

Lupe Cortez, former gang member, stands before mural that inspired her to go from a life of desperation to one with hope

#### That graffiti may be art – or it may mean war

BY JENNIE LUNA

Walking down the streets of ast San Jose anyone can see the inconsistent squiggles and scat-tered lettering that to some mean nothing but to another means

By day the walls of schools and By day the walls of schools and stores stand as nothing but support for buildings, but by night they become canvases for youths who "tag" for artistic or individual expression or to claim turf and territory for their gang. According to city officials and community leaders, tagging is growing out of control.

Former gang member Lupe Cortez recalls that the main reasons he would tag would be to claim territory and prove that she able been in the varrio of another

had been in the varrio of another gang and had gotten away with it. Cortez, 15, will be a junior at Mt. Pleasant High School in the fall.

was jumped out of the gang. Cortez began the gang lifestyle in the eighth grade. "In junior high I started kick-

"In junior high I started kick-ing back with the wrong crowd," she said. "My parents didn't have time and I got into drugs and fights with my friends. In ninth grade I was jumped in by six girls for one minute."

Before a person is jumped into agang they must proye their low-

a gang they must prove their loy-alty or prove if they are truly "down." Lupe was a Norteña, or part of a gang that is down with the red rag and with her varrio Capitol Park. They would have a Capitol Park. They would have a conflicting or opposing gang member such as a Sureño or a Samoan approach the new mem-ber and ask them if they were down with red. After their loyalty was proven, they could be jumped in or beat up for a set amount of time.

To continue to prove their loy-alty, they tagged. The gang would



A mural from the Barrio Art Gallery depicts the struggles and hard ships of growing up in the ghetto.

meet every Friday at 6 p.m., usually in a park where they would drink, tag, and kick back until 1 or 3 in the morning. The gang began to fight the rougher gangbangers such as Las Palmas. Lupe began cutting school and getting deeper into trubble

deeper into trouble.

Through communication with the gang's leaders, and with the persistent help, time, and love from a teacher, Lupe got the strength to get out of the gang.

"When your in a gang, it's like when your in a gang, its like you're in a dark tunnel with no light ahead, " she said. "When you live the life of a chola, you don't think about tomorrow. Even best friends, if it comes down to it, they'll shoot."

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"The solution is just love," she said. Cortez recalls tagging everything from park benches to the walls of Taco Bell. It's been a year,

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# Little boy face - 'Never did I think Mike would hit me'

BY EVA ZUNIGA

Christina was swept away by Mike's little boy face. For the first few months while they got to know each other, Christina said, "He ed nice

They met during Christina's freshman year in high school. As the year passed, Christina realized she was in a serious relationship

realized she was in a serious relationship when Mike would not go out with his friends. But he also did not allow her to go out either. At first Christina did not mind because she had chose Mike over her friends. The low she was receiving from Mike made her look beyond his bad temper and possessiveness. She had never felt love from anyone else .

So she would make up excuses for Mike

when he would slap, punch and kick her.
"Never in my wildest dreams did I think
that Mike would ever hit me," Christina said.
It is not her real name. She is 17, a student at
James Lick High School in San Jose and works part-time.

part-time.

Her boyfriend gave her dark, deep bruises that wouldn't heal for months. She would hide them with her clothes as much as possible, but friends eventually did notice them. Christina made up lies. She'd look away when her friends pressed her for answers.

There are no exceptions to where or whom it can affect.

"Ressons for this trond her."

"Reasons for this trend has been encour-aged by unstable family life, low self-esteem, jealousy, TV, movies, and music," said Rich

Garcia, a counselor in the men's program for Garcia, a counseior in the mens program for the Mid-Peninsula Support Network for Bat-tered Women. Others counsel abuse wives and girlfriends. Garcia tries to cure their men He said teenage abuse of girlfriends is increas-ing and some abusers today are as young as

Not only does the violence increase in time but so do the mind games for gaining con-

"The cycle of violence could end if one gets
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"The cycle of violence could end if one gets" help and identifies that they have a problem,"

Garcia said.

The physical abuse was only one of the ways that Mike, also a pseudonym, hurt ways that Christina.

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### **Abortion foes** to launch S.J. campaign BY ELIZABETH FUENTES intimidation to convey its mes-

Vanessa Ayala, 17, relies on Planned Parenthood for birth control and checkups. She first went to a clinic in Salinas in February when she started having sex with her boyfriend of two

She chose Planned Parenthood because she said she didn't want her parents to know she was hav-

ner parents to know sne was nav-ing a sexual relationship.

Vanessa, who first heard about the clinic over the radio, said she made an appointment for a rou-tine examination, which is required before birth control pills

can be prescribed.

The examination process, she said, was very rude but she's glad she went.

I was very nervous and want-

ed to get it over with," she said. Now teenagers like Vanessa might have more reason to be nervous and afraid about going to a Planned Parenthood office.

On July 9th, the anti-abortion group, Operation Rescue, is plan-ning to launch a campaign in San

Jose.
The group is known to use

sage. Its members stage protests and have used scare tactics to shut down clinics that perform abor-

tions. They also have confronted doctors at their homes and on

their way to work.

"If a (young woman) is going to a clinic to have an abortion, she should be nervous," said Sally Ashe, local director for Operation

Ashe, local director for Operation Rescue.

She would not reveal the group's strategy in San Jose.

"Nobody knows until the event happens," she said.

However, local Planned Parenthood offices and other clinics that offer gynecological services say young women need not worry.

You don't need to be afraid," said Diana Choles, assistant director of Planned Parenthood on The Alameda in San Jose. She says they will have assis-tance from the San Jose Police

Department.

"If they (potential patients) need to get any answers, they should not hesitate to call us."

#### Musicland anti-theft policy severely restricts teenagers

BY DEMONE CARTER

Young adults under the age of 18 might be insulted by an anti-theft policy at the Musicland store in the Pavilion shopping center downtown.

The policy severely restricts teenage browsing in the store unless they are accompanied by unless th an adult.

an adult.

On a recent weekday during the lunch hour, four high school students stopped by the store to look at tapes and CDs.

As soon as the students entered

As soon as the students entered Musicland they were approached by a sales clerk.

He asked them a series of guestions: "Hi, how are you?" "What can I do for you?" "Can I help you find anything?"

After they politely informed him his help wasn't needed, he informed them of Musicland's policy which permits only one person under the age of 18 to shop in the store at any one time.

Although one of the students was 18 when asked for identification she and her peers exited.

tion she and her peers exited.
Suspecting possible discrimination, the students, who were all racial minorities, went back that same day to test the policy. Their test proved to be inconclusive. They all walked into the store without incident and were not confronted with the procedure. Musicland district manager Fred

Attincio explained that the Pavillion store had experienced problems with teenage shoplifters and that the policy at the Pavilion store was a preventative measure. "We had a real high loss in inventory at that store," he said. "Too many kids were in the store, so we decided to cut down on the number kids in the store (at any one time)."

Many teenage music lovers

Many teenage music lovers said they were not pleased with Musicland's anti-theft tactics. "That's stupid that they do not

trust teen-agers," said Syvtril Per-ryman, 17.

ryman, 17.

Her comment was echoed by Ken May, also 17.

"I guess it's their right, but it's bad for them because most of the people who shop there are under the age of 18," said May. "You're was a supplied to the people who shop there are under the age of 18," said May. "You're was said to the people who shop the people was a shop to the people who shop the people was a shop to the people was never going to stop shoplifting and plus, not all shoplifters are under 18."

A quick check of music stores in this area indicated that the anti-theft policy is unique to Musicland.

Musicland.
Tower records employee Sean
Love said shoplifting is a problem
everywhere.
"But 1 can understand [their
measures] if they do not have
good security;" he said.
Musicland 's national headquarters in Minneapolis, Minn.
could not be reached for comment.

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#### Intense pressure for the perfect body: When dieting becomes too dangerous

By LIZ CORRALES

Teenage girls today not only feel the pressure of succeeding academically, they also feel intense pressure to have a perfect body. Often, they nearly self-destruct in their efforts to be as thin as they deem necessary to meet society's ideal.

Katherine, 17, was obsessed with her weight by the time she was nine years old. First, she went on a calorie reduc-tion diet, but when she thought she vasn't losing enough weight, she ate even

By the time she was a sophomore in

high school, she said she was taking 14 laxative tablets a day—seven at a time. The recommended dosage is not more

The recommended dosage is not more than two pills a day.

"I knew it was wrong but I didn't care," she said. "I would do anything to lose weight."

Katherine, who asked that her real name not be used, is tall and blond. She is appears thin, standing 5-foot-8 and weighing 130 pounds. But at one time, she was anorexic and bulimic, weighing just 105 pounds.

Katherine suffered from eating disorders that often strike teenagers and

ders that often strike teenagers and young women, according to Joanne

she said, explaining that it's OK for men to be big because it is looked upon as being strong, whereas for women, being heavy translates to just being fat. Ikeda added that female teenagers try too hard to emulate the thin models they

so often see in magazines.
"We need to recognize that human beings come in different body shapes,"

Most often, women and young girls with eating disorders are white. The rea-

Ikeda, a dietitian and professor at the University of California at Berkeley. "There is definitely more social pressure in females (to be thin) than males," The African-American culture, for

son, said Ikeda, is that there is more of an emphasis on thin being the ideal body type among Caucasians.

The African-American culture, for instance, is more tolerant of different weights and figure types which, in turn, gives black women less to feel insecure about, she said.

Katherine became critical of her weight when she others started commenting on her size. She remembers her mother telling her she should watch her weight.

weight. "I will never forget the time a boy told

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Cops: —

problem areas. They all looked pretty cool when we drove through them, but Poco Way and Kollmar Apts. were different.

At Poco Way there was garbage throughout the streets and Yu said that it was cleaner than it usually

that it was cleaner than it usually is. Kids were outside playing and they were waving to us, but the adults turned away or just stared us down. The Kollmar Apts. were, as I was told, just repainted so it was externally clean. The rooms are mainly rented by

low income people. As we drove through these streets it seemed weird that this is what I came to see. Am I that morbid that I would want to see the end to the pain and struggle of living on the street and not being able to do a damn thing about it. I came to see the gang

We just drove around until we got a call about a fight at 7:07 p.m. at Ocala by Meyer Elementary School. Some kids had supposed-ly jumped a kid and possibly stabbed him in the back. We drove

stabbed him in the back. We drove around looking for the kid until we got a report at 7:11 p.m. that-some kids had been stopped for questioning on the assault. We got there and my hopes for the future Raza fell. There were four Chicano

guy) even had his girlfriend's first initial tattooed on his forearm. He initial fattoocd on his forearm. He was only 14 and already had his 'ol ladies initial on his arm. They all seemed cool when talking to the "placa" (police) but seemed ashamed when Yu told them to

show me their tass.
We left and at 7:25 p.m. we
stopped and talked to some peo-ple who were in an empty lot that
they weren't supposed to be in.
The police were first questioning
a man who I guess they caught
drinking. So he was getting the

drinking. So he was getting the basic biographical questions that include name, address, age, dri-vers license, etc. Sitting on a wall nearby was a guy who was just kicking back. Yu called him over

and started asking him the same type of questions. He was a soft spoken Mexicano. It turns out that there was a warrant out for

s arrest. He stated that he had already

show me their tats.

bancers and the violence

# Homeless

downtown for IBM and a \$3 mil-lion subsidy for the arena and other projects. The homeless feel that not enough money is being spent on them. The protesters said that if the city can spend money on IBM then it can spend

money on housing.

The protesters all wore white bands on their arms to symbolize peace. The homeless situation on the streets getting worse every would be about 4,000 homeless

in and out of the streets on an average day.

"Up to four families are sleep-ing under one roof," said Roy Stephens, a volunteer with the Homeless Alliance, an advocacy

that you see on the streets are no what society portrays them to be, he said. The homeless people many ordinary citizens see push-ing shopping carts are people who "push it for a day's survival,"

Stephens said. "We're numbers that they play around with," said Antoine Si around with," said Antoine Sim-mons. He also protested at City Hall. Simmons said he lost his business and has no job. He also hopes that he could get help find-ing a job, instead of being put in jail,

The protesters argued for the same thing, which is fair housing and a higher minimum wage, which is now \$4.75 an hour.
"We're being harrassed for being harmless," said Simmons.

enough for them to live on and

raise a family.

Homeless people are seen throughout the city and many say they are looked upon as being dirty and burns. Though there are stories behind their lives that are stories behind their lives that pobody knows, few ask to live out in the street. There are shelters that they can go to for food, shel-ter, clothing, and showers, but the welcome doesn't last forever.

When they first become nometess they don't know what to do, Stephens said. The new kid on the block has someone who has been in the streets for a while show them the tricks to being out there. They buy wine, food, and cigarettes by collecting cans. Some of the homeless receive general assistance, a combined state and county benefit for sin-gle, indigent individuals. Some are also eligible for federal Social Security benefits.

Simmons said homeless peo

Simmons said homeless peo-ple need a powerful organization to provide jobs and housing. "There is no future for youths,"said Simmons. "If the government does not do anything right now to help the situa

# As I SELIANA. Manuscharivors: As I open the door to the Sam Clyde Johnson, in a blue tank top and black jeans that hungloosely around his waitst, wandered around the San Joec City waited to demand better housing for the homeless like himself. "We want fair housing, place to stay, minimum income, and the government to begin by homeless people surrounded City Hall with picket signs. The homeless gathered to good on, one type of plote produced to good on the foot of the san of the power of the san of the specific or one female copy who seems pretty chirpy and stalking people surrounded City Hall with picket signs. The homeless pathered together june 24 in front of cityment subsidy for a new building downtown for IBM and 35 million subsidy for the arena and other projects. Thehave touched the kids all of a sudbranch to the surrounded city was added to the san of the surrounded control cityment subsidy for the arena and other projects. Thehave touched the kids all of a sudserver our way. Our first and were on our way. Our first on us generally, howe who think on us generally, howe who A ride with the cops opens eyes

**SAN JOSE LIFE** 



# Coffee Culture

#### Hot places for a cup of java around downtown San Jose

riday night at 10:30, a young man with pinkspiked hair and a well-worn leather jacket enters a small, crowded coffee shop on busy First Street and orders an iced cappuccino. Ten minutes later a gray-haired man and his companion walk into the same coffee shop and order double espressos.

What, pray tell, is happening here? Just when you thought it was safe to pack up those polyester bell-bottoms, cuffed jeans, and mood rings, yet another vintage
trend has returned. But it's not focused on fashion or
even music. Coffee houses as social scenes have
emerged from the days of Greenwich village, poetry
readings and long conversations. In downtown San Jose,
this phenomenon is evident in at least three places withfin walking distance of San Jose State University, the
major hotels, and the convention center.

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fee is better than most places. Stewart says she recommends it

# Working out, Mexicana style



Feeling of alienation and self consciousness keep many women away from the health clubs

about five years. I began coming with my modeling instructor," said Soto. "Up until now, I've never stopped from comabout five years. I began coming with my modeling instructor, said slots. Or buttli now, I've never stopped from coming. I only come in three times a week, but when I don't, I exercise in my house or go out to run.

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BY ASSIEGA CLEATENDA

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women are missing from the health clubs. On the other hand, in Mexica is the winds that we will be comediated by the state of the state

#### Las mujeres mexicanas estan ausentes de los clubes de salud en los Estados Unidos

Marisela Soto es una modelo bonita e Marseta soto e una modero donta e inteligente que estaba bañada en sudor. Mientras hacia "aerobics," alegre-mente al ritimo de la música en un gim-nasio de Redwood City; alrededor de 150 mujeres también hacian ejercicio.

but the police deptartment stooby their statement that there was a warrant. So we ended up hav-ing to take him in on a no-bail warrant for petty theft with pri-

As we took him to the county iail he was calm and confidant that there was a mistake on their that there was a mistake on their part. They took him into the room and searched him. He was then taken to a counter and asked some questions. Everybody in the cells seem to be drunk or sufferring from psychological prob

It's 8:22 p.m. and there is a problem with the warrant. They can't find it. At 8:36 p.m. Yu goes to the station to pick up the war-rant and our guy is handcuffed to the chair and waits patiently. At 8:51 p.m. Yu comes back with the warrant but it turns out that his probation officer wants to see

different outlook of the streets, police officers, and life in general. The have seen a little bit of what some cops can act like and what type of people they have to deal with. Coming from Salimas, which is opened my eyes to deal with. Coming from Salimas, which is opened my eyes and widered my perspective of the police. I am dropped off at exactly 9 to pm. As I am dropped off, by gets another call from the same house that we first were to for the burdge grant of the control with the control w

not being able to go back to the house that 1 initially had gone with Yu to. If I were a cop I would

mexicanas," dip Soto. "No me voy a sentir mal por que nomas estoy yo de mexicana y pues es si ai fuera... no hay por que sentire mal." "En los Estados Unidos las mexicanas y pues de majer mexicana su pues estrits emal." "En los Estados Unidos las mexicanas "En los Estados Unidos las mexicanas as estados "Muchas veces no hay suficiente mexicanas avayana los gimanaisos a pesar mentre de la forma que la giverne "En los Estados Unidos las mexicanas". "Muchas veces no hay suficiente mexicanas avayana los gimanaisos a pesar mentre de la forma de

"Me siento orgullosa por que estov hacen sentir mal. Acciendo lo que a mi me gusta, y no me

Por su parte Lisa Alvares, quien tamestoy deteniendo por que no hay más
bién se encontraba haciendo ejercicio en
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estan ausentes de los clubes de salud. En México en cambio, los gimnasios estan llenos de mujeres." Expreso Soto, una joven morena de 19 anos de edad. "Yo creo que la gente mexicana no va a

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#### Condom use is overinflated: Safe sex is just hot air

Anous not just teens who are lying.

Chris started having sex a year ago, She had ad a steady boyfriend for about a year and had a steady boyfriend for about a year and author of; "How to Make Loweto and felt ready for a sexual relationship."

Aman (Safely)." She discovered this fact

and some new prints. I feel bad she doesn't want to explain her actions. A quick phone survey of 10 teenage girls of heims able to go back to the She savs she knows that she's taking a between the ages of 16 and 19 years old not being able to go back to the house that I initially had gone with Yu to If I were a cop I would not be able to separate my job from may personal life. It's rough. As the woman of the bugglarized house said, "It's not a very safe job nowadays," is not a very safe job nowadays," is not a very safe job nowadays," inside the property of the propert



don't have to worry about it," said Sally, a their negligence to parents.
"I have a lot of family problems and I

ject.

Many teen girls, he said, still consider
AIDS to be a disease that affects mostly
homosexual men and drug addicts. In
addition, they find that talking about condoms is embarrassing.
"A lot of them don't feel they can insist

A lot of them don't red they can insist that their partner use one," he said. Yet those same teens will tell their friends and doctors that they always prac-tice safe sex so that they can protect that

image of being politically correct, Tighe added.

It is also easier to lie than to explain

werrero-Daley's new job with the city of San Jose means the will be review-ing police bratally cases brought memory.

"This is a big opportunity for me to get in the public's eye, the said, adding that the new position roomanity."

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criminal attorney practicing in of 25.

Redwood City. She is vice-presiWhen asked how she carried dent of La Raza Lawyers Associa-tion and a member of the His-panic National Bar Association.

While asked now said: "I always such a full load she said: "I always found a way to get through."

Although she said she had to



in. ning to make efforts to review the

As a professor and head of files of Latinos instead of neglectwoman's studies program, she is ing them or shoving them aside much involved in a mentorial program for young women. She sees the importance of sharing feer expertise with others so that more opportunities can open up to the composition of the com

more opportunities can open up for them.

As an undergraduate at the University of Texas, Garcia said she was discouraged from going for a masters degree by her professors. Even a Latino professor, Even a Latino professor, whom she choight would be on the control of the contr

during a time wren few women of color were on the career path, she

ALMA GARCIA

LUPE DIAS

Counselor with the National Association for Chicano Studies, at the University of California, Berkeley.

She lends a hand to Latina Community Leaders, an organization which matches professionated to the control of th

The awareness young Latinas
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Berkeley.
She feels strongly about teens have about their culture, Dias said, depends on their expourts to it. As teenagers, they have many distractions that cause a compared to the c

A san advisor for the association. Dias, rimary dury ties to be available to students and other young people who seek her expertise and guidance.

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YSABEL DURON

News anchor and broadcast reporter at KRON-TV. Channel 4

E should be preceded by the question: "Will what I am doing make me proud of me? Will I look at myself down the

Latinas need to see themselves

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as their No. 1 priority, said Duron. They must see themselves as more able and talerated beyond as more able and talerated beyond the seed of the cut-sum of the cut-sum of the cut-sum of the cut-sum of some man," whose sole pur-pose of being is to serve everyone else, the said.

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Duron has always been inde-pendent and has always known exactly what she wanted for her-self. She found hereid pregnant. It is this exposure to what she scalls. "the burde of the sexee" that she scalls "the burde of the sexee" that she shought was the responsible deci-sion of putting her son up for adoption. She didn't think she could be a good mother and fin-ish her studies at the same time. "was" the same time way."



At age five, Martha Corrales and her parents stayed in a bedroom at the Disneyland Hotel. There was one the Disneyland Hotel. There was one king-size bed and a small twin-size bed for the three of them. Martha walked in the room first, Jumping on to the king size bed, she announced, "This is my bed. You

Mom and Dad obeyed. The little both and Day obeyed. The little bed was cramped for two people, but that's where they slept. Martha already knew exactly what she want-ed and how to get it. She still does. Martha is now 23. The strong-

# **Doing time**

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Teenage volunteers work for free in exchange for experience and a smile

Martha goes to Washington

BY LIZ CORALIS

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Mildred Amayum brings a smite to many deferly faces every saturday aftersoon at the Carden Villa, a constitution of the Carden Villa, a constitution of the Villa, and the Carden Villa, a constitution of the Village of the Village

#### A Mexican Dream

The dollars don't come easy once you cross the border

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Despite the fact that for hundreds of years

Mexicans have been coming to the

United States with dreams of a better

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they returned to their country, they did not not indicate for the undocumented. But, once papers find any dollars.

According to the Mexicans who have come to this land and have experienced the disillusion of waking up from their "dream," one of the problems is the lack of information on the types of life they can expect in the United States.

"Many times they young Mexicans do not realize their dreams persues of the lack of funds, they come from poor families and they have a lot of needs especially lack of will and educational orrentation, says | limeer. They do not attend school:

#### No llueven dolares en los Estados Unidos

A pesar de que por muchos años cientos de mecicanos han llegado a los Estados Unidos con sestos de alacarar una vida mejor, may pocas de ellos logran lo que quieren. Muchos de ellos vienen cos ideas que quieren Muchos de ellos vienen cos ideas que desenventes de que estan mos lejos de la realidad.

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# Higher education: Tougher, longer, pricier

Four Latinas share how they

found a life of their own

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BY COURTNEY TOWIE

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minded five-year-old is now a strong-minded aide to Secretary of State Warren Christopher, in Wash-

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#### Filipino youth groups teach heritage

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BY BRIAN PARTIDO

Moss & Ball Writer

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Media hype of gangs vs. reality of streets



The movie also chronides how young men and coveryone from my hometown of Salinas to suburban kids in Maine.

From the farthest depths of Hollywood comes movies addressing the issue of gang violence and the reality of the phetos and barries of America.

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directors of "Menace," have tapped into the minds of kids who have no direction and live life day to

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Migrant farm worker teens look ahead with hope

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liquor store, for telling him "I feel sorry for your mother."

This pretty much sets the tone for the rest of the film. From Caine getting shot and his cousin getting killed in a carjacking, to Caine and ODO gog getting psyback on the guys who jacked him, to the brutal climas where Caine is gunned down in front of Ronniek son, the focus is on realism, and shows just how dangerous life on the realism, and shows just how dangerous life on the streets can be. Movies like this attract youngsters like me who want to witness a kind of second-hand reality without having to duck drive-by shootings. We go to see the movie for the violence, but we come out with a message; a message that this is nothing to be proud of and being a gangster gets you

thrown in jail or killed. Tyrin Turner, left; Larentz Tate and MC Elht threat to rival gangs. Not just to the gangsters appear in movie Menace Il Society.

Unless a solution is found, there is no hope for the Unless a solution is found, there is no hope for the

Red, blue, black and orange writing clashes on something like "Boyz" or "Colors", but I left with the control of the co

> In another scene, Caine's grandfather asks him, "Do you care if you live or die?" Caine looks

> you're living in the 'hood there is no happy end-ing. In American Me, the character Santana did

Two residents of San Andreas camp (left to right) Daniel Rocha, Lalo Franco

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Daniel Rocha spends up to 11 hours a day in the sun picking strawberries. Ftt, in completion is pide as if he work indoors, better the summer of the summer

He was born in La Piedad, Michoacan near Mexico City and came to California with his par-ents in 1976. He has three broth-

Daniel dropped out of Aptos High School after the ninth grade

ers and three sisters.

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homeboys from san Andreas, ne said, adding that they often play soccer and football in the nearby fields.

When the weather is extremely here because its

# Chicano activists speak with many voices: El Movimiento diversifies There are some differences, though, he have agreed as of the new groups are all over the map of social activism, from San Jose, often poses this question to San Jose, often poses this question to San Jose, often poses this question to San Jose, often poses the question to San Jose, often poses this question to San Jose, often poses the group is currently organized and make it available to all tage on bousing for the homdess. The group is a to set they can put their latent intong term goal is to get a valid to group to standard their post of the strength of the state of the San Jose of the Chance and Latino youth. Another member, Lupe Coster, said, "Is also a matter of his memory." Sometimes it takes special people to San Jose Sate University state that the dark of Case and the strength of the San Jose Sate University state they feel to the Policy of San Jose Sate University state that the San Jose Sate University state that the San Jose Sate University state that the San Jose Sate University state of the Individual Sate of San Jose Sate University state that the San Jose Sate University state of the San Jose Sate University state of the Individual Sate of San Jose Sate University state of the Individual Sate of San Jose Sate University state of the Individual Sate of San Jose Sate University state of San Jose Sate Univers

Farm Workers and the late Cesar Chavez, they have taken up the cause of social justice and equality.

the to cause trouble.

The San Jose Peace Center, where they in Mexico, where the giant company had improving and look for a way to make a moved flood processing plasts. This Feb.

#### Farm workers in Watsonville camp toil in quiet isolation

BY XOCHITL ARTEAGA

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Born in Jalisco, Mexico, Franco has

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At the very end of the road, there was a small parking lot, leading to the houses where about 100 peopsie, leading to the houses the like many others, would like a better job, and lide about 20. Of the houses in the camp look alike. Painted white and dirty, and with one windows and doors was doors with our many of the windows and doors was doors.

panic motorists, two lawyers say.
Assistant Public Defenders Assistant Public Defenders Thomas Martin and Yvonne Ayers say in a motion to dismiss drug charges against six people that four officers placed the tape under the noses of Hispanics pulled over on routine traffic stops. The tape was designed to lift fin-gerprints but is being used to preserve traces of cocaine the officers observed under the noses of those in cars they stopped.

I he defenders say 60 of the 63 are Hispanic.

Officer Mark Timpf testified Tuesday in a Pima County Superior Court hearing that he is one of only four officers in the department who

through their window.

#### Xicano identity, linking new pride with old struggle

Chicano youths have lost their identity. American, Hispanic, Latino, Mexican-American, Mexican or Chi-cano! Which do we choose! Many have chosen to assimilate into the white American culture and leave their own tion, or as the holocaust of indigenous Americans!

know what we actually take pride in. True, many of us know what we actually take price in. Irue, many of us have ancestors who have been in America just as long as the next European-American. Should we celebrate the 4th of July or Columbus Day like everyone else? Or should we barbecue this Sunday and see Columbus Day as a celebra-

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#### Tucson cops stop Hispanics selectively, two lawyers say

TUCSON, Ariz. (AP) — Using tape to collect possible cocaine residue, police on the city's south-side have selectively stopped His-

observed under the noses of those in cars they stopped.

After polling local defense attor-neys, the public defenders compiled a list of 63 people who had been charged with possession or use of cocaine after undergoing such a search by one of the officers.

The defenders say 60 of the 63 are

use the technique he invented.
"The majority of vehicles I stop, I

Liz Corrales

pleased with her 3.5 grade point everage and vows to improve it. This is a testament to her greated saset: determination. Lit hope to attend the University of Cali-fornia at Berkeley, where she car cultivate her writing skills. Wher she is not deeply immersed in her studies, she is either reading the tening to music. What does she want to be doing 20 years? " want to a lournalist/moveller.

Marc Cabrera Well, what can you say about one Marc Cabrera? He's from Salinas. He sees his best attribut as being trustworthy but he believes he cusses too much Marc, 16, admires the rap artis

Ice Cube the most because of his ability to kick knowledge of reali-

critical behavior. He would most like to meet Norman from MTV's "Real World." He see himself 10 years from now doin whatever he wants and getting away with it. He see "Amerikka" being a lot wors than it is now due to the incompetence of those who must Mar metense of those who must Mar it.

petence of those who run it. Mar was born and raised in Salinas.

**Courtney Towle** Still ready for a laugh at a.m., Courtney Towle never let-lack of sleep get her down Known for her characteristic

#### Homosexuality special challenge to teens

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peers are quick to criticize.

According to The Report of the Secretary's Task Force on Youth Suicides, "30
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Homosecuality was greatly resented in the Midwestern community of Flint, and adolescents also make up one fourth of all the homeless youthon the street. Clay performs a side are three times as likely to abuse drugs and alcohol. These best clay performs a side of the street of th

ack at her years in high school, a serious mile crosses her face.

"I was so one dimensional," she said, still on that rough path to finding accep-

Few options for teens on streets

#### Teens who leave nest early

BY XOCHITL ARTEAGA

There are a large number of teens who leave home to begin their adult life early, with the consent of their parents. They are not run-

There are various reasons for leaving home, but most teens say it is because they are discontent with their family life. Often, teens simply do not want parental input in their lives.

Todd Wessinger, a 17 year old from Winston-Salem, N.C., lives in a clean, well-kept paptria.

Salem, N.C., lives in a clean, well-kept apart-ment in downtown San Jose. He left home, he said, because, "it was boring and my mom sucked."

best friend Outtama Tulachanh left North Carolina in May with lit-

Carolina in May with list them oncy, taking their time traveling westward in a pickup truck and arrived not knowing what to expect.

"It was sketchy, we didn't know where we were going to live," said Tulachanh, who is 18 and of Laotian Gescent.

The two moved into an apartment with three young men, one of whot with the propagation of the propagat

with three young men, one of whom Wessinger, it's petty theft, but for other he is at lil we together in a down the five still live together in a down the five still live together in a down the particular of the five still live together in a down the five still live together in a down the five still live together the still live the still live together the still live together the still live the still live together the still live the still

own for some time. "I doubled up on classes so I could get the credits to graduate early," he add. "Ny dad was a big help in my move [to California]." Wessinger, however, left home before finishing his high school education. He speaks of his difficulties.

Without a job, Wessinger finds life, now," she said.

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ed States for almost 2 years. She is fluent in both Spanish and Eng-lish. Her parents, Irene and Rodolfo, are still living in Mexico while she furthers her education in the United States with the help

and guidance of her six sisters and five brothers. Angelica plans to attend San Jose State Universi-ty or U.C. Berkeley after high school. When asked to describe

worker and I like to meet people April Jones

live in peace and harmony," she said. But first, she wants to go to college and have a career. She will attend West Valley Junior College in Saratoga this fall and plans to major in liberal arts. She

plans to get a bachelor's degree from either New York University as a magazine writer. April woul-like to be married by the tim she's 25. But if she's not marr

**Brian Partido** 

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#### **Elizabeth Fuentes** Elizabeth Puentes is a 16-year-

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#### Graffiti: -

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Graffiti has evolved to more than just being gang related. San Jose code enforcement officer Margaret Wagenet says "Most all tags are not gang related."
Many youths in San Jose and other cities have formed "tagging crews," and "party crews." These are not to be mistaken as gangs. These crews get together and their main objective is to, by any means, write on property and advertise their crew's name.
Jason Reves, age 15, is part of a

advertise their crew's name.

Jason Reyes, age 15, is part of a tagging crew, JBS or Just Bustin'. Funky. He said, "It's hard for graffiti artists to speak up because they don't want to get busted. We do it to get fame and to see who can hit up the most."

There are two sides to every story, just as there are two meanings for graffiti. Maria Ortiz, volunteer at- the Barrio Art Gallery, said that some people consider graffiti as "vandalism and a degrading destruction of property, while others consider it a form of self expression and art."

The latter definition is plain to the eye at the Barrio Art Gallery on Kammerer Avenue off King

the eye at the Barrio Art Gallery on Kammerer Avenue off King Road. Not one wall is left untouched of graffiti art. The captions of some of the artist's work include "Graffiti Lives!" and "I'm not a criminal, just a graffiti original" and "Kids cant' express art without being punished, that's why we go to the Art gallery."

The gallery, founded in 1989, is surrounded by a field with broken glass. But inside is museum containing a whole new world of art. Ortiz witnesses everyday the struggles youths go through.

struggles youths go through. She says the city is "incarcerating kids for simply expressing them-

She also says it is important to give kids their space and materials because "if they are not given that room, they end up venting their anger through violent expressions."

expressions."
"The problem is that there are no jobs for youth," Ortiz says, "recreational services are dead, kids are uptight, they have no where to vent out their anger, police are coming down on youth, and they have no place to go. The Barrio Art Gallery is a sanctuary that opens doors to

The doors are never shut to

anybody and she feels "One people must unite and deal with problems together."

The art in the gallery is unlike any other. "We paint what we see and what we feel," says another relutates." volunteer, Airrehua, a Native American.

The messages in the art take an awareness to drugs, gangs, respect for animals, culture, history, and great leaders. These youth are able to express their feelings toward economic and social problems and to communicate their emotions about bein misunderstood and their need to

be themselves.

For many youths, the Barrio
Art Gallery is the only place
where they can truly develop
their talent and not be arrested.

"The city should think of getting a place for kids NOW," Ortiz
said. "This is a critical time, and
if the city doesn't respond, kids
will be recruited by gangs and
taggers."

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Neighbors on the other hand find the Gallery and the youths a threat to themselves and the neighborhood.

One neighbor who has had their house tagged commented, "I feel sorry for what's happening to the youth nowadays."

One worker at a local barber shop, Robert Rodriguez, said, "These kids need a good year in

One worker at a local barber shop, Robert Rodriguez, said, "These kids need a good year in jail. Not a day goes by where this shop isn't tagged."

One young tagger on the contrary said, "We need to fight for Chicanos not against them. We need the Barrio Art Gallery."

Lupe Cortez says cleaning graffiti won't stop gangs or tagging. "People can't express themselves with words so they express themselves through art. More people need to be educated with their Chicano history so it can open their eyes. They need walls where they can put their time and energy into making murals. No one will tag the murals."

While Cortez and workers at the Barrio Art Gallery feel painting over graffiti is not the solution, Wagenet stands by her belief that "painting over it works and we must remove it as fast as we can."

A new trend in tagging seems

can."
A new trend in tagging seems to support the idea that taggers don't merely want to break the

Some are beginning to put their tags on label stickers and sticking them up everywhere, so they get their name across. The stickers can be removed.

#### Eating disorder: -

me that my legs were too big," she

recalls.

After that comment, Katherine locked herself in her room and refused to go to school for a week, claiming that she was sick.

It was the start of her anorexic

behavior.

Health specialists say symptoms of female anorexics include: refusal to maintain body weight (they are at least 15 percent below normal weight), an intense fear of gaining weight, distorted body image, and cessation of a regular menstrual cycle for at least three roots. months.

Female bulimics resort to self-Female bulimics resort to self-induced vomiting, tend to be anti-social and have frequent episodes of binge eating. The average age of women with eating disorders is 18.

At the height of her anorexia, Katherine would stick her finger down her throat to vomit. She exercised excessively, sometimes twice a day.

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Before she entered therapy, she had not eaten a candy bar for four

and a half years.

Eventually, therapy did cure
Katherine's eating disorder.

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The most difficult recovery process for female teens is coming to terms with their true feelings and learning to deal with them, said Dr. Jane Rachel Kaplan, an Albany therapist and expert on eating disorders.

She is the author of "A Woman's Conflict," which analyzes the relationship between women and food.

Usually at the core of eating disorders is a self-esteem issue, Kaplan explains.

Although psychotherapy usually is the solution, teenage girls with eating disorders are often resistant to treatment. Many miss sessions and are not committed to getting well.

However, those who do complete therapy usually recover.

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"If you are going into treatment and work hard, you will get better," Kaplan said.
For more information about eating disorders contact:
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#### Abuse:-

As time progressed, Mike would tell Christina insulting would tell Christina insulting things. For example, that she was ugly, fat and incapable of ever being in another relationship. He would tell her she wasn't loved by her mother and abandoned by her absent father.

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In fact, Christina's girlfriends consider her pretty. She is petite and skinny, weighing about 120 lbs. She has a clear complexion

and is popular.

She said that constantly hearing bad comments from Mike made her feel like he was right.

made her feel like he was right. She would look at herself in the mirror and say, "If I'm so pretty why can't I find somebody else?" When Mike transferred to another school, he started seeing other girls, but Christina did not know about them. Mike continued abusing Christina but then would kiss up to her because, she said, he was afraid she would he was afraid she would leave him.

leave him.

New arguments between started as Christina questioned Mike about people he met at his new school. These arguments often led to black eyes or bruises. All he said he wanted was trust.

Mike's first abusive move on Christina was a pinch on her

Christina was a pinch on her arm. She said the abuse eventually escalated to the worst beating, about last April. Mike had just had an operation on his ears and Christina accidentally brushed by Christina accidentally brushed by and bumped him. He started kicking her full force in her back, grabbed her by the arms and started punching her head. Then he would step back and laugh, she said. His explanations for all the beatings were that he was frustrated with their relationship and his life.

Garcia explains this type of behavior as impulsive and a trig-

ger in the brain that causes these guys to go into a frenzy. The possessiveness and jealousy are results of low self-esteem. Guys who physically and mentally abuse their griffriends are not comfortable with themselves, herefore they play the mind games to hurt others in order to make themselves feel good.

Larry, also not his name, recalled how he mentally abused his griffriend. He's 18 and just graduated from James Lick.

Larry and Cindy's relationship progressed normally until Larry saw Cindy at a party with her ger in the brain that causes these

saw Cindy at a party with her friends. Seeing her there angered him. When Cindy later went out with a guy she met there, Larry realized he no longer had trust in Cindy.

From then on he wanted to make her feel as bad as he did when she went out with some-body else. He said he was deter-

body else. He said he was determined to get revenge.

Larry would test her by telling her to get away from him to see if she cared enough to come back. He told her not to talk or even associate with her friends because he didn't want to have to worry about her whereabouts.

He became possessive, but not physically abusive. Larry said her grades started dropping and her relationship with her parents worsened.

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In the end, though, Larry let

In the end, though, Larry iet her go. Garcia said such letting go is rare. Most of the worst abuse occurs after any semblance of meaningfulness has dried up. Larry said he was surprised by his own willingness to let Cindy go

He said he hopes she never holds it against him because he didn't know what he was doing at

the time.

#### A jolting view from the Oakland As press box

BY DEMONE CARTER

I can see it now, walking back into the newsroom with a confi-dent strut. "Yeah, I talked to Rickey," "Shot the breeze with LaRussa," "Joked around with Rod Carew".

So the girls will remain indif-ferent, but the guys, they will crowd around like I am a mythi-

crowd around like I am a mythical storyteller, eyes glossy, mouths open. They'll say things like "No!" and "Really!" And I will have to reply "yes, yes".
You see, I happened upon a once in a lifetime chance to sit in the press box at an Oakland Athletics game.
I was playing apprentice to As beat reporter Pedro Gomez. I envisioned 20 stoic reporters sitting in the press box intensely examining every aspect of the game.

I was emphatically wrong. They are a group of profane cyn-

ics who sit and verbally abuse

players and each other.

They are truly characters.
The closest thing I could compare them to is the 'Cheers' set at a ball game.

When I entered the Coliseum, to the stars . . . Hendu , Eck, Rickey. As odd as this sounds, when Pedro introduced me to Rickey Henderson, suddenly my

amazement was gone.
Pedro told Rickey I wanted to
be a sports journalist, and Rickbe a sports journalist, and Rick-ey said "That's a tough job kid". At that moment I realized that despite the fanfare and publicity, he was just a guy like my father or brother or anyone. The game itself was rather dull. Oakland won 5 to 4, but overall that was of little conse-

quence.

Earlier I said that this was a once in a lifetime experience. That was an incorrect assump tion, because I will be back.

#### S.J. Police Dept. face budget woes

BY MARC CABRERA

A top San Jose police officer told reporters June 22 that the new budget cuts will have a neg-ative effect on his patrol depart-ment. He says cuts will also lead to the laying off of many police officers

San Jose Deputy Chief Bill Lansdowne said there will be a six percent cut in money due to the new budget. That will mean the loss of some \$4 million for his patrol division. This loss will force them to eliminate some police cars, motorcycles, and 77

police officers.
The 27-year veteran addressed student reporters at San Jose State University, and took questions on a variety of took questions on a variety of subjects ranging from the budget to drugs and police brutality. Lansdowne said he thought gangs are the biggest problem in San Jose right now. "We need to put time into our schools and our children, and we need to invest in our students and in programs to keep them in school. If we do all of this, 10 years from now you will see a significant change," Landsdowne said.

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During 1992, he said, there were 160 reported complaints made against the San Jose Police Department, and that 40 to 45 of them were accurate of them were accusation of excessive force. But he also compared that to the 80,000 calls made to them for crimes and help, and said he understood that all com-

said he understood that all com-plaints were a big deal, but that the number of them was relative-ly small for the city.

Toward the end of the press conference he said that he felt drug use should be dealt with as a health problem, rather than as a criminal one, and said he sup-ports efforts to decriminalize drug use, but not drug dealing.

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