

# 6th District candidate making B/CS his prime campaign target

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Reporter

Joe Barton, Republican candidate for the 6th Congressional District, made a speech Tuesday at the opening of his Bryan-College Station campaign headquarters.

Barton said the weeks before the election will be most critical. He said the time will be spent doing whatever he needs to win, which will include spending about 25 percent of his time in the Bryan-College Station area. "This (Bryan-College Station) is a primary target," Barton said.

Barton said. Besides his party affiliation, he said the fact that he grew up here and graduated from Texas A&M gives him strength in this conservative area.

Barton said the 6th Congressional District is conservative and that he has developed a grassroots network of support. He says he is the only candidate to take the issues to the people.

The big issue in Barton's campaign has been federal deficit reduction. He said a congressman must be elected who

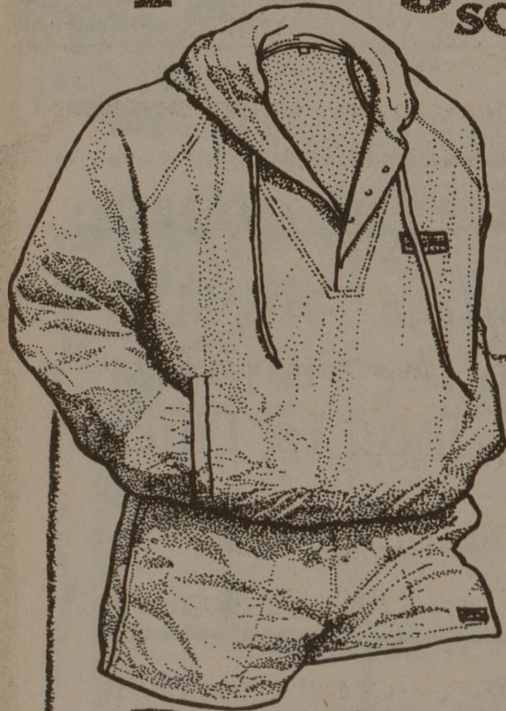
can get the government to say "no" to additional spending.

Barton held thick summaries of the Grace Commission, in which he helped find a \$424 billion cut in the federal budget. Barton said the commission is a blueprint for deficit reduction, that will produce benefits if a person willing to implement its recommendations is elected to Congress.

An amendment is needed to enforce federal program cuts, Barton said.

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the time in line averaged less than minutes all day. Seniors with names starting M-Z register today.

# Pentagon says Soviets plan satellite destroyers

**United Press International**  
WASHINGTON — The Pentagon painted a grim portrait Tuesday of Soviet military expansion, detailing Moscow's plans for new missiles, a trio of spaceships and lasers that could be killing satellites by the 1990s.

Declassifying U.S. intelligence secrets to document Soviet military growth, the Defense Department also said Moscow has deployed or is developing two nuclear-powered attack submarines and three fighter aircraft.

The arms plans were outlined in "Soviet Military Power 1984," the third edition of the Pentagon's illustrated catalog of Soviet might.

It said the Soviets already have two ground-based test lasers that could become anti-satellite beam weapons in the next decade, and also revealed Moscow's plans to build three new spaceships, including one similar to the U.S. space shuttle.

At a news conference held to formally present the report, Defense Secretary Caspar Weinberger said the objective behind the massive Soviet armament program is "world domination — it's just that simple. It confirms that's the kind of war machine they're trying to acquire."

What that means, a Pentagon official said, is the Soviets "expect the West to react to that push sooner or later, and they want to be prepared. Ultimately, to accomplish their objective, they might have to go to war."

About 350,000 copies of the report will be printed, costing taxpayers about \$400,000, Pentagon officials said.

More comprehensive and longer than the previous two editions published in September 1981 and March 1983, the new 136-page report for the first time compares East-West military postures, explains Soviet doctrine and outlines Moscow's mushrooming capability to project its power around the world.

Filled with color and black-and-white photographs, artists' renderings of Soviet weapons and multi-colored charts and graphs, the slick booklet is a chilling depiction of a military buildup whose immediate purpose remains unclear.

But the Reagan administration insists the Soviet buildup must be countered with a \$1.7 trillion, five-year U.S. rearmament program.

"A full and clear appreciation of the threat we face provides the basis and rationale for our defense program," Weinberger said in the report's three-page preface. "Deterrence, essential to our survival, will be difficult strategy."

Compiled from the views of the CIA and the Pentagon's Defense Intelligence Agency, the report said the Soviets developed two ground-based lasers "that could be used against satellites." Those in addition to the anti-satellite interceptor Moscow has fielded two launch pads.

Experiments with a prototype laser anti-satellite weapon could be held "as soon as late 1980s" and one could be deployed between the early mid-1990s, the report said.

A space-based beam weapon to disrupt satellite electronic equipment "could be tested by the early 1990s" and testing could begin by the mid-1990s on one designed to destroy satellites, it said.

The United States is developing an anti-satellite weapon launched from an F-15 fighter. That weapon is to become operational by 1987. The administration has shied from negotiations with the Soviet Union on such devices.

The report said "significant new launch facilities are completed at the Soviet's ratam complex for testing"

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