## Housing director praises recent RHA achievements

By Kevin McCoy Staff Reporter

The UNL Residence Hall Association assessed the year's achievements and set goals for the 1985-86 school year during its final Senate meeting Thursday night.

said this year's hall government was one of the best he had worked with in the 15 years he has been associated with residence halls.

"This year's RHA has made a big of Neihardt Residence Center. impression on me," Zatechka said. The ments had tried and failed at and hall and Greek students.

also succeeded with other amibitious projects that had never been attemp- to see slow down," Zatechka told inted, he said.

Accomplishments cited by Zatechka included:

 Establishing the first-ever Residence Hall Week last fall.

Housing Director Douglas Zatechka Record and efforts to bring back an all-university yearbook.

 Seeking as advocates for hall pate in today's March to the Capitol. residents on cable TV, overhead lighting, unlimited food and the renovation as a concrete way of showing student

 Establishing a commission for ity university. group accomplished goals other governimproving relations between residence

"I sense a momentum I would hate coming RHA officers.

ASUN second vice president Jeff Fishback presented two ASUN resolutions for approval by RHA, one calling for state senators to reconsider the Publication of the Freshman budget appropriation for the university, and another encouraging teachers to let students out of class to partici-

> Fishback said the rally is necessary concern about tuition costs and a qual-

RHA passed both resolutions un-

# Reuter Report

# Reagan, 'hurt' in the heart,' to visit Bitburg despite furor

WASHINGTON - White House Chief of Staff Donald Regan said Sunday there was no chance President Reagan would drop his controversial planned visit to a German war cemetery.

Regan said the furor sparked by the visit had "wounded" the president. "He's wounded by this internally, in his heart, he is hurt," Regan said in

a CBS television interview. According to a story in the New York Times, some of the soldiers buried at Bitburg were in the Waffen SS division. The Waffen SS committed one of the worst massacres of World War II when it shot or burned to death 642 residents of the French village of Oradour-sur-Glane, the Times reported.

However, the German group which unveiled the information said it was unlikely that any of the soldiers buried at Bitburg were involved in the

Asked if there were any chance that next Sunday's visit to the cemetery at Bitburg might be cancelled, Regan replied: "No there isn't."

Regan said the trip would last only 10 to 15 minutes, contrasted with the president's visit to the Bergen-Belsen concentration camp, which would last well over an hour.

He declined to confirm that Reagan would lay a wreath at Bitburg. although in a newspaper interview released today a West German government spokesman said a wreath-laying would be included.

Audit questions defense expenses

WASHINGTON - A golf outing and sports tickets were among over

The committee is auditing claims made by General Dynamics Corpora-

The report did not identify which company made which expense

\$100 million in dubious expenses uncovered by the House Armed Services

Committee in an audit of seven major defense contractors, the committee

tion, Sperry Corporation, Newport News Shipbuilding and Dry Dock

Company, Bell Helicopter, McDonnell Douglas Corporation, Rockwell

International Corporation and the Boeing Company over several years.

\$1,000 for meals at the World Trade Center in New York.

\$12,333 for tickets at the Los Angeles Forum sports arena

\$950,698 for expenses at the Paris Air Show and \$1.1 million for

The Defense Department has ruled that such claims are not allowable.

\$10,713 for losses at a company barbershop

\$162,149 for airplane models and other gifts

Among the claims questioned were:

losses at a company cafeteria.

### Researcher seeks decrease in Third World infancy deaths

World country dies from malnutrition, his five annual visits to that country. dehydration and diarrhea.

Khem Shahani, who has garnered numerous national and international awards in nearly three decades of research on dairy products at UNL, hopes to alleviate this crisis.

Arnold Schaefer, also a UNL professor of food science and technology, is an internationally respected nutritionist who is providing guidance and leadership in the project.

"Global improvement of nutrition is essential to break the vicious cycle of The occurrence of death from gas- diarrhea and malnutrition. Malnutritrointestinal disorders is particularly tion compounds and complicates the acute in Bangladesh, Shahani said. The recovery of patients with acute diarprofessor of food science and technol- rhea," Shahani said. "Poor socioogy has worked closely with Bangla- economic conditions, illiteracy and desh health officials, particularly with poor sanitation are factors which con-Kamal Anmud, director of the Nutri- tribute to the high incidence of acute

Every six seconds a child in a Third tion and Food Science Institute, during diarrhea in underdeveloped and developing nations.

> When infants contract acute diarrhea, they often become dehydrated and lose nutrients as well as salts called electrolytes. "The underlying element in acute diarrhea management is the re-establishment of the fluid and electrolyte deficits," Shahani said. "One way to end diarrhea is to administer an oral rehydration solution containing electrolytes." The solution is available in sugar-water formulas containing sodium, potassium and

> Shahani, a consultant to the World Health Organization of the United Nations, is applying for a grant from the Nestles' Research Foundation to help supply children in Bangladesh with the lifesaving rehydration solution.

> Shahani's work is part of UNL's Agricultural Research Division of the Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resource's goal to provide knowledge to meet the needs of the future.

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said Sunday.

CAPE CANAVERAL — U.S. space officials Sunday gave the go-ahead for today's noon launch of the space shuttle Challenger, which will carry seven astronauts, a pair of chattering monkeys and the European "We're showing the thumbs-up sign for now," shuttle program adminis-

NASA to launch shuttle, rats and all

trator Jesse Moore told a pre-launch briefing.

The countdown progressed smoothly under cloudless skies, and forecasters said weather conditions were expected to be flawless for the 17th blastoff of a space shuttle.

NASA will have a "window" of up to 21/2 hours to launch the shuttle should last-minute problems arise.

Within this 23-foot-long orbiting laboratory scientists will perform 15 experiments, ranging from crystal processing to astronomy. But an assortment of furry creatures - a pair of squirrel monkeys and

two dozen white rats - are expected to steal the spacelab show. During the mission the monkeys will be monitored for feeding habits and behavioral changes.

The rats face a less pleasant fate. They have been hired with surgicallyimplanted brain sensors and will be decapitated after the mission to study the effects of space travel.

#### PLO rejects U.S. proposal of talks

TUNIS, Tunisia — The Palestine Liberation Organization said Sunday as Assistant Secretary of State Richard Murphy ended a Middle East tour, that it rejected American proposals for a U.S. Jordanian-PLO dialogue.

A spokesman for PLO leader Yasser Arafat, who returned to his Tunis headquarters Sunday after a seven-nation trip, told Reuters Murphy's proposals were unacceptable, adding: "We completely reject the American approach for a settlement."

He quoted Murphy as saying on his tour, which included Jordan, Israel and Egypt, that the United States would talk to a joint Jordanian-PLO delegation if the PLO accepted U.N. Resolution 242.

The PLO has always rejected this resolution, passed in 1967, because it treats the Palestinian situation merely as a refugee problem while the PLO wants to create an independent Palestinian state.

#### Iran develops long-range missiles

TEHRAN, Iran - Iran has completed research on long-range and medium-range missiles and is now working on their production, a government minister has said in an interview.

Mohsen Rafiqdoost, minister in charge of the Revolutionary Guard Corps, a body parallel to the army, made clear in the interview with the corps' magazine that the missiles had not yet been deployed.

Rafiqdoost also said in his interview that Iran had started production of a guided anti-tank missile, which he described as very efficient and one of the most advanced in the world.

"We hope the first batch of these missiles, which are wholly made in Iran, will soon be used on the battlefields against the enemies of God and we will become self-sufficient in anti-tank guided missiles," he said.



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