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# Some in GOP seeing Cruz as best alternative to Trump

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The CSU women's basketball team was trying to accomplish a major feat — win three straight tournament championships.



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Heavy equipment sits idle on the site of a dam restoration project caused by December's heavy rains.

## Bull Creek dam close to completion

A few Concerned Readers have called and written, worried that the city is moving too slowly, if at all, to repair a collapsed dam at Bull Creek Golf Course. The dam, which held back a pond that was used to water nine of the course's 36 greens, collapsed under the December Deluge that caused such havoc all over town. After making a few phone calls and riding out to the Midland golf facility, I can report that the city is indeed working on restoring the dam and, with a few days of good weather, should be able to start refilling the pond and watering the greens again.



Mike Owen

Ron Smith, deputy director of Public Works, said Bull Creek is paying for all the materials and for the rental of one piece of heavy equipment, and his de-

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## MUSCOGEE COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD

# Shaw principal to be recommended for tech posting

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Shaw High School principal Michael S. Barden is being recommended for the position of senior director of technology learning and support.

The Muscogee County School Board will discuss Barden and the school district position at a work session today at 5 p.m. in the Muscogee County Public Education Center on Macon Road.

Also on the agenda is a discussion about a proposed calendar for the 2016-2017 school year.

The job of senior director was established for the purpose of managing the

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Nancy Reagan: 1921-2016

# FORMER FIRST LADY NANCY REAGAN DIES AT AGE 94

A high-profile First Lady, Reagan fiercely protected husband's welfare



Associated Press file photo

In this Jan. 20, 1981, file photo, President Ronald Reagan and first lady Nancy Reagan wave to onlookers at the Capitol building as they stand on the podium in Washington following the swearing in ceremony. The former first lady has died at 94.

By WILLIAM DOUGLAS

McClatchy Washington Bureau

## WASHINGTON —

Nancy Reagan, a movie actress who assumed the role of a lifetime in the White House as the wife of President Ronald Reagan, has died, it was announced Sunday. She was 94.

Nancy Reagan was a Hollywood starlet with 23 movie and television credits; a governor's wife, a first lady who fiercely protected her husband's interests, and a staunch advocate for stem-cell research that she hoped would spare others the pain her family endured as Alzheimer's disease sapped the former president's memory and vitality before his death in 2004.

She was a behind-the-scenes force in the White House, unafraid to speak her mind in private to the president and White House officials about the goings-on in the administration.

"I make no apologies for telling him (the president) what I thought," Reagan wrote in her memoir, "My Turn." "For eight years, I was sleeping with the president, and if that doesn't give you special access, I don't know what does!"

Reagan was viewed by many historians as a "traditional" first lady who focused more on the social aspects of the White House.



VICTORIA ANGULO/Ronald Reagan Presidential Foundation via AP

In this July 6, 2015, photo, Nancy Reagan blows out candles on a cake as she celebrates her 94th birthday at her home in the Bel-Air district of Los Angeles.

She had a flair for entertaining, hosting 34 state dinners in her husband's first term. She was credited — and criticized — for returning an aura of style and sophistication to the White House at a time the nation was struggling through a recession.

"She felt the White House should exemplify the best," said Mark Weinberg, who worked on Ronald Reagan's campaigns, in the White House Press Office, and as a family spokesman after the couple left Washington. "She went about fixing things; then there were these stories about 'Queen Nancy.' It bothered her dearly."

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Mark Weinberg, former communications adviser to President Ronald Reagan

But Nancy Reagan was anything but traditional. Though not as politically overt as Dolley Madison, Eleanor Roosevelt, Betty Ford or Hillary Clinton, former Reagan administration members said she exercised influence in some personnel and policy matters.

She served as Ronald Reagan's protector-in-chief, always watching and listening to ensure that his staff was working to advocate his policies and vision, and not advancing their own careers and agendas.

She clashed with Donald Regan, Reagan's chief of staff, and called his appointment to that job one of the biggest mistakes of her husband's presidency.

She described Reagan's choice of Alexander Haig as secretary of state the biggest mistake of Reagan's first term, calling him "power hungry" and "belligerent." She shed no tears when Haig resigned in 1982.

"In this case I didn't have to say anything to my husband; Ronnie just didn't

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## News Elsewhere

What's happening outside the Chattahoochee Valley

## Nation

**GAY WEDDING EXPO:** Hundreds of people were expected at a wedding expo in Salt Lake City aimed at connecting same-sex couples with businesses who will work their weddings. **Page A3.**

## World

**IRAQ SUICIDE BOMBER:** A suicide bomber rammed his explosives-laden fuel truck into a security checkpoint south of Baghdad, killing at least 47 and wounding dozens, officials said. **Page A3.**

TODAY'S FORECAST: Mostly sunny day, clear night skies. High: 73. Morning low: 41. **WEATHER, A2**

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