

THE BATTALION DEBRIEFING



Botany On Tour | John Jahovec, a biology Ph.D. candidate, explains the details of the plant life on campus to his Botany 201 students during a tour Wednesday afternoon.

Ryan Rogers, THE BATTALION

► This day in history

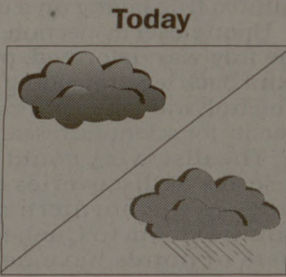
(AP) — Today is Thursday, Jan. 23, the 23rd day of 1997. There are 342 days left in the year.
 In 1845, Congress decided all national elections would be held on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November.
 In 1932, New York Gov. Franklin D. Roosevelt announced his candidacy for the Democratic presidential nomination.
 In 1964, the 24th Amendment to the Constitution, eliminating the poll tax in federal elections, was ratified.
 In 1977, 20 years ago, the TV miniseries *Roots*, based on the Alex Haley novel, began airing on ABC.
 In 1973, President Nixon announced an accord had been reached to end the Vietnam War.
 Five years ago: Forty-seven nations, including the United States, agreed on a massive global humanitarian effort to rescue millions of hungry people in the former Soviet Union.

One year ago: Delivering his State of the Union address to a skeptical Republican Congress, President Clinton traced the themes of his re-election campaign and confronted GOP lawmakers on the budget, demanding they "never — ever" shut the government again.

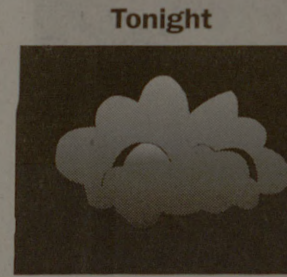
► Today's birthdays

(AP) — Actress Chita Rivera is 64. Singer Anita Pointer is 49. Actor Richard Dean Anderson is 47. Rock singer-musician Patrick Simmons (The Doobie Brothers) is 47. Rock musician Danny Federici (Bruce Springsteen and the E Street Band) is 47. Rock singer Robin Zander (Cheap Trick) is 44. Princess Caroline of Monaco is 40. Singer Anita Baker is 39. Reggae musician Earl Falconer (UB40) is 38. Rhythm-and-blues singer Marc Nelson (Az Yet) is 26. Actress Tiffani-Amber Thiessen is 23.

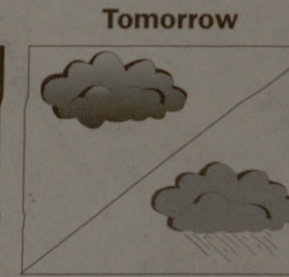
► Weather



Mostly cloudy with a 40 percent chance of rain in late today and southeasterly winds at 10 mph.



Cloudy with a 50 percent chance of rain, fog after midnight and southerly winds at 5-10 mph.



Cloudy with 60 percent chance of rain and southerly winds turning to the north at 10 mph.

Highs & Lows

Today's Expected High: 70°F
 Tonight's Expected Low: 58°F
 Tomorrow's Expected High: 73°F
 Tomorrow's Expected Low: 45°F

Information courtesy of TAMU

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