## Hereford BRAND

HUSTLIN' HEREFORD HOME OF Kayla McBride

## Today's weather -1 O O

Mostly cloudy skles low in the upper 30s. Wednesday: Partly sunny with a high in the mid-60s. Wednes day night: Mostly clear with Extended forecast. Thursday: Mostly sunny, hig around 80
to 50 , high around 85 .
Saturday: Partly cloudy, Iow in the mid-40s, high in the mid-
Hereford weather Monday's high

## 

 nominee for county commissioner's position

## County lifts its burn ban

Dy Jullo L. Carison
Deaf Smith County commission ers agreed to Fire Marshal Jay
Spain's recommendation and lifted Tounty's burn ban remmendanions, also acting on Feb. 28 to implement the burn ban The lack of rainfall, high winds and unseasonably warm weather were blamed for numerous fires
throughout the Panhandle. However recent rainfall has lessened the recen At the time of the ban, the count rea because of the threat of will res. The last time the county wa under a burn ban was June 1998. Also, Deaf Smith County Family Agent Bevely Harder rede ease of funds from the summer assistant budget to be used toward exing a summer assistant for the will be needed position, which will last from May until the second or third week in august. Figured in the summer assistant budget are the assistant ors approved Harder's request. Commissioners accepted a resig
nation from Deaf Smith County As nation from Deaf Smith County A loyd has accepted a county exter ion agent position in Roberts County. Lloyd's last day working for
Deaf Smith County will be April 28 nd he will begin his new position Newton told the commissioners the process is under way for a new assistant agent and said there are

## Gas tax rollback among tax issues being raised

a new assistant agent by May 15 .
Commistioners listened to resi
dents' complaints and allegations dents complaints and allegation
about poor driving conditions on County Road 8 , located in Precinct 1 Two weeks ago, county resident
Wade Lewis and John Templar asked the commissioners to lay caliche on
County Road 8, which over time an due to wet weather has formed pot holes, which they say at times make commissioner meeting, a caliche polic of the county was discussed which If they want a particular road
caliched caliched. The policy states, th
person(s) requesting the caliche is purchase the caliche the count it from that time on." County Roa 8 residents questioned the purchase of caliche stating the county's caliche pit is closer to Road 8 and would cost the policy will stay as is and no rs: - Heard a report from Deaf Smith
County Chief Juvenile Probation Of ficer Lou Serrano ahout the Title IV.
E Program's second quarter residential placement costs from September
1999-February 2000 a shredder in Precinct 4;

- Were told by County Judge Tom Simons that Fire Marshal-designate
Dean Turney will be at the next meeting to discuss future plans of
the fire department with the commissioners. Turney will replace Spain after his retirement at the end of the - Approved departmental reports

y Donald M. Cooper Nereford Arand Manawinn Rditar

Deaf Smith County Democrats are bachelor's degree in agronomy from
Texas Tech University and is farmercattleman. He was an active mem.
ber in Young Farmers and is going to the polls today to decide the Precinet 1 commissioner's seat. The winner of the runoff will face Precinct 1 incumbent commissioner Wayne Betzen in the November elec In
Armando Gonzalez led the Demo cratic fleld, polling 127 votes. How over, he didn't have a majority, set
ing up the runoff election with Henry, who had 98 votes.
Gonzalez has lived in Deaf Smith County for 35 years. A graduate of Hereford High School, he works as
a machinist at Poarch Bros. He also a machinist at Poarch Bros. He also
is an active parishioner at San Jose Catholic Church and volunteers for San Jose Bingo. He and his wife,
Debbie, have three children, Vanessa, Debbie, have three children, Vanessa
Ashley and Mackenzie. Ashley and Mackenzie Henry moved to Deaf Smith
County in 1957. He holds
p.m. today at the county court


ARMANDO CONZALEZ Recelved 127 votes in primary


Unnea Richardson stands in the door of her travel trailer. The Connecticut native made a stop in Hereford on her way to Massachusetts.

## Connecticut native following her vision of chasing warmth

By Dianna F. Dandridge
Meryownd Arand Siaf 'Wriec
travel trailer being towed cross-country sight of
travel trailer being towed cross-country. pact homes are far more unusual than the homes. This the case of Linnea Richardson.
Richardson, a 72 -year-old Connecticut native atopped In Hereford late Monday on her quest to of the local characters.
"Texas folks are so nice," she said. "They're just as nice in the big cities as they are in the small towns." The first person Richardson met was Bill Brown,
manager of the $19^{n \prime}$ Hole Package Store in the 200 block of South 25 Mile Avenue.
"I atopped to get aome water and he was the only peraon around. He came out and took me over to the restaurant. They were just as busy as they could be, so 1 didn't have
That is what Richardson lives for - meeting new people and becoming acquainted with their culture. challenge, but I like talking to people in small towns," "she aaid.
towns, " she aaid.
Richardson s.
said she just enje people in smal a few dollars more a week inker, price ol gas does make a difference," come down and maybe stay down. . But
I'm concerned they could go back up. I'm concerned they could go back up."
In a nonbinding test vote last week, In a nonbinding test vote last week,
66 senators voted against Lott's rollback, primarily out of the fear that it would take $\$ 6$ billion a year out of
highway, bridge and mass transit highway, bridge and mass transit
projects. Lott insists the money would projects. Lot insists the money would
be replaced from the budget surplus, but Senate Democratic leader Tom, Daschle of South Dakota said the bill is unlikely to pass.
Lott. Daschle said, has "indicated have much chance to meet anyone else.
and can always find something interesting in the amall towns she visits Richardson said she is on her way to Massachusetts to see a granddaughter graduate from Boston University. Because she only travels about 100 miles a day, she can't stick around for long, but will
back when she can "poke" around for a while. back when vision of chasing the sun began some years ago when Richardson got tired of the cold damp
weather of the Northeast and decided to go someplace warmer.
She landed in Baja California, where she said the climate was ideal, but it got a little to touristy for her She hasn't always been a lone traveler. When she was younger she worked as a legislative stenographer, until ahe decided the political system needed to oe overhauled from the inside out. She also owned a
horae farm, raised three children and helped raise horse farm, raised three children and helped
three stepchildren and even did a little writing. She says it doesn't take any more money to travel around, meet the people and enjoy the country than
heating costs.
"My heating bils were $\$ 350$ a month aometimes I can go a long way on $\$ 350$. Beaides, I just hate the
"Texas folks are so nice. They're just as nice in the big cities as they are in the small towns. I stopped to get some water and he (Bill Brown) was the only person around. He came out and took me over to the restaurant. They were just as busy as they could be, so I didn't

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## Local roundup

## Red Cross holds classes

 The Tri-County Chapter of the American Red Cross willaponsor first aid and safoty clasess and babyaitter clasess in coming weeks.
Frist aid and affety will be offered 9a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday,
April 15, at 224 Main. April Babyititer clases
eould register by sill be offered April 20-21. Participanta should clegasses cost $\begin{aligned} & \text { cost } \$ 35 \\ & \text { And and early pro-enrollment is recom. } \\ & \text { mended. For more information or to register contact the offlee }\end{aligned}$ mended. For
at $364-3761$.

## Pllot Club scholarships

 The Pilot Club is offoring two $\$ 1000$ scholarahips to graduat.ing seniors. Applications may be picked up in the High School
counselor's offce. counselor's offce

## HHS talent show try outs

Hereford High School's student council-sponsored fourth annual talent show will be May 4 at 7 p.m. at the High School
Auditorium. Tryouts will be 2 p.m. Sunday April 30 . Prizes of $\$ 100, \$ 50$, and $\$ 25$ will be awarded.
Entries may be picked up at the HHS office

## Juvenile board meete

The Deaf Smith County Juvenile Board will hold a regular meeting Thursday, April 13, at $10: 30$ a.m. in the county
courthouse. Items on the agenda include a presentation by VerTek;
additional funding from TJPC; an update on residential costs;
and and a discussion of evaluation procedures.

## Healthcare scholarships avallable

The Deaf Smith Health Foundation Board of Directors is now accepting applications for the 2000 Fall Semester Scholarships
will be awarded to local students who are already enrolled in or have an acceptance from an accredited ancilary medical field
Deadlin

位ned applications and required material ia For an application contact Sylvia Khuri at $364-22.66$ or write

## Cattlewomen offer scholarships

 The Deaf Smith Cattlewomen's Association will onne aggin beoffering scholarships to graduating seniors who will be entering agriculture or nutritional frelds.
Deadine
agriculure or nurtional helasi $\begin{aligned} & \text { Deadline for returning applications is May 2. Applications } \\ & \text { may be picked up in the High School Counselors office. }\end{aligned}$

## Child welfare board meets

 The Deaf Smith County Child Welfare will meet for a regularmeeting in County Courtroom in the courthouse Thuraday. Agenda items include report from Children's Protec: tive Service Workers and discussion of child abuse and neglect

## THE ASSOCIATED PRESS <br> News digest

## Zoo contracts for new pandas

WASHINGTON (AP) - The National Zoo is sprucing up it from China.
Zoo officials scheduled a news conference today for what they termed a "major" announcement on negotiations between
the Chinese government and zoo officials on obtaining new pandas. Washington Post reported in today's editions that zoo
The officials returned from China on Sunday with a signed letter of 10 years.
Smithsonian Secretary Lawrence M. Small was poised to Smithsonian Secretary Lawrence
make the announcement, the Post said
Small told The Associated Press last Small told The Associated Press last week that details were
being worked out to obtain new pandas and that it probably
would cost an estimated $\$ 8$ million to rent and would cost an estimated $\$ 8$ million to rent a couple from China
for 10 years. He said any offspring could be kept though they would still belong to the Chinese government.
It could be more than a year before the pandas arrive in Washington because the zoo must renovate the panda quarters,
choose the animals and obtain an import permit, the Post quoted unnamed sources as saying.
Zoo officials have agreed to pay China hundreds of thousands of dollars a year in exchange for the endangered animauss. ZZo
scientists will also provide extensive help toward saving giant pandas in the wild.
In 1972 . China gave the United States two pandas, Ling-Ling
and Hsing Hsing, who became the Zoo's most popular attrac tion. Ling. Ling died in 1992. Hsing. Hsing was euthanized last
year after suffering from terminal kidney disease.

## Aetna reaches settlemen

 DALLAS $(\mathrm{AP})-\mathrm{A}$ legal settlement with Aetna U.S.Healtheare, described as a landmark in the industry, prohibits rewarding or penalizing doctors over whether they limit
patients health care Texas Attorney General John Cornyn and Aetna today were
to announce the settlement that could become a model for other health maintenance organizations.

making in the hands of doctors and their patients.

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## Here comes Peter Cottontall



Easter's on the way ... Yes it is. This house on colored plastic eggs, all planted in a garden of light great bunny himself and trees decorated with brightly purple fiowers. The owners of this house usually

## Antioxidant benefits overstated

WASHINGTON (AP) - ers said in a report released Many people take massive Monday doses of like vitamins C and E Antioxidants are substances that cleanse the body of dam. health, but government re- aging oxygen molecules known searchers say there isn't
enough proof to support using enough proof to support using
such large amounts, and that they may even be harmful. Too few studies have tested the effects of dietary antioxidants in people, and some of
the testing that has been done has produced unclear results,
Institute of Medicine research-

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## Emergency services

Activities reported by emer- Lee and charged with city wargency ser
April 77.10
following:

POLICE DEPARTMENT
$\underset{\text { - A }}{\substack{\text { Arrested } \\ \text { 19-year-old } \\ \text { west of city limits }}}$ arrested west of city limits
and charged with outstanding Department of Public Safety warrants.

- A man was arrested in the
200 block of North 25 Mile Avenue and charged with seven rants. -Ants.
rest was made in the 700 bock
of Irving.
- A traffic stop in the
700 lock of Knight resulted in he arrest of an individual who rants.
- A man was arrested in the
300 block of $14^{11}$ and charged
with outstanding Department
with outstanding Department
of Public Safety warrants.
- A 25 -year-old man was
arrested in the 300 block of
arrested in the 300 block of
$14^{\prime \prime}$ Street and charged with
outstanding Department of
Public Safety warrants. - A 28 -year-old man was
arrested in the 100 block of arrested in the 100 block of
Blevins and charged with driv
ing with a suspended license
- A 44-year-old man was
arrested in the 200 block of Higgins and charged with driv ing while intoxicated.
taken into custody in the 200
taken into custody in the 200
block of Avenue $F$ and charged
with disorderly conduct.
arrested in the 200 block of
arrested in the 200 block of
rants.
- A 17 -year-old man wa
arrested in the 200 block of Whiteface and charged with
stance.
- Criminal mischief was re - Criminal mischief was re-
ported in the 200 block of
Avenue B. - Two vehicles were egge - A eported in the 300 block of Avenu
-A - A go-cart valued at $\$ 300$
was stolen from the 300 block
of Avenue B,
- A reckless driver was re -A reckless driver was re-
ported in the 400 block of
Star. - Terroristic threats were reported in the 500 block of
South 25 Mile Avenue - Assault by threat was orted in the threat was re Last Park
- Retaliation was reported in the 300 block of East Park. the intersection of $15^{\mathrm{HI}}$ and Avenue $\mathbf{K}$ was towed due to - Burglary of a motor vehicle was reported in the 600
block of Avenue $H$. estimated at less than $\$ 50$. - Criminal mischief was $r$ ported in the 300 block of
Avenue I. Damage to a Avenue I. Damage to a car door was estimated at more
than $\$ 500$, but less than $\$ 1500$ - A bicycle was reported sto len from the 500 block of Star - Criminal trespass was re ported in the 500 block of
Avenue $G$. - A 24 -year-o
tempted suicide,
had been rear-old had been riding a bicycle, who Medical Center due Regiona ustained after an acciden with a motor vehicle. The con dition of the man is unknown SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT
foods containing antioxidants, such as fruits and vegetables, tain chronic diseases, we cannot conclude at this time that the antioxidants are the reason," said Norman I. Krinsky,
chair of the institute's antioxidant panel
Krinsky Krinsky said other nutrionts or factors could be caus ing the results.
organization a private nonhe federal government, is part
- A 42-year-old woman wa
arrested and charged wa
- A 38 -year-old man was arrested and charged with
sexual assault of a child - A 20 -year-old man wa arrested and charged wit -A 30-year-old woman wa arrested and charged with credit card abuse. - A 23 -year-old man was Potter and Rharged on five warrants.
FIRE DEPARTMENT 0.24 April 7 6:24 p.m. Firefighters re sponded to a wreck res
401 Country Club Drive. - 11:49 p.m. Firefighters ponded to a reported gas leak Ave. April 9
- 4:42 a.m. Firefighters responded to a structure fire at 107 Veteran's Park Road. The fire was blamed on an open
flame heater, placed too close to the wall. April 10
- 1:50 p.m. Firefighters re-
sponded to a controlled burn one mile West on Highway 60.
ANIMAL CONTROL REPORT
Hereford animal control of fice has five kittens, approximately 8 weeks old and fe-
male mixed breed puppie available for adoption.
The
The animal control officer picked up an older male Ger-
man Shepard in the 500 block of Blevins; a female black lab mix in the 900 block of South MeKinley; male pit bull mix in the area of $14^{4 \prime \prime}$ and Star; a
female Chihuahua and two puppies in the 200 block of Centre; a light-brown male pug mix at West Central; and a full grown calico cat in the
100 block of Beach 100 block of Beach.
Information on these ani-
mals may be obtained by call ing Hereford Animal Control

Sciences, which has set the nation's Recommended Dietary trients aince 1941.
The new report raises the RDAs for vitamins C and E and set upper limits for those lenium. The recommendation will update other federal nu trition guidelines and oventually may influence government ood programs and the labe
on foods and supplementa. on foods and supplementa. 7
Women should consume 7 milligrams of vitamin C each
day, and men should consume day, and men ahould conaume
90 milligrams, both up from 60 milligrams.

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WEDERERONOO CRESCENT CITY, Calif, Vernon Wederbrook, 77 , of 6, 2000 . City, Calif, died Apri Mr. Wederbrook was born June 29, 1922 in Hereford to Pat and Susie Wederbrook. He
married Ona Morris and wae married Ona Morris and was
one of three brothera who served in South Pacific during
World War II World War II.
Survivors include his wifo; one son, Vernon Jr.; four grandchilddren, all of Californiaj two siaters, Patricia
Wederbrook of Amarillo and Vira Jones of Dumas.
He was preceded in death by two brothers.
Hereford Arand, Aprll 12,2000
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Texas lottery

## The winning Cash Five The winning Cash Five num- bers drawn Monday by the

 Texas Lotary:Plok 8
The winning Pick 3 num-
bers drawn Monday by the Texas Lottery, in order:

The winning Lotto Toxas
numbers drawn Saturday by numbers drawn Saturday by the Texas Lottery: 9148

Plick 8
The winning Pick 3 num-
bers drawn Saturday by the bers drawn Saturday by bers drawn Saturday

## LIFESTYLES

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CREATORS SYNDICATE

## Ann Landers



Ann $\begin{gathered}\text { I told her you } \\ \text { once printed a } \\ \text { letter deserib- }\end{gathered}$ pens to the body ing what hap. one stops smoking. It made a Itrong impresesion on me, and I'm sure it did on many oth it again to encourage my niece
to keep trying? She is discouraged and ready to give up. -
Dee Dee in Detroit Dear Dee Doel With plaasure. I was told arter reading quit smoking. Here it is: According to the American Cancer Society, as soon as you
snuff out that last cigarette, your body will begin a series of physiological changes. pressure, body temperature pressure, body temperature
and pulse rate will drop to normal.
Within eight hours: Smoker's breath disappears.
Carbon monoxide level in blood drops, and oxygen level rises to normal.
Within 24 hours: Chance of heart attack decreases. ings start to regroup. Ability to taste and smell improves. Within three days: Breath ing is easier.
Circulation improves. Walking Circulation improves, Walking
becomes easier. Lung capacity gram when Xi Epsilion Alpha
chapter of Beta Sigma Phi sorority met recently at Weat Central Intermediate School.
Holly Bixler and Debbie Holly Bixler and Debbie
Holmes hosted the event, which was modeled after the popular game show of the same name.
Bixler, in an impersonation tions pertaining to the history and other facts of the sorority Prizes awarded were "\$100,000 Candy Bars" and gold foil-

## wrapped candy. Refreshments included Millionaire pie and

inctuded Mum. Reire ple and the weokend on - $d$ day, Apm

Xi Epsilon Alpha members learn sorority history by playing game "Who Wants to be a Mil- iced tea,
During the business meet. will Excursions into Santa Fe

## Alpha Alpha tours Mardis home

The Alpha Alpha chapter of
Beta Sigma Phi met in the home of club president Marcia Mardis during their April ${ }^{4}$
meeting with
11 present.
The program was a tour of
Mardis newly redecorated Mardis newly redecorated home and newly landscaped
yard which was devastated by a flood last summer. It was announced that
Spring Ritual will be held at
he Hereford Community Cener on Thursday, April 20. Al-

At the meeting, offieers
At ess and will be in charge of were Virginia Jackson elected food for the event.
went; Lynda Brown, vice presiThe club's Founders' Day dent; Murlene Streun, recordwha Ae Tuesday, April 25. Al. ing secretary; Allene Tindall, pha Alpha chapter will be in corresponding secretary Lillie charge of the programs. Girl Shipman, treasurer; Virginia of the Year letters are cur- Jackson and Mardis, represen-
rently due and may be sent or tatives for city counsel; and, given to Barbara Burkhalter, Lynda Brown, alternate repre-
who is in charge of selection sentative for city counel
 given to Barbara Burkhaiter,
who is in charge of selection sentative for city counsel.

lionaire?" was the featured pro- During the business meet- will be offered. Details of the trip will
later date.
Rosebud chairman Linda Arellano noted various con cerns. Membership chairma
Pattie Urbanczyk announce that Jana Morgan finished pledge training
Those attending the meeting were Lewis, Bixler Homes, Hyer, Arellano,
Urbanezyk, Bodner, Eades, Kreig, Morgan. Melinda Henson, Kay Williams, Kim Hollingsworth,
Matthews and
Connie
Tamara led Opesing Ritual. Lewis
outlined the state servico outlined the state service
projects. projects.
Progra Program and yearbook
chairman Peggy Hyer saic Rituals will be held April 20 in lieu of a second April meeting Founders' Day plans were dis cussed. The next meeting
will be May 2 and will be hosted by Diane Kreig and Kami Eades. Social commit ee co-chairman Sharon Bodner said chapter members may
travel to Glorieta, N.M., for Matthews and Tamara


#### Abstract

increases up to 30 percent. Within one to nine months: Sinus congeation and shortSinus congeation and short ness of breath decrease. Cili that sweep debris from your lungs grow creases. Of Whin one year: Excess riak of coronary heart disease half that of a person who nokes. Within cack riak two years: Heart at mal. Wit Within five yeara: Lung cancor coath rate for an average creases by almost half, Stroke riak is reduced. Riak of mouth, throat and esophageal cance haif that of a smoker. Within 10 yeara: Lur cer death rate is similar to that of a person who does not amoke. The pre-cancerous cells are replaced, Within 15 coronary heart disease is the same as a person who has never amoked. Dear Ann Landorat I just finished reading the letter from "Deaf in Chatsworth, Calif,", and would like to say something to that man's family: WHAT IN THE WORLD Is THE MATTER WITH YOU PEOPLE? problem mand has a hearing dren yell at his wife and chilhim as if the hearing losa is his fault. When my mother began to lose her hearing several years ago, 1 also became impatient with her, and lost


 or me to realize that I should reat her as I would like to betreated, because eventually, I will probably be in her shoes. For the last 10 years,
have practiced patience have practiced patience and
gentleneas. It has not been gentieneas, It has not been louder and enunciate my words more elearly. I would not
dream of becoming angry with hream of becoming angry with
her when she akks me to her when she
Those who live with a paront who is hard of hearing mother cannot help her condf. tion, and it would be cruel to treat her as if she is somehow at fault, Tell them, Ann. - -
Proud of Mom in Central noi
will be prouldal I'll bet ahe reads your letter in the paper. who have a hearing defleiency need compassion and undertending both.
Do you have questions about sex, but no one to talk to? Ann Landers' booklet, "Sex and the point send frank and to dressed, long, business size en velope and a check or money order for $\$ 8.75$ (this ineludes
postage and handling) to: Teens, elo Ann Landers, PO.
Box 11562, Chicago, IIL 60611 Box 11562, Chioago, IL. 60611.
0562 . In Canada, send $\$ 4.65$.) To find out more about. Ann Landers and read here pasat columns,
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Oreeting quests at the shower honoring Jennifer Cox and B.J. Lockmiller, center, were from
left, Andy and Hayley Lee, brother-in-law and sister of the prospective groom; Allice Lockmiller, his left. Andy and Hayley Lee, brotherin-law and sister of the prospective groom; Alice Lockmiller, his

## Couple honored with shower

Jennifer Cox and B.J. elect; Frances Stutz, grand. ered with a lace tablecloth a wedding shower recently in Hayley Lee, siater of the pro- ransement in apring colora. the home of Francie. Farn. apective groom; and Andy Lee, Three place settings of china

Joining the prospective bride and groom in greeting guests were Alice Lockmiller, mother san Cox, mother of the bride-

Refreshmenta included an Cartha Emerson, Pam Fogo, Refreshments included an Carolyn Fry, Carolyn
assortment of sweet breads, Hiltbrunner, Olivia Luna, fresh fruit compote, punch and Maureen Self, Susan Robbina, The serving table was cov. Francle Farr.


The serving table was coy Terri Soute

The family of Juanita Benneo would dike to thank all of folk Who camo to y.aititealied, sent flowerf, provided A special thanks to. Dr. Perales, Dr, Johnson and all the
nurses at the hospital. We certainly appreciate you.


## HEALTHSOUTH.

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The show will be in Amarillo at the Amarilo Cuic Center 10:00-11:15 am April 18, 19, \& 20 !

HEALTHSOUTHR(ソ), ililitali()! Tleromd




L'Allegra mombers Kitty Gault, leff, and Sylvia Khuri, were among members in attendance at the recent LAllegra Study Club meeting when plans were finailzed for the Annual Plant Saie
which will be held from noon-6 p.m. on May 4 and 9 a.m. until all plants are sold on May 5 at the Hereford Community Center.

## Annual Plant Sale is discussed at L'Allegra Study Club meeting

L'Allegra Study Club met in ford a more beautiful commu- phyllo seafood petites, chocolate the home of Melissa Clarke with nity, Proceeds from the sale will be and chocolate drizzled cream
Shelley Menke as co-hostess. Shelley Menke as co-hostess.
The club discussed the upcoming Plant Sale which will
be Thursday, May 4 from 12. be Thursday, May 4 from 12.6 p.m. and Friday, May 5 from 9 purchase Christmas decorations a.m. until all plants are sold. The purchase 22 snowflake decora. sale will be held at the Hereford tions which are hung from light Community Center. The club encourages support from the make Here- were served vegetable quiche.

## puffs.

 Members present were MaryJanet Bricker, Kitty Gault, Diana Grifin, Sylvia Khuri, Hilda Perales, Suzanne Smith, Judy Wall, Jan Welshaar, Clarke, Menke and new member Jana

## LOOKING BACK

## Today in History

Today is Tuesday, April 11 , the 102nd day of 2000 . There are 264 days lef in the year.
Today's Nlighlight Today'i Mighilig On April 11, 1970, Apollo
is blasted off on its ill-fated mission to the moon. (The astronauts managed to return

## On this date:

In 1689, William III and
Mary II were crowned Mary II were crowned as joint
soverejgns of Britain. In 1814 Napoleon
Bonaparte abdicated as emperor of France and was ban shed to the island of Elba. In 1898, President McKinley
asked Congress for a declara. tion of war on Spain. In 1899, the treaty ending
the Spanish-American War was the Spanish-American War wa In 1921, Iowa became the first state to impose a ciga-
rette tax. rette tax.
In 1945, during World War

By The Assoolated Prese II, American soldiers liberated ers Elton John and Michael Buchenwald, the notorious concentration camp in Germany. In 1951, President Truman
relieved Gen. Dougla relieved Gen. Douglas
MacArthur of his commands in the Far East. In 1968, President Johnson signed into law the Civil Rights Act of 1968, a week
after the assassination of Mar in the assassination In 1979, Idi Amin was de. posed as president of Uganda as rebes and exiles backed by
Tanzanian forces seized control. In 1980, the Equal Employ-
ment Opportunity Commissio ment Opportunity Commission prohibiting sexual specifically prohibiting sexual harassment
of workers by supervisors. Ten years agot Funeral services were held in Indianapolis for AIDS patient Ryan days earlier at age 18. Amon the 1,500 mourrers were first rrs Elton Five years agot President Clinton expressed sympathy or Pakistan's anger over the
blocked sale of American ighter jets, telling visiting Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto hat it was "not right" for the
United States to keep the nited states to keep the planes and refuse to give the
money back. One year ago: The Jus ice Department reported that nore than one-third of the women in state prisons and
ails said they were physically or sexually abused as chil dren Jose Maria Olazabal won The Masters by two shots over Today's Birthdaya "Brenda Starr" creator Dale Messick is 94, Fashion de signer Oleg Cassini is 87
Movie producer Howard Koch is 84 . Former New York Gov. Hugh Carey is 81. Ethe
Kennedy is 72 .

## LIBRARY DISPLAYER



Cilzabeth Kondrick dresses her fashion dolls in exquisite crocheted reproductions of $19^{\circ}$ century costumes. Taught to crochet by her aunt, Kendrick began making the dolls' dresses three years ago at the request of her four daughters. It is now a family tradition for aill four girls
to give their mother patterns and thread for her birthdays so that she can make dolls for then to give their mother patterns and thread for her birthdays so that she can make dolls for them
on their birthdays and Christmas. These striking and delicate heiriooms are on display at the on their birthdays and Christmas. These striking and delicate heirlooms are on display at the
Deaf Smith County Library throughout the month of April. Deaf Smith County Library throughout the month of April.

## Smith is guest speaker for Wyche FCE Club

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## Plague of bad calls ruins Monday's games

## Games in

 Milwaukee and New York marred by questionable officiaing(AP)-The Milwaukee Bucks gained the tiebreaker edge
against the Orlando Magic, and a serious dose of confidence: Ray Allen hit the baskets
and Sam Cassell provided the bravado Monday night as the Bucks played an unusually physical style and handled the one game of eighth-place Orone game of eighth-place Or-
lando in the Eastern Conference standings.
Cassell, who
Cassell, who guaranteed the Bucks would win, loudly goáded
the Magic all game on the Magic all game on a night
when shoves, stares and technical fouls were in abundance. words in the third quarter, as phia beat Miami $96-80$. Toronto
"It was something that we
had to do," said Cassell, who had 18 points and eight ashad is points and elght as-
sists. "It wasnt a bold state-
ment that I made. I was just ment that I made. I was just
saying that we can't have any saying that we can't have any
slip-ups now." Allen scored 33 points on a string of jumpers.
"Tonight we just came out
hitting," Allen said. "We know hitting, Alen said, "We know
the hype that has been around the hype that has been around
Orlando, and we wanted people to take, notice of us."
Milwaukee ( 38.39 ) Milwaukee (38-39) has won
all three games against Or all three games against Or-
lando ( $39-38$ ) this season, and they square off again next The Magie shot just 35 percent from the Tempers flared repeatedly. Cassell and referee Bennett Salvatore engaged
in a shouting match and both coaches worked the aggressively omeials John Amaechi and Ervin this words in exchanged angry

Williams, Cassell, Williams Pat Garrity after the two tangled under the basket, all received technical fouls,
It wasn't the only NBA ame Monday with referees in
he spotlight.
In New York, Patrick Ewing
edirected Larry Johnson's off. redirected Larry Johnson's off
target 3-pointer into the bastarget 3 -pointer into the bas-
ket with 21.7 seconds lef on a play officials later admitted should have been ruled offensive goaltending as the Knicks
beat the Eastern Conference beat the Eastern Conference-
leading Indiana Pacers $83-81$. "I screwed the play up," lead omeial Joey Crawford, said,

 victory over De .
troit featured 60 fouls, three foul. $\begin{array}{ll}\begin{array}{l}\text { outs, } \\ \text { technicals, }\end{array} & \begin{array}{c}\text { five } \\ \text { one }\end{array}\end{array}$ ejection - and a

Charlotte edged Washington
107-105, Portland held off Utah 107-106, Portiand held off Utah
$00-1$ the Los Angeles Lakers got past Seattle 106 -103 in vertime, and Boston beat At. big-market teams like the York and Los Angeles. That's At Milwaukee, the conten- just the league. Enoughe being the tious atmosphere seemed to bring out the best in the Bucks, who shot 54 percent in
the first half and had seven players with at least seven points. "They have the tiebreaker
now, but we're still in good now, but we're still in good
shape," Garrity said. "Now is not the time to panic." Orlando closes the season
with games against Boston, New Jersey, Miami and oronto in addition to the Bucks play Cleveland, Char lotte and have two games with Knicka 88, Pacera 81
After the Johnson-Ewing 3 pointer. Indiana's Reggie Miller
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seconds left to win It .
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"They're cheating us now,"
Miller said. "I don't know if
They're cheating us now,"
helped end visiting 39 Miant

Raptors 112, Cavaliers 108 Vince Carter's first career triple-double - 31 pointe, 11 rebounds, 10 assists - helped Toronto end a four-game home losing streak and move within a win of its first playoff berth.
Hornets 107, Wizards 105 Elden Campbell's 18 . turnaround jumper as time expired lifted visiting Charlotte to its ninth win in 11 games. Trall Blazers 00, Jazz 88 At. Salt Lake City Greg
Anthony's Anthony's 3-pointer with 21.8 land a $3-1$ season-series win. Lakers 108, SuperSonies 103, OT Kobe Bryant scored five of his 33 points in overtime as Shaquille O'Neal, who sat out a second game with a sprained left ankle
Ceitics 99 Hawks 84 Antoine Walker scored 26 half and Boston scored the half and Boston scored the last 11 points to end a 10-
game losing slide. Atlanta has game losing slide. Atlanta has

lost 12 straight road games. | lost 12 straight road games. |
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- McGwire hits number 525

HOUSTON (AP) - It's not good to get into a home run

contest with the St. Louis Contest with the St. Louis matched them in homers and matched lill lost the game.
they still Mark McGwire homered for the third straight game, and Edgar Renteria and Ray Lankford hit consecutive hom.
ers off Jose Lima, leading the ers off Jose Lima, leading the
Cardinals over the Astros 8-7 Monday night. 8 St. Louis, tied with Arizona for the best record in the
major leagues at $6-1$, has 20 major leagues at 6.1, has 20
homers, most in the heagues, In in the
games tonight,
Lima $(1-1)$, a frequent victim of the long ball, allowed year after giving up 34 in 1998 and 30 last season.
J.D. Drew hit his fourth of the season, a two-run drive off Jose Cabrera in the eighth enced so he's a little better," La Russa said. "He survived
La last year and he's a little better. They worked him over and he still hit, 240. Guys hit
below, 200 in this league. He below
didn't." ${ }^{200}$ in this league. He Daryle Ward had his first career multihomer game for
Houston, and Craig Bigio and Houston, and Craig Biggio and
Richard Hidalgo also con-
nected.
Before 36,234 , about 6,000
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Edmonds went 4 -for- 4 for the
$\begin{array}{ll}\text { short of capaeity, Jim } & \text { six innings, and Dave Veres } \\ \text { Edmonds went } 4 \text { fory- for the } & \text { got three outs for his second } \\ \text { Cardinals, matching his ca- save. With the potential tying } \\ \text { reer high for hits. } & \text { run on first and two outs in }\end{array}$ "It's a hitter's. park. What an you say?" Edmonds said. today and the pitches to hit a great they fell in. This is a great team. With this
lineup, you'll see some pitches. ineup, you'll see some pitches.
It's a good win, but we've got $150-$ something lef."
La Rusa is glad to have La Russa is glad to have
Edmonds on his side. "He's a guy who can beat you with all the tools," La you with all the tools," La
Russa said. "He takes pride in his defense. He stole a base. You watch him in bat-
ting practice. He uses the ting practice. He uses the
whole fleld." whole field.
Pat Hentgen (2.0) allowed
three runs and four hits in
ot three outs for his second
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run the ninth, pinch-runner Glen
Barker was thrown out try. Barker was thrown out try-
ing to steal second by catcher Mike Matheny.
and did anse came through and did a great job, one
through nine,
Hentgen said. through nine," Hentgen said, and a couple of bad pitches Lima gave up five runs and eight hits in seven in and eight hits in seven
"Tonight taught me a lesson," he said, "Even if you
give up several give up several runs, we're give up several runs, we're lm not going to worry if I this is a beautiful fleld, but
it's worse than Coors Field
fourth game, the teams com-
bined for two for eight home runs, record for a the previous game in Houston. "There are some American
League parks like this that give you some breaks," Cardinals manager Tony La Russa
said. "I really don't think you said judge this park until
can jud
we've played in it can judge this park until
we've played in it longer." McGwire homered in his 35th major league ballpark
one shy of the record held by one shy of the record held by
Tampa Bay's Fred MeGriff McGwire has 525 career homers and needs nine to tie
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guys on this team had great ar pithon you can ios the smiles on the hitters faces
when they come up to the When they come up to the
plate. A lot of those home plate. A othof those home runs, in other major league
stadiums would be routine fly balls."
St, Lou St, Louis led 8-3 in the when Jeff Bagwell hit a tworun double off Heathcliff Slocumb and Ward followed with a two-run homer.
Ward hit a solo homer the second for Houston. but St. Louis made it. 5-1 in the third on Renteria's tworun homer and Lankford's
shot, both over the short left. field porch.

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 on IRS penalties and interest.
Other tax highlights on tap

week:

- Votes in the Senate on legisiation cutting millions of married couples, including the 25 million who now pay more than they would if
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could claim personal credits such as the $\$ 500$-a. child tax credit permanently without running up ARCMER gilid tax creait permanentiy without running panel's onlief plans hearings would scrap the tax codes onter five measure and on income tax proposed constitutional amendment requiring a increases. Another planned vote would put the House on record against the package of tax increases in
President Clinton's fiscal 2001 budget, including a 25 -cent cigarette tax increase
-Three days of hearings at the House Ways and Mean Committee on alternatives to the income tax, including a flat tax Bill Archer, has long advocated scerapping the income tax but is retiring this year without making the change. aponsored by the panel's chairman, Arizona new Internet taxes MoCain. A federal commission chaired by Gov. Jim $\operatorname{lilimmer}$, $\mathbf{R}$ Va., also will formally present its majority report that recommendis he extension as well as repeal or the 3 per
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"It's a good mixup this time, ,ome of everything," said Nowell, tries to catch up with others that appear,
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"It's pretty heavy slogging," says Nowell, who has sampled "Doonesbury" Cartoonist Garry Trudeau listed The New New Thing" by Michael Lewis as his top pick. It aheds light on th evoving nature of American capitalism in the Internet age, saic Country singer Faith Hill answered Nowell and didn' liet an books, but wrote about how important it is to read.
If $I$ couldn't read. I wouldn't be able to read contracts, write new songs or read the letters that my fans send to me," she wrote.

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SEOUL South Korea (AP) measures will top the agenda - South Korea's president said in his talks with No Korea represents a big step forward" in peace efforts, al.
though he warned his people though he warned his people
not to expect too much from the meeting.
Kim Dae.jung said South $\mathrm{K}_{0}$ rea would broach substantive issues at the leaders summit in
the North Korean capital of the North Korean capital
Pyongang on June 12.14. Vice ministers from the two Koreas will hold preparatory meetings in Bejijing prior to the summit,
Kwon Byong-hyon,
South Korea's ambassador to China, said today
He did
He did not say when the
meetings would take place or meetings would take place or
disclose, further details. Kim said the summit would be unilikely to resolve any of
the major issues dividing the
${ }^{\text {sides. }}$ The national issues, which The national issues, which
have been divisive for century cannot be resolved over.
night," Kim told a Cabinet meet-
${ }^{\text {ing. }}$ The June summit, announced jointly Monday by the two sides,
would be the first between the two Koreas since the division of their peninsula into the communist in 1945 , They cap calise South in 1945. They share the
world's most heavily armed bor
${ }^{\text {der }}$ The summit, Kim said, is "one big step forward in our national history and in the move
toward peace.
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tant evidence yet that the recant evidence yet that the re-
clusive country may be shifting its long-standing policy of shunning dialogue with the Seoul government, which it officially
regards as a U.S. "puppet." regards as a U.S. "puppet."
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ters, North Korea has relied on outside aid since 1995 to feed its 22 million people. By the
North's own admission, 220,000 people have died of hungerrelated diseases in recent years. South Korean officials have already indicated the summit
could spur their country to incould spur their country to in-
vest billion of dollars in building roads, ports, railroads, power plants and other infrastructure
in North Korea. Other possible South Korean assistance includes shipments
of fuel coal and fertilizer, they
said. said.
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Seoul officials worry the sum-
mit could be scrapped if North Korea persists in its long-running demand for the withdrawa South Korea.
North Forea's insistence that the armiscia that ended the 1950-53 Korean Vir be replaced by a peace treaty to be signed States, without the participa States, without the participa
tion of South Korea. "They are someth
not accept," national security adviser Hwang Won-tak said of
those possible demands.

## Family takes steps toward the return of boy to his father

 MIAMI - Nearly five THE ASSOCIATED PRESS was rescued at sea, his Miami relatives are finally taking tentative, reluctant steps towardreturning the 6 -year-old boy to his father.
Ellian's great-uncle Lazaro
Gonzalez met for an hour Mon-
day with two paychiatrists and day with two payehiatrists and
ernment to arrange Elian's smooth transfer to his father. The doctors, who met with Elian's father in Washington, D.C. on Sunday, were expected to discuss the situation again
today with federal officials. today with federal officials.
Although the family still hopes for a reprieve from a
federal appeals court, many in Miami's Cuban exile community acknowledge that the chances are slim.
Ninoska Perez, a spokeswoman for the Cuban American National Foundation, said of Elian: Poopie feel that his time is probably running out, and a lot of people are desperate.
Thousands of people in Little Havana wistfully marched to Lazaro Gonzalez's house Monday night, carrying Cuban flags, singing the Cuban national anthem and pryying for Elian. At its peak, police estimated, the crowd reached 15,000 . Police closed about 30 city blocks and reported no prob-
lems. The atmosphere at times resembled a street fair: Many people brought children in strollers; some ate food bought
FDA panel approves new Impotence pill BETHESDA, Md. - A drug called Uprima is poised to give the famous blue impotence pill Viagra its first competition:
Government advisers say it works well enough that it should be allowed to sell as long as men are warned that it has some dangerous side effects.
Unlike Viagra, which ease
Unlike Viagra, which eases impotence by increasing blood flow to the penis, Uprima works in the brain
mended on a $9-3$ vote Monday that it helps enough men megain erections that it should be sold - as long as patients and their doctors understand it causes worrisome problems and isn't for everyone.
One in every 30 men who tested Uprima's optimal dose
fainted or suffered seriously low blood pressure. A few fell and hit their heads, one fracturing his skull. Another crashed his car
"There will be some people who will probably lose their lives because they pass out at the top of stairs or are lives because they pass out ant the ro
operating a car when they faint, warne
Philadelphia cardiologist Dr. Peter Kowey.
"This drug is clearly going to kill some people," agreed Dr.
Robert Califf of Duke University worried about heart Robert Calla taking other medicines that lower blood pressure patients taking other medicines that ower blood pressure. He also
advised FDA to label Uprima with warnings against drinking alcohol while taking Uprima, saying even a few drinks may increase the risk.
Both Kowey an
ing the drugey and Califf joined the majority in recommend

## AP series on Korea killings earns Pullizer

 NEW YORK - Storjes and photos that detailed masskillings, from Korea to Colorado to Kosovo, have earned
Pulitzer prizes in Pulitzer prizes in journalism. Among the winners was The
Associated Press, which earned an investigative reporting Associated Press, which earned an investigative reporting
award for its series on a bloody invident involving U.S. award for its series on a bor.
soldiers early in the Korean war.
In the honors announced Monday at Columbia University, The Washington Post won three Pulitzers, for public service, criticism and feature photography; The Wall Street Journal won two, for national reporting on U.S. defense spending and
deployment in the post-Cold War era and for columnist Paul Gigot's commentary on public affairs.
Both Denver daily newspapers were honored for coverage
of the Columbine High School massacre. The Denver Post of the Columbine High School massacre. The Denver Post
staff won for breaking news reporting and staff won for breaking news reporting and the Denver Rocky The international reporting sprize went to The Village Voice a New York City weekly, for Mark Schoofs' series on the
AIDS crisis in Africa. AIDS crisis in Africa
for The Village Voice... but for the is an incredible moment for The Village Voice... but for the people that I reported on
unfortunately nothing has changed," Schoofs said. The Pulitzer for explanatory journalism went to Eric
Newhouse of the Great Falls (Mont.) Tribune for storion Newhouse of the Great Falls (Mont.) Tribune for stories on alcohol abuse and its impact on the community. George
Dohrmann of the St. Paul (Minn.) Pioneer Press won the beat reporting award for revelations of academic fraud in the University of Minnesota men's basketball program. The award for feature writing went to a portrait of Gee's
Bend, a remote Alabama settlement inhabited by many descendants of slaves, by J.R. Moehringer, the Los Angeles Times' bureau chief in New Orleans. The Pulitzer for editorial writing went to John C. Bersia of The Orlando (Fla. Sentinel for his criticism of predatory lending practices, and Joel Pett of the Lexington (Ky.) Herald-Leader won for
editorial cartooning.

## Tests clear man of a rape, implicate brother

 NEW ORLEANS - When Clyde and Marlo Charles left a house 19 years ago, they said they hitchhiked in differentdirections down a road in the heart of south Louisiana's bayou country:
directions that night like their paths - went in opposit Clyde Charles was accused of raping a nurse whose car had broken down a short distance away. He was convicted and spent mosst of the next two decades in prison. Marlo Charle
was not charged in the crime was not charged in the crime.
Clyde Charles consistently protested his innocence and
pushed for DNA testing once the technology became available. He got help from New York-based lawyers and PBS "Frontline" investigative TV series.
In December, Clyde, now 47, was released from the
Louisiana State Penitentiary at Angola Louisiana State Penitentiary at Angola after DNA test Less than four months later, the brothers' paths have
crossed again: Authorities say crossed again: Authorities say the same DNA tests that Clyde Charles had requested have now implicated Marlo. And on Monday, three days after Marlo Charles' arres'
Virginia for the rape, the sheriff of Terrebonne P:n) Virginia for the rape, the sheriff of Terrebonne P:r
accused Clyde Charles of knowing his brother committ.
crime. accused

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## Bush offers proposal ${ }^{2}$ to help working poor

WASHINGTON (AP) - by The Associated Press. plans today to give the working poor credits to help buy health insurance and lump-
sum rental vouchers for home down payment.
He also He also would offer tax
credits for banks that match the savings deposits of poor people.
Called hi ity Initiative," "New Prosperpands on tax-cut and education proposals previously of-
fered by the all-but-official Re fered by the all-but-official Re-
publican presidential nominee and continues his outreach to independents and moderate Democratic voters by talking about subjects often ignore
by Republican candidates. by Republican candidates.
One idea: Expand ownership by Expand home pants in the Section 8 rental voucher program permission
to get a year's worth of vouch ers in a lump sum for a home down payment.
Another element of the
plan: Provide a credit plan: Provide a credit of up to
$\$ 2,000$ per family to cover 90 percent of health insurance
costs qualify for those who do no soalify for government-sponicaid, yet do not receive in-
surance surance from their employ-
ers. "Instead of helping people
cope with their need, cope with their need, we will
help them to move beyond it," Bush says in a fact shee about the initiative obtained

The Associated Press.
The Texas governor was un veiling his proposal during an afternoon speech to about 250 community and church lead.
ers on Cleveland's West Side ors a heavily Democratic area. a heavily Democratic area.
"With the same energy and activism that others have brought to expanding govern-
ment, we must expand opporment, we must expand oppor-
tunity ${ }^{\text {w }}$ buy targeting those between poverty and prosperty, "Bush said.
The Democratic National Committee, a vessel for the
Democratic presidential con tender, Vice Presidential conGore, criticized Bush for visiting a job training center
known as "El Barrio" immediately before his speech. El Barrio is a nonproft so cial service agency that offers a range of services to the
city's Hispanic community, in cluding job training, transpor ration and translations.
The Democrats cited a Janu ary report by the Texas state
auditor which found "gross fis cal mismanagement" in the cal mismanagement in the lion "Smart Jobs" fund over-
seen by the state Department seen by the state Departmen
of Economic Development. "With a dismal job training record like his in Texas, it's nocownder that Bush had to travel to Ohio to even talk
about the issue," said a committee statement. A new CNN.USA Today
Gallup poll shows that Bush
has pulled slightly ahead of by supporting legislation that
Gore in the campaign. He would allow local public houswas supported by 50 percent ing authorities to provide Secwas supported by ilikely voters compared to tion 8 renters up to a years' 41 percent for Gore, up from worth of vouchers in a lump
apoll taken March 30 April 2 sum to finance the down pay a poll taken March, 30-April 2 sum to finance the down pay-
which showed the two in a ment and closing costs on a
statistical dead heat with Bush
house. which showed the two in a
statistical dead heat with Bush at 46 percent and Gore at 46 percent.
Gore has criticized Bush's Gore has criticized Bush's
five-year, $\$ 483$ billion tax cut proposal as a "risky tax proposel as a "risky tax
scheme" that leaves nothing for other government spending and Social Security. Bush however, sees it as an under pinning for
proposals.
He also
He also casts his education
proposals, including a recently proposals, including a recently program, as efforts to help the poor achieve middle class prosperity The Bush campaign said the
four-point, New Prosperity Ini four-point, Ne
tiative would:

- Create
work by lowering thitive for tax bracket from the bottom o 10 percent and doubling the per child tax credit from $\$ 500$ per child to $\$ 1,000$ Trpse proposals were already
nounced as part of Bush's tak. nounced as
- Provide access to affordable health care with a tax credit for insurance of up to
$\$ 1,000$ per individual earning $\$ 1,000$ per individual earning
$\$ 15,000$ or less and $\$ 2,000$ per family earning $\$ 30,000$ or less Expand home ownership

Other low income would be lincome renters American Dream Down Pay. $\rightarrow$ Build personal savings sup porting legislation that would neourage savings through Incounts, or matched savings accounts. Banks would receive up to $\$ 1$ billion in tax credits over five years to match de-
posits and to allow individuals to withdraw the money taxfree to buy a first home, start new business or pay for an ducation. Arter his speech in Cleve-
and, Bush was flying to Coumbia, Mo., for an airpor rally before spending the night he planned to visit the Grace Hill Neighborhood Health Cen ter for another speech focused on providing health care to
working families before re working families before re-
curning to Texas for the week

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