learning Center in Du Quoin. "This is fun."

Cindy Arvai, a teacher from the Learning Center pointed out the importance of having a science museum in Southern Illinois.

"They learn a lot of things here," Arvai said. "It's better than being in a video arcade."

### NEWS IN BRIEF

#### CARBONDALE

### Forcum preliminary hearing today

The SIUC man charged in connection with the slaying of Renee N. DiCicco goes to court this morning for a preliminary hearing.

Donald E. Forcum was scheduled to appear for a preliminary hearing June 23, but the hearing was postponed to allow the public defender time to prepare.

Forcum, a senior in food and nutrition, is charged with first degree murder in connection with the death of DiCicco, an SIUC alumna. DiCicco was found dead in her home June 10 by Jackson County deputies responding to a neighbor's report of a disturbance. Brett Janecke, of Chicago, was a house guest of DiCicco's and was seriously wounded in the attack.

Forcum faces charges of first degree murder, attempted first-degree murder, home invasion and armed violence.

### Click It or Ticket targets seat belt violators

Illinois drivers who forget to buckle up could get a \$55 reminder.

Carbondale police are participating in the statewide "Click It or Ticket" campaign, targeting seat belt violators and impaired drivers. The second Click It or Ticket enforcement campaign began Monday, and runs through July 9, just in time for the Fourth of July.

The first campaign began May 22 and ran through June 4, covering the Memorial Day holiday. During this period, law enforcement agencies statewide will be taking a "zero tolerance" approach to seat belt violators.

Riding in the shotgun seat will not give a passenger immunity; passengers who are not belted can also be ticketed. In the case of a child not properly restrained, the driver would be cited. Both seat belt and child restraint violators face a \$55 fine.

Carbondale police will be using saturation patrols, which officer Don Elliott described as saturating a certain area of town, specifically looking for seat belt violators.

"We're just trying to safeguard the holiday weekend, to draw attention to the fact that seat belts can save your life," Elliott said.

### GPSC considers unionization

Graduate and Professional Student Council met in the Student Center Tuesday night. GPSC resolved to form a committee to investigate the possibility of graduate school unionization. Any graduate or professional student who would be interested in serving on this committee should contact GPSC President Bill Peters at 536-7721.

GPSC also elected three members from the General Council to serve on the Executive Board. The new board members are Veronica Ayesh, Josh Sunderbruch, and Shawn J. Seliger.

### Boards meet in closed session

The SIU Board of Trustees will convene in executive session this morning in a closed meeting at the Chicago O'Hare Hilton hotel.

The Executive session meets in closed session for "the purpose of considering information regarding the appointment, employment, or dismissal of employees and officers." The meeting is expected to continue on Thursday at 9:30 a.m.



# Court to schools: not a prayer

By Joseph Lacombe for the Knight-Ridder Tribune on June 27, 2000.

For both sides in the nation's church-state battles, the Supreme Court's recent ruling against school prayer was a bridge too far.

Opponents of classroom prayer have strangely redefined voluntary religious speech as coercion. Supporters, by exaggerating the importance of public benedictions, have invited a crackdown on legitimate religious expression.

The Santa Fe School District in Texas called its prayer policy at football games a reasonable compromise: Students, not school officials, would decide whether to choose a student speaker before the games.

Students, not teachers, would elect the speaker. And the speaker, a student, would decide whether to offer a nonsectarian prayer or no prayer at all.

In a 6-3 decision, the high court said the policy entangled the school in religion, while opening the door to a majoritarian, approach to public worship. But based on prior court rulings, the approach looked more like an accommodation of religion, not an establishment.

In the crucial 1992 *Lee v. Weisman* case that struck down high-school graduation prayers, the justices objected to prayers orchestrated by public officials — but upheld the practice of student-led petitions.

The more serious problem is the exotic claim about the alleged psychological "coercion" of student prayers. The majority of the court worries about "immense social pressure" to participate, but neglects the fact that no one is compelled to attend after-school sports events.

The justices essentially argue that in the wide orbit of public education, religious speech — unlike political speech or even profanity — is inherently coercive. The remedy: Use the power of government to keep faith in the closet.

But that cannot be the thinking behind the Establishment Clause. People do not have a constitutional right to never hear speech they might disagree with. Public schools used to be a place to learn that basic civics lesson.

Moreover, the court's reasoning is a far cry from that of even the most secular-minded of the Founders. When Thomas Jefferson penned his famous Bill for Establishing Religious Freedom, he opposed tax support for churches and religious tests for public office — not public religious speech.

As a Virginia lawmaker, he even supported a bill "Appointing Public Days of Fasting and Thanksgiving." Like nearly all of the Founders, Jefferson sought not merely for toleration, but for vigorous protection of religious expression. Admittedly, the push for school prayers has gotten off track. Supporters often link the decline in public prayers and Bible reading. Jesus said the prayers of the faithful can move mountains. But surely it will take more than watered-down prayers to an undefined Deity to promote piety or greater respect for faith.

"For 12 years students see all subjects through a secular lens," says Charles J. Haynes, a First Amendment scholar at Vanderbilt University. "Public education is deeply flawed by its failure to take religion seriously."

Religious conservatives will be tempted to decry the court ruling in apocalyptic terms: the end of any vestige of faith in public schools. Chief Justice Rehnquist, in his dissent, complained that the majority's opinion "bristles with hostility to all things religious in public life." He may be right. But Haynes, who advises school districts in church-state cases, says prayer supporters should use the court decision as a catalyst for changing the face of public education. Students can still opt for prayer, form Bible study groups, and even distribute religious literature on school grounds. Teachers can use textbooks that teach America's religious history. Churches can pair volunteer mentors with at-risk kids. People of faith have invested enough energy on efforts loaded with symbolism but light on substance.

Meanwhile, religious liberals should do a little soul-searching. For all the talk of coercion, how exactly does it bruise anyone's conscience to stand respectfully for a benediction at an after-school event? The Rev. Barry Lynn, executive director of Americans United for the Separation of Church and State, has actually suggested that classroom prayers could produce the kinds of alienated youth who stage a Columbine-style shooting spree. In the name of civility, these activists are poisoning civic discourse.



## OUR WORD

# Common sense has become the latest casualty of the drug war

Federal legislators seem to have fallen under the influence of an over-zealous drug war.

A new provision of the Higher Education Act of 1998 will take effect July 1 that will deny federal financial aid to students who admit to convictions of the sale or possession of drugs.

Confession may be good for the soul, but it will soon be a punishable offense, as it has become embarrassingly clear that the U.S. Department of Education has no system in place to check whether students are coming clean on their drug-conviction histories.

Even if every student's information could be verified, the provision is further weakened by a variety of flaws that could lead a person to question the recent state of mind at the capital.

Some legislators have publicly defended notorious question 28 by saying it would stop wayward students from spending federal money on drugs. But in truth, it would only stop students from lower-income backgrounds, who had been caught and were then honest about it, from attending school.

And, just to make this perfectly clear, the provision would not adversely affect wealthy students with drug convictions and student who lie about

their drug convictions.

Another group not affected by the restrictions is that of students who get expelled from school because they broke the Student Conduct Code, which addresses drug use in some form at almost all

universities. Those students, along with the students in jail, will not be applying for financial aid right away and, thus, would not be affected by the legislation.

So what's the point?

The DAILY EGYPTIAN editorial board devoted some time to answering that question, but the reasoning behind this provision is as elusive as the dollars it will save.

Even with the controversy surrounding the issue, supporters have cited no studies or evidence of any kind that financial aid dollars were contributing to the drug trade.

Financial aid often helps turn lives around, creating opportunities for people who want to start again. This provision appears to be the government turning its back on some of those people. Perhaps it was well-intentioned when it was originated, but with nothing more to offer both tax-payers and students, that simply isn't enough to justify the existence of this frivolous and unenforceable provision.

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## Some meditations and prime-time TV

I'm sweaty, my face itches, and there are bug bites all over my legs. But I'm happy, even proud, because my skin has turned from its usual pasty white to a nice, coppery tan. Well, actually, it's more red, especially on my shoulders. I've been doing the requisite thing that means it's officially summer: laying out, soaking up the sun.

In the past, I tried a number of methods to achieve the tan of the islands. During junior high school, I sprayed my hide with accelerator, donned plastic goggles, and lay in tanning beds that resembled some kind of outer space coffin, but only got tan enough to outline the complimentary Playboy bunny sticker on my hip. Later on I experimented with self-tanners, which also proved fairly useless on anything except the palms of my hands. Vacationing in hemispheres further south helps somewhat; I got a fairly severe sunburn once in Hawaii, but for the most part, my Slovak/Italian genes have made my skin a fairly consistent color of white that seems oblivious to the sun.

Last night, watching the thin, tanned castaways on the CBS program "Survivor" (part Road Rules, part Gilligan's Island), I wondered aloud whether any of them had

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brought along suntan lotion as their luxury item from home. It seemed to me that basking under the tropical sun all day might not be a good idea for some of the paler participants; if they developed skin cancer, CBS might be liable.

"They probably supply it for them," my friend Doug — part native American and very bronzed already — responded. It figured. And as I observed them fishing, building huts, and hanging out on the beach, their tanned bodies glistening in the sun, I suddenly grew very dissatisfied with my paleness. I felt compelled to get a tan.

However, I know about the risk of

skin cancer. I shouldn't allow myself to be so easily swayed by television, and besides, pale skin is beautiful. Think of Snow White. Winona Ryder. Rose McGowan. Robert Smith? OK, bad example. Then there are those people who've been basking in the sun for years, and it's turned their skin leathery and wrinkled, like rawhide. I don't want to end up like that. In fact, I should stay out of the sun altogether. Go for that "Goth" look, the one where you wear SPF 60 sun block at times.

But that's a bit extreme. I don't want to miss out on having fun just because I'm afraid of skin cancer. It's probably the least of my worries, not nearly as threatening as smoking cigarettes, drinking alcohol or walking in front of a large truck.

In the end, I doubt I'll go out of my way to avoid being in the sun; being outside is one of the benefits of summer, and in this hemisphere a little suntan lotion ought to stave off the ill effects. But I don't think I'll go to any extraordinary lengths to achieve a tan, either. Whatever the sun does to my skin during the time I spend outside this summer — swimming, hiking, going to the sunset concerts, etc. — will be just fine.

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Tasneem Siddiqui, an Associate Professor of Political Science at the University of Dhaka, Ramna, visits with another instructor at the close of a session detailing the electronic and print resources at Morris Library Tuesday afternoon. Siddiqui is one of 18 foreign scholars participating in the six-week Fulbright Summer Institute program.

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## Foreign teachers get lesson in American politics

U.S. State Department funds six-week session

ANTONIO YOUNG  
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

Eighteen professors from foreign universities got an up-close look at the U.S. political system, as the SIUC Department of Political Science conducted its first full-day of program seminars Tuesday.

The six-week Fulbright Summer Institute program, which ends Aug. 5, consists of daily lectures by teachers from the political science and law faculty. They will speak on specific subjects in their specialty, such as American-interest groups, political parties, federalism, Congress and various other topics.

John Foster, associate professor for the Political Science Department and program director, believes the participants will get a well-rounded view of American politics, placing special emphasis on local and state government.

"Foreign visitors usually know quite a lot about our national government, and less about our state and local government," Foster said. "To really understand how the United States works, you need to understand how much we do at the state and local level. Our education, for exam-

ple, is run by state government."

The program, which is funded through a \$172,000 grant from the U.S. State Department's Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs, will also include trips to Springfield, Chicago and Washington, D.C.

"In addition to the class work, they will tour some of the buildings where important decisions are made," Foster said. "It should be one of their more powerful experiences." David Kimball, a political science professor at SIUC and instructor for the program, will teach research on American voting behavior. He said the program should also be an enjoyable experience for SIUC teachers.

"I think it's a great program for them and also for us because we meet other people from other countries and share ideas with them," Kimball said.

The visiting professors are from foreign nations such as Algeria, Bolivia, Israel, Italy, Pakistan and the Philippines.

Tasneem Siddiqui, an American political system and research methodology professor from Bangladesh, was selected by the U.S. Embassy in Bangladesh to apply for the program and was accepted. She has been teaching for 15 years.

Siddiqui said the program should allow her to become

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## Group searches for deeper meaning through food

ALEXA AGUILAR  
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For college students looking for a deeper meaning in life, they need not look any further than their dinner plate.

Whether preparing a meal alone or sharing dinner with friends, food can impact a person's physical, mental and spiritual health.

This is the message of a group of cuisine-concerned citizens who meet every Sunday night to share not just a potluck meal, but memories of food, concerns about fast-food culture and ideas on how to improve their relationship with food.

The course of meetings is based on the series: "Food, Faith, and

Sustainability" by an organization called Earth Ministry from Searle.

As the group met over plates of steaming spaghetti and fresh bread Sunday, they talked of the different reasons they meet each week. Reasons ranged from seeking a way to simplify daily life and wanting to

simply enjoy food and conversation to "it's dinnertime!"

A bright flier on the wall stated the objective for the evening:

"Your health, happiness and the future of life on earth are rarely so much in your own hands as when you sit down to eat."

The group talked about the ill-effects of the fast-food industry on our culture. Too often, they agreed, people are content to eat a quick,

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unhealthy meal on the run instead of sitting down to enjoy a meal prepared at home.

Georgann Hartzog, a nurse at St. Joseph's Hospital in Murphysboro, spent Sunday working in her garden and had been looking forward to discussing relationships with food.

Hartzog said too often people think food just comes from the grocery store, and they do not stop to think about the larger connection to food.

Kim Magwire, pastor at the Church of Good Shepherd in Carbondale, said eating simply does

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been found wrongfully convicted. In most of the cases, DNA testing exonerated them.

"Any physical evidence should be retained, especially in capital cases," McKeon said.

Gov. Ryan gained national attention in February when he placed a moratorium on the death penalty in Illinois, citing the need to re-examine Illinois' death penalty system before reinstating it.

Ryan said there had been no public opposition to the HB 4593, and many police and prosecutors fully

support the retention policy.

However, Rep. Jim Durkin, R-Westchester, who also is a former prosecutor, voted against the bill. He said while he agrees with the concept of the bill, he feels it unfairly makes prosecutors and law enforcement responsible for evidence.

After a prosecutor was finished with a case, he would still be accountable for missing or tampered evidence because of the chain of custody provision, Durkin said.

"I read it as someone who was specifically targeting state's attorneys and making them felons, instead of trying to change a procedure," Durkin said.

HB 4593 passed in the House with a vote of 102-13 and in the Senate with a vote of 105-6.

Rep. Mike Bost, R-Murphysboro, supported the bill but said the state needs to help local municipalities adjust to the provisions.

"The tough thing is going to be for local law enforcement to keep the evidence on hand for long periods," Bost said.

Mike Wepsiec, Jackson County state's attorney, said if the state gov-

ernment is going to mandate a retention policy, it would need to provide funding to local police departments and state's attorneys to pay for the extra room needed to hold evidence for long periods.

Ryan spokesman Nick Palazzolo said though signing the bill is an important first step in the evidence retention law, Ryan said some areas of the bill need to be

improved. For example, Ryan said the arbi-

trary time limits of the bill could cause the destruction of evidence when the appeal process had not been completed or retention of evidence after defendants had completed their sentences.

"He wanted to signal his support for the issue so he signed the bill," Palazzolo said. "But he has encouraged the General Assembly to take a further look at the bill during the fall veto session."

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"She talked about how we've gained some victories this year, but we still have a long way to go," Curkin said.

Curkin said the parades are important for SIUC students to attend.

"In rural areas, the young don't have exposure to gay culture and the opportunity to experience the power of being in that community," Curkin said.

Matt Stovey, a 19-year-old sophomore in photojournalism from Belleville and member of the lobby group Privacy Rights Education, said the event helped to bridge the different people involved in the community.

"Everybody goes to this," Stovey said. "It's an opportunity to look around and not feel alone. It's amazing to see all the people who are just like you or who are supportive. It's hard to feel like that everyday just walking down the street."

Stovey called this year's St. Louis

event "wonderful" and described the festivities as kind of like Mardi Gras, where a lot of people let loose and have a good time.

"It makes me feel really good that we live in a society today where we don't have to hide any-

more," Stovey said. "We can just go out in the park and have a huge parade, and we don't have to worry about whose hand we're holding or who we're with. We can just be comfortable without getting weird looks or bad comments. It's a really nice feeling."

Curkin encourages everyone, regardless of sexual orientation, to attend events like these and support the community. "It's an affirming statement of who gay people are," Curkin said. "It's as much the responsibility of the straight community as the gay community to speak out against violence and bias."

Besides St. Louis, parades and festivals abounded throughout the United States last week. In Chicago, thousands lined the streets of the city's North Side for the 31st annual gay pride parade.

Hundreds of thousands were said to attend San Francisco's 30th annual Pride Parade, possibly the biggest event of its kind worldwide.

In New York's parade, Mayor Rudolph Giuliani participated in the march, as well as U.S. Senate candidate, Hillary Clinton, who reportedly gave the thumbs-up sign and clapped her hands to disco music.

"I'm pleased to be here on behalf of equal rights for gays and lesbians," the liberal first lady told reporters. "This year, because of the hate-crimes bill in New York and the civil union law in Vermont, it's a year we can look back on and say there's been some progress."

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not mean spending less time on the food you eat, but instead taking more time to choose the ingredients and the company with whom you eat.

Acknowledging that it was hard for college students who live in dorms to prepare their own food, Magwire suggested by attending the meetings, students can raise awareness about how important food choices are to a healthy and rounded life.

In a time when students suffer from eating disorders like anorexia and bulimia, or go on restrictive diets to lose weight, this can be especially important, Magwire said.

"If you have a good relationship with food, it can be a grounding, centering time in your day," Magwire said.

Daniel Rivera, a graduate student in zoology, attends the potluck meetings with his wife, an assistant professor in speech communication, and their two small children.

"This is a great opportunity to taste the different varieties of food and appreciate it, instead of looking at eating as refueling at a pit stop," Rivera said.

After the main course, the group enjoyed warm blue-berry cobbler and ice cream as they reminisced about the "soul foods" of their lives. One member remembered driving ten hours home from college to have one of her father's milkshakes.

"It's so much more than just the food you eat," Magwire said. "It's the relationship between you, the food and other people."

Hugh Muldoon, director of University Christian Ministries, stressed how beneficial attending the

potluck meetings could be for SIUC students. He feels that, regardless of age, eating well means health not only for body, but also for the mind and the world.

By creating a dialogue about food, we learn from each other," Muldoon said. "We all share equally here — we are sharing a quest for a healthy lifestyle."



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more developed in her teaching skills, as she gains more reading materials on American politics.

"Back home, they are very much into lecture-oriented teaching, so I hope to take back new techniques like video production, which can make teaching more interesting," Siddiqui

said. "If I'm updated on recent issues in American politics, I think I can teach our students from a more-enlightened perspective."

Although the program has just begun, Siddiqui said she is very excited about the program's list of activities, such as the week-long tours in Chicago and Springfield.

"So far, it's been good. They are really taking interest and putting a lot of effort into it," Siddiqui said.

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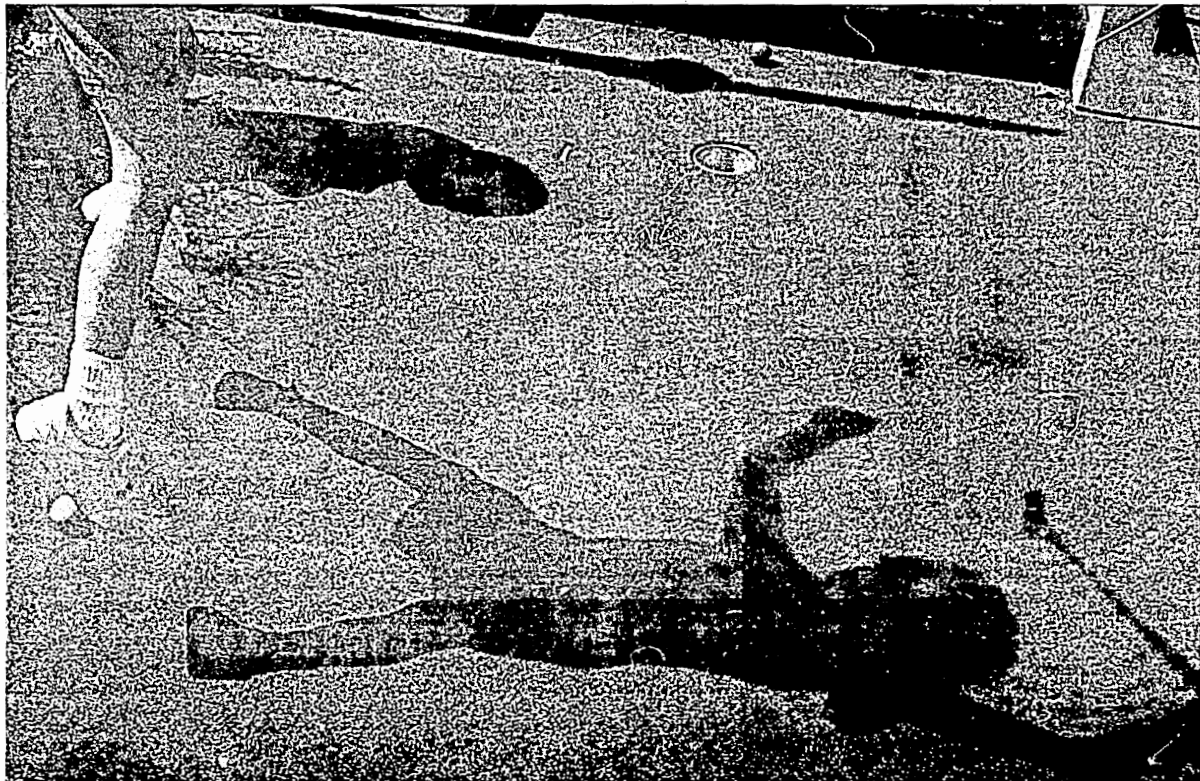
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# No big-time stars in this year's NBA draft

DICK JERARDI  
KNOX-RIDDER TRIBUNE

If you're looking for Tim Duncan when they start calling names Wednesday night, forget it. If you're looking for Elton Brand or Steve Francis in this NBA draft, forget that, too. There simply are no major stars in this bunch.

There are, however, some very good players. A few could even help a mediocre team become a playoff contender. More picks than ever before will be made on "potential." There are probably only two or three players who almost everybody would agree will be solid NBA players immediately. After that, it's a giant guessing game.

Marcus Fizer, Iowa St. Over the last month of the regular season and into the NCAA Tournament, Fizer was the best college player in America. As other players began to wear down and as the stakes increased, Fizer got better and better. Fast enough to beat most forwards down the floor for easy baskets. Super smooth with the ball from 15 feet and in. Strong enough to get position and smart enough to work himself into scoring position. Sees the court very well and knows the difference between a shot and a good shot. Plays a team game, but will be selfish when that helps the team. May last longer than he should because NBA types often look at what they think a player is supposed to be rather than what he is. Fizer is good, really good.

Kenyon Martin, Cincinnati Dominant scorer, rebounder and shot-blocker. Willed what I thought was an otherwise ordinary team to No. 1 for much of the season. Who knows what would have happened if he hadn't broken his leg in the Conference USA Tournament? Almost certainly will be the first pick in the draft by New Jersey. What the Nets will be getting is a player with great pride and a big heart. If he improves at the same rate in the NBA as he did in college, Martin is a potential All-Star. I don't think he will be a big scorer, but he could be a better shot-blocking and shooting version of Dale Davis. Won't back down from a challenge. Will give maximum effort. Every kid who wants to be a pro should be required to watch Martin's effort in Cincinnati's amazing comeback win over De Paul.

Stromlie Swift Louisiana St. Some people think he came out of nowhere last year, but he was a high school superstar who just took a little while to adjust to the college game. His block on Texas center Chris Mihm was "the" play of the NCAA Tournament's first weekend. That play was enough to move him right into the draft's top three. A wonderful athlete, Swift has the Chris Webb-like quick jump that can get him from here to there before you know he was here. He'll block some shots, get some rebounds and, in due time, score and n-baybe score big. He will put the power in power forward.

Courtney Alexander, Fresno St. Picked way off Broadway after serious personal problems at Virginia. Not necessarily a classic shooter. More an old-time NBA scorer from the shooting guard spot.

Can create a shot off the bounce or free himself to get a shot. Had a few bad workouts and there have been whispers about a bad back. Still, he's potentially the best scorer (after Fizer) in this draft.

Desmond Mason, Oklahoma St. None of the NBA types like him as much as I do. I think he's the best pure athlete in the draft, not unlike Shawn Marion from a year ago. Nobody jumps higher or dunks with more flair. Yet, he succeeded in Eddie Sutton's structured system, because he learned how to use screens and developed serious range on his jump shot. Has a chance to be a very good NBA swingman.

Chris Carrawell, Duke A rare four-year player who was in a million big games. Like his tell-the-truth personality just as much as his game. Will not back down from a challenge. Not as good a defender as the Duke propaganda machine would have you believe, but a far more skilled offensive player than most people realize. Another swingman with the potential of instant offense off the bench. I like him more than most of the NBA people, but what do they know?

Etan Thomas, Syracuse Maybe it's because every time I saw him, he was killing Villanova. I think he could have scored more if he had been featured. There is no question about his shot-blocking talents. He's one of the best in recent years. The question is position. He's really not big enough to play center and many of the power forwards might be too quick, especially if they take him away from the basket. Still, he's got real basketball skills and that still matters.

Mike Miller, Florida Does nothing great, but does just about everything well. Another swingman who can play multiple positions. I think another year of college definitely would have helped, but he knows how to play already and will be the kind of player who can create matchup problems. Nobody noticed it, because Michigan State dominated the national championship game, but Miller made the move of the game when he somehow dribbled the ball from back to front and between Spartans' defenders in one sustained move for an early hoop. Right at that moment, I said to myself: "He's gone."

Chris Mihm, Texas Will go early because he's the best of the true centers and there just aren't many around these days. Love his touch and his footwork. Could be a middle-of-the-pack center, but will get overwhelmed by the serious big men. Had a tendency to disappear at times, but clearly improved through his college career.

Craig "Speedy" Claxton, Hofstra Several point guards will go in the first round. Speedy is the only one I really like. Great with the ball. Absolutely will break down defenses with penetration. Can finish. Can and will set up teammates. Sees the floor. Knows the game. Jumper getting better. Forget the name on the front of the shirt. This kid could have gone to a lot of schools, but chose to hang with Jay Wright and Hofstra because they were there first. A winner.



TED SCHURTER - DAILY EGYPTIAN

Jen Falkenheim moves in synchronization with the rest of the Power High Intensity Training System class Monday night at the Student Recreation Center. "I like the instructor, she really keeps you going," Falkenheim said after completing her first HITS class.

## HITS

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and allow the class to relax.

"The people in this class have been coming quite a bit," King said. "They are familiar with and familiar with the terminology. They are comfortable with everything, so we can try a lot of different things with it."

If this class seems to be too advanced, a good beginner class to learn the fundamentals of hi/lo and step exercises is Sweet-N-Lo Tuesdays and Thursdays. This class gives the benefits of cardiovascular fitness, while keeping the beginner comfortable in an environment with others at the same

level.

Speech communication major Amanda Grove said she comes to the class because it is at a convenient time, but also to burn off some of the stress of being a graduate student puts on.

According to Grove, the good music is not the only thing she comes out of here feeling.

"The workout hits all over — legs, arms, and chest," Grove said.

SIUC graduate student Jason Del Gandio has a different reason for attending aerobics classes. He feels good after a hard workout.

"On a good day, I walk out of here with an adrenaline rush," Del Gandio said. "On a bad day, I feel like passing out."

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Definition

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TED SCHURTER - DAILY EGYPTIAN

Anna King leads the Power High Intensity Training System class through a routine Monday night at the Student Recreation Center. The hour-long class is designed for intermediate to advanced participants and is scheduled every Monday and Wednesday this summer.

## Getting pumped with a HIT of power

*Power HITS fitness class takes traditional cardio to the next level*

**RANA CONNOLLY**  
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

Accounting is Anna King's life. She finds escape from that life at the Power HITS fitness class.

King, a graduate student at SIUC, instructs Power HITS, which stands for High Intensity Training System. It is an intermediate-to-advanced class, meaning that people who just started aerobics should attend a beginner class first. The hour-long class is scheduled every Monday and Wednesday this summer at the Recreation Center.

During the hi/lo workout, King leads the class to upbeat music, maneuvering different steps and moves on the floor, props such as steps are not used. Between each combination of movements are intervals, which are exercises that raise a person's heart rate.

### SUBSTANTIUM CENTER FITNESS SCHEDULE

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
5:00pm - 6:00pm Power HITS (AA)	5:00pm - 6:00pm Weight Training (AA)	5:00pm - 6:00pm Power HITS (AA)	5:00pm - 6:00pm Weight Training (AA)	5:00pm Cardio (AA)
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6:15pm - 7:00pm Step and Crunch (AA)		6:15pm - 7:00pm Step and Crunch (AA)		

AA - Activity Area AA - Aerobics Room NA - Natatorium BCB - Racquetball Court #8

The goal in the class is to get heart rate up and increase cardiovascular strength of those who take the class. Squats are done, as well as abdominal exercises to tone muscles.

"We do a little bit of everything," King said. "We try to give them the whole package."

At the end of class, King switches the energizing music to a slow and relaxing beat. The purpose of this 10-minute period after the cool down, is to breathe deeply

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#### Trade talks

A source told ESPN.com that the Chicago Cubs and New York Yankees are at an impasse in a possible Sammy Sosa trade. The source added that if the Cubs don't lower their demands, this deal "won't get done."

#### New coach

Tuesday Byron Scott, who helped lead the Lakers to three NBA championships, was hired as the New Jersey Nets new coach. The announcement of the new coach came one day before the start of the NBA Draft where the Nets have the No. 1 pick.

#### Helping hand

Celtics coach Rick Pitino confirmed to the Boston Herald that he did speak with U. of Miami officials to act as a sounding board and offer assistance with their coaching search.

## On the verge of equality in SIU athletics

*Athletic Department reaches for compliance in gender equity goals*

**ANDY EGANES**  
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

The SIU Athletic Department appears to be in full compliance with their gender equity plan and made building a new softball complex a goal by 2002.

The department can choose one of three ways to comply with regulations, and SIU chooses a method that tries to fully accommodate the interests and abilities of the underrepresented sex.

The last report filed from the 1999-2000 fiscal year showed the makeup of student-athletes are nearing the proportional mark of the student body.

In that fiscal year, 57 percent of all full-time SIU

students were male and 43 percent were female. The percentage of male student-athletes were 59 and female student-athletes were 41 percent.

"We still have a little bit of work to do, but we are getting close to those numbers," said Nancy Bandy, SIU assistant athletic director.

Even though participation rates disproportionate to enrollment are common in programs offering football, institutions can comply by giving a sufficient interest and accommodates a reasonable expectation of competition.

Some concerns have centered around upgrading the SIU softball facility. Originally, the construction of a new softball complex was tentatively scheduled for 2001.

The construction will also a clubhouse to include showers and rest rooms and will provide a quality facilities for male and female athletes.

Former SIU Associate Athletic Director Charlotte

West is pleased that the University is looking into providing comparable facilities for softball. She also said that not having a timetable outlined could put the department in jeopardy with the federal government.

"Those are the two things they are looking into and I'm glad they are picking up on that," West said.

Also, the gender equity plan set a goal that will develop and implement travel policy for men's and women's basketball team. The goal's intentions will help ensure equivalent modes of transportation.

Bandy said the department is still in good compliance, but still has things to evaluate.

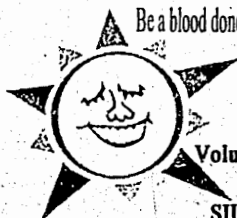
"We are certainly not completely in compliant," Bandy said. "But I would say we are better than some schools, probably better than most."

"That is hard to measure from school to school because they are so many variables so I like to say away from comparisons and just look at where we are not compliant."

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